

Thoughts

# Overwhelming evidence for the trustworthiness of the New Testament



Documentaries, magazines and TV shows call into question the reliability of the New Testament all the time. Yet evidence shows a mountain of support for it. Beyond that, the time frame from the original manuscripts to the first copies is less than 100 years for the NT, but as long as 500 years for Homer's *Iliad* – even longer for other ancient books – making the NT the most well attested book of all ancient literature.

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## Number of existing manuscripts

- **5,686**  
New Testament
- **49**  
Aristotle
- **193**  
Sophocles
- **643**  
Homer's *Iliad*

Data presented from CARM.org; Representation of manuscripts when proportionally reduced to fit.