

Why is the Bible called the Holy Bible?



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Prophecy never had its origin in the will of man,

but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. - 2 Peter 1:21

"One more book, Dad! Please!" my two-year-old daughter tells me as she looks at me with her baby blue eyes and holds up her favorite book. It's amazing how many books we read in a sitting, everything from: *Pete the Cat* to the *Biscuit* series, to *Pinkalicious* to *Dr. Seuss*. These books contain short stories that hold the attention of the listener (and the reader) while providing some entertainment or education along the way.

We read for many reasons. And we know that most of the things we read whether online, in the newspaper, or in a book must be read with a discerning eye. The problem is that we sometimes struggle to know which parts of them are real and true.

This can be a challenge. But what about when it comes to the Bible, the Holy Bible. Well, that is another story! Why? Throughout Scripture we are told that God's Word is different. What makes it different? The author is God. Yes, men wrote the Bible but God is the main author. It is his holy, perfect Word.

God tells us some remarkable truths about his Word such as: God's Word cannot be broken (everything it says is reliable). His Word is truth (why would God lie to us?). His Word is sharp (it can pierce through the hardest of hearts). His Word is alive (it is active). His Word is powerful. His Word always achieves God's purpose. His Word will never pass away.

While these truths are important to note, it is the message of God's Word that can't be overlooked. For God says that the purpose of the Bible, the Holy Bible, is for us to know that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in his name.

The Bible is holy. But you have to open and use it to get anything out of it. If you want to change a heart or be comforted by God's grace, you have to "blow off the dust" and share or listen to the holy words of our God. These are the words that he authored through men, for you, to tell you about his great love and saving activity in Jesus, so that through the encouragement of the Scriptures you might have hope.

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