

# WHY

## Should I Believe The Bible?

### 2 Timothy 3:16–17 (CSB)

<sup>16</sup>All Scripture is inspired by God<sup>c</sup> and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

### 1. The witness of The Bible.

Isaiah 40:8 (CSB)

<sup>8</sup> *The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.*

Inherent – Without Error

Infallible – Not misleading; Always True (Ps. 19:7)

Inspired – God’s revelation to man

### 2. The witness of The Disciples.

2 Timothy 3:15 (CSB)

*“and you know that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are able to give you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus”*

2 Peter 1:20–21 (CSB)

<sup>20</sup>*Above all, you know this: No prophecy of Scripture comes from the prophet’s own interpretation, <sup>21</sup>because no prophecy ever came by the will of man; instead, men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.*

### 3. The witness of Jesus.

Matthew 5:17–18 (CSB)

<sup>17</sup>*“Don’t think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or one stroke of a letter will pass away from the law until all things are accomplished.*

John 17:17 (CSB)

<sup>17</sup>*Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.*

### 4. The witness of Transformed Lives.

Romans 10:17 (KJV 1900)

<sup>17</sup>*So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

#### Northside Baptist Church Statement of Belief:

We affirm the Holy Bible as the inspired Word of God, and as the only basis for our doctrine and beliefs. It was written by men, divinely inspired, and is the perfect record of God’s revelation of Himself to man. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and the truth without any mixture of error for its matter. It is inerrant and infallible in its original manuscript, which is to be taken as verbally inspired.

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