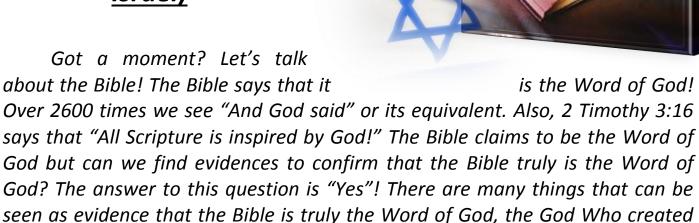
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us and gave us life!



In other videos we will talk about a variety of evidences that show us we can trust the Bible. Things like the unity of the message of the Bible though written over a 1500 year period by 40 different authors; the indestructibility of the Bible though it has been attacked by rulers, nations and educators; the vast numbers of Bibles that have printed in so many different languages; the vast numbers of ancient manuscripts that show the accuracy of modern Bibles; the archaeological evidence found in the last 150 years that confirms the Bible as historically accurate; the various historical writings other than the Bible that confirm the history of the Bible; the medical facts in the Bible now confirmed by modern medicine, the scientific facts in the Bible now confirmed by modern science; the changed lives of millions who have trusted the message of the Bible and patterned their lives by its teachings; and the fulfilled prophecies found in the Bible.

For now we will focus on one main area of fulfilled prophecy that shows the dependability of the Bible. In the book of Ezekiel we see a number of prophecies about the people of the nation of Israel. These prophecies are also found in a number of other Old Testament scriptures but for sake of time we will just refer to some of the prophecies in Ezekiel 22, 36 & 37. The book of Ezekiel was written just over 2500 years ago. In a nutshell here is what Ezekiel said about the people and the land of Israel. (1) The people of Israel will be scattered to the nations of the world (2) The land of Israel will become desolate (3) In the latter days God will draw the Jewish people back to the land of Israel

from all of the nations of the world (4) The land of Israel will blossom again and become fruitful. Look a few of the verses that speak of these things:

Ezekiel 22:15 "I will scatter you among the nations and I will disperse you through the lands, and I will consume your uncleanness from you. **Ezekiel 36:24** "For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land. **Ezekiel 37:21** "Say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I will take the sons of Israel from among the nations where they have gone, and I will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land; **Ezekiel 36:8-10** 'But you, O mountains of Israel, you will put forth your branches and bear your fruit for My people Israel; for they will soon come. (9) 'For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn to you, and you will be cultivated and sown. (10) 'I will multiply men on you, all the house of Israel, all of it; and the cities will be inhabited and the waste places will be rebuilt.

In the past 120 years we have watched the fulfillment of these and other prophecies in the land of Israel. Jewish people have returned from all of the nations of the world. The Jewish population in Israel has risen from about ¼ of a million to about 6 million in 100 years as this migration has taken place. Over 400 million trees have been planted and Israel has went from a wasteland to a fruit exporting nation. The Hebrew language has been restored. The cities have been inhabited and the nation was established in one day on May 14, 1948.

The fulfillment of these prophecies in our lifetime has provided tremendous evidence that the Bible, which told of these things over 2500 years ago, is truly the Word of God and is dependable! Are you trusting the message of the Bible and building your life upon it? Jesus said that those who build their lives on the Bible are wise! Until next time – Goodbye!

For video only (no audio) – For further information see DVD "Evidence For the Bible" by Charlie Campbell (www.alwaysbeready.com)

Discussion Questions:

- (1) What do many people around you say about the Bible?
- (2) Why do you believe that the Bible is God's Word? (or not believe ...)
- (3) How does the prophecies about the people of Israel and the land of Israel, which are being fulfilled in our lifetime show that the Bible is God's Word?