



The Book of Enoch: Scripture or Not?

Evaluating the Four Primary Arguments for the book of Enoch's Canonization



Referenced by New Testament Writers



Quoted Directly by Jesus Christ



Included in the Ethiopian Bible



Quoted Verbatim by Jude

The argument of quotation by NT writers assumes . . .

New Testament References

2 Peter 2:4 . . .

Jude 1:6 . . .

Book of Enoch 10:4-7

Bind Azazel . . .

Genesis 6:1-4

The sons of God . . .

Proponents claim Peter and Jude reference details about fallen angels found only in Enoch. In reality, the core historical event is firmly rooted in Genesis 6.

Divine Inspiration Provides Details Absent in Original Texts



The Holy Spirit did not need to read the Book of Enoch to know the exact details of what happened during the days of Genesis 6.

Scriptural Precedent: In 2 Timothy 3:8, Paul names “Jannes and Jambres” as the men who withstood Moses. These specific names are absent from Exodus but were provided directly by divine inspiration, not external reading.

The Lord's Supposed Quotation of Enoch

The Sadducees' Trap

Asking whose wife a woman will be in the resurrection if she had seven earthly husbands (Matthew 22:23-28).



The Biblical Law

Levirate marriage dictates a brother must marry a widow to raise seed, but death ends the marital bond (Deuteronomy 25:5).



The Lord's Answer

Jesus states humanity does not marry in the resurrection, but are 'as as the angels' (Matthew 22:29-30).

Enoch 15:6-7 states angels are not appointed wives. When Jesus mentions angels in Matthew 22, it is a secondary observation to answer a specific question about human marriage laws, not a validation of Enoch's text.

Secular Quotations Do Not Elevate External Texts to Divine Scripture

Biblical Author	Secular / External Source Quoted	Resulting Canon Status
Paul	Greek Poets (Acts 17:28)	Not Scripture
Paul	Epimenides of Knossos, Crete (Titus 1:12)	Not Scripture
Old Testament Writers	Book of Jasher (Joshua 10:13)	Not Scripture

Quoting an external author for a specific, true point does not grant divine inspiration to the rest of their work.

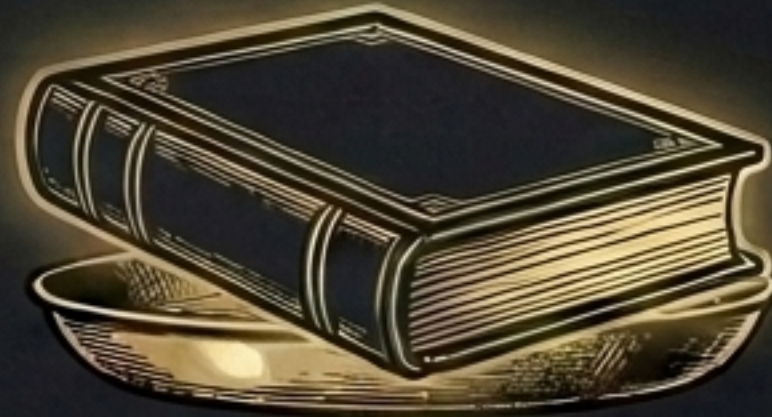
The Ethiopian Bible Has More Books But Less Truth

Proponents argue that the Ethiopian Bible is the "most complete" because it includes Enoch.

However, "most complete" implies all other Bibles are incomplete.

By containing 22 unscriptural, apocryphal texts, the Ethiopian Bible is arguably the most corrupted canon, polluted with texts that do not belong.

**Standard Canon
(66 Books)**



**22 Apocryphal
Books**



An Unusually Precise Verbatim Match

Jude 1:14-15

Behold, the Lord **cometh with
ten thousands** of his saints,
To **execute judgment upon
all...**

Enoch 1:9

And behold! He **cometh with
ten thousands** of His holy ones
To **execute judgement upon
all...**

Forensic Note: Scripture rarely quotes other scripture with perfect verbatim identity, especially for lengthy passages. Such precise, word-for-word alignment is an anomaly. The real question is not why Jude quoted Enoch, but rather: Did the author of Enoch plagiarize Jude?

Scientific Dating Methods Mask Potential Paleographic Forgery



Radiocarbon Dating

Assumes unproven constant decay rates over 6,000+ years.

Paleography (Script Typology)

Hasmonean (2nd-1st C BC) vs. later Herodian scripts.

Strategic Insight:

If a forger wanted a text written after Jude to appear ancient, they would intentionally write it using an older BC script.

Historical Precedent Callout:

The "Archaic Mark" (Codex 2427) was long believed to be ancient until pigment analysis proved it was forged after 1874. Forgeries mimicking ancient scripts happen frequently.

Scripture Distinguishes Between Spoken Prophecy and Written Texts



Prophecy / Spoken Word



Recording / Written Book

Analysis Text:

Jude 1:14 explicitly states, "And Enoch also... prophesied of these."

Jude never claims Enoch wrote a book.

Biblical Parallel:

Matthew 27:9 attributes a spoken prophecy regarding thirty pieces of silver to Jeremiah, even though Zechariah actually recorded it in writing (Zechariah 11:13). Speaking a divine truth does **not** prove the historical existence of a written book by that speaker.

Enoch's Internal Theology Directly Contradicts Established Biblical Doctrine

Red Flag 1 (Enoch 13:1-8)
"Azazel" – An entity/angel granted massive doctrinal importance but never mentioned in scripture.

Red Flag 3 (Enoch 14:1-4)
A mortal man (Enoch) is granted the spiritual authority to reprimand the angels of heaven.



Red Flag 2 (Enoch 15:1-2)
Eternal Watchers (angels) approach a human (Enoch) asking him to intercede and pray for them.

The Evidence Indicates a Post-Jude Forgery Designed to Sow Doubt

Origin

Highly likely a historical forgery written after Jude, utilizing older script styles and verbatim lifting to manufacture an illusion of antiquity.

Doctrine

Contains wildly unscriptural theology, elevating humanity over angels and introducing fabricated spiritual entities.

Purpose

Functions not as divine revelation, but as an attempt to cast doubt on the completeness, sufficiency, and reliability of the established Word of God.

The Book of Enoch fails the tests of historical authenticity, scriptural cross-referencing, and doctrinal purity. It is not Scripture.