

INVESTIGATING CHRISTIANITY

Message #2---“God Is, and He Has Spoken”

Our worldview is critical because it determines how we _____ and _____.

Jude 3 (NIV) *“I...urge you to contend for the truth that was once for all entrusted to the saints.”*

1. Does _____ exist, and how do we know that?

Just because you can't prove something scientifically doesn't mean it isn't _____.

So rather than looking in a test tube for God, we look for evidence that supports whether it is _____ to believe in the existence of God, and the starting point here is our _____.

Theory #1: A Godless _____ Universe

Theory #2: God is an Intelligent Presence in all things, a Universal _____

Theory #3: A _____ God

Psalm 19:1 (NIV) *“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.”*

2. If God is, and He is a personal God, has He _____, and if so, how?

God has spoken loudly through His _____.

There is another, more personal way that God has spoken, and that is through the _____.

The Bible is a unique book. It is a collection of _____ books in one volume that was written by over _____ different authors over a period of several hundred _____.

The Bible declares for itself to be the _____ of _____.

2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) *“All Scripture is God-breathed, and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.”*

The _____ of any ancient writing is determined by the number of documented manuscripts or fragments of manuscripts we can examine.

For the Old Testament alone, there are _____ manuscripts available to study and compare.

The Bible is the most dependable ancient document in all of history in terms of _____ credibility.

Before the end of the 1950's, no less than _____ biblical sites had been substantiated by archaeological discoveries, and there has been no discovery proving the Bible inaccurate.

Hebrews 4:12 (NIV) *“For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”*