

# REASONS FOR FAITH SERIES

## ANSWERING BIBLE DIFFICULTIES

"Sanctify them  
by the Truth.  
Your Word is Truth"

1 SAMUEL 15:10-29

- I. Introduction
- II. What are some of the mistakes we make as we approach the subject of alleged Bible difficulties?
  - A. Mistake 1: Assuming that the unexplained is not explainable.
  - B. Mistake 2: Failing to understand the context of a passage.
  - C. Mistake 3: Neglecting to interpret difficult passages in light of clear ones.
  - D. Mistake 4: Assuming that a partial report is a full report.
  - E. Mistake 5: Demanding that NT quotations of OT verses always be exact quotations.

F. Mistake 6: Presuming that the Bible approves of all it records.

G. Mistake 7: Forgetting that the Bible uses non-technical, everyday language to refer to many things.

H. Mistake 8: Assuming that round numbers are false.

I. Mistake 9: Neglecting to notice that the Bible uses different literary devices.

J. Mistake 10: Forgetting that only the original text, not every copy of scripture, is without error.

### III. Conclusion