

PART 2: WHY WE TRUST THE BIBLE

KEY SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:17-18

John 20:31

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How were you first introduced to the Bible? What people and ideas do you associate with that time?
- 2. Which argument is more compelling? "I take Adam and Eve seriously because it's in the Bible." or "I take Adam and Eve seriously because Jesus did." Why?
- 3. It's possible you or someone you know left your faith because of something in the Bible. What is the "it" that you or they didn't believe?

Read John 20:30-31 to find the only "it" that really matters. How does John describe his purpose for writing? What do you think John meant by "have life in his name"?

- 4. The Bible is a collection of 66 different "books" written over the course of 1500 years by 40 people, most of whom never met, in 3 different languages, on 3 continents. There are 63,779 cross references within the Bible. The entire New Testament was written within 37 years of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. And three of the gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) were written between 10 and 25 years after the resurrection. Of these and other facts that Pastor Will gave in his message, which ones surprise you the most? Which ones help solidify your faith?
- 5. Establishing a habit of reading the Bible is a crucial part of following Jesus. Do you have a rhythm for engaging with Scripture every day? If not, how could your group help you start that habit?

Application Prayer: Thank you for these reliable, historical accounts we call the Bible. I trust your Word (even more) and in YOU as my God and Savior.