

The number of passages that may be used on this point could be multiplied almost endlessly. But these are sufficient to show that when one comes to the Bible, he finds a claim of divine origin. The remarkability of the character of the Bible is without doubt attributable to its divine origin — it is given by God, and this helps us to understand the dynamic impact of its message.

How Do We Know the Bible is From God?

In the previous article we saw that the Bible claims by point of origin to be from God. The believer finds this reassuring, but may wonder how we may test or verify that claim.

Some people have intelligent and honest questions along this line. Others merely want to argue and disagree. When people want to argue for the sake of argument, there is very little that can be done to convince them of any point of truth or position. But for the honest seeker it is good to point out a few simple facts for personal satisfaction. And for those of us who are believers, there is wisdom in having a few truths at our fingertips to strengthen our position (1 Pet. 3:15).

How do we know that the Bible came from God? A few illustrations will help us in this direction. Suppose in your pocket you have a watch. How can you identify the maker of the watch? The most obvious answer is to look at it. Somewhere you will find the name that was given to the watch and/or the name of the maker. A man pulls a watch out of his pocket. You say to him, "What is the make of that watch?" He replies, "It is a _____ watch." How does he know? He reads the faceplate of the watch. Would any reasonable man