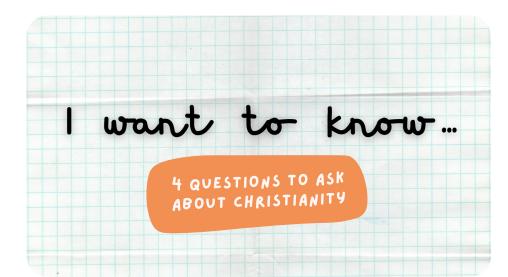


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PART 2: HOW DO WE KNOW CHRISTIANITY IS RIGHT?

THE FOUNDATION OF OUR FAITH IS NOT THE BIBLE:
THE FOUNDATION IS JESUS CHRIST.

CHRISTIANITY IS NOT BASED ON A BOOK; IT IS BASED ON A PERSON AND AN EVENT.

Did the Bible lead to Christianity?
Or did Christianity lead to the Bible?

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know — Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it." Acts 2:22-24

"But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some brethren to the rulers of the city, crying out, 'These who have turned the world upside down have come here too.'" Acts 17:6

THE CHURCH DIDN'T MAKE COPIES OF GOSPELS
BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED THEY WERE INSPIRED.
THEY MADE COPIES BECAUSE THEY KNEW THEY
WERE TRUE.

"Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, while Annas and Caiaphas were high priests..." Luke 3:1-2

"For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles."

1 Corinthians 15:3-7

"Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them." Acts 2:41

# CHRISTIANITY AND THE CHURCH MADE ITS GREATEST STRIDES IN THE 300 YEARS BEFORE THE BIBLE EVEN EXISTED.

Before the Bible was compiled, Christianity had already replaced the pantheon of Roman, Barbarian and most Egyptian gods and become the official religion of the Roman Empire.

"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9



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