

# **THE UNIQUENESS OF THE BIBLE**

# **THERE IS ONLY ONE LIKE IT!:**

- The Bible was written over 1600 years
- By more than 40 inspired authors
- From three different continents
- In three different languages
- From all backgrounds of life (fisherman, kings, generals, peasants, philosophers, shepherds, politicians, historians, etc.)
- Who wrote in dungeons, temples, on beaches and hillsides, during peace and during war.

- It has been read by more people than any other book.
- It has been published in more languages than any other book.
- There have been more copies produced in part or in its entirety than any other book.

- It is God's love letter to us
- It is mankind's owner's manual
- It has power to transform lives
- It foretells the future and gives hope and insight

- There are 1,239 prophecies in the Old Testament
- There are 578 prophecies in the New Testament
- These are contained in 1,817 verses.
- There are 31,124 verses in the Bible
- Therefore, Bible prophecy constitutes 26.8% of the Bible.

- Bible Prophecy includes:
  - Jesus' first coming
  - Jesus' death
  - Jesus' second coming
  - Many other Bible prophecies

- Jesus' First Coming (see the handout):
  - A Redeemer promised
  - He will come from Judah
  - The time of His coming told
  - He will be born of a virgin
  - He will be conceived by the Holy Spirit
  - He will be the Son of God
  - He will be born in Bethlehem
  - He will be called “God with us”
  - His coming will be preceded by a messenger
  - He will enter Jerusalem on a colt

- Jesus' death (see the handout):
  - Satan will strike His heel
  - He would be betrayed by a friend
  - He would be sold for 30 pieces of silver
  - The money would be used to buy the potter's field
  - He would remain silent to His accusers
  - His hands and feet will be pierced
  - He would be mocked and insulted
  - He would be beaten and spit upon
  - He would be buried with the rich
  - They would cast lots for His clothing
  - None of His bones would be broken

The EXACT DAY that  
Jesus would publicly  
reveal Himself to Israel  
and then be “cut off” was  
predicted!

## **Daniel 9:24-27:**

His crucifixion was predicted to be 7 “7s” and 62 “7s” (483 years) from the decree to rebuild Jerusalem (given to Ezra the priest by King Artaxerxes in 457BC) which comes to 32AD (calculated by the Jewish calendar) when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the colt of a donkey (Palm Sunday) and was killed that next Friday.

So, the likelihood of just 10 of these prophecies being fulfilled as predicted give us the mathematical probability of:

One chance in  
10,000,000,000,000,000,000

The WORD is ALIVE!