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80 Years

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Recorded History + 10,000 Years Of Eternity



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## 2 Peter 1

NLT

**20** Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding,

**21** or from human initiative. No, those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God.

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## Matthew 13

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**14** This fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah that says, 'When you hear what I say, you will not understand. When you see what I do, you will not comprehend.'

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## Matthew 15

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**7** You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote,

**8** ‘These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

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## Luke 4

NLT

**17** The scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where this was written:

**18** “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free

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The New Testament quotes Isaiah more than all the other prophets together, and does so in such a way as to leave no room for doubt that the New Testament writers, and the Lord Jesus, took Isaiah to be the author of the whole book that bears his name.

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## 2 Timothy 3

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**16** All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

**17** God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

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Odds Of Winning The Lottery, 1 In 303 Million

**302,500,000**

Odds Of 8 Prophecies About Jesus Fulfilled In 1 Man, 1 in  $10^{17}$

**100,000,000,000,000,000**





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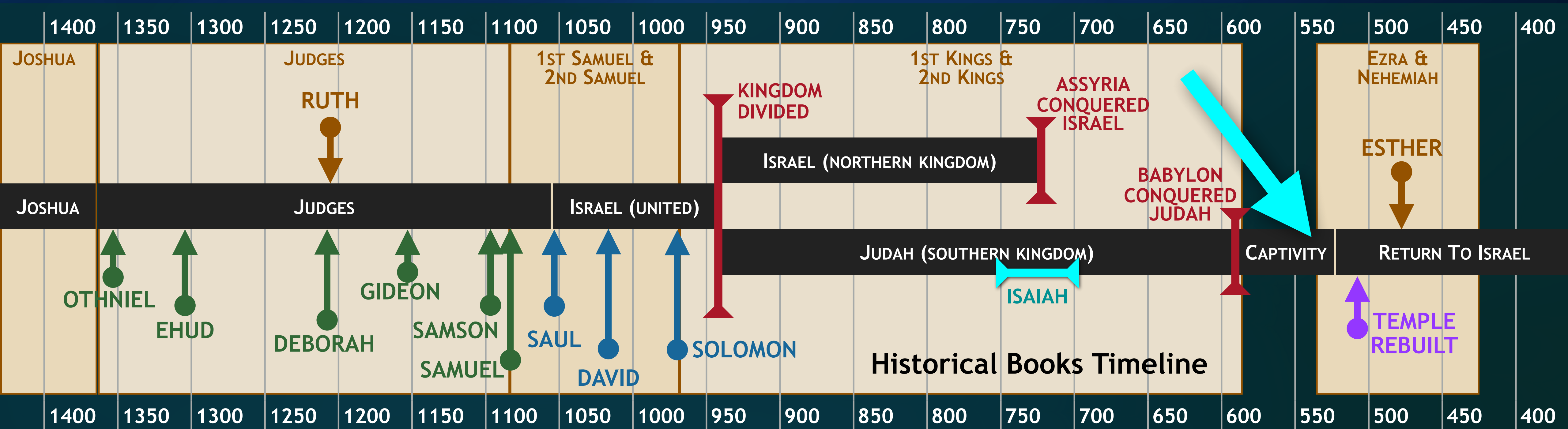
# Odds Of 48 Prophecies About Jesus Fulfilled In 1 Man, 1 in $10^{157}$

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### **3. The Copies Accurately Preserve God's Word**



**Pink:**  
**Gap Of Time**

**Yellow:**  
**Number Of**  
**Manuscripts**



**Herodotus: Battle Of Thermopylae**  
Earliest Manuscript: 450 years later  
Number Of Manuscripts: 100

**New Testament**  
Earliest Manuscript: 30 years later  
Number Of Manuscripts: 5800



The Dead Sea Scrolls have yielded Isaiah material with the manuscript Qa being our oldest witness to Isaiah. It is at least a thousand years older than the Ben Asher text (mt) of ad 1009.

The overwhelming identity between these two is an astonishing tribute to careful copying.



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## **Canon:**

- ◆ Standard, law, rule
- ◆ Collection or list accepted as genuine

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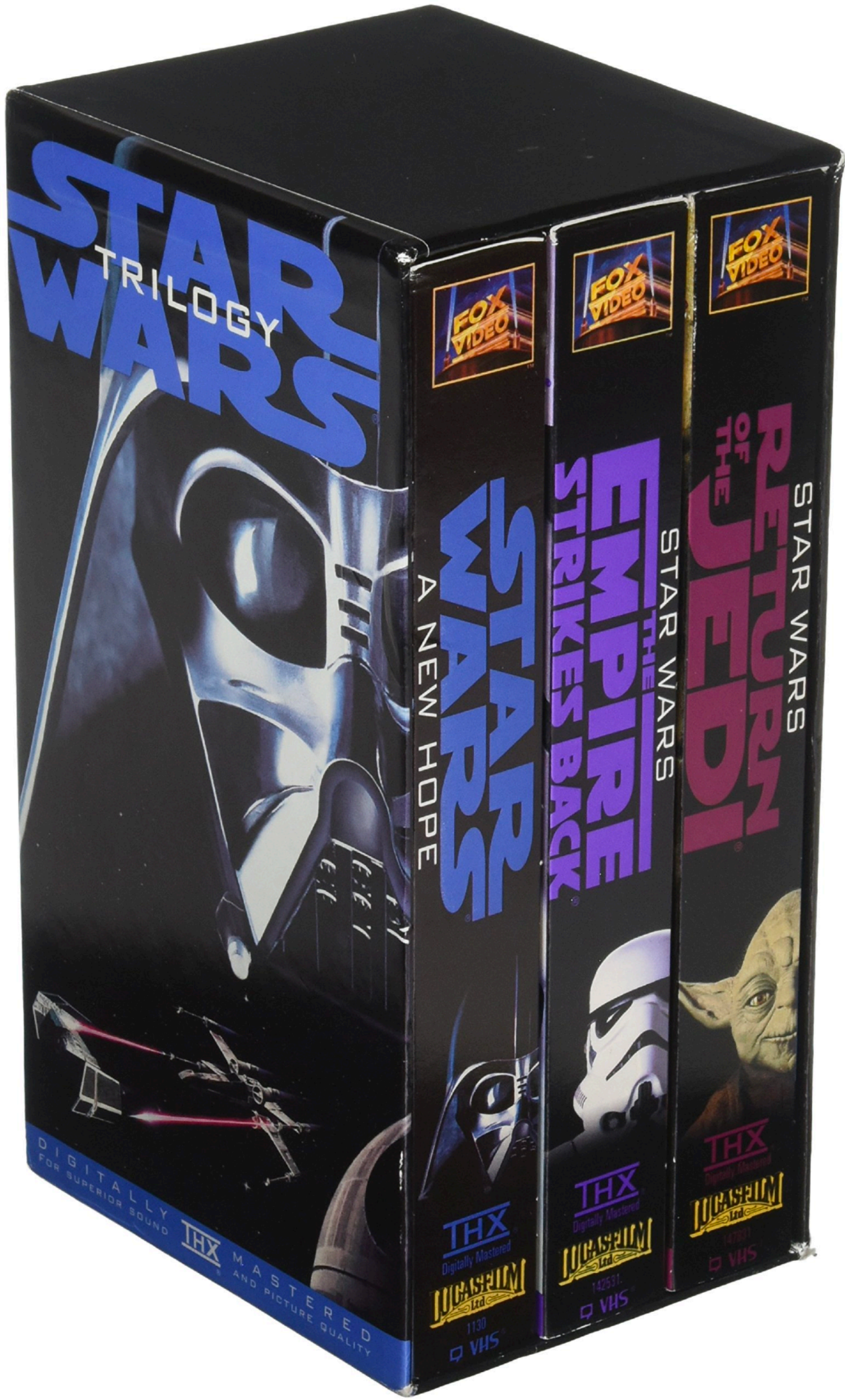
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## Luke 24

NLT

**44** Then he said, “When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must be fulfilled.”

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## John 16

NLT

**12** “There is so much more I want to tell you, but you can’t bear it now.

**13** When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future.

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# The Bible: Use As Directed

- ◆ Believe It  
(1 Thessalonians 2:13)
- ◆ Abide In It  
(John 8:31)
- ◆ Live By Every Word  
(Matthew 4:4)
- ◆ Meditate On It  
(Joshua 1:8, Psalm 1:2)
- ◆ Do What It Says  
(James 1:22)
- ◆ Teach It To Your Children  
(Deuteronomy 6:6-9)
- ◆ Preach The Word  
(2 Timothy 4:2)

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