

# The Christian Bible Speaks With Divine Authority

Agnostics doubt the authority of God's Word the Christian Bible.

Most Christians vaguely believe the Christian Bible is inspired by God.

**You can absolutely prove the Christian Bible speaks with divine authority.**

**Matthew 7:28-29** [New King James] *“And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.”*

**Jesus Christ spoke with authority that the human scribes, Jewish leaders and teachers, did not have.**

**John 14:6** [New King James] *“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’”*

**This would be extreme egotism for a human being to say unless it was true.**

What about the book that contains these statements?

**John 5:39** [New King James] *“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.”*

**Jesus Christ referred to the Old Testament as part of complete Christian Bible as “the scriptures,” that testified as to Who Jesus Christ was.**

**Matthew 4:4** [New King James] *“But He answered and said, ‘It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.””*

**Again Jesus Christ confirms all that we find in the Word of God is essential for life, physical and spiritual.**

**2 Timothy 3:16** [New King James] *“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,”*

**Paul, who had been personally taught by Jesus Christ, [Acts 22:14; Galatians 1:15-18] confirmed that all scripture, that includes Old and New Testament [which was in the process of being written at that time] were the inspiration of the only Triune God.**

**2 Peter 1:19** [New King James] *“And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;”*

**Peter tells us that we need to make sure we respond to what the prophets were inspired to write, for it was inspired by Holy Spirit, Who is God, [verse 21].**

**Only the Christian Bible reveals God to us**

Literally thousands of different “religious books” have been written, purport to tell us about spiritual truths, spiritual powers and the correct ways of living.

**But there is and always has been only one Book that speaks with the authority of the One and only Triune God, the Christian Bible.**

**Only the Christian Bible reveals and describes the details of the creation of human beings by the Creator God and reveals His purpose and plan for all humanity.**

**Romans 1:20** [New King James] *“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,”*

The vast, orderly creation with its intricate and unchangeable laws of gravity, inertia and aerodynamics, along with the micro world of atoms, electrons, protons, etc. demand a Great Creator Being who is all powerful, and a Great Designer and Law Giver who has perfect knowledge and wisdom.

**This physical world just could not have happened by blind chance!**

[Please download and study the articles on this website under the sub-heading *‘Evolution – The Delusion Of’*]

**Furthermore it is only within the pages of the Christian Bible that the purpose for the creation of human beings is revealed**

Without knowing and accepting this revealed knowledge, our short physical lives have **no** lasting goal or purpose.

**Genesis 1:26-27** [New King James] *“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”*

**Within these two verses are two Hebrew words that clarify the purpose for human life.**

**“Image”** is Hebrew word *“tselem”* meaning resemblance, shadow, outward form, **not** including any attributes.

**“Likeness”** is Hebrew word *“demûwth”* meaning manner, attributes, model, character.

Note **only** *“image”* was part of the original creation because forming character takes time spent in the presence of the one whose character you wish to reflect.

**2 Peter 3:18** [New King James] *“but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.”*

**We are to grow in very character of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is God.**

**Galatians 5:22-23** [New King James] *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”*

Here are listed the *“fruits”* that is the very spiritual characteristics of the Holy Spirit, who is also God, that should be growing in our lives as we *“grow in grace and knowledge.”*

**For human beings to be able to develop these characteristics that are God’s *“likeness,”* God placed within every human being a *“human spirit.”***

**Job 32:8** [New King James] *“But there is a spirit in man, and the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding,”* [**Proverbs 20:27**].

This spiritual part of every human being gives us the ability to reason and make choices, [**1 Corinthians 2:11**].

These choices in life, and the outcome of making each choice is listed, enlarged and in many cases illustrated in God’s Word, the Christian Bible.

**Romans 1:20-22** [New King James] *“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools,”*

**God surrounded human beings with a vast physical creation that illustrates the power, wisdom and glory of our Creator God, so that if we are honest with ourselves, we have no excuse to reject His existence.**

In fact, all who do reject the Creator God’s existence, Paul tells us are *“educated fools”* [**verse 22**].

No other book even comes close to revealing the answers to how we as human beings got here, why we were created and where we are heading.

The Christian Bible is unique in revealing the answers to the above questions and many more on how we as humans should live to experience the peace and joy that our loving Creator describes we should know.

## **Detailed accurate prophecies**

Only the great Eternal God who is without beginning or end [**Hebrews 7:3**], Who knows the end from the beginning [**Isaiah 46:10**] could ever foretell and bring to pass the events described in the prophecies recorded within the Christian Bible.

One striking series of prophecies, written hundreds of years ahead of time, concern the coming of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, to this earth, and His purpose in living as a human being on earth.

**Genesis 3:15** [New King James] *“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”*

We find in this recorded encounter between the Creator God and Satan [**Revelation 12:9**] the first hint of a promised *“seed”* of a woman, referring to Jesus Christ born of the Holy Spirit through the body of Mary [**Matthew 1:18-21**] who would conquer Satan, who as yet on earth holds the power of physical death [**Hebrews 2:14-15**] as present ruler of this earth, [**2 Corinthians 4:4; 1 John 5:19**].

This victory would involve the shedding of blood. **God covered the shame of Adam and Eve’s rebellious sin with skins of animals, [Genesis 3:9-12, 21] pointing towards the Messiah’s sacrifice as the Lamb of God, [John 1:29] Jesus Christ, [Leviticus 17:11].**

Nearly 2,000 years before the birth of Jesus Christ as a human being, Abraham offered in faith his only legitimate son as a sacrifice, [**Genesis 22:1-12**].

**This dramatic event pre-figured what was to happen to the promised only Son of God.**

**John 3:16-17** [New King James] *“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”*

It was out of the great love that the Triune God has for human beings that He has created, that Jesus Christ, One Person of that Godhead, became human to shed his blood in agony on the cross for all humanity to be freed from the penalty of sin.

**Isaiah 53:2** [New King James] *“For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.”*

**Physically Jesus Christ looked just like any other Jew of His day, so had to be pointed out by Judas for the right man to be arrested by Jewish leaders, [Matthew 26:48-49].**

**Isaiah 53:7** [New King James] *“He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth.”*

Isaiah described how Jesus would **not** answer His accusers.

**Isaiah 53:8** [New King James] *“He was taken from prison and from judgment, and who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people He was stricken.”*

Jesus was **not** kept overnight but rather given a rushed illegal trial in the night, and died for sins of the people.

**Isaiah 53:12** [New King James] *“Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul unto death, and He was numbered with the transgressors, and He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”*

Note the striking fulfilment of this prophecy in **Luke 23:34**.

**The vivid description of Jesus Christ’s suffering is set forth in Isaiah 53 and in Psalms 22 demonstrate again how the supreme God of heaven and earth is speaking to all humanity through His Word, the Christian Bible.**

**Isaiah 52:14** [New King James] *“Just as many were astonished at you, so His visage was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men;”*

John’s gospel describes the horrible beating that Jesus Christ endured, [**John 19:1-3**].

**Zechariah 11:12-13** [New King James] *“Then I said to them, ‘If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.’ So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver. And the LORD said to me, ‘Throw it to the potter,” that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD for the potter.”*

This prophecy 200 years after Isaiah foretold how Jesus Christ would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver, [**Matthew 27:3-8**].

Dozens of men, inspired by God, in different times and places, set forth intricate details of the first coming of Jesus Christ, His life, death and resurrection as the promised Messiah.

**Could anything but the direct inspiration of the Eternal God, who lives outside of the time and space that He created, account for all these prophecies?**

## **Promises made in the Christian Bible**

Throughout the Christian Bible are promises that are binding on the great God who inspired all its contents, if we do our part.

There are promises of healing, spiritual and physical. Please download and study our article on this website '*God The Great Healer*' listed under sub-heading '*God.*'

**Malachi 3:10** [New King James] *“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this,” says the LORD of hosts, ‘If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it.’”*

God challenges us to prove Him in this matter, to faithfully do our part in a right attitude, then witness His promised blessings, both physical and mental.

**Proverbs 22:6** [New King James] *“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”*

**Most people do not realise that our Creator God has promised that good results will come if we follow His instructions for properly training our children.**

Those who consistently follow God’s method of child rearing always get good results. Their children will **not** be perfect, but they will be so much better off than the average youth in our degenerate society that the difference will be obvious.

**The application of God’s laws on sanitation finally stopped the Black Death that took the lives of one in every four people in the 14<sup>th</sup> Century alone.**

**Leviticus 13:46** [New King James] *“He shall be unclean. All the days he has the sore he shall be unclean. He is unclean, and he shall dwell alone; his dwelling shall be outside the camp.”*

**Discerning historians credit the Christian Bible for the dawning of a new era in effective disease control.**

**Leprosy was brought under control as soon as the European nations saw that the application of scriptural quarantine brought this plague under control.**

For people who think that the Christian Bible is just a collection of religious traditions, myths and sentimentalities, examples such as the above should prove particularly instructive.

Not only in the realm of the “*hereafter*” but “*here and now*” our willingness to do exactly what the Christian Bible reveals to us can spell the difference between life and death.

For the Creator and Supreme Mind of the universe is the direct author of the Christian Bible.

**Isaiah 66:1-2** [New King James] *“Thus says the LORD: ‘Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. Where is the house that you will build Me? And where is the place of My rest? For all those things My hand has made, and all those things exist,’ says the LORD. ‘But on this one will I look: On him who is poor and of a contrite spirit, and who trembles at My word.’”*

We can do this with an ever-growing faith and abounding confidence in Him Who created us and sustains us.

**Colossians 1:17** [New King James] *“And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”*

The Greek word translated “*consist*” is “*sunistaō*” meaning to set and hold together.

**Our Creator God has also given us the Christian Bible for both physical and spiritual life, to use now and for eternity.**