

The Inerrancy of the Bible

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DID YOU KNOW THAT:

When the Bible refers to a tribe or race or nation of people, a kingdom, a ruler, a person, a city, a river, a plain, a valley, a mountain, a body of water, a fruit, a plant, a tree, a food, an apparel of clothing, an object of any kind, a structure a custom, a practice, a law, a coin, an animal, an event, it is always accurate? Exactly what we would expect from a book of books whose writers claimed to be writing as the Spirit of God moved them (2 Peter 1:20-21). Everything that went into the composition of the Bible is opposed to such accuracy of statements and unity of purpose and theme (number of writers: about 40; time of writing: about 1600 years; languages in which written: Old Testament in Hebrew, except for a few sections in Aramaic, and New Testament in Koine Greek, except for a few words and phrases in Aramaic; wide variation in size of books, background and qualification of the writers), except for one thing (all claimed to be writing the words of God by the Spirit of God).

There are, literally, thousands of specific references to peoples, places, things and events. How could these possibly all be accurate if written by men from their own knowledge and wisdom? Over the centuries, numerous charges of contradictions and inaccuracies have been made against various statements in the Bible, only to be retracted when more facts of history and geography came to light. No one who believes the Bible should ever be hesitant or ashamed to confess his implicit faith in the divine record. We may let it down, but God's Word will never let us down.

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