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*Review Twelve: Bible Criticism*  
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**A General Introduction to the Bible**

# LESSON 12

## BIBLE CRITICISM

### Review Booklet

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While it is good to carefully examine things and to seek truth, some forms of Bible criticism only seem to try to prove that the Bible might be wrong. Some "scholars" seem to always try to show that what the Bible says is wrong. Of course, these scholars end up being wrong. What are some of the "criticisms" that these scholars, professors, and even some pastors might bring up?

If Jesus says that the prophet Isaiah wrote something, who is right: the scholars who say that Isaiah did not write it, or Jesus who said that Isaiah did write it? \_\_\_\_\_

Look up John 5:46–47; Luke 24:27, 44; and Mark 12:26 (compare Exodus 3:6). Who did Jesus say wrote the first five books of the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_

Who did Jesus say wrote the Book of Daniel, according to Matthew 24:15? \_\_\_\_\_

If the author of a book of the Bible lied to us, then we could not trust that book of the Bible. We can be sure, however, that the Bible is true and that the authors did not lie when writing those books. So, if the author of a book of the Bible claims to be the Apostle Paul, who can we believe wrote that book of the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_

Some scholars say that when the Bible says that the Israelites crossed the wilderness after leaving Egypt, it did not really happen. Who is right—scholars or the Word of God? \_\_\_\_\_

If the Bible says that the heavens and earth and all in them were created in six days, who is right? God or the “scientists” and professors (and even some pastors) who say that the earth is millions of years old? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you think so many people question the Bible and try to prove (though never successfully) that the Bible is not true?

We can end up having our own form of Bible criticism if we believe that God does not mean what He said. There are many who claim to believe the Bible who say things like, “Evolution is true,” or “There was not a worldwide flood,” or “Jesus is not the only way to heaven,” or “My church is the only right church.” What are some other things that people might say or believe that show that they do not really believe that the Bible is the infallible Word of God?

Do you believe that all of the Bible is the Word of God, or are there some parts that you think might not be true?

Do you have any comments or questions? Are there any ways in which we can pray for you or help in any way?

Do you have a family member or friend who would like to sign up for this Bible course? If so, please fill out the form below and we will send him/her the first lesson in this course.

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