

Reasonable Faith: Additional Validation For the Bible's Divine Origin

I. The Bible's Uniqueness

- A. Authorship: 40 men of varied backgrounds; inspired
- B. Subject matter: 66 books; a variety of genres; 1500 yrs.
- C. Indestructability: Syrian, Roman rulers; skeptics
- D. Impact: 704 languages; 5 billion printings; widespread influence on education, art, music, literature, history, government, law, science

II. Its Scientific Foreknowledge. (eternal-productions.org/101science.html)

- A. Biogenesis: Life from life. Origin of life? Genesis 1 "after their kind"
- B. Life is in the blood: Lev.17:11 (Pres. Washington "bled" to death)
- C. Roundness of earth & vastness of Universe: Isaiah 4:22
- D. Earth hangs in space and empty void: Job 26:7 (Bootes Void, 1981)
- E. Innumerable stars: Jer.33:22 (6,000? No! Telescopes: 200 sextillion)
- F. Oceans spring fed: Gen.8:2; Job 38:16. 1977 depth of 1.5 miles
- G. Atmospheric circulation: Eccl.1:6. 1883 earliest recorded observed

III. Fulfilled Prophecies: Using the science of probability, the chance that any man could fulfill 8 prophecies is 1 in 100 quadrillion. Peter Stoner, [Science Speaks](#). We share 8+ over which Jesus had no control.

- A. The family into which He would be born. Abraham and David Gen.12:3/Matt.1:1, 17
- B. His miraculous conception in the womb of a virgin. Gen.3:15; Isa.7:14/Matt.1:18-25; Lk.1:26-31
- C. His birthplace. Bethlehem. Micah 5:2/Matt.2:3-6; John 7:42
- D. Called Emmanuel (God with us). Isa.7:14.Matt.1:22,23; Jn.1:1-3, 14
- E. Triumphal entry on untrained colt. Zech.9:9; Isa.62:11/Matt.21:1-11; Lk.19:28-44; Jn.12:13
- F. Betrayed by friend for 30 pieces of silver (potter's field) Psa.41:9/ Matt.26:49-50; Jm.13:26; Acts1:16. Zech.11:12-13/Matt.26:14-16; 27:3-9
- G. Details of death: Flogged, spit, beard Isa.50:6/Gospels; Thieves Isa.53:9,12/ Matt.27:38; Bones Num.9:12; Psa.34:20/Jn.19:33. Lots for garments Psa.22:18/Jn.19:34. Pierced side: Zech.12:10 Psa.22:16; Jn.19:38 Buried w/rich: Isa.53:9; Matt.27:57; Jn.19:38
- H. Details of resurrection: Psa.16:10; Mark 16:6. Broken seal; large stone removed; guards paid off; evidence from hostile sources; 500-plus witnesses over 40 days; Apostles changed lives.