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Proverbs 30:3-6 *The God Questions: Is The Bible True?*

Every word proves true.

"Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. Do not add to his words, lest he rebuke you and you be found a liar" (Proverbs 30:5-6).

Where did the Bible come from?

"...built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone..." (Ephesians 2:20).

The Truth of God's Word in a world without truth.

"More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb" (Psalm 19:10).

"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12).

"Through the wealth of data uncovered by historical and archaeological research, we are able to measure the Bible's historical accuracy. In every case where its claim can be thus tested, the Bible proves to be accurate and reliable" (Jack Cottrell, *The Authority of the Bible*, pp. 48-49).

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Caesar	100-44 BC	900 AD	1,000 years	10
Plato	427-347 BC	900 AD	1,200 years	7
Tacitus	100 AD	1100 AD	900 years	20
Thucydides	460-400 BC	900 AD	1,300 years	8
Herodotus	384-322 BC	900 AD	1,300 years	8
Aristotle	450-385 BC	900 AD	1,400 years	49
Homer (Iliad)	900 BC	400 BC	500 years	643
New Testament	40-100 AD	125 AD	25 years	24,000+

