Why Believe the Bible is the Word of God?

Throughout history there have been many books of literature and history. Historians and other writers have penned down the testimony of what they have seen and heard. We trust in these different books and even teach them in classes around the world! *Why not the Bible then*? There are 66 books recorded in the Bible. It covers over 1,500 years of time frame. Yet as we see this, we also can take note of the harmony of the scriptures through it all! What other book can make such a claim? The answer is that no other book can claim to be of God! There have attempts but again the Bible remained tried true through it all! A book that has not changed over time!

It seems that there is more attempt to try and discredit and disprove the Bible in historical ways and even just denying that the Bible is the Word of God. In all the attempts that people have tried to do such things. The Bible has remained firm and true withstanding all the tests of time.

Consider **Romans 1:16** "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek." There is no other book that offers salvation. Yes, there are many valuable books of literature that help us in different ways. But the Bible the Word of God guides us to heaven. The Word of God guides to be in eternity with Him. No other book can make such a claim. **John 14:23** "Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him."

We have testimonial proof of people eye witnessing things and the harmony of it all. If you think about <code>IJohn 1:1-4</code> there is multiple things of proof. John writes about the plurality of people that <code>HEARD</code> Jesus with their own ears. They <code>SAW</code> Jesus with their own eyes and beheld the miracles, signs, and wonders, that he did in the presence of many. The <code>TOUCHED</code> Jesus with their own hands. In the case of Thomas he was even told by Jesus to touch Him after He arose from the grave (<code>John 20:24-29</code>). They saw Jesus in the resurrected form and bear witness of His Life. The total amount that <code>SAW</code> Jesus after He arose were just over 500 people (<code>I Corinthians 15:1-11</code>). Is this not enough physical proof and testimony? I mean think about this when we are in our court systems usually when we have testimony from 2 or more accounts that is usually an open and shut case. What about the over 500 hundred that saw Jesus alive after he died? What about all the testimony of people who saw Jesus perform the signs wonders, and miracles? What about the people that heard for instance Jesus deliver what we call the Sermon on the Mount?

Think about what Paul says in *II Timothy 3:16-17* "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." The Word of God gives the us the teaching to live by, the ability to judge our life properly, the correction that may need to be made, and the maintaining of being faithful to God. Through the Bible we have access to the knowledge of God (Romans 11:33).

The Bible further confirms our God and that He is Alive! As we consider what is said in **Psalms 19:1-10** all the creation of God has shown His handiwork. The sun going from the east to west, the birds, all creatures, and all people show there is a God and He is Alive. It goes from there to the Word of God. The word of God is perfect and able to convert the soul. The word of God is to be desired than all the precious gold and material things in this world. Why not believe the Bible is the Word of God? **Daniel N Sanders**