

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

## Episode 4: *Fire Fighters*

**The Bible –  
Amazing chronicle of history?  
Or a screenplay for an outrageously  
unbelievable “B” movie?  
People have diverse opinions...**

Never let good books take the place of the Bible. Drink from the Well, not from the streams that flow from the Well.

~ *Amy Carmichael*

If you believe that exposing your children to violence is a problem, by all means keep them away from the Bible.

~ *Rev. Charles Henderson*

The Bible does not exalt and dignify women.

~ *Elizabeth Cady Stanton*

What is often overlooked is that the Bible – and the culture that the Bible defines and describes – treated women with greater care and respect than they generally enjoyed elsewhere in the ancient Near East.

~ *Jonathan Kirsch*

If I had to choose one word to describe the character of God in the Bible it would be *violence*.

~ *Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer*

To be Christian means to be in a primary continuing conversation with the Bible as foundational for our identity and vision. If this conversation ceases or becomes haphazard, then we cease to be Christian, for the Bible is at the heart of Christianity.

~ *Marcus Borg*

From start to finish, the Bible is a book of wild, shattering behaviour.

~ *Michael Ventura*

**Perhaps the Bible is filled with stories that are...  
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