

The Bible answers its critics

¹⁶We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the contrary, we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

Critic: just a book of moral stories.

Correct: Not fables but 16

People don't reject the Bible because it contradicts itself, but because...

¹⁷He received honour and glory from God the Father when the voice came to Him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is My Son, loved by Me, in whom I delight."

Critic: It is what you read into it.

Correct: Not feelings but 17

Fill your mind with God's Word and you will have no room for...

¹⁸And we heard this voice that came from Heaven, when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

Critic: Whatever it says to you.

Correct: It says what it 18

All the books of the Bible are equally inspired but not equally...

¹⁹We also have the word of the prophets as confirmed beyond doubt. You will do well to pay attention to it, like a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the Morning Star rises in your hearts.

Critic: Just ancient unreliable history.

Correct: It tells the past, present &...

We have the word of the prophets confirmed...

²⁰The first fact to know is: no prophecy of Scripture comes from one's own interpretation.

Critic: What it says to me.

Correct: Opinion is less important than...

Our children need...

²¹No prophecy ever came forth by human will, but God spoke through humans as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Critic: I just can't understand it.

Correct: It requires spiritual

I've read the last page of the Bible. Its going to turn our...

2 Peter 1:16-21

My prayer priorities for this week

S 13 Manny & Sam, Asher, Austin

M 14 Paula & Paul

T 15 Tony & Diane

W 16 Joan J. Lyn K

T 17 Elsie & Bert

F 18 Karen & Hung

S 19 Sopi & Marieta, Jayden

S 20 Vi-Lay L. Bianca R.

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

1. Why do you think the Bible has so many critics?
2. Do you have a favourite Bible verse, or Bible story?
3. What is your method of reading the Bible?
4. Why do you think many believers find Bible reading a chore?
5. What advice would you give someone just starting to read the Bible?
6. What advice would you give someone wanting to get more out of their Bible reading?
7. What advice would you give some who gets nothing from their Bible?

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