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How do we know the Bible is true?

#		Back up Verses	Chal.
1	We know the Bible is true because the Bible is God's Word	Jeremiah 10:10a - But the LORD is the true God; He is the living God. John 17:17b - Your word is <i>truth</i> Psalms 119:42b – For I trust in Your word.	1:1
2	We know the Bible is true because God says His Word is pure.	Proverbs 30:5-6 Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. Do not add to His words, lest He <i>rebuke</i> you and you be found a liar.	1:3
3	We know the Bible is true because people witnessed the events of the Bible.	2 Peter 1:16 – For we did not follow <i>cunningly devised fables</i> when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were <i>eyewitnesses</i> of His <i>majesty</i> .	1:4
4	We know the Bible is true because the Bible is historically correct.	1 John 1:1 - That which was from the beginning [Christ], which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life.	1:6
5	We know the Bible is true because God used at least 40 men to write the Bible – and yet it all fits together.	Luke 1:1-2 – <i>Inasmuch</i> as many have taken in hand to <i>set in order a narrative</i> of those things which have been fulfilled among us. Just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word <i>delivered</i> them to us.	2:2
6	We know the Bible is true because the Bible was written over a time period of 1500 years and yet it all fits together.	2 Peter 1:21 - For prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the <i>Holy Spirit</i> .	2:3
7	We know the Bible is true because events that were prophesied really happened.	Deuteronomy 18:22 – When a <i>prophet</i> speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it <i>presumptuously</i> ; you shall not be afraid of him.	2:4
8	We know the Bible is true because the Bible changes people's lives.	Acts 16:29-31 - Then he called for a light, ran in and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household."	2:6

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What do I need to know about God?

#		Back up Verses	Chal.
1	God offers me the ultimate gift	Ephesians 2:8-9 – For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest anyone should boast.	3:2
2	I need to know that God wants me to honor Him.	Exodus 20:3-4 – You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a <i>carved image</i> - any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. Exodus 20:5a –You shall not bow down to them nor serve them. Exodus 20:7a, 8 – You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.	3:4
3	I need to know that God wants me to honor my family and my neighbors.	Exodus 20:12-15 – <i>Honor</i> your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit <i>adultery</i> . You shall not steal. Exodus 20:16-17 – You shall not <i>bear</i> false witness against your neighbor. You shall not <i>covet</i> your neighbor's house. You shall not <i>covet</i> your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's.	3:5
4	I need to know that God is merciful.	Titus 3:5 – Not by <i>works of righteousness</i> which we have done, but according to His <i>mercy</i> He <i>saved</i> us, through the <i>washing of regeneration</i> and renewing of the Holy Spirit.	3:6
5	I need to know that God is faithful.	1 Corinthians 1:9 – God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.	4:2
6	I need to know that God loves the world.	John 5:24 – <i>Most assuredly</i> , I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.	4:3
7	I need to know that God is my authority.	Matthew 28:18 – And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All <i>authority</i> has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."	4:5
8	I need to know that God cares about me.	Luke 12:6-7 – Are not five <i>sparrows</i> sold for <i>two copper coins</i> ? And not one of them is forgotten before God. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many <i>sparrows</i> .	4:6

Other Verses		
About the verse	Reference & Verse	Chal.
The name "Awana" is from this verse.	2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV Only) <i>Study</i> to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, <i>rightly dividing the word of truth</i> .	1:2
This commandment is repeated over and over again in the Bible	Mark 12:30 And you shall love the LORD your God with all your <i>heart</i> , with all your <i>soul</i> , with all your <i>mind</i> and with all your <i>strength</i> .	3:7

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WORD WISE		
Word / Phrase	Definition	Chal.
Truth	absolutely right, what God's Word teaches	1:1
Study	work as hard as you can	1:2
Rightly dividing the word of truth	correctly understanding and teaching what the Bible says	1:2
Rebuke	correct	1:3
Cunningly devised fables	stories people make up	1:4
Eyewitnesses	people who actually saw things happen	1:4
Majesty	mighty power	1:4
Inasmuch	Seeing that	2:2
Set in order a narrative	write down what happened	2:2
Delivered	Handed down	2:2
Holy Spirit	The third person of the Trinity	2:3
Prophet	someone who gives God's message	2:4
Presumptuously	proudly on his own	2:4
Carved image	idol	3:4
Honor	respect, treat in a special way	3:5
Adultery	not being faithful to the person you marry	3:5
Bear	give	3:5
Covet	desire	3:5
Works of Righteousness	the good things	3:6
Saved	did not give me the punishment for (delivered me from) my sin	3:6
Mercy	loving kindness	3:6
Washing of regeneration	forgiving of my sin and cleansing my life by the blood of Christ, new birth	3:6
Heart, soul, mind, strength	all of you	3:7
Most assuredly	truly	4:3
Authority	power, right	4:5
Sparrows	birds	4:6
Two copper coins	Coins of small value	4:6

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Brain Checks		
Question / Answer		Chal.
Q	Where does the word "Awana" come from?	1:2
A	<i>Awana comes from 2 Timothy 2:15, Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed</i>	
Q	What does it mean to be an "eyewitness"?	1:4
A	<i>An eyewitness is someone who actually sees something happen</i>	
Q	Why is it so important to know that there were people who were eyewitnesses to the Lord Jesus Christ?	1:4
A	<i>They actually saw the events of the Bible "lived out".</i>	
Q	Why is it so important that the Bible "fits" together?	2:2
A	<i>To show that it truly is the Word of God</i>	
Q	What does "inspired" mean?	2:2
A	<i>God-Breathed</i>	
Q	What does "prophecy" mean?	2:4
A	<i>To give a message from God</i>	
Q	When did some of a prophet's prophecies happen?	2:4
A	<i>during the lifetime of the prophet</i>	
Q	Explain what God's mercy has to do with us NOT being able to keep the law	3:6
A	<i>Even though we could not keep the law, God, in His mercy, provided a way for us to be saved – by trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior</i>	
Q	What does it mean that God is our authority?	4:5
A	<i>God is in charge. In the end, He will make everything right. We need to listen to Him.</i>	

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Search Site – Challenge 1:5	
Question	Answer
Luke 1:1-16; 59-60	
Why, according to Luke 1:1-4, did Luke write his book?	So the people could be sure of the things that were taught
What was the priest's name?	Zacharias
What was his wife's name?	Elizabeth
What kind of people were they?	They were righteous before God. <i>(or older people)</i>
How did they act?	They walked in the commandments of God.
Why were they sad?	They didn't have any children
What did the angel tell Zechariah?	His wife would have a son.
What kind of man would their son be?	He would be great in the sight of the Lord.
What did they call their son?	John
Luke 2:1-18	
Why did Joseph go to Bethlehem?	To register for the census
Where was Joseph and Mary's home?	Nazareth
Where did Mary lay her baby after He was born?	In a manger
Why did He have to be born outside and not in a home?	Because there was no room for them (Mary & Joseph) in the inn
To whom did the angel of the Lord appear?	The shepherds
What did the angel say?	<i>For there is born to you this day in the City of David a Saviour who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.</i>
When the host of angels appeared, What did they say?	<i>Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.</i>
What did the shepherds do?	They went to Bethlehem
Then what did they do after they had seen the baby?	Glorified and praised God
Luke 2:40-52	
What did Joseph and Mary do each year?	Went to Jerusalem for the Passover
What happened the year that the Lord Jesus was 12 years old?	He was not with His family on the return trip from Jerusalem
Where did Joseph and Mary find the Lord Jesus?	At the temple
What was He doing?	Listening to the teachers and asking them questions

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Search Site – Challenge 2:5	
Question	Answer
Isaiah 53	
Who is the "He" talked about in these verses?	The Lord Jesus Christ
Who is the "our" talked about in these verses?	Us
What event is talked about in these verses?	When Christ died on the cross
John 19:1-4	
According to verse two, what two things did the soldiers put on the Lord Jesus Christ?	A crown of thorns and a purple robe
Why did the people say Christ should die?	Because He claimed to be the Son of God
What were the people preparing for (what celebration)?	The Passover
What do these verses have to do with Isaiah 53?	Isaiah 53 is talking about these events
Isaiah 9:6 and Luke 2:1-7	
What is prophesied in Isaiah 9:6?	The birth of Christ
When did that prophecy come true?	When Christ was born in Bethlehem
According to 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, what will happen in the future?	The Lord Jesus Christ will meet believers in the clouds and take them to heaven.

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Search Site – Challenge 3:3	
Question	Answer
Exodus 19:1-25	
Where did the Israelites camp?	The Wilderness of Sinai
In verse eight, how did the people answer?	All that the Lord has spoken we will do
What were the people told to do with their clothes?	Wash them
What happened on the morning of the third day?	Thunder, lightning, thick cloud, voice of the trumpet was loud
Exodus 20:1-26	
What does verse three mean?	That we should only worship God
What are some "gods" kids your age might put before the true God?	<i>Various answers like skateboards, clothes, gymnastics, soccer, television, computer games, etc.</i>
What does it mean to take the Lord's name in vain?	To use God's name in an empty way. To curse or swear
Galatians 3:21-29 and Romans 3:21	
What does the Scripture say about sin?	We are all under sin.
Another way of asking this question is: How many people have broken the law?	All of them
What is the law called in verse 24?	A tutor.
In Romans 3:20, Paul writes that by the law comes _____ of sin	knowledge

Search Site – Challenge 4:4	
Question	Answer
Psalms 1 and Psalm 8	
What does God say about people who trust Him?	He is like a tree planted by the river; a tree that brings forth fruit
What does God say about people who don't trust Him?	They are like chaff which blows in the wind
What are some "things" God created that show His awesomeness?	The moon, stars, sheep, ox, birds, fish
Psalms 14 and Psalm 19	
What does the fool say about God?	That there is no God
What should our speech be like?	Acceptable and pleasing to God
Psalms 23 and Psalm 24	
Tell what Psalm 23 is all about	The Lord is our Shepherd. We are His sheep. We can depend on Him. He takes care of us.
Who is the King of Glory?	The Lord of Hosts

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Miscellaneous Items

Men God used to write the Bible and their jobs *(Challenge 2:2)*

David – Shepherd (1 Samuel 16:19)
Nehemiah – Cupbearer (Nehemiah 1:11)
Paul – Tentmaker (Acts 18:1,3)
Luke – Doctor (Colossians 4:14)
Isaiah – Prophet (Isaiah 39:3)
Peter – Fisherman (Matthew 4:18)
Matthew – Tax Collector (Matthew 9:9)

The punishment for sin is death. *(Challenge 3:6)*

What are some things God tells YOU to do. *(Challenge 4:5)* Breaking the code

- Let your speech be always with grace
- Do all things without murmurings and disputings.
- Thou shalt not steal
- Let us walk honestly

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Items from the "Storyline"	
Intro (p. 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> The Ultimate Challenge is about our relationship with Jesus
Chal. 1 Intro (p. 9)	<input type="checkbox"/> We can't make up our own rules <input type="checkbox"/> That is why we need to learn truth from the Bible.
Challenge 1:2	<input type="checkbox"/> You need to study the Bible because SO many people are SO confused about what it says. <input type="checkbox"/> You want to KNOW what God tells us in His Word.
Challenge 1:4	<input type="checkbox"/> The people who wrote the Bible were eyewitnesses of different events. They actually saw some of the Bible "lived out".
Challenge 1:5	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke was a medical doctor. <input type="checkbox"/> Luke wrote two books of the Bible – Luke and Acts.
Challenge 1:6	<input type="checkbox"/> "Historically correct" doesn't mean the Bible is a history book, but when the Bible does talk about history, it is ALWAYS exactly correct.
Chal. 2 Intro (p. 26)	<input type="checkbox"/> What Bible story is told in the intro? Peter catching the fish with the tax money in its mouth. <input type="checkbox"/> The Bible isn't a science book, but when the Bible talks about science, what the Bible says is always exactly right.
Challenge 2:6	<input type="checkbox"/> The Bible (God's Word) changes people's lives. <input type="checkbox"/> No other book can change people the way the Bible can.
Chal. 2:7	<input type="checkbox"/> When someone trusts Christ as Savior, he or she becomes a new creation.
Challenge 3:2	<input type="checkbox"/> God offers us the ultimate gift – eternal life through His Son, Jesus Christ. <input type="checkbox"/> We don't deserve this gift. <input type="checkbox"/> God offers it to us because of His love and grace.
Challenge 3:3	<input type="checkbox"/> The purpose of the law is to show the seriousness of sin and lead us to Christ. <input type="checkbox"/> The law was not given to save people, but to show people they need a Savior.
Challenge 3:4	<input type="checkbox"/> The first four commandments are about our attitude toward God. <input type="checkbox"/> We are to honor and respect God in everything we say, do and think. <input type="checkbox"/> What things can you do to show honor to God? <i>(any of the following)</i> <i>Study and memorize verses / Sing praise songs / Attend church / Tell my friends about the Lord Jesus Christ</i>
Challenge 3:5	<input type="checkbox"/> The rest of the commandments (last 6) give us instructions for treating our family and neighbors with honor.
Challenge 3:6	<input type="checkbox"/> The law (The Commandments) showed us we are sinners in need of a Savior. <input type="checkbox"/> Because of His mercy, God sent His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to be our Savior. <input type="checkbox"/> We are saved by putting our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior – not by works
Chal. 4 Intro (p. 65)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bathsheba's husband, Uriah, was a Hittite. <input type="checkbox"/> Hittite's are mentioned 47 times in the Bible.
Challenge 4:2	<input type="checkbox"/> Only God can keep every promise He makes. <input type="checkbox"/> Only God is totally and absolutely faithful. <input type="checkbox"/> He promised to send a Savior, He did – He promises to love us, He does – He promises to be with us when things go wrong (and right), He is.
Challenge 4:5	<input type="checkbox"/> God is in charge which means He has authority. <input type="checkbox"/> God is YOUR authority, you are to obey what He says in His Word.