## **Ever Wonder Week #4 – The Scriptures**

### **Pray First!**

What role did the Bible play in your life as you were growing up? Did you have a time as a family where you read God's Word? Did you learn Bible stories in Sunday School? Did you have parents who regarded the Bible as truth? Did you grow up in a home where there was no Bible to be found?

Today's lesson covers the reliability of the Bible. If you have the time, you should plan to watch the whole message. It is full of details and statistics about why God's Word is reliable and trustworthy.

#### Read 2 Peter 1:16-21

- What do these verses say about the Bible?
- Who does the passage give credit to for writing scripture?
- What thoughts or questions does this passage bring up for you?

Some of the statistics Pastor Jeff shares during this message are this:

- The Bible is the words of God, written down by men
- It's written in 3 different languages
- On 3 different continents
- 40 different authors, most of whom never met
- It was written over a period of 1500 years.

People will try to convince believers that the bible isn't reliable or that it has contradictions. The text is actually pure and preserved more than any other historical or ancient document – because the Lord's hand is in it!

#### Watch the Video

- What is something that stands out to you from today's teaching?
- Why do you think people try to throw darts and say that God's Word isn't true?
- What is most surprising to you about the preservation of God's Word?
- God's Word has something to say about almost every topic you can think of.
  Why is that important for us today?
- What role does the Bible have in your daily life? If you spend time in it each day, why? What do you gain? If you don't spend time in it each day, why? What do you miss out on?
- What's something you understand differently because of today's message?
- Any other thoughts on today's message?

Close in Prayer – pray that the Holy Spirit would teach you truths you need to know from God's Word each day.

# For more during the week:

- Psalm 12:6
- 1 Peter 1:24b-25
- Psalm 33:4
- Psalm 50