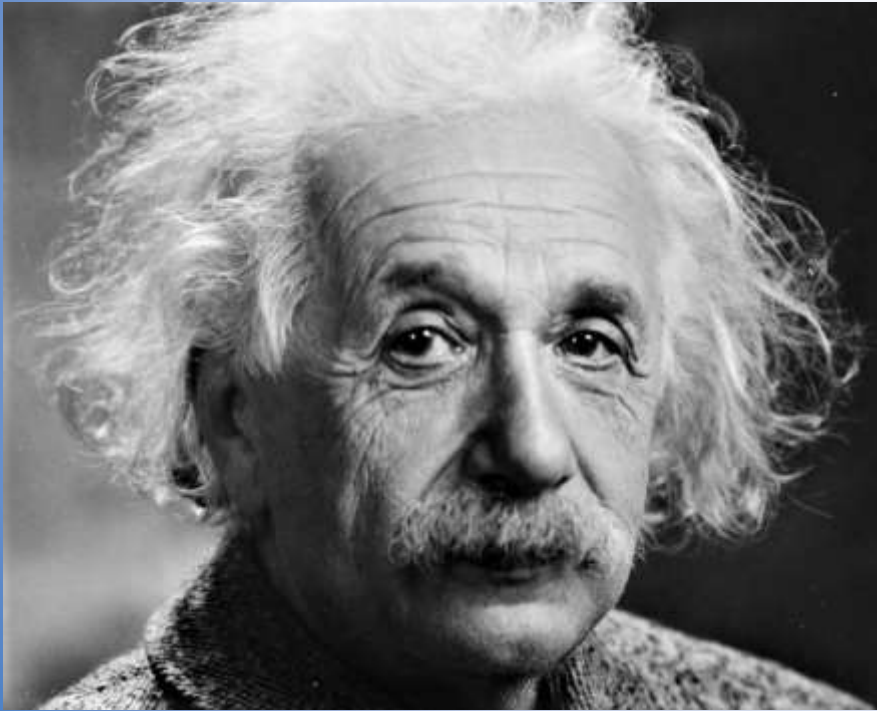
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How Would You Respond to These Views?



“The word God is for me nothing more than the expression and product of human weaknesses, the Bible a collection of honorable, but still primitive legends.”

– Albert Einstein

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“The Bible should be taught, but emphatically not as reality. It is fiction, myth, poetry, anything but reality.”

– Richard Dawkins

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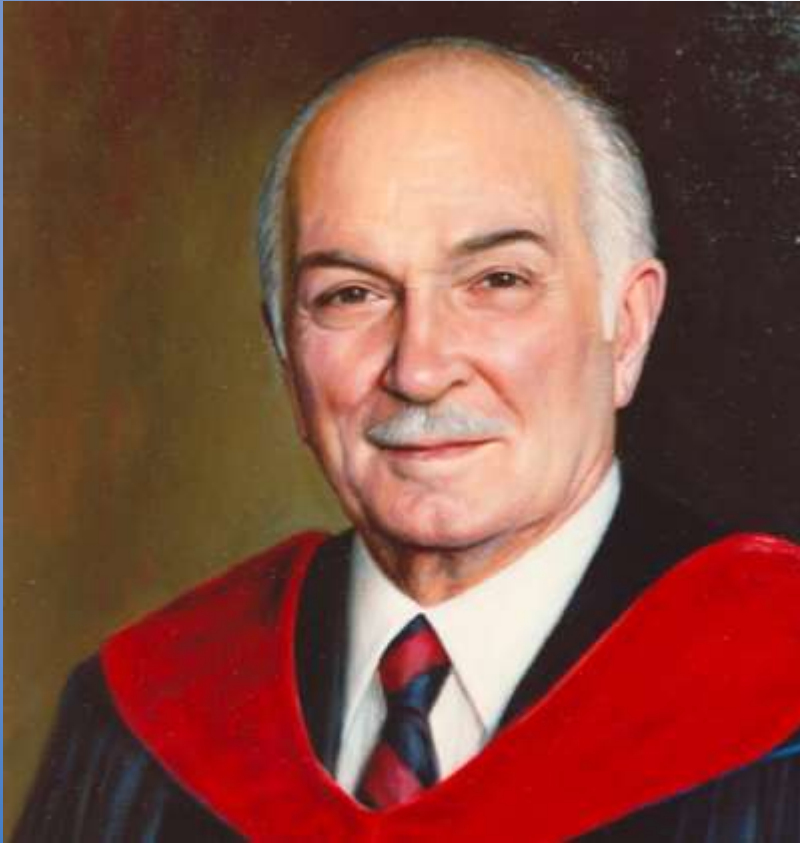


“If one were to take the Bible seriously one would go mad. But to take the Bible seriously, one must be already mad.”

– Aleister Crowley

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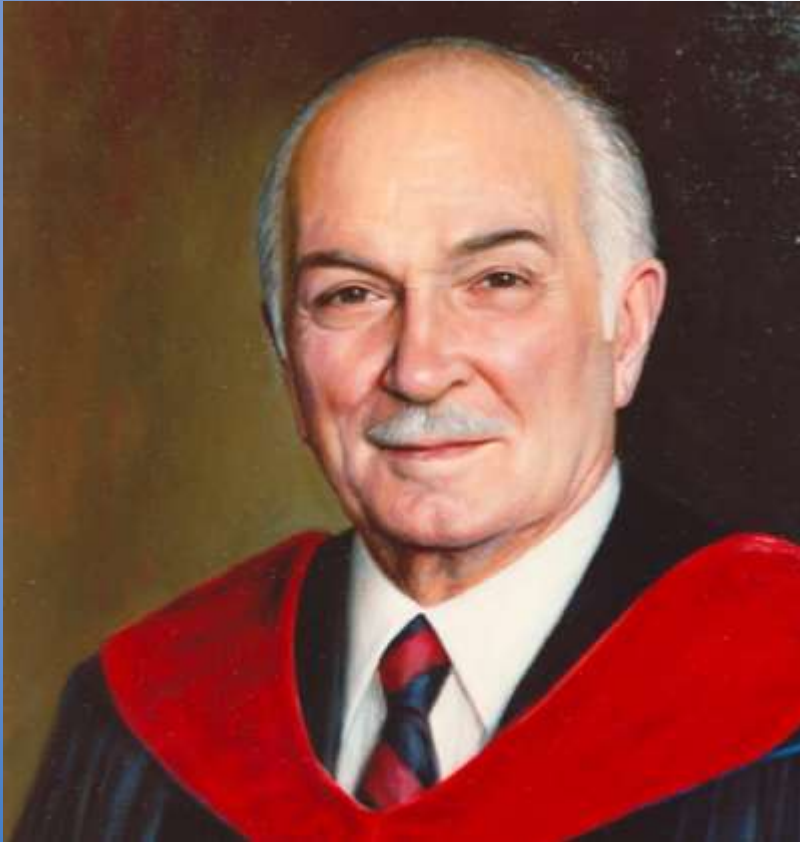
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“Few intelligent Christians can still hold to the idea that the Bible is an infallible book, that it contains no linguistic errors, no historical discrepancies, no antiquated scientific assumptions, not even bad ethical standards...”

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How Would You Respond to These Views?



“Historical investigation and literary criticism have taken the magic out of the Bible and have made it a composite human book, written by many hands in different ages.”

– The Reverend Elmer
Homrighausen

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The Necessity of the Written Word



Jesus, tempted by the devil.

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**Be gone, Satan!
For it is written...**

Matthew 4:4, 7, 10

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The Necessity of the Written Word

1. The Bible is **INFALLIBLE** in its totality—it is unfailing in its purpose.
2. The Bible is **INERRANT** in its parts—it is free from error in all it affirms.
3. The Bible is **AUTHORITATIVE**—it has the right to prescribe all our beliefs and actions.

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The Necessity of the Written Word

4. The Bible is **SUFFICIENT**—it contains all needed information for living.
5. The Bible is **LIFE-GIVING**—it provides access to and assurance of salvation.
6. The Bible is **TRUSTWORTHY**—it accomplishes what it promises.

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The Necessity of the Written Word

Different approaches to the Bible:

- Those who reject the whole Bible.
- Those who reject parts of the Bible.
- Those who accept the whole Bible.
 - Evidence (science, logic, physicality)
 - Faith (mystery, relativism, spirituality)

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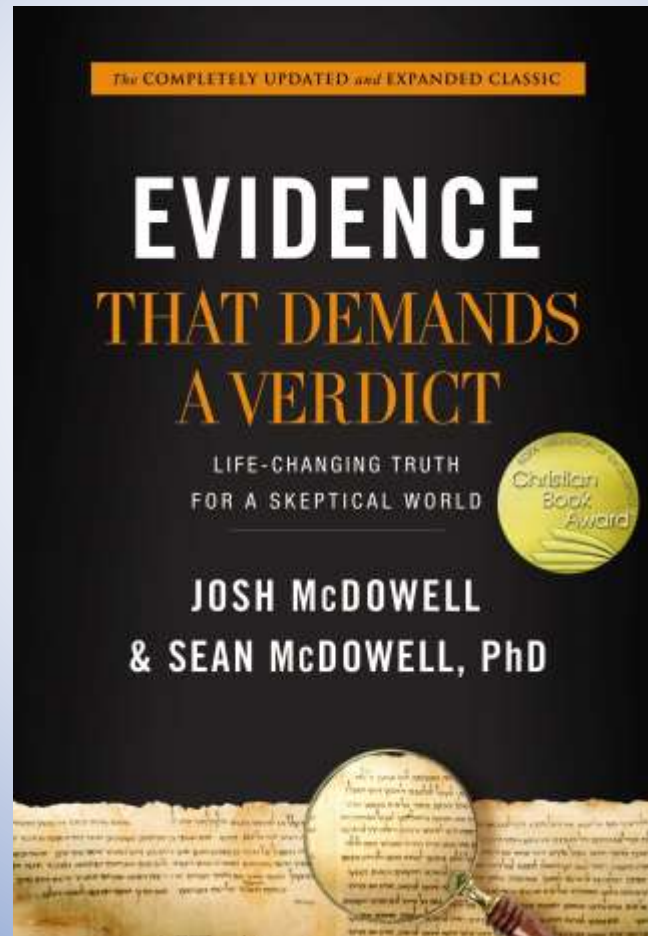


“That which can be asserted without evidence, can be dismissed without evidence.”

– Christopher Hitchens

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“The Bible is a book that has been read more, and examined less, than any book that ever existed.”

– Thomas Paine

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- **The Evidence of Faith**

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The Evidence of Things Not Seen

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The Evidence of Things Not Seen

“Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

(Hebrews 11:1 NKJV)

“Substance” (ὑπόστασις): the essential or basic structure/nature of an entity, substantial nature, essence, actual being, reality (often in contrast to what merely seems to be).

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Elsewhere translated “assurance,” “confidence.”

Other scholars’ translations: “objective guarantee,” “certainty,” “title-deed,” “reality,” “realization,” and “actualization.”

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“Evidence” (ἔλεγχος): the act of presenting evidence for the truth of something, proof, proving.

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Elsewhere translated “conviction,” “assurance,” “demonstration,” “reason,” etc.

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“Faith confers upon what we do not see the full certainty of a proof or demonstration. It furnishes evidence concerning that which has not been seen.”

– William Lane

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“Faith arises when a person lets himself be convinced by God, and so attains a certainty which is objectively grounded and which transcends all human possibilities in its reliability.”

– Ernst Kasemann

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Amber Guyger and Brandt Jean

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Amber Guyger and Judge Tammy Kemp

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“It’s not because I’m good. It’s because I believe in Christ. I’m not so good. You haven’t done as much as you think you have, and you can be forgiven. You did something bad in one moment in time. What you do now matters.”

– Judge Tammy Kemp

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We Must Earnestly Seek Him



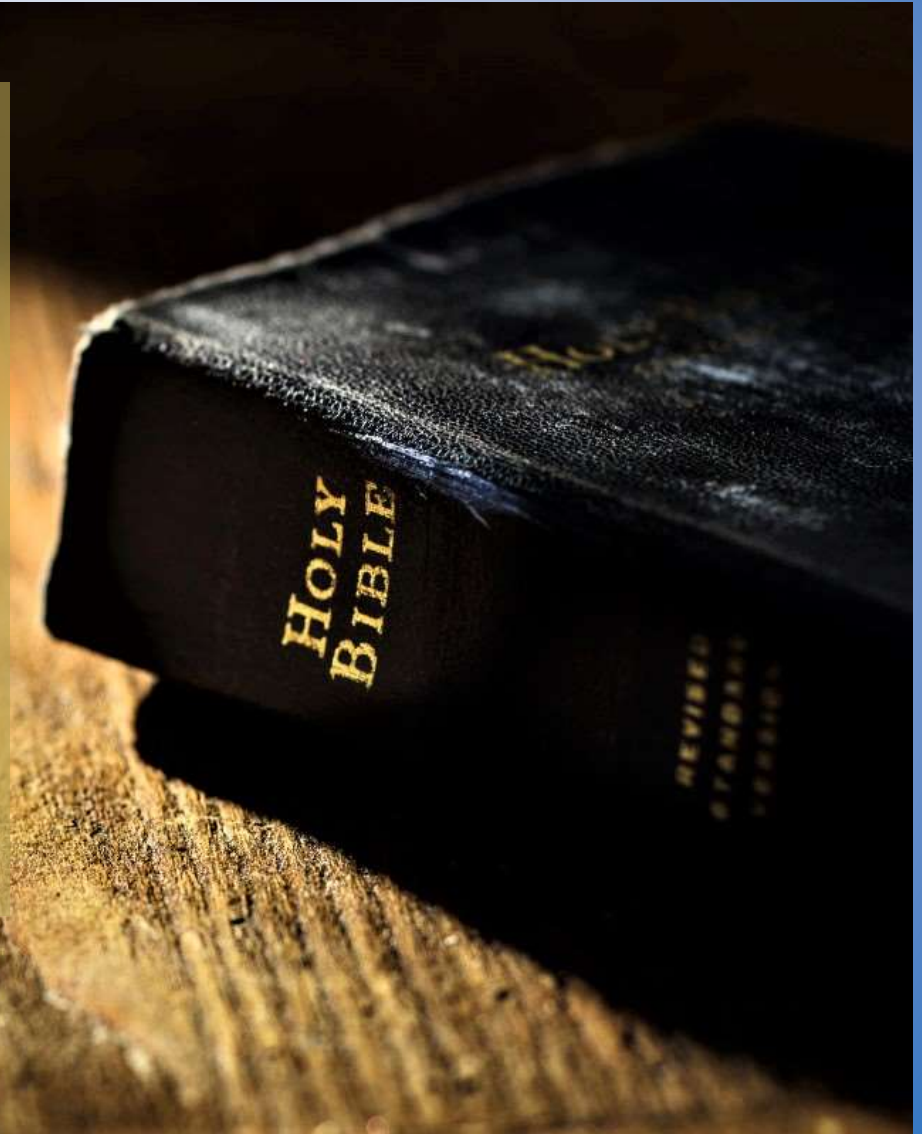
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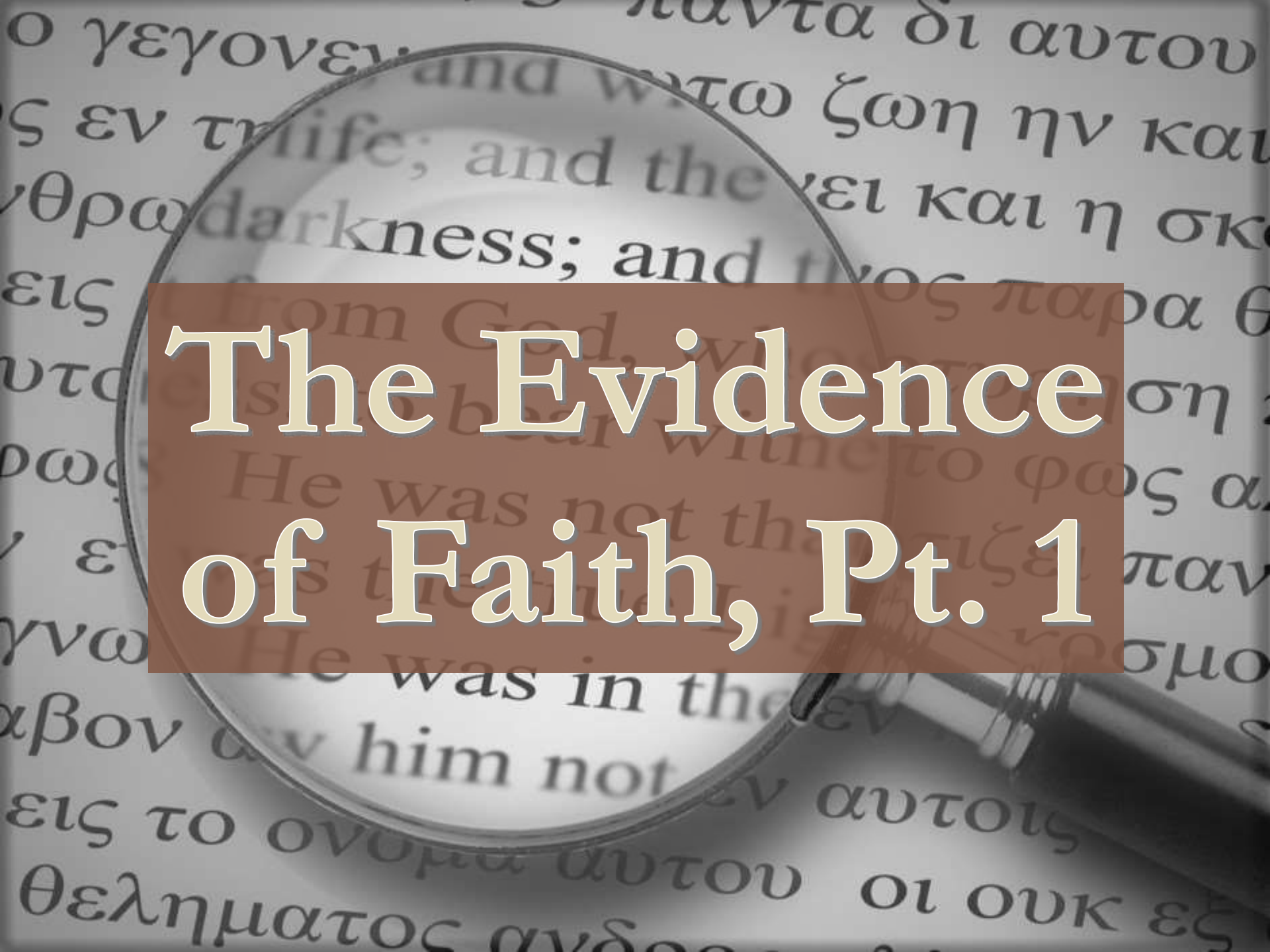
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*“As soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water...the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away...And the people passed over opposite Jericho.”
(Joshua 3:15-16)*

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“Without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.”
(Hebrews 11:6)





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