

COLD SPRINGS CHURCH "Doing Life Well Together."

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"How We Got The New Testament"

Hebrews 4:12-14; Ephesians 5:8-10; John 20:31



ONE THING STUDY

1. Read one of this week's key passages.
2. Pick One Thing (a word or phrase) that stands out to you.
3. Talk about it with someone in your life and/or your group.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What stood out to you from this week's sermon? Share it with someone!
2. We have talked a lot about trust during this series. What does trusting the Bible have to do with our faith in Jesus?
3. Read Luke 10:27 and John 10:4-10. How can these passages connect our full selves (heart, soul, mind, body) with the concept of trusting the Bible?
4. How would you answer the 2 questions asked this weekend:
1) *Are you grounded in Jesus and his Word?* 2) *What is your motivation?*
5. We've said, "win people, not arguments." God can handle our questions. Confidence in knowing that the Bible is trustworthy allows us to engage with others in *intentional, meaningful, spiritual conversations*. How have/can you experience this?

Trust the Bible. Entrust yourself to Jesus. And live.

How does our series statement "hit home" for you this week?

RESOURCES

"Why I Trust the Bible: Answers to Real Questions and Doubts People Have about the Bible."
Mounce, William D. (2021). Zondervan.



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Can I Trust The Bible And Why Would I?

How We Got The New Testament

I. Why Are We Doing This Series?

- Everyone believes in ultimate truth
- Not everyone agrees on where the ultimate truth is grounded
 - This Someone is God
 - He is knowable - *Hebrews 4:12-13, NLT*

II. Black Helicopters And Aliens

- What is your favorite conspiracy theory?
- The Light Principle - *Ephesians 5:1-14, ESV - Ephesians 5:8-10, ESV*
 - Win people, not arguments." - SM York
 - Don't be anxious
 - Listen
 - Be curious about what is really at stake
 - Be gracious
 - Be courageous

III. How Did We Get The 27 Books Of The New Testament?

- A definition - Canon
- Why was it necessary?

IV. Why We Can Trust What We Have

- Apostolicity
- Orthodoxy
- Catholicity
- All three tests had to be passed for a book to be recognized!

V. A Helpful Guide For Us Today - *1 Corinthians 10:23, NLT*

- Apostolic - Orthodox - Catholic
- It's a big deal. We should spend time reading them!
 - Orthodox - Catholic
- Unorthodox - *1 Corinthians 10:23, NLT*

VI. God's Heart For Your Heart

" but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."
- *John 20:31, ESV*

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