

Read John 10:38 and 14:11. What do these verses have to say about reasons to believe? How can that apply to us today?

Read Acts 17:11. What can we learn about how the people of Paul's day viewed scripture?

Read Luke 24:13-27. What does this tell us about internal evidence for the Old Testament? What does it tell us about its purpose?

### **Prayer Requests**

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### **Scripture References**

Genesis 3:15 • Malachi 3:1 • Isaiah 40:22 • Job 26:7  
Numbers 6:24-26

- 1) The Bible is a collection of dozens of books written by around \_\_\_\_\_ people over a period of roughly \_\_\_\_\_ years in several different \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) The writers include kings, \_\_\_\_\_, religious leaders, fishermen, shepherds, even a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) It contains many different genres of literature, from narrative to \_\_\_\_\_, songs, prophecy, \_\_\_\_\_ and wisdom literature.

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- 4) Yet the Bible is a unity, one unfolding account from beginning to end in complete \_\_\_\_\_ and continuity.
- 5) For one person to fulfill just eight of the 60 major Messianic prophecies would be 1 in \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6) In areas where it can be tested, does the Bible tell the \_\_\_\_\_?
- 7) If God gave us \_\_\_\_\_, he expects us to use it.
- 8) We believe God \_\_\_\_\_ the evidence, not in spite of it.
- 9) Evidence of \_\_\_\_\_ regarding ancient events:  
the Silver Scrolls, the Moabite Stone, the Tel Dan Stele
- 10) In areas where it can be \_\_\_\_\_, the Bible passes, with an abundance of both internal and external \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11) So we have a solid, \_\_\_\_\_ basis for trusting it when it tells us about Jesus.
- 12) The \_\_\_\_\_, not the Bible, is the center of the Christian faith.



### **Small Group Discussion Questions**

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.

Have you ever been challenged by someone regarding the validity or accuracy of the Bible? How did you respond?

Have you personally ever wondered if the Bible is trustworthy? If so, what has been your major area of struggle? Have you worked out an answer to that question?

Have you ever felt as if it was automatically wrong to wonder such things? Has anyone ever told you not to ask such questions?

Pretty much every believer has struggled with doubt on some issue at some point. How can we balance doubt, evidence, and faith?

Continued on reverse.