



## THE BIBLE IS RELIABLE, BUT...

### 1. ... \_\_\_\_\_ RELIABLE IN OUR \_\_\_\_\_ OF IT.

“And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures. You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.”

**2 Peter 3:15-17 (ESV)**

*“Fools find no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing their opinion.”*

**Proverbs 18:2 (CEB)**

### 2. ... \_\_\_\_\_ IS THE ONLY \_\_\_\_\_ OF RELIABILITY.

*“But when the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own. He will speak only what he hears. And he will tell you what is still going to happen. He will bring me glory. That’s because what he receives from me he will show to you.”*

**John 16:13-14 (NIRV)**

*“If any of you need wisdom, you should ask God, and it will be given to you. God is generous and won’t correct you for asking.”*

**James 1:5** (CEV)

### Devotional Reading

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### Biblical Study

1. As best I can tell, what did this passage mean to the original audience when it was written?
2. From that original meaning, what general principle can I take from it that applies to all audiences?
3. How does that principle apply to me?

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