

• THE GOSPEL OF •

LUKE



*Certainty*

EPH 1:17-18

LUKE 1:1-4

HEB 11:1

1 Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us,  
2 just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word.



LUKE 1:1-2



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4 so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.



LUKE 1:3-4

# Who was Theophilus?

 Theophilus the High Priest (37-41 AD)

(Josephus, Antiquities 18.6.3; 19.6.2)

 Theophilus “Man of Power” in Antioch

(Clementine Recognitions 10.71)

 Theophilus as a Pseudonym for Believers

“Friend of God”

(Origen Hom. 1 in Luc)



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(as-fal'-i-an)

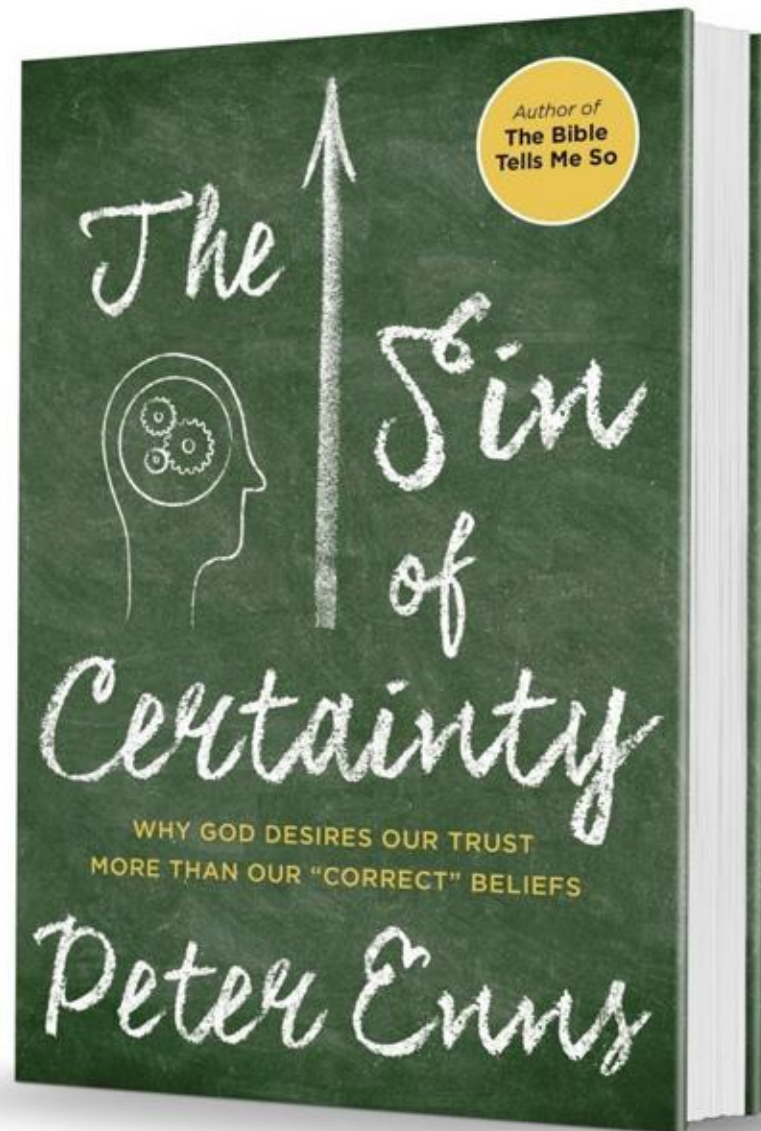
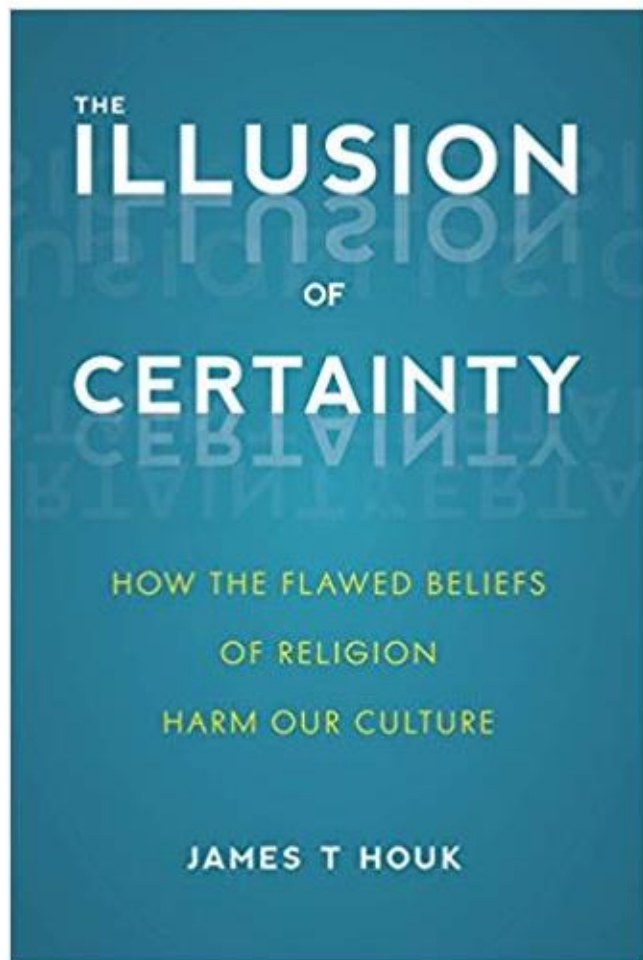


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DEVELOPED TO A VERY HIGH LEVEL  
IS THE SIN OF CREDULITY.

IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT WHEN  
HUMAN BEINGS STOP BELIEVING  
IN GOD THEY BELIEVE IN NOTHING.

THE TRUTH IS MUCH WORSE:  
THEY BELIEVE IN ANYTHING."



~MALCOLM MUGGERIDGE



"MERELY HAVING AN OPEN MIND  
IS NOTHING;  
THE OBJECT OF OPENING THE MIND,  
AS OF OPENING THE MOUTH,  
IS TO SHUT IT AGAIN  
ON SOMETHING SOLID."



~G.K. CHESTERTON

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