

SCRIPTURE SLEUTH



Some people believe that the Old Testament is full of stories and myths. But when Jesus spoke about people and events from the Old Testament, he referred to them as real and true history.

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BIG QUESTIONS

Did God use the Big Bang?

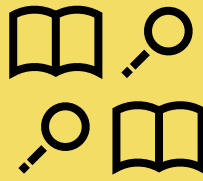
Verses to Read

Genesis 1:1; Nehemiah 9:6; Colossians 2:8

THE BIG BANG MODEL is the idea that the universe came from a big explosion billions of years ago. Evolutionists believe that energy and particles from the big bang formed atoms, the tiny things that are the building blocks for all matter in the universe. They believe those atoms formed everything else over billions of years.

But the idea of the big bang doesn't match what God's Word says. In Genesis 1, we read that God spoke the universe into existence in six days, not billions of years. Genesis also tells us that God created the earth *before* he created the stars. The big bang model says that stars came first.

Some Christians think God might have used the big bang to create everything, but this idea doesn't come from the Bible. As Christians, we should put our trust in God and his Word, not in the guesses that imperfect people make.



God tells us to search for wisdom and understanding (Proverbs 2:3–6). The best place to look is in the Bible! So grab your detective gear and let's investigate Scripture, inspect clues, and discover all that God's Word has to teach us.

LOOK UP each reference and find the Old Testament names in the word search. Color the letters as you use them. After you find all 17 names, write the remaining uncolored letters in the space below to reveal one of the reasons we can trust the Old Testament.

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| 1. Matthew 12:3–4
<i>David</i> | 7. Luke 4:27
(2 names) |
| 2. Matthew 12:42 | 8. Luke 4:25–26 |
| 3. Matthew 22:32
(3 names) | 9. Luke 11:30 |
| 4. Matthew 24:15–16
(2 names) | 10. Luke 11:51 |
| 5. Matthew 24:37–39 | 11. Luke 17:28–29 |
| 6. Mark 10:6–8
(2 names Hint:
<i>Genesis 2:20–21</i>) | 12. John 3:14 |

CHALLENGE: To read more about these people, ask an adult to help you find where they are mentioned in the Old Testament. Use the cross-references or a concordance (a list of words and where they appear in the Bible) to help your search.

We can know the Old Testament is true because . . .

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J A B R A H A M S A
H O D A V I D O H
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1. DAVID
2. SOLOMON
3. ABRAHAM,
9. JONAH
10. ABEL,
Z E C H A R I A H
4. DANIEL
5. NOAH
6. ADAM, EVE
7. ELISHA, NAMAAN
8. ELIJAH
9. JONAH
10. ABEL,
Z E C H A R I A H
11. LOT
12. MOSES

HIDDEN MESSAGE: JESUS BELIEVED THE
BIBLE IS HISTORY!

