

2 "What evidence do you have that the Bible is actually true?"

If I had to answer this question with just a few evidences, I would probably mention fulfilled prophecies, archaeological discoveries, and the Bible's amazing unity.

The Bible, unlike any other religious book, has demonstrated itself to be the Word of God through its ability to rightly predict the future. There are literally hundreds of very specific prophecies in the Bible that were fulfilled hundreds of years after they were spoken. No other religious book can verify itself in this way.

The Bible has also been proven to be historically reliable by numerous archaeological discoveries. To date, more than 25,000 archaeological discoveries have verified the names of persons, places, events, and customs mentioned in the Bible.

Finally, the Bible's unity is amazing. Here is a book that is actually a collection of 66 different books written down by more than 40 different authors over a period of more than 1500 years on three different continents and in three different languages. It addresses life's most controversial topics from beginning to end. You might expect to find chaos, confusion, and contradictions, yet the Bible miraculously remains absolutely consistent and internally harmonious from beginning to end.

These three evidences (fulfilled prophecy, archaeological discoveries, and the Bible's amazing unity) build a compelling case for the divine origin and historical reliability of the Bible.

Great Quote:

"Archaeological work has unquestionably strengthened confidence in the reliability of the Scriptural record. More than one archaeologist has found his respect for the Bible increased by the experience of excavation in Palestine." Millar Burrows (1889-1980), author and professor. *What Mean These Stones?* (American Schools of Oriental Research, 1941), p. 1.