

Did You Know...?



Did you Know that the Bible contains thousands of proofs regarding its reliability? Some proofs are in science, some history, some archeology, some prophecy etc. All add up to overwhelming evidence for the reliability of the Bible. Consider just the three following verses, keeping in mind when they were written: (Genesis, written 3,400 years ago, Jeremiah, written 2,600 years ago, Hebrews written 1950 years ago.)

Gen. 22:17 *"That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore..."* Jeremiah 33:22 *"As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant"* Hebrews 11:12 *"...so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable."*

Pre Galileo, there exists many documented estimates by astronomers, scientists, philosophers and lonely shepherds counting and putting a number on how many stars existed in the heavens. To the best of man's abilities those calculations consistently show up at between 1,000 to 3,000. Why would the Bible put the number of stars in the uncountable range along with the number of grains of sand upon the earth. Remember the people in Bible times were very familiar with the sands of deserts and seashores as they were both very common to the region. They could easily see the vastness of the number of grains of sand, even in one handful. Rough counts of stars, while many, were nothing like the number of grains of sand. Again, rough counts of 1000 to 3000 stars held up as scientifically accurate until Galileo (1564–1642), using his homemade telescope, saw a ten-fold increase in the number of visible stars, up to 30,000. A recent scientific estimate claims that the Universe Has 70 Sextillion Stars while one NASA website puts it at zillions. Oops! As I was writing this a new figure just came out. Associated Press 12/01/10 "Scientists Find 200 Sextillion more Stars in the Sky". Long before the Hubble telescope or even a primitive telescope existed God was conveying the message of a huge uncountable number of stars. Either He (God – the author of the Bible) or some person (if you think the Bible is just from uninspired men) who thought to write that, had very good eyes, or he made a foolish statement.

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