

INTRODUCTION: THE HISTORICAL BOOKS

- A. O.T.: JOSHUA THROUGH ESTHER** (see Pentateuch; Is.36-39; Jer.52,etc.)
- B. N.T.: ACTS** (see Gospels; Gal.2,etc.)
- C. NOTE: LUKE THE HISTORIAN** (Luke-Acts; e.g., details on sailing in Acts)
- D. THE CURE FOR P.M.S.** (Jn.18:37,38; see 8:32; 14:6,17; 16:13; Lk.1:4; 2Tm.3:14-17)

I. TRUTHS: HISTORY IN THE BIBLE

- A. A SCIENTIFIC METHOD** (Dt.17:6; 19:5; Mt.18:16; 26:60; 2Cor.13:1; 1Tm.5:19; Heb.10:28; Rev.11:3)
- B. MULTIPLE EYEWITNESSES** (Ex.14:13(c.7f); Ps.95:9; Jn.21:24; Acts 1:21f; 2Pt.1:16; 1Jn.1:1f)
- C. WRITTEN SOURCES** (Num21:14; Josh10:13; 1Chr9:1; 29:29; 2Chr35:4,27; Est6:1f; Lk1:1f; Jn20:30f; 21:25)
- D. WORDS & WORKS** (Ex.4:1f; Dt.18:21f(Jn.13:19); Ps.74:9; Heb.2:3,4)
- E. WORDS & WORDS** (Dt13:1f; Is8:20; Jer3:12,14,22; 6:16; 18:15; Mk8:31; 10:45; 2Co11:2; Heb1:1ff; Rev2:4)
- F. WORKS & WORKS** (Ps.78:4,7,9ff; 106:2,7ff,13; Lk.7:21f)
- G. OFFICIAL WITNESSES** (Is.43:10,12; 44:8; Lk.6:13; Mt.28:16f; Acts 1:2f,21f)
- H. HISTORICAL BASIS OF FAITH** (Ex.4:5; Ps.78:7a,b; Jer.23:7,8; Jn.11:42; 13:19; 20:30f; Lk.1:1f; Acts 1:1f; 2:11; 1Cor.15:1ff; 2Pt.1:16)
- I. HISTORICAL BASIS OF LIFE** (Ex.20:2f(Col.1:13f; 2:12); Ps.78:7c; Eph.1-3; 4-6,etc.)

II. CONSEQUENCES: HISTORY IN YOUR FAITH & LIFE

- A. WILL THE REAL, “HISTORICAL JESUS” PLEASE STAND UP!** (Lk24:27,44; 1Tm3:16; Gospels, etc)
- B. IT’S NOT YOUR IMAGINATION, IT IS GOD’S REVELATION!** (Jer.23:16-22; Rom.1:18f; Eph.2:20)
- C. IF IT DIDN’T HAPPEN, IT DOESN’T MATTER!** (1Cor.15:14; see Ex.20:1f)
- D. CHRISTIANITY IS NOT A PHILOSOPHY! IT IS AN HISTORICALLY-BASED FAITH AND A FAITH-BASED LIFE** (1Cor.15:1f; see Col.1:13; 2:12; 2:20-3:1; 3:9,10; 5f,12f)
- E. BIBLE HISTORY IS A BUILDING BLOCK FOR FAITH & A STUMBLING BLOCK FOR UNBELIEF** (Acts 16:14; 1Cor.6:9-11; 15:3,4; 2Cor.5:21; Eph.2:1-10; see 1Pt.2:4f,6; Eph.2:20f)
- F. KNOW YOUR BIBLE INCLUDING THE HISTORICAL BOOKS!** (Ex.20:2f; Ps.78:1ff; Heb.5:12f; 2Tm.3:14f; 2Th.2:10; Eph.4:14)