Is Candid and _____

What I mean by this is that throughout the Scriptures, we see very unflattering accounts of even the greatest followers of God.

In Genesis

Adam and Eve and the Fall of Man **Genesis 3**
Cain's slaying of His brother **Genesis 4:8**
Man's pervasive sinfulness and the catastrophic flood **Genesis 6**
Man's disobedience and the tower of Babel **Genesis 11**
Noah's drunkenness **Genesis 9:20-21**
Abraham's lies about His wife **Genesis 12:11-13**
Abraham's moral failure with Sarah and Hagar **Genesis 16:3**
Sarah's laugh at God's promises **Genesis 18:12**
Lot offers His daughters to a mob **Genesis 19:6-8**
Lot's drunkenness and incest with His daughters **Genesis 19**
Isaac lies about His wife Rebekah **Genesis 26:7**
Rebekah — Helped deceive Isaac **Genesis 27:5-17**
Jacob lies to His father and cheats his brother **Genesis 27:18-29**
Judah — Committed immorality with Tamar **Genesis 38:15-18**
Joseph's brothers — Sold their own brother into slavery **Genesis 37:23-28**

Some other major people whom God used and their failures:

Moses - murdered, made excuses, and lost his temper.
Aaron- made a golden calf and lied about it.
The nation of Israel- constantly rejected God, served idols, and committed all the atrocities of the heathen nations.
Gideon - tempted God repeatedly, asking for signs, despite God's promises.
Samson - was immoral and broke his Nazirite vow.
Saul - lied about his obedience, disobeyed God's commands, sought to murder David, sought out a woman with a familiar spirit.
David - lied, murdered, committed adultery and attempted to cover up his sin.
Solomon - committed immorality, built high places to false God's and in doing so committed idolatry. He catalogues all of His empty pursuits and the worthlessness of them (Ecclesiastes).
Elijah - became fearful and ran from Jezebel. Questioned God's goodness and His plan.
Jehoshaphat - aligned Himself with wicked Ahab.
Hezekiah - in pride set in motion the eventual Babylonian captivity.
Job - cursed the day of his birth and questioned God.
Jeremiah - complained at what God called Him to do, also cursed the day he was born.
Jonah - ran from God and questioned God's justice.
Habakkuk - questioned God's justice.

Peter - rebuked the Lord, fled with the rest of the disciples, denied the Lord with cursing, dissimulated before Paul, and questioned the Lord's command.
James and John - connived to get position in the kingdom of God. They also were noted for being the "sons of thunder" because of their willingness to judge without love.
The disciples - fled, doubted, and holed up in fear after the crucifixion.
Paul - was a blasphemer, a persecutor, a murderer, and an injurious man who was filled with religious pride.
Paul and Barnabas - separated company over John Mark.
Almost every New Testament Epistle addresses tremendous failures within local churches.

Is Filled With Incidental _____

What we mean by this statement as you study the Bible, we take for granted the subtle details that are unified across Scripture. These details are too numerous to discount. Because of our 21st—century mindset— with printed material in abundance, information at our fingertips, and the ability to search through the entire Bible digitally- we tend to think, or rather assume, that all of the human penmen would have access to and be able to recall these details as easily as we would. Let me give you a few examples to consider:

Joseph bound with fetters.

Genesis 39:20 *"20 And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners* ***were bound:*** *and he was there in the prison."*

Four centuries later, the Psalmist writes these words:

Psalm 105:18 *"18 Whose feet they hurt* ***with fetters: He was laid in iron:***"

Another is a small detail **concerning flax and the Exodus**.

The Bible reports that God destroyed the bolled flax in the fields of the Egyptians in **Exodus 9:31** *"31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and* ***the flax was bolled.***"

In **Joshua chapter 4**, we read that the people come into the promised land **40 years** after the Exodus.

Joshua 4:19 "19 And the people came up out of Jordan **on the tenth day of the first month,** and encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho."

In **Joshua 3:15** we read that they came in during the time of harvest, *"15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all* ***the time of harvest,****)"*

And in **Joshua 2:6** we read of this harvested flax *"6 But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof."*

The New Testament as well contains these small details often unnoticed— but tell us there is not a "made up" account.

The green grass

In **Mark 6:39** *"39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies* ***upon the green grass.****"*

The Bible tells us a small detail here about the "green grass."
In **John 6:4** we are told that this event took place near the passover. *"4 And* ***the passover,*** *a feast of the Jews,* ***was nigh.****"*

Early spring— is exactly when you would find green grass in Northern Galilee. (The passover falls in the Calendar months of March and April.)

Paul bound with a chain.
Another example is seen with Paul, who according to the last chapter of Acts, was imprisoned and bound with a chain.

Acts 28:20 *"20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see you, and to speak with you: because that for the hope of Israel* ***I am bound with this chain****."*

Acts, as we know was penned by Luke.

Paul wrote four Epistles during this time and in each he alluded to His bonds and his chain. (**Ephesians 6:20; Philippians 1:7, 13-14, 17; Colossians 4:3, Philemon 10, 13**)

Is Revealing _____

God never intended for the Bible to be a Science book— however, there are many scientific facts mentioned in the Bible before man "discovered" them.
Job 26:7 *"7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, And hangeth the earth upon nothing."*
The earth floats in space, it is charted by the unseen hand of gravity.

Hebrews 11:3 *"3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear."*
Matter is made up of particles that cannot be seen with the naked eye. It was not until the 19th Century that this was discovered by science. And further, according to the Bible, the universe was created by that which is not visible.

The Ark was the perfect dimensions for a stable water vessel (**Genesis 6:15**) way before the advent of the modern ocean liner.

Disease should be dealt with by washing clothes and the body under running water versus standing water. **Leviticus 15:13**

Oceans contain springs. **Job 38:16** *"16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? Or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?"*

Blood is the source of physical life and health. **Leviticus 17:11** *"11* ***For the life of the flesh is in the blood:*** *and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul."*

God tells us **He created "kinds" (Genesis 1:24)**. We understand today that there are genetic boundaries between kinds. Dogs produce dogs. Cats produce cats, Etc…

One funny one is the chicken and egg dilemma. Which came first the chicken or the egg? God says He created the chicken, with the ability to reproduce after its kind. (**Genesis 1:20-22**)

The body is said to be composed from the dust of the ground (**Genesis 2:7; 3:19**) Science today understands there are 28 base and trace elements, all of which are found in the ground. God defines what we know now as time, space, and matter in **Genesis 1:1.**
Genesis 1:1 "1 In the beginning (time) God created the heaven (space) and the earth (matter)."

The earth is said to be a sphere in **Isaiah 40:22**. For a long time people believed the earth was flat. To that end **in Luke 17:34-36**— the Bible describes some sleeping and others working and awake—alluding not to "shift" work, but rather a spherical earth.

God speaks of dividing light in **Job 38:24:** *"24 By what way is the light parted, Which scattereth the east wind upon the earth?"* Sir Isaac Newton discovered that light could be parted into seven colors.

Psalm 8:8 seems to speak of **ocean currents.**

Incalculability of the stars is declared in **Jeremiah 33:22** *"22 As the host of heaven* ***cannot be numbered****, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me."*

God **knits us together in the womb. Job 10:8-12; Psalm 139:13-16**

The law of entropy is found in **Psalm 102:25-26.**

Psalm 19:6 *"6 His going forth is from the end of the heaven, And his circuit unto the ends of it: And there is nothing hid from the heat thereof."* Modern science understands that **the sun is travelling through space** at approximately 600,000 miles per hour through space in a huge circuit.
Biogenesis is a observable law found in Genesis 1. Whereas Abiogenesis is a theory that cannot be proved.

Modern-day jet streams noted by Solomon in **Ecclesiastes 1:6** *"6 The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits."*
Before the modern telescope God told us that all **the stars are unique. 1 Corinthians 15:41** *"41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars:* ***for one star***

differeth from another star in glory."

God created "lights" in the heavens "for signs and seasons, and for days and years" (**Genesis 1:14-16**)

Is Christ _____

When was Jesus Christ actually revealed?

1 Corinthians 2:7–8 *"7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the* ***hidden wisdom****, which* ***God ordained before the world unto our glory****: 8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory."*

In **Ephesians 3:4** *"4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge i****n the mystery of Christ****)"*

One of the great mysteries of God's redemptive plan that is now revealed is concerning Jesus Christ. Yet, in spite of the fact that this was a mystery, Jesus Christ is found in every book of the Bible through prophecy, pre-incarnate appearances, types, and symbolism.

Genesis - the Seed of the Woman
Exodus - the Passover Lamb
Leviticus - the High Priest and Sacrifice
Numbers - The brazen serpent
Deuteronomy - the prophet like unto Moses
Joshua - the Captain of the hosts
Judges - the Judge and Deliverer of His people
Ruth - the Kinsmen-Redeemer
1 and 2 Samuel - the Righteous King
Kings and Chronicles - the King of kings and the Lord of lords
Ezra and Nehemiah - the Builder and Restorer
Esther - the Secret Protector and Preserver of His people
Job - the Redeemer who liveth
Psalms - The Suffering yet Triumphant King
Proverbs - the personification of Wisdom
Ecclesiastes - the true purpose and meaning of life
Song of Solomon - the beloved Bridegroom
Isaiah - the Suffering Servant, Immanuel, and the Prince of Peace
Jeremiah and Lamentations - the Righteous Branch and the Weeping Prophet
Ezekiel - the Good Shepherd
Daniel - the Son of Man
Hosea - the faithful Husband
Joel - the One in whom to call upon (**Joel 2:32**, **Romans 10:13**)
Amos - the Plumb line of Truth

Obadiah - the Judge of the Nations, the Savior of Israel and the Possessor of the Kingdom
Jonah - the Sign whom Jonah pointed to in the belly of the fish
Micah - the smitten Judge
Nahum - the Bringer Of Good Tidings and Peace
Habakkuk - the God of my Salvation
Zephaniah - the One whom all will worship
Zechariah - the Pierced One
Malachi - the Sun of Righteousness
Matthew through John - explicit concerning the life of Christ. (the King, the Messiah, the Servant of the Lord, the Son of Man, the Son of God)
Acts - the Risen and Ascended Lord
Romans - the Justifier
1 and 2 Corinthians - the Last Adam and the Rock
Galatians - the Liberator
Ephesians - the Head of the Church
Philippians - the Name above every name
Colossians - the image of the invisible God
1 and 2 Thessalonians - the returning King
1 and 2 Timothy, Titus - the One Mediator between God and Men and the Blessed Hope
Philemon - The Ultimate Friend
Hebrews - The Great High Priest and the Authro and Finisher of our Faith
James - The Lord of Glory
1 and 2 Peter - The Chief Shepherd and the Living Stone
1,2 and 3 John - The Eternal life and the Manifestation of God's love
Jude - the Only Wise God and Savior
Revelation - the Alpha and Omega, the Lion of the Tribe Of Judah, the Slain Lamb, the Millennial King, and the Righteous Judge of All the Earth