

from other sources. However, at point after point where formerly the Old Testament stood alone, there is to-day corroborating evidence. No one need longer fear to trust the Old Testament from an evidential viewpoint. At point after point secular scholars are discovering that it is a dependable and reliable book. At point after point new evidence is coming to light to show its dependability. We can trust the historical reliability of the Old Testament. We can believe this book which Paul declared to be the very Word of God, inspired of God and profitable for many purposes. We can trust this book which tells us of Christ.

What a shame that to-day those who accept the conclusions of unbelief have so large a part in the preparation of religious literature of every sort, and are wielding a great and harmful influence upon the minds of growing generations! There can be no real contradiction between what has actually happened in the historical world and what God has caused to be written in His Holy Book.

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<sup>1</sup>Edwin R. Thiele. The Mysterious Numbers of the Hebrew Kings, University of Chicago, Press, 1951, p. XVII.