



Evidence from Archaeology

In the past, some skeptical scholars have maintained that many of the names and places found in the Bible were actually only part of “mythological stories” invented by the human writers of the Bible. They believed that those places, people, and events never happened in real history. But in more recent times, archaeologists have uncovered many writings and artifacts that have demonstrated and confirmed that the Biblical accounts were historically accurate. Here are a few of those discoveries.

- The Pool of Siloam
- The Pool of Bethesda
- The Foundations of Herod’s Temple
- Pilate’s Praetorium
- Writing did exist in Moses’ Day
- Names and Places in Accounts of Patriarchs are accurate
- “Tehom” (Hebrew: “The Deep” Genesis 1:2) was a word used in Moses’ Day
- Ancient Customs of Patriarchs have been confirmed in other writings
- The Hittites existed
- Solomon’s wealth was consistent with other records
- Sargon (Isaiah 20:1) existed
- Sargon’s capture of Ashdod (Isaiah 20) was recorded on palace walls
- Belshazzar (Daniel 5) existed
- Belshazzar’s offer to Daniel (“3rd highest ruler) is consistent
- The Walls of Jericho came down in a way that is consistent with the Bible (unbelieving scholars still reject this)
- One archaeologist (Nelson Glueck) said: "It may be stated categorically that no archaeological discovery has ever controverted a biblical reference"
- Another archaeologist (William Albright) said: "Discovery after discovery has established the accuracy of innumerable details of the Bible"
- Dr. William Ramsey (Atheistic Englishman and University professor—died in 1939) sat out to use archaeology to disprove the book of Acts. After 25 years of study he was stunned by the accuracy of Acts, and became a Christian believer.

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