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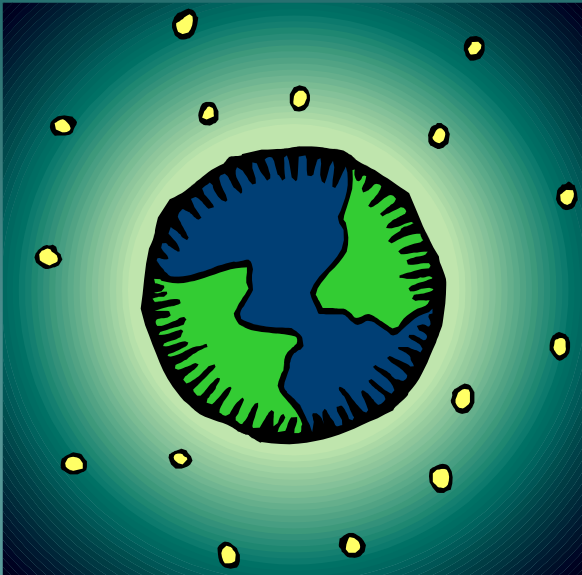


Unity

**40 Writers
over
1600 years
yet one common
theme – Salvation in
Christ**

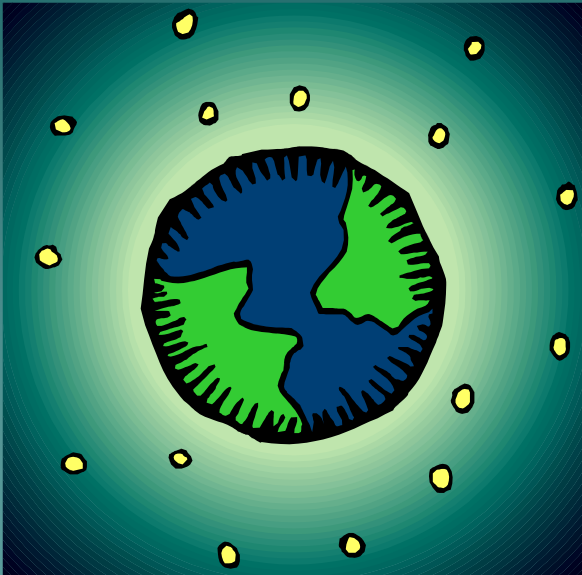
We Can Trust The Bible Because of its Scientific Foreknowledge: Earth is round

Isaiah 40:22



It is He who sits above
the circle of the earth,
And its inhabitants are
like grasshoppers,
Who stretches out the
heavens like a curtain,
And spreads them out
like a tent to dwell in.

We Can Trust The Bible Because of its Scientific Foreknowledge: Earth not supported



Job 26:7

**He stretches out
the north over empty
space;
He hangs the earth
on nothing.**

**We Can Trust The Bible Because of its
Scientific Foreknowledge: All flesh is not the same**

1 Cor. 15:39



All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of animals, another of fish, and another of birds.

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Historical accuracy : Names, dates and places can be verified

Luke 10:30

Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

- **Jerusalem 2500 ft above sea Level**
- **Jericho 825 feet below sea level**

We Can Trust The Bible Because of its

Fulfilled Prophecy

- ◆ 700 years before His birth, the prophet Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would have:
 - No worldly attraction (53:2)

Isaiah 53:2

For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant,

And as a root out of dry ground.

He has no form or comeliness;

And when we see Him,
There is no beauty that we should desire Him.

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Fulfilled Prophecy

- ◆ 700 years before His birth, the prophet Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would be:
 - Despised and rejected by man (53:3)

Isaiah 53:3

He is despised and rejected by men,

A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him;

He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

We Can Trust The Bible Because of its Fulfilled Prophecy

- ◆ 700 years before His birth, the prophet Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would not:
 - Defend Himself (53:7)

Isaiah 53:7

He was oppressed and
He was afflicted,
Yet He opened not His
mouth;
He was led as a lamb
to the slaughter,
And as a sheep before
its shearers is silent,
So He opened not His
mouth.

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Fulfilled Prophecy

- ◆ 700 years before His birth, the prophet Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would make:
 - His grave with wicked and rich (53:9)

Isaiah 53:9
And they made His
grave with the wicked--
But with the rich at His
death,
Because He had done
no violence,
Nor was any deceit in
His mouth.

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Supplies our need as to who we are to worship
 - Without the Bible we would be like the Athenians, who during the time of Paul didn't know what or who to worship, so they worshiped almost everything (Acts 17:16-32)
- ◆ Bible: Worship God (Jno. 4:24)

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Provides answers to the great questions of life
 - Without the Bible we would not know, “Where did I come from? What separates me from the animals? What is my purpose here? Where am I going?”
- ◆ Bible: “In the beginning, God... (Gen. 1:1)

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Provides a higher standard of morality than man can provide
 - Without the Bible man would have no moral guidelines except that which society makes.
- ◆ Bible: We are to be holy like God (1 Pet. 1:15)

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Answers the question of justice
 - Without the Bible we would stagger in wonderment of how man can do such evil seemingly with impunity.
- ◆ Bible: “All shall appear before the judgment seat of Christ...”
(2 Cor. 5:10)

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Supplies our need
 - In times of trouble
 - And in the despair of death
- ◆ Bible: “I will never leave you nor forsake you” (Heb. 13:5)

Bible is Relevant

- ◆ Supplies power
 - To change us - Power to change the vilest person
 - To produce growth and maturity
- ◆ Bible: Gospel is the power (Rom. 1:16)