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- ³ I foretold the former things long ago,
my mouth announced them and I made them known;
then suddenly I acted, and they came to pass.
- ⁴ For I knew how stubborn you were;
your neck muscles were iron,
your forehead was bronze.
- ⁵ Therefore I told you these things long ago;
before they happened I announced them to you

Book of the Prophet Isaiah
Chapter 48, verses 3 -5 (NIV)
circa 700 B.C.

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Executive Summary

Foretold tests the ancient predictions of the Bible that target the nations, races, and places against satellite imagery, ground photography, and the march of history. Seeing is Believing.

Foretold stands on the Shoulders of Giants by resurrecting the intellectual engine undergirding several pivot points in the history of Christendom. From Calvin to Arminius, Foretold was the emphasis that kindled revolutions in the Church changing the culture and politics of Western Civilization.

Foretold starts with the Wow and captures the imagination earning the right to be heard at a glance. A picture is worth a thousand words and by presenting imagery of predictions fulfilled, you will deliver faith in a God given marketing model that follows modern principles in sharing transcendent truth.

Key Fact - Date the Scriptures

THESIS - The Old Testament of the Bible is over 2,100 years old.

MASORETIC TEXT - 1,000 YEARS OLD

A series of Bible manuscripts produced by the family known as the Masoretes of Tiberias circa 895 AD to 950 AD.

SEPTUAGINT (LXX) - 2,100 YEARS OLD

A Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible created 285-100 BC by a team of 70 scholars in Alexandria, Egypt.

DEAD SEA SCROLLS - 2,100 YEARS OLD

Every book from the Hebrew Bible (except Esther*) and fragments of the Greek Bible translation, the Septuagint, were found in the Qumran Caves.

CONCLUSION - Bible is ancient beyond a reasonable doubt



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The Predictions - Summary

Summaries of key predictions selected to encompass a variety of outcomes showing the complexity of the predictions fulfilled over the long march of history.

Edom - (GPS 30.3 Lat - 35.4 Long) - Desolate Forever

Ezekiel 35: 7-9 • Written 586 BC

Jeremiah 49: 14-16 • Written 626-586 BC

Egypt - (GPS 30 Lat - 31 Long) - Forever Lowliest of Kingdoms & Never Rule the Nations Again.

Ezekiel 29: 13-15 • Written 587 BC

Tyre - (GPS 33.27 Lat - 35.19 Long) - SuperPower to Fishing Village

Ezekiel 26 • Written 587-586 BC

Ammonites - (GPS 31.96 Lat - 35.95 Long) - Punished, but Restored Afterward.

Ezekiel 25: 1-7 • Written Circa 588 BC

Nineveh - (GPS aslfkjsladkf) - A Dry Desolation

Nahum 1 • Written 663 - 612 BC

Zephaniah 2:13-15 • Written 640 - 627 BC

Philistines - (GPS asdl;fkjasdl;kj) - Damned to Extinction

Amos 1: 7-8 • Written 760-750 BC

Beyond Reasonable Doubt

Each site targeted by a Biblical prediction is seperated by *hundreds of miles*. The predictions have stood testing over *thousands of years*. *Millions of lives* live to this day as foretold. *Trillions of variables* impact each prediction requiring a divine intelligence to have foretold it all.

God Authenticates His Word By Writing History Before It Happens

In the battle for the souls of men, if we win this battle, we win the war.

This is the ultimate, ever-present proof of the existence of God and His authorship of the Holy Bible. More than logic arguments or testimony in old history books, this is satellite imagery and ground photography, essentially miracles captured on camera for all to see.

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PART I

Bible Basics - Setting the Stage

The Bible is a collection of 24 scrolls called the Tanakh (Hebrew Bible) falling into three divisions, the Law, the Prophets, and the Writings, inspired by the God of Israel.

Often called the *Kitvei Hakodesh* (the Holy Writings), the Hebrew Bible is divided into 39 books in the Old Testament of the Christian Bible which adds the Gospels of Jesus Christ and Apostolic Letters (New Testament).

Our purpose here is simply to test the predictions in the Hebrew Bible to establish if it's claim to Divine authorship is true.

A LIBRARY WRITTEN OVER 1,000 YEARS

The writing of the Bible is traditionally recorded to have begun through the hand of Moses after the Exodus of the Jews from slavery in Egypt. Named and unnamed prophets added books as the centuries of punishment and restoration past for the Israeli nation. The Jewish Prophets recorded history, defined right from wrong, called citizens to repent, and predicted the future throughout a 1,000 year period from 1450 BC to 400 BC.

OVER 30 AUTHORS - KINGS - PRIESTS - SHEPHERDS - PRISONERS - SOLDIERS - FARMERS

No political, religious, or wealth class had exclusive dominance over the creation and preservation of the Hebrew Bible.

Prophets great and small, often credentialed by supernatural predictions or miraculous acts, wrote history, proclaimed right from wrong, and foretold the future.

ACROSS HUNDREDS OF MILES

Various prophets wrote in times of war, in times of peace, from jail, while captive in foreign countries, and in palaces - separated by centuries and journeys that would take months if not years to complete.

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Evangelism Made Easy

EDOM - GPS: 30.3 LAT 35.4 LONG

MODERN: JORDAN & SOUTHERN ISRAEL



PREDICTION:

- Prophet Ezekiel - translation "God Strengthens"
- Date of Prediction - April 587 BC - April 586 BC
- Prediction - Ezekiel 35 - A Prophecy Against Edom (NIV)

⁷ I will make Mount Seir a desolate waste and cut off from it all who come and go... ⁹ I will make you desolate forever; your towns will not be inhabited. Then you will know that I am the LORD.

PREDICTION:

- Prophet Jeremiah - translation "The Lord Throws"
- Date of Prediction - 626 BC - 586 BC
- Prediction - Chapter 49 - A Message About Edom (NIV)

...all its towns will be in ruins forever." ... ¹⁵ "Now I will make you small among the nations, despised among men. ¹⁶ The terror you inspire and the pride of your heart have deceived you, you who live in the clefts of the rocks, who occupy the heights of the hill. Though you build your nest as high as the eagle's, from there I will bring you down," declares the Lord ...

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MODERN: EGYPTIAN SINCE THE PHARAOHS



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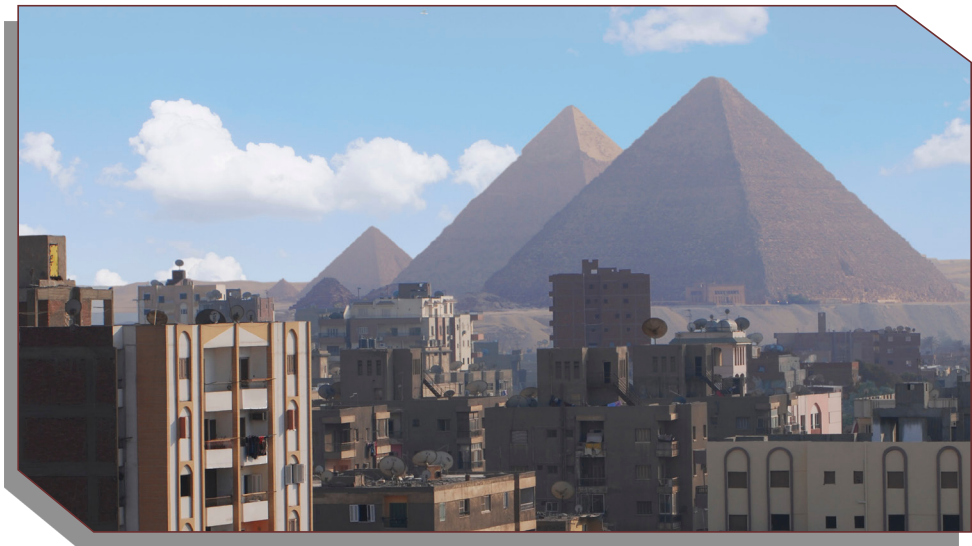
PREDICTION:

- Prophet Ezekiel - translation "God Strengthens"
- Date of Prediction - 587 BC
- Prediction - Chapter 29 - A Prophecy Against Egypt (NIV)

¹³ "Yet this is what the Sovereign LORD says... There they will be a lowly kingdom. ¹⁵ It will be the lowliest of kingdoms and will never again exalt itself above the other nations. I will make it so weak that it will never again rule over the nations... (NIV)

FULFILLMENT:

After millennia of subjugation by foreign powers including the Macedonians, Arabs, Turks, and in modern times the French and British, Egypt remains a nation full of indigenous people dating back to the time of the Pharaohs.



The final centuries leading up to modern times involved French and British occupations with self-rule obtained at the close of WWII. At various points in history, Egypt regained power and beat back invading forces but she has never again ruled over the other nations of the world since Ezekiel declared God's curse 2,500 years ago.

ECONOMICALLY WEAK - A LOWLY NATION

- Egypt GDP = \$236.5 Billion
- GDP per Capital = \$12,800 per year

MILITARILY WEAK - NEVER RULE NATIONS AGAIN

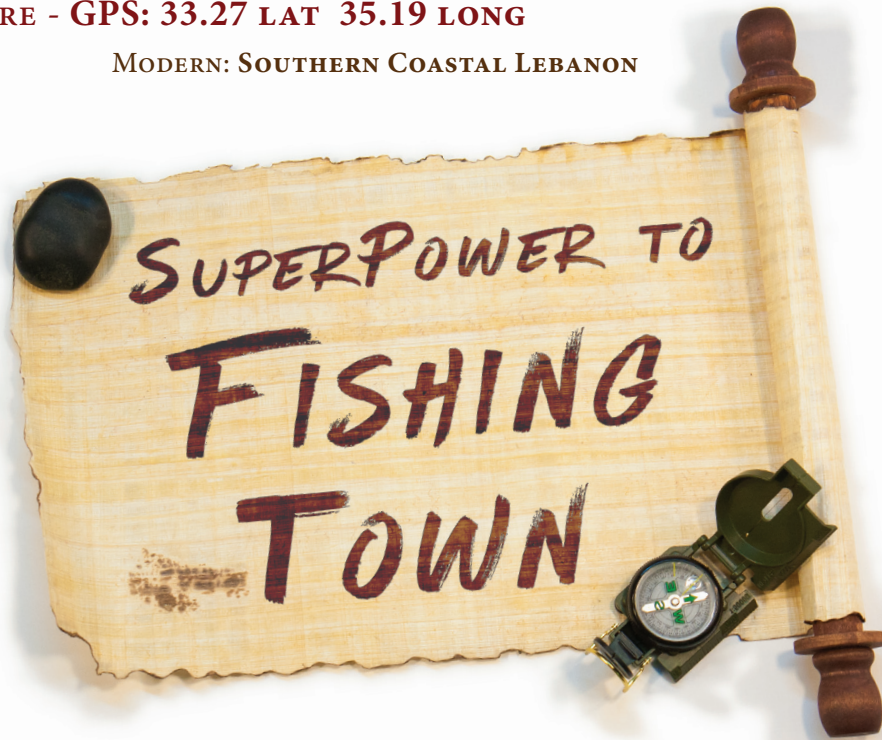
- Spending = 1.42% GDP (\$3.4 Bil)

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TYRE - GPS: 33.27 LAT 35.19 LONG

MODERN: SOUTHERN COASTAL LEBANON



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PREDICTION:

- Prophet Ezekiel - name translates "God Strengthens"
- Date of Prediction - April 587 BC - April 586 BC
- Prediction - Chapter 26 - Prophecy Against Tyre

...³the Sovereign LORD says: I am against you, O Tyre, and I will bring many nations against you, like the sea casting up its waves. ⁴They will destroy the walls of Tyre and pull down her towers; I will scrape away her rubble and make her a bare rock. ⁵Out in the sea she will become a place to spread fishnets, for I have spoken, declares the Sovereign LORD. She will become plunder for the nations, ⁶and her settlements on the mainland will be ravaged by the sword. Then they will know that I am the Lord...

¹²They [the nations] will plunder your wealth... and throw your stones, timber and rubble into the sea... ¹⁴I will make you a bare rock, and you will become a place to spread fishnets. You will never be rebuilt, for I the LORD have spoken... (NIV)

FULFILLMENT:

In the present-day, Tyre, known as Sur in modern Lebanon, is a small town on a peninsula jutting into the Mediterranean from the mainland south of Beirut. The original city was built on an island roughly half a mile from the coast dating back to before 1400 BC.

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• PLUNDERED AS A SEA CASTING UP ITS WAVES (VERSES 3-6)

585 BC - Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon.

332 BC - Alexander the Great leading Macedonians

315 BC - Alexander's successor, former general, Antigonus.

219 BC - Antiochus III of the Seleucids

48 BC - Julius Caesar

193 AD - Niger

638 AD - Arab Muslim forces.

1124 AD - Baldwin II and the Crusaders

1291 AD - Saladin

• FORTRESS NEVER REBUILT (VERSE 12-14)



IMPOVERISHED FISHING VILLAGE (VERSE 5)



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Beyond a Reasonable Doubt

HUNDREDS OF MILES

Each location targeted by a prediction was often months of hard travel apart. In the time of the Bible, a trip by foot or on horse and camel would take months, if not years, to reach just three or four of the locations foretold by just a single prophet like Ezekiel.

THOUSANDS OF YEARS

Throughout seasons, wars, the rise and fall of empires, and the passing of far more than 40 generations, the predictions prevail far more than 1,500 years through today - as foretold.

MILLIONS OF LIVES

Most of the six nations considered here were far larger driving the total population well past 12 million souls over the march of time - each as foretold.

TRILLIONS OF VARIABLES

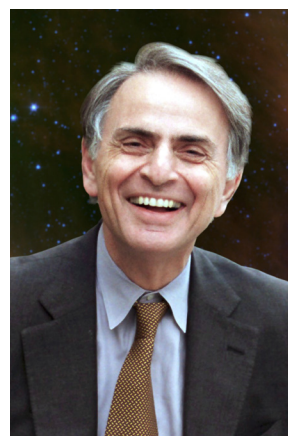
Innovations, invention, disease, conflict, natural disasters, invasion - all shape the future making predicting just one life improbable, a nation impossible, but accurately predicting six nations, races and places reveals the Bible was written through the very Hand of God.

Extraordinary Claims Require Extraordinary Evidence

To discredit the Bible, Enlightenment philosophers and scientists from David Hume, through Pierre-Simon Laplace, to contemporary Carl Sagan, seized upon this with the axiom "*Extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence*".

Done. God embedded evidence that transcends time and space to corroborate the otherwise absurd, supernatural Bible stories.

By testing ancient predictions against the march of history and modern observations, we have collected extraordinary evidence that perpetually stands as proof beyond a reasonable doubt.



Carl Sagan

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PART II

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants

Biblical Case

SETTING THE STANDARD

(Isaiah 41 - NIV) ²¹“Present your case,” says the LORD .“Set forth your arguments,” says Jacob’s King. ²²“Bring in your idols to tell us what is going to happen... declare to us the things to come, ²³ tell us what the future holds, so we may know that you are gods...

(Isaiah 46 - NIV) ⁹ Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. ¹⁰ I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come...

(Isaiah 48 - NIV) ³ I foretold the former things long ago, my mouth announced them and I made them known; then suddenly I acted, and they came to pass. ⁴ For I knew how stubborn you were; the sinews of your neck were iron, your forehead was bronze. ⁵ Therefore I told you these things long ago; before they happened I announced them to you so that you could not say, ‘My idols did them; my wooden image and metal god ordained them.’ [italicized emphasis added]

MASTER’S MODEL OF EVANGELISM

Luke 24 - (NKJV) - ...He said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?” 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself...

...they said to one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?”

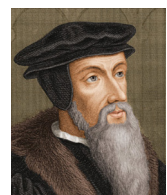
APOSTOLIC PLAN OF EVANGELISM

13 of 14 recorded acts of evangelism (See white paper - appendix)

Historic Case - Pivot Points of History

JOHN CALVIN - 1539

What effrontery were it to deny that, by these evidences, the authority of the prophets is established, the very thing being fulfilled to which they appeal in support of their credibility! “Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare; before they spring forth I tell



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you of them,” (Isaiah 42:9)...

...If the pious will duly meditate on these things, they will be sufficiently instructed to silence the cavils of the ungodly. The demonstration is too clear to be gainsaid.

John Calvin

Institutes of Christian Religion, 1.8.8, circa 1539 A.D.

JAMES ARMINIUS 1600

It should be particularly observed, with what eloquence and distinctness they foretell the greatest and most important matters, which are far removed from the scrutinizing research of every human and angelical mind, and which could not possibly be performed except by power Divine:



Let it be noticed at the same time with what precision the predictions are answered by the periods that intervene between them, and by all their concomitant circumstances; and the whole world will be compelled to confess, that such things could not have been foreseen and foretold, except by an omniscient Deity.

James Arminius

The Works Of James Arminius, Vol. 1, Oration III,
The Certainty of Sacred Theology, 3. The Prophecies, circa 1600 A.D.

THOMAS NEWTON - 1743

“If the point you make can be proven to my satisfaction, there is no arguing against such a plain matter of fact. I daresay, Bishop, this would be the readiest way to convince every reasonable man of the truth of revelation.”

- Field Marshall George Wade



ALEXANDER KEITH -1823

Circa 1850, Dr. Barth, of Wurtemberg, meeting Dr. Keith at Stuttgart, and speaking of the skeptical literature which much pervaded Germany, said, “ Our Rationalists are very angry with you, because they cannot answer you.” In fact, although the work has been widely circulated in all parts of the world, and the evidence of the inspiration of Scripture from comparison of prophecy with existing facts is generally known, no answer or refutation has ever appeared from the pen of any skeptic.



DAVIS - 1931

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Implication - The Same God

The same God who accurately damned the Philistines to extinction is *the same God* who records a worldwide flood.

The same God who said Edom would stand desolate forever is *the same God* who claims to have parted the Red Sea.

The same God who permanently cursed Egypt to weakness, is *the same God* who lead millions of Israelites with a giant pillar of fire.

The predictive verses we can test and miracles we can capture on camera prove the Bible true. What we can prove allows us the intellectual certainty, or faith, to believe the Bible verses we can not.

THE PREDICTIONS FULFILLED YESTERDAY AND TODAY PROVE THE REST WILL WILL BE FULFILLED TOMORROW

Philosophy - Presupposition

Kuyper Christian - Prime Minister - Every area is under the Lordship of Christ.

Jesus is more than the captain of your salvation, His is the KING of your Politics, the Sovereign of your finances.

You will bend the knee now with joy, or later with rage, pain and terror.

Risks - Downside

Offending existing business relationships

Responsible to keep families fed, investor returns, etc

If Impactful, You will Draw Opposition

Mitigating Risk - Balancing Obligations

Principle - Great Commission/Make Disciples

Start with WOW - modelled by the very Hand of God.

Failure of response/no interest, move on.

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PART III - ACTION

Practical Application

ACROSS THE LANDSCAPE OF LIFE

Creating a Lens - Deuteronomy 18:15-22

Fog of War - Decision Making

Kind of Predictions the real prophets made

- Dates
- Times
- Locations

Testable Data Points with no memory holes

*"Past & present performance **IS** indicative of future results."*

Innovate

Leverage your relationships - Courage from Confidence in the Wow

Home	Suppliers
Business Partners	Clients
Staff	

Simple Tools

Social Media - repost/copy/steal our ideas.

Church Outreach - Media and Relational Tools

Private/Public Partnerships (Business & Local Church)

Targeted social media, Mailers, traditional ads, streaminig ads, etc.

5, 10, 25, 50 churches participating / several businesses sponsoring

Take marketing principles and the God ordained evidence & innovate

Look at your history, your successes

Simple Foretold Support

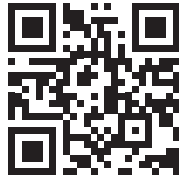
IMMEDIATE - LOW TO NO COST, HIGH IMPACT

- Email updates, Social Follow & Promote posts you're proud of
- Local Church Presentations / Conferences
- Universities & Christian School Presentations
- Staff Chapel & Business Retreats

Support foretold - Double bottom line - Business and Ministry

- non-profit is an American/UK convention

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