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THE BEST EXPLANATION FOR THE BIBLE

Introduction: *Why should we trust that the Bible is really the word of God?*

- The Bible claims to speak the very words and mind of God. **2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet 1:19-21; Is. 1:2; 2 Sam 23:2; 1 Th 2:13; 1 Cor 7:10.**

I. THE BIBLE'S MIRACULOUS _____ POINTS TO ITS DIVINE ORIGIN.

A. No other sacred writings can touch the Bible's diversity.

B. Its tremendous diversity makes its unity truly miraculous.

1. It has one subject: Jesus Christ. **Luk 24:27; Jn. 5:39**
2. It contains amazing types and antitypes. **Gen. 22:1-2, 8; Mt. 3:16-17; Jn. 1:29; Rom. 8:32**
3. The Bible has one theme: Salvation. **Gen. 3:22-24; Rev. 21:1-4**

II. THE BIBLE'S HISTORICAL _____ POINTS TO ITS DIVINE ORIGIN

A. Archaeology has repeatedly confirmed the claims of the Bible.

B. The Bible accurately describes the people, times, events, and places of their time.

III. THE BIBLE'S FULFILLED _____ POINTS TO ITS DIVINE ORIGIN.

A. Prophecy is given to confirm the word of God. **Dt. 18:21-22**

B. The Bible contains many specific and miraculously fulfilled prophecies.

1. There are over 300 specific prophecies about the Messiah that Jesus fulfilled.
 - *What are the odds of just 8 being fulfilled?*
2. The Bible prophesied the re-gathering of the nation of Israel. **Lev. 26:33, 36**
3. The Bible prophesied the coming Messiah TO THE DAY. **Dn. 9:24-27**