

**“Can I Trust My Bible?” (Part 1)**  
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**Introduction**

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**1. How do we know that our contemporary Bibles are \_\_\_\_\_?**

Dead Sea Scrolls (230 Old Testament manuscripts, written around 250 BC to AD 70)

New Testament (5,600+ manuscripts)

**2. Who \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible?**

Roughly 40 men wrote it over a period of almost 1,500 years.  
God is ultimately the author (*2 Timothy 3:16*)

How did authorship work? (*2 Peter 1:20-21; 1 Peter 1:10-11*)

**3. Were there any \_\_\_\_\_ in the original writings?**

Definition: “The inerrancy of Scripture means that Scripture in the original manuscripts does not affirm anything that is contrary to fact.” (Wayne Grudem in “Systematic Theology”)

Without error because God wrote it (*Hebrews 6:18*)

**Conclusion**

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**4. When was a document considered to be \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ ?**

**Old Testament**

*Luke 24:44*

*Matthew 26:52-54*

*2 Timothy 3:16–17*

**New Testament**

*2 Peter 3:15–16*

*1 Timothy 5:17-18 (Deuteronomy 25:4; Luke 10:7)*

*Acts 17:11*

**5. How do we know that we have the accurate Bible (no \_\_\_\_\_ and no \_\_\_\_\_)?**

*1 Corinthians 5:9*

*Colossians 4:15–16*

**Conclusion**