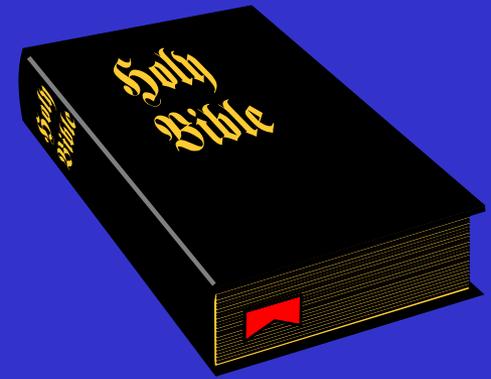
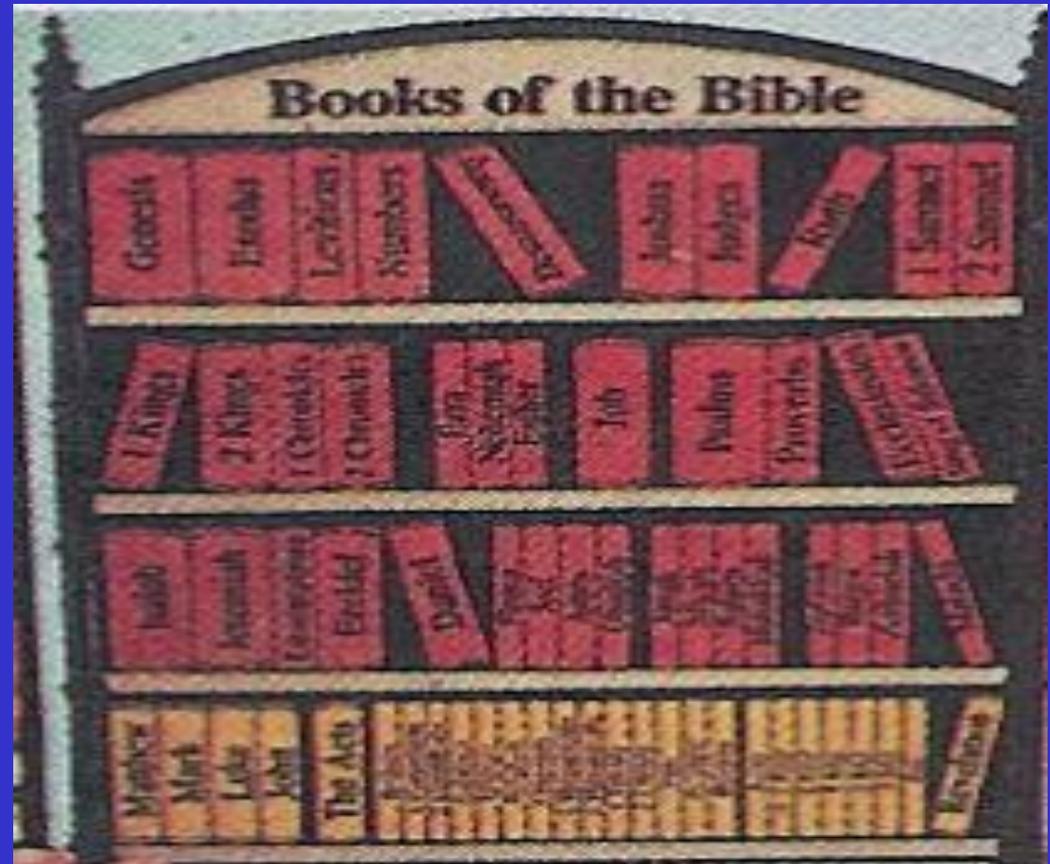


THE BIBLE IS NOT ONE BOOK



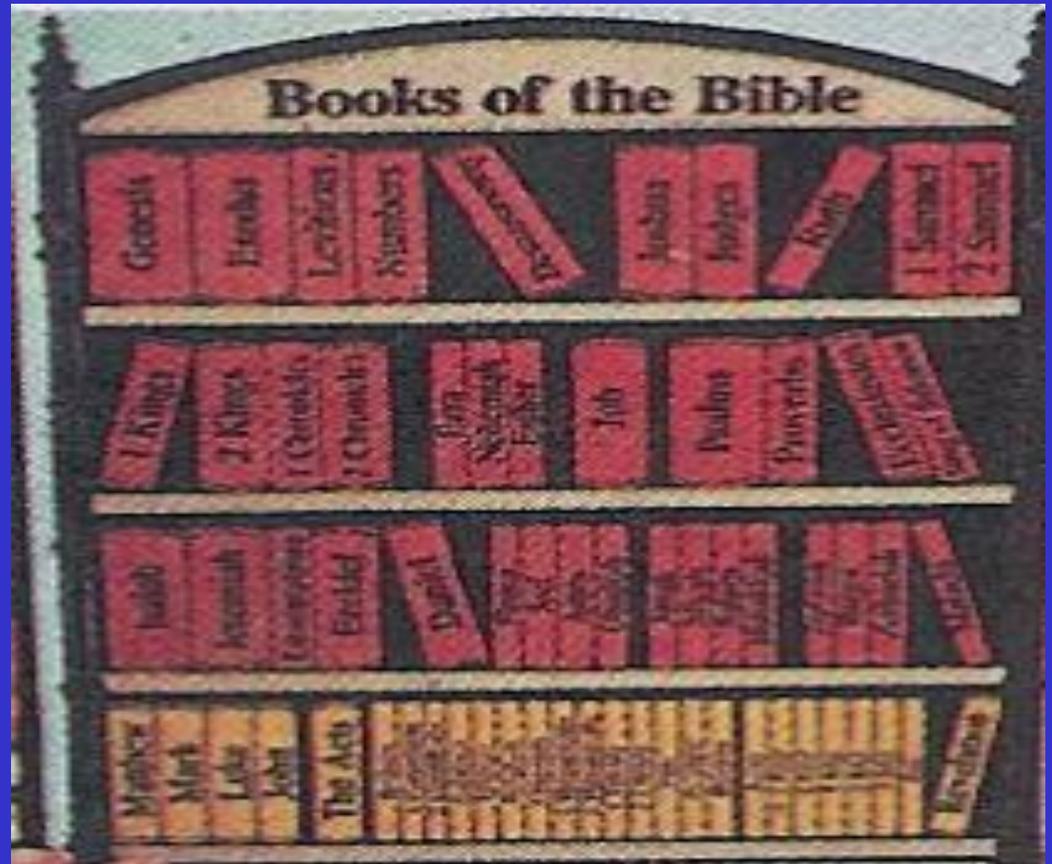
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LIBRARY OF
76 BOOKS*



Written by over 40 men

Over a period of
1500 Years

From 1400 B.C.
to 65 A.D.



Moses



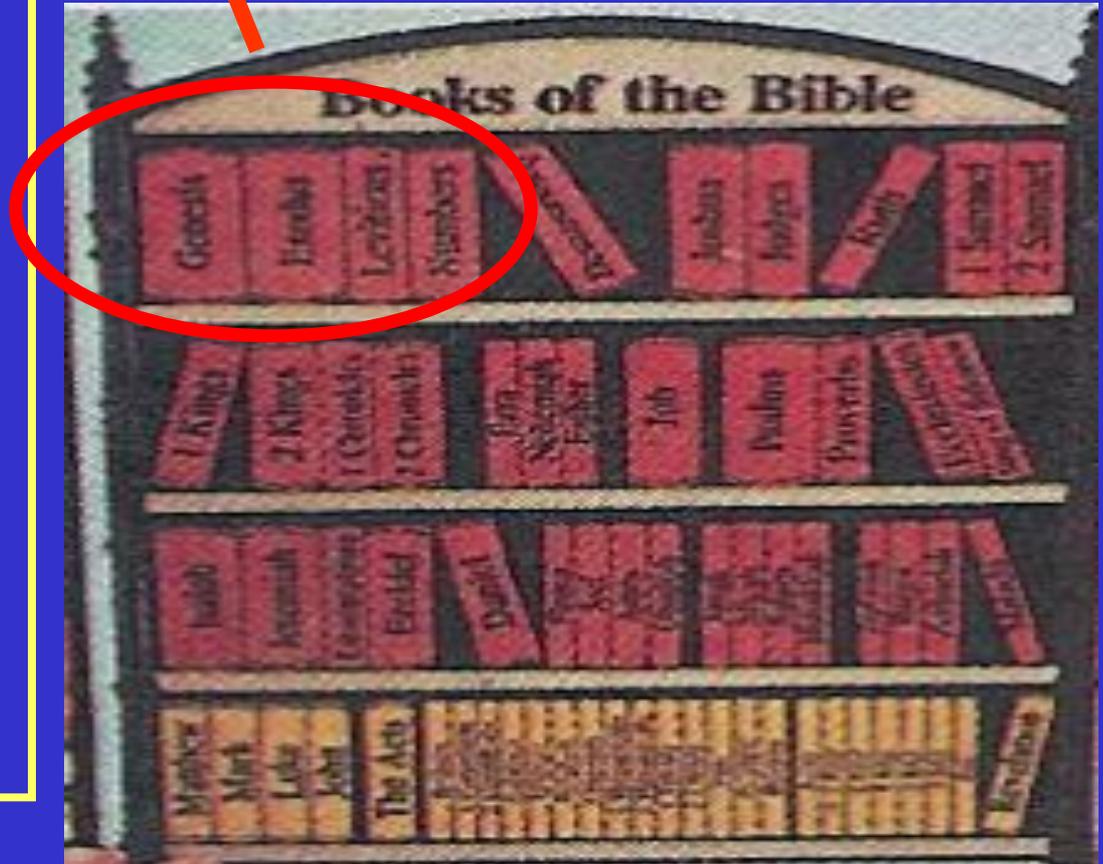
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Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible

GENESIS
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The Forty Writers of the Bible

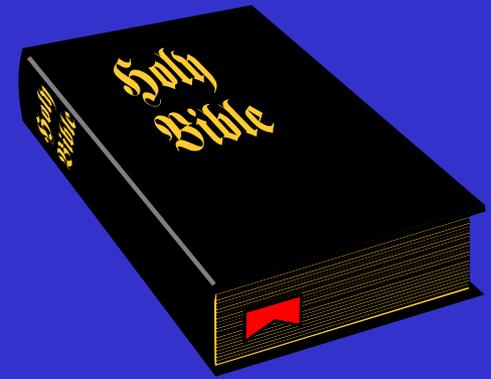
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- Shepherds
- Kings
- Fishermen
- Peasants
- Doctors
- Tax-collectors

From

- Rome
- Jerusalem
- Babylon (Iraq)
- Persia (Iran)
- Greece
- Turkey

THE BIBLE



- 76 books
- 40 different writers
- Almost 1500 Years
- Over 10,000 events

- One Story
- Unity of Theme
- No contradictions
- 40 writers, 15 centuries, yet claims

ONE AUTHOR

“Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Spirit of God” (2 Peter 1:21)

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Of the 76
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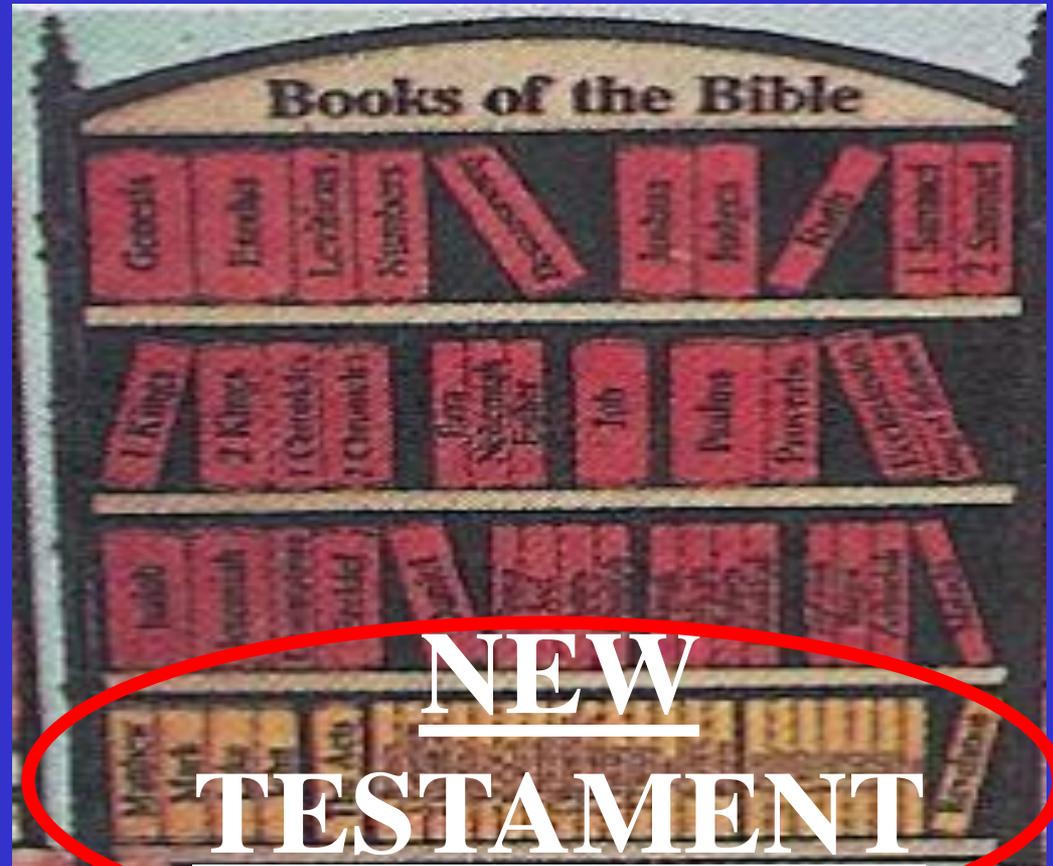
A photograph of a bookshelf filled with books. The top section of the shelf is circled in red. The books in this section have red spines and are labeled with names of books from the Old Testament, such as Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, and Ruth. The text 'Books of the Bible' is written above the books.

These 49 are called the
Old TESTAMENT

Moses



Of the 76 books, 27 were written soon after the death of Jesus



The Old Testament – 49 books

- All written before Jesus came.
- 1400-400 B.C.
- “**Testament**” means “**covenant** or “**agreement**”
- The Old Covenant is an agreement that God made with the nation of **Israel**
- The **Old Testament** was written in **Hebrew** – the language of Israel



ASIA MINOR

PERSIA

Tigris River

Euphrates River

Mediterranean Sea

Nile River

Red Sea

EGYPT



Modern Map of Same Area

The Old Testament

– 49 books

- All written 400 years before Jesus' birth
- 1400-400 B.C.
- “Testament” means “covenant or agreement”
- The Old Covenant is an agreement that God made with the nation of ISRAEL
- The Old Testament was written in Hebrew – the language of Israel

The New Testament

– 27 books

- All written AFTER his death
- 48-65 A.D.
- The New Covenant is an agreement that God has made for ALL NATIONS
- The New Testament was written in Greek

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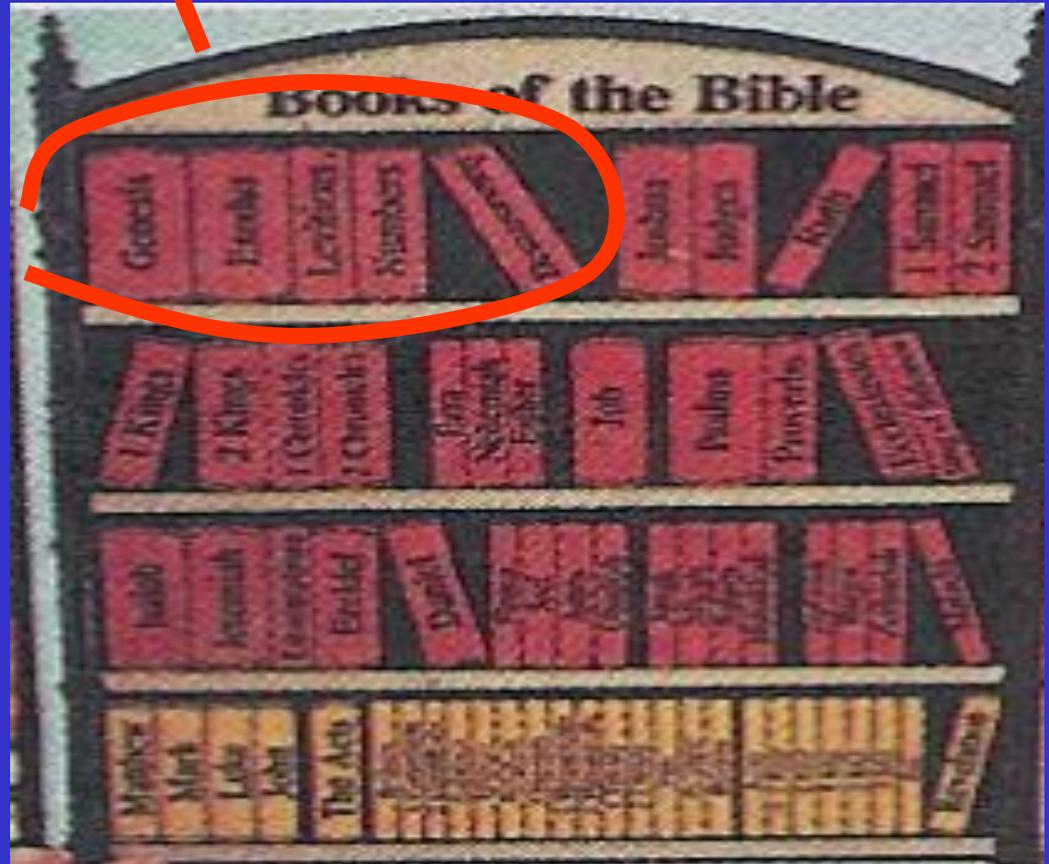
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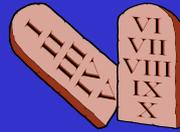
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They are sometimes called the Law of Moses

GENESIS - Meaning 'Beginning' – Recounts the beginning of God's creation

EXODUS – Meaning 'Exit/Departure' – Referring to the journey of the Jews from out of slavery in Egypt.

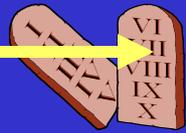
LEVITICUS – A book detailing worship as led by the chosen priest

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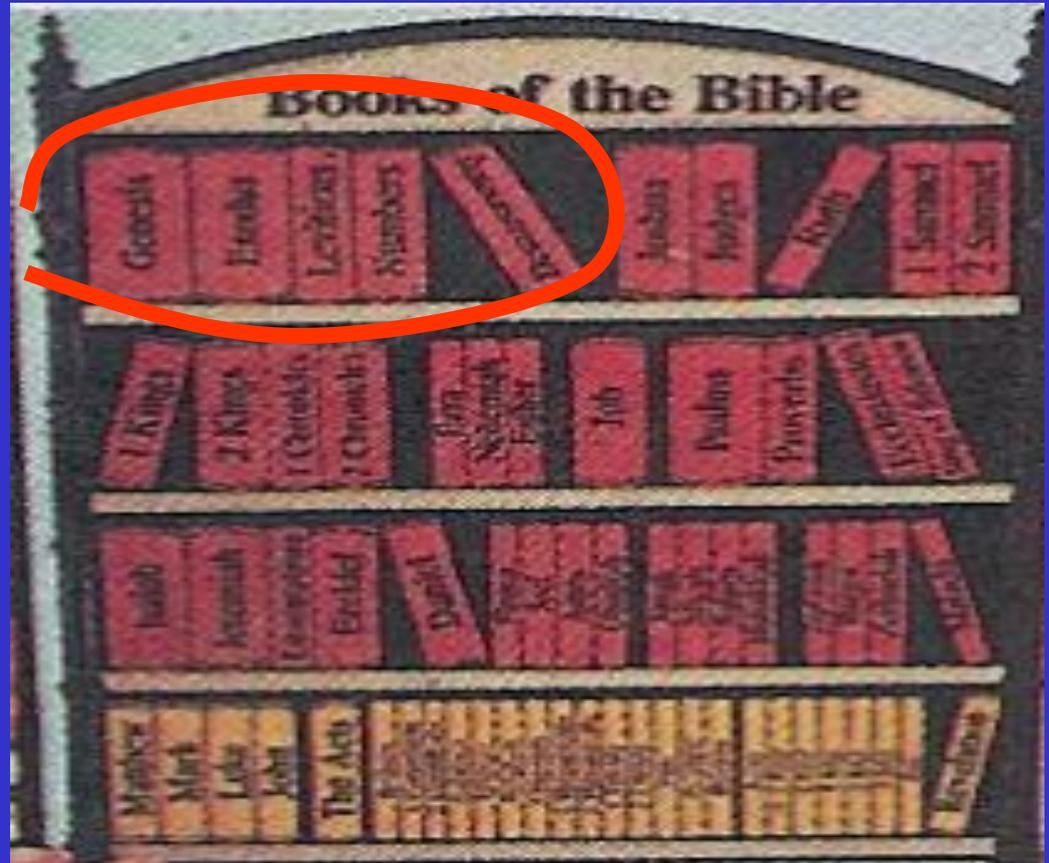
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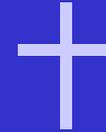
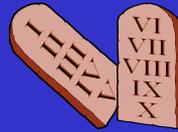
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Beginning.

THE FIRST FIVE BOOKS -- LOOK BACK FROM THE DEATH OF MOSES -- ALL THE WAY TO THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD



Moses



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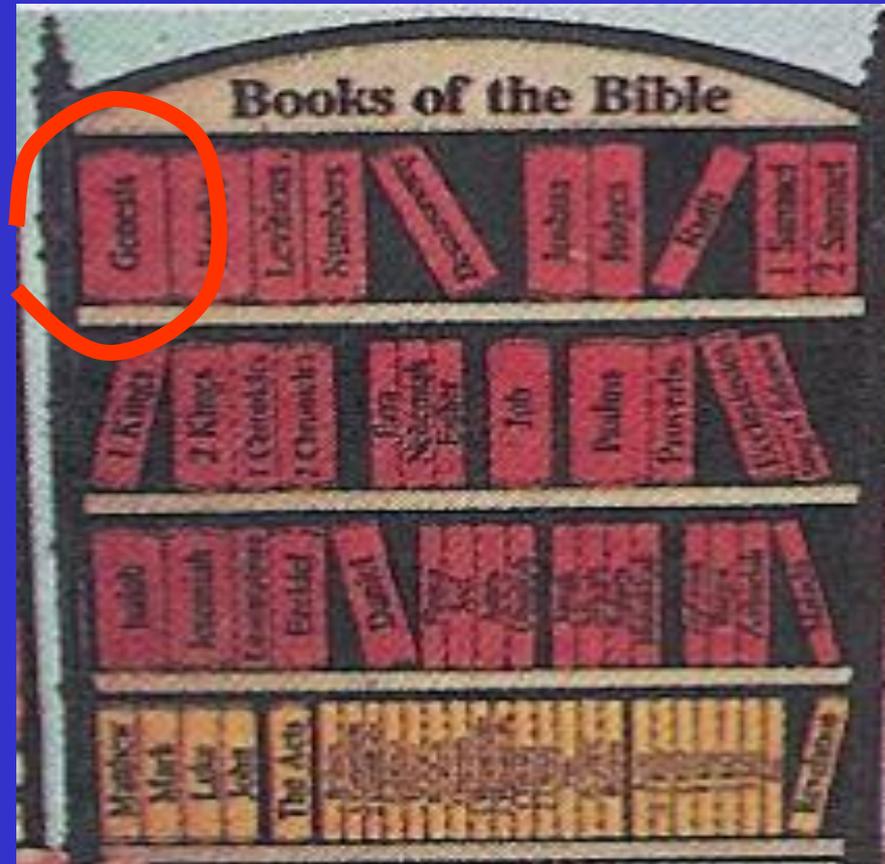
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The First Book

GENESIS – Chapters 1-11

- Creation of the world
- First human family
- Spread of evil
- World wide flood
- Division of mankind into nations and languages



Moses



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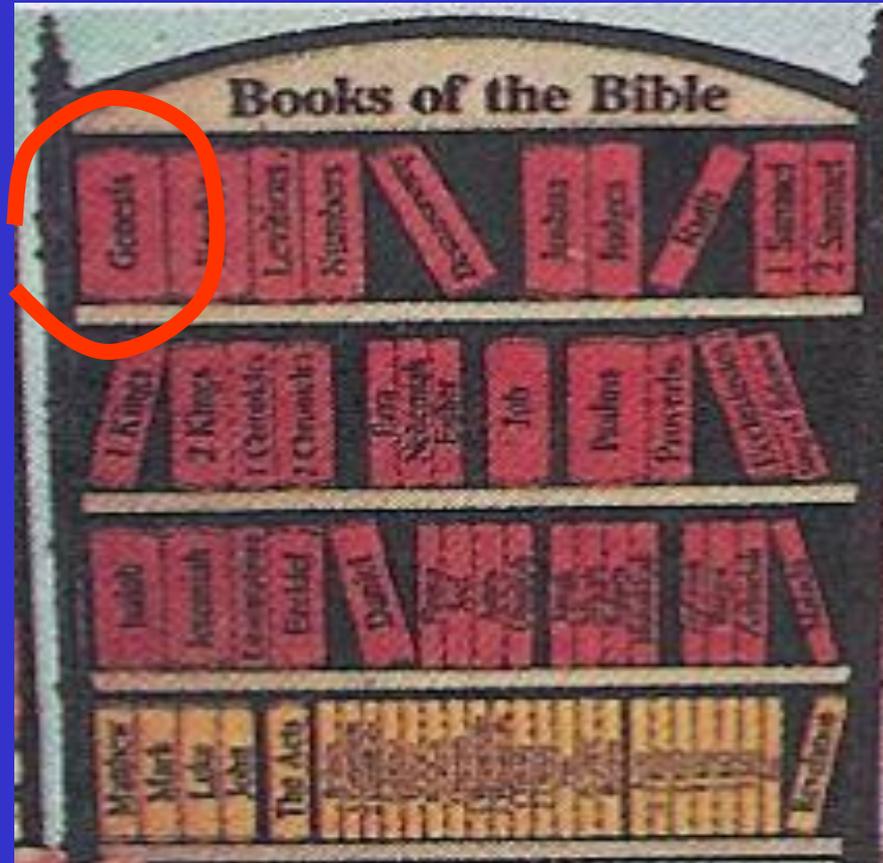
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The First Book

GENESIS – chapters 12-50

- God chooses the **FATHERS** of the future nation of Israel
- Four Generations – grow from 1 couple to 70 people



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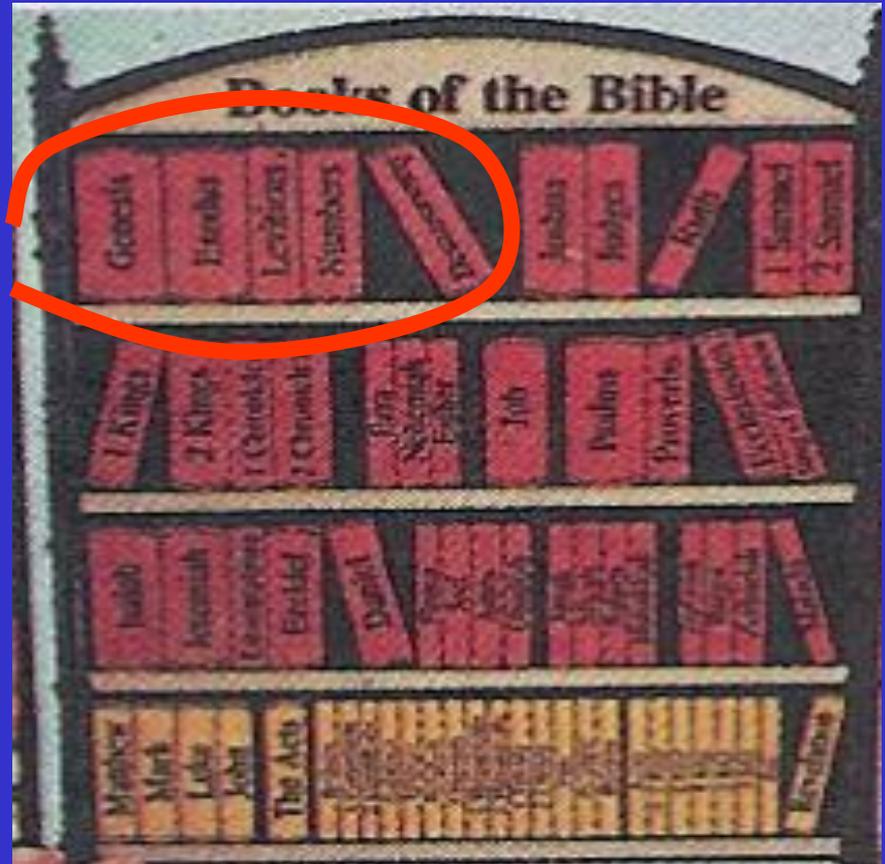
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Books 2-5 (Moses)

EXODUS, LEVITICUS,
NUMBERS,
DEUTERONOMY

- ❑ Tells about the beginning of the nation
- ❑ And how God gave them His Laws



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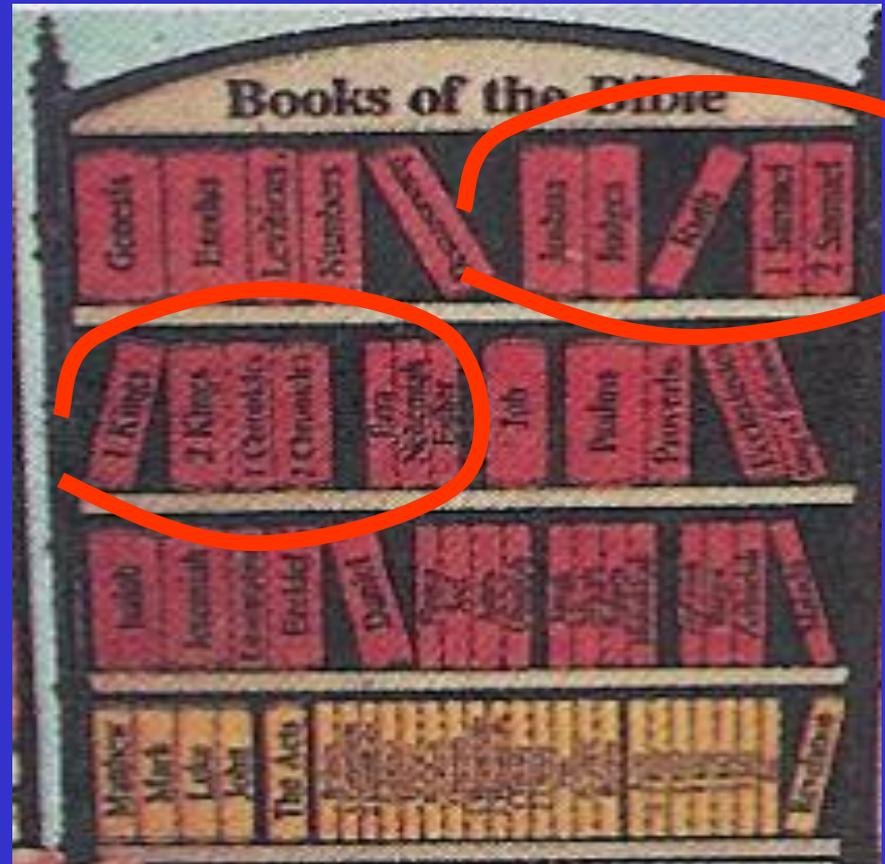
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Books 6-17

ARE BOOKS OF HISTORY
WRITTEN BY VARIOUS
AUTHORS

- ❑ 1400 – 400 B.C.
- ❑ Possession of their land,
the establishment of the
kingdom, the captivity and
return to their land



Moses



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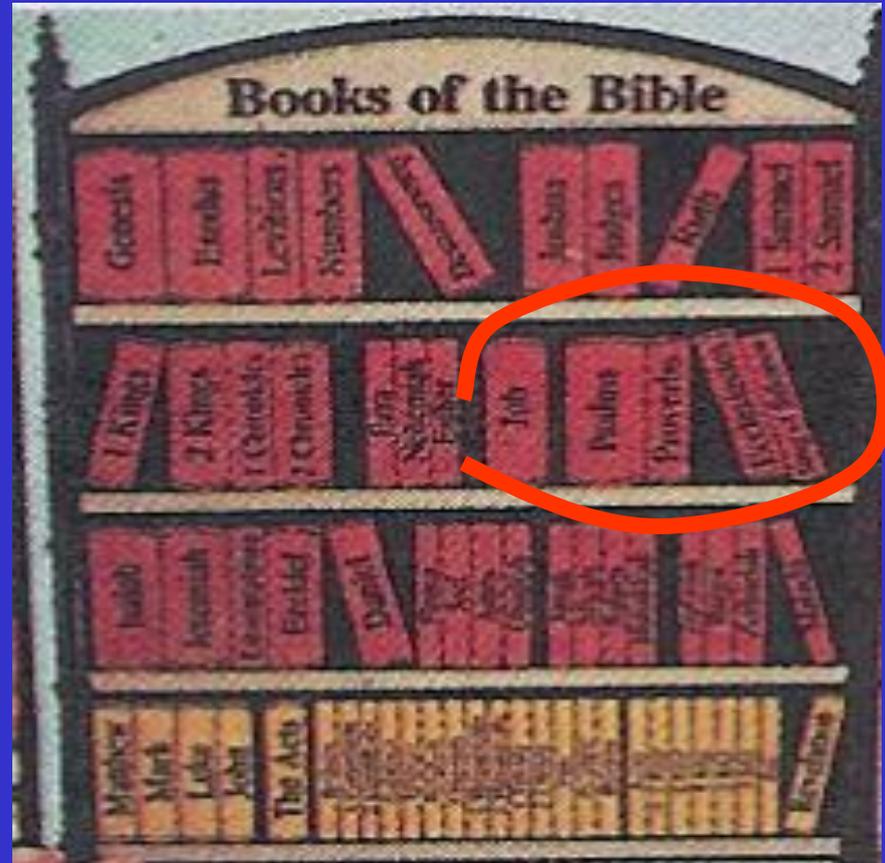
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Books 18-22

ARE BOOKS OF POETRY
AND WISDOM

- Job** is about man's question about suffering
- Psalms** is a collection of poems put to music
- Proverbs** is a collection of short wise sayings



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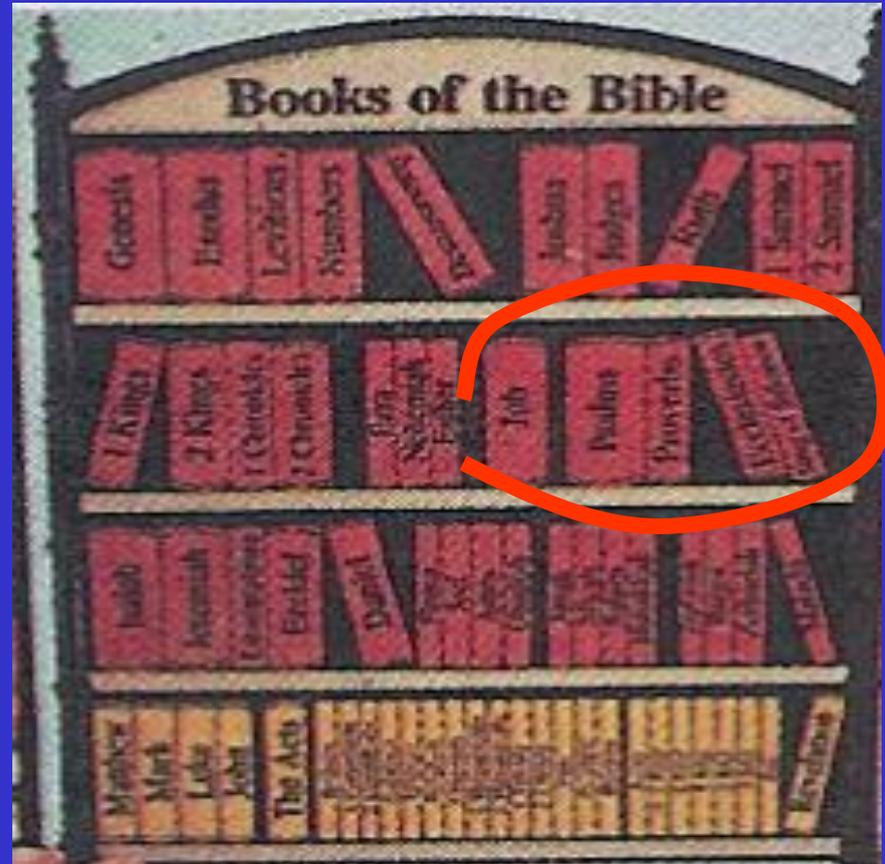
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Books 18-22

ARE BOOKS OF POETRY
AND WISDOM

- Ecclesiastes tells how to live life in a world where all is vanity
- Song of Solomon is a poem about true romantic love



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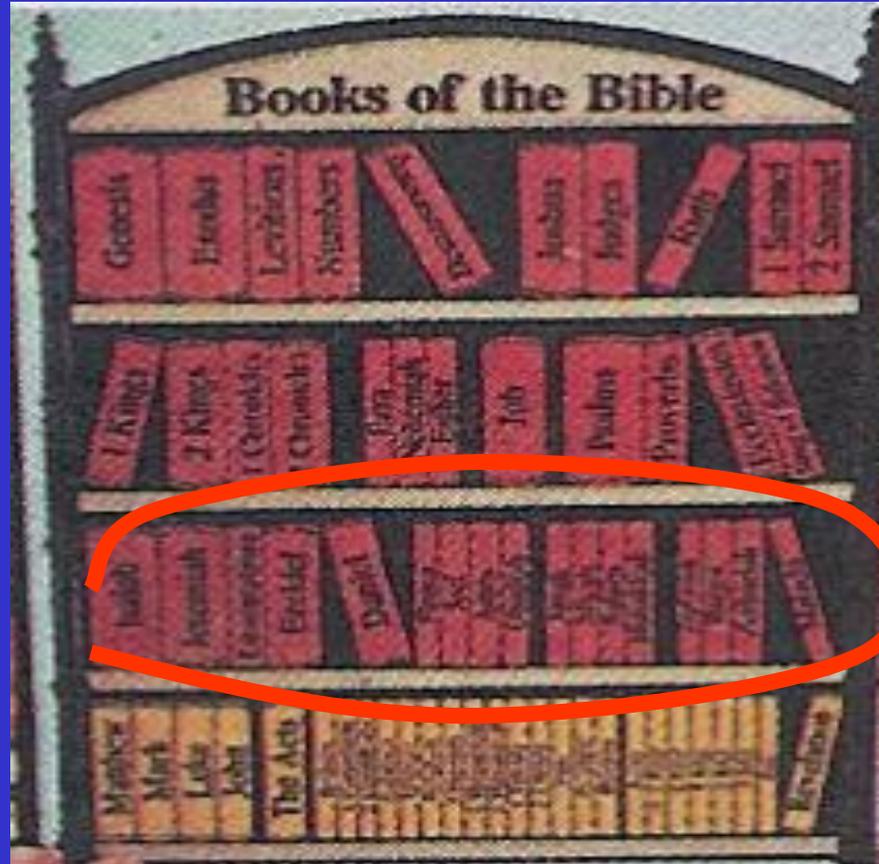
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Books 23-39

Throughout the history of Israel, various prophets predicted that **SOMEONE** from Israel will one day be a **SAVIOR & KING** of the world



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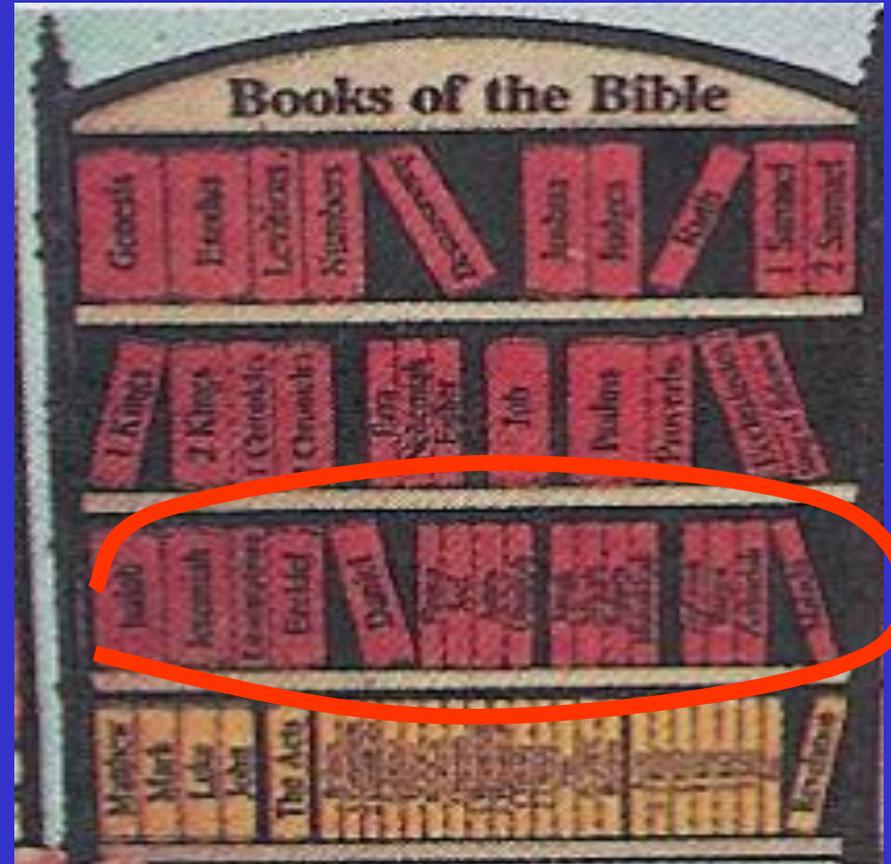
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Even the Fathers of the nation of Israel were told by God that one of their descendents would one day be born and bless the entire world



THE STORY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

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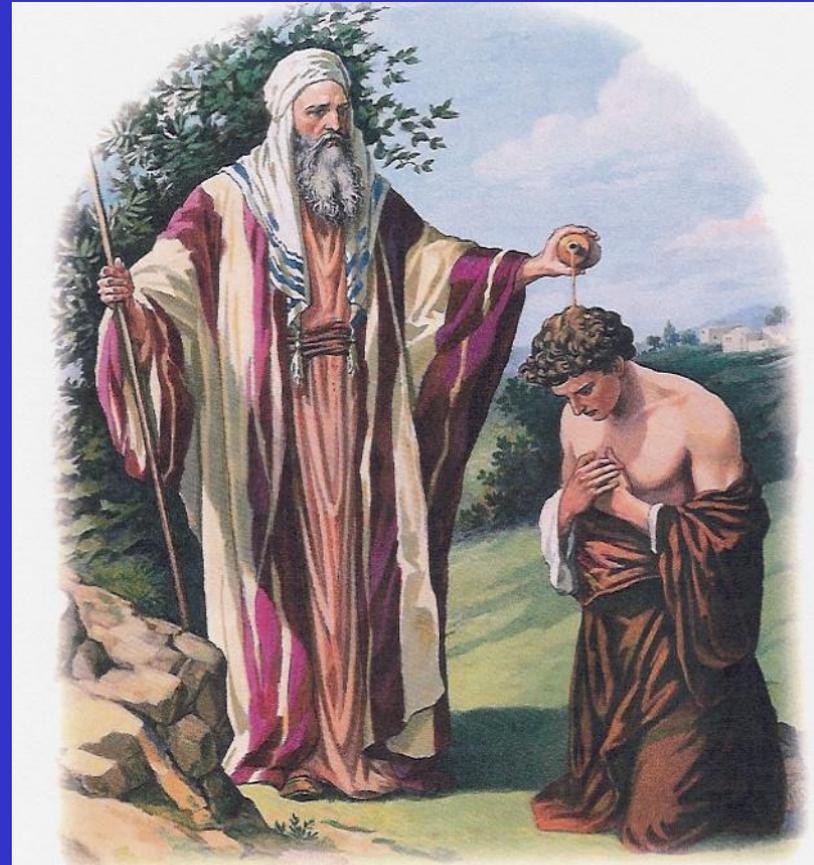
Someone's coming

All the Prophets,
Priests and Kings of
Israel were

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with oil when they
took their office

It was like an
inauguration ceremony

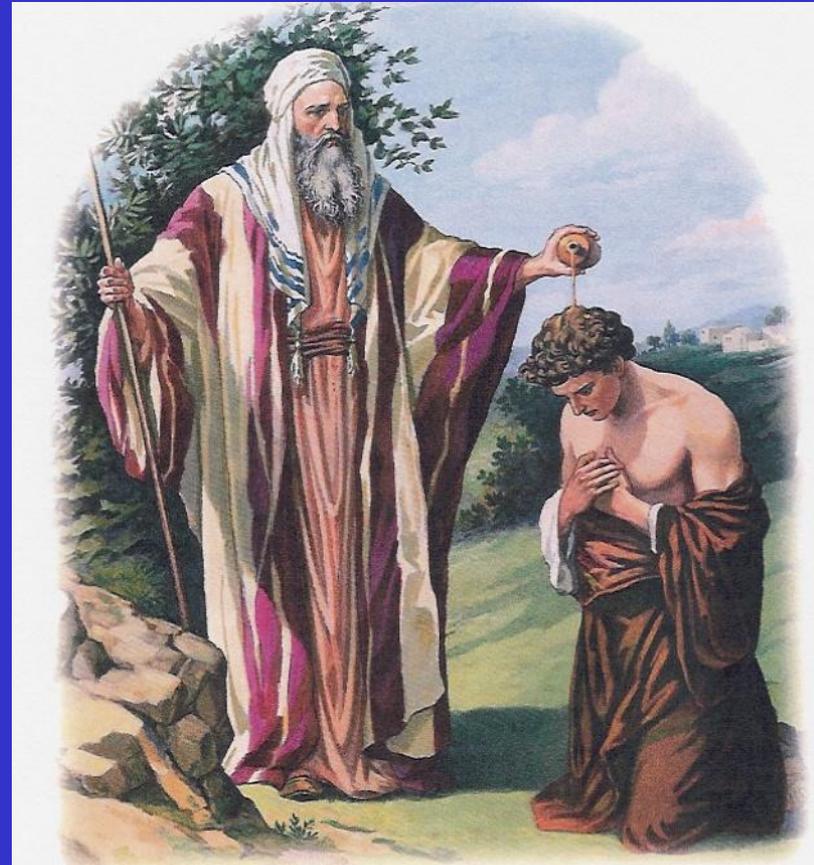


The Prophets of Israel predicted that one day
God would anoint a world leader with his
Spirit

Anoint – English

Messiah – Hebrew

Christ - Greek



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The CHRIST is coming

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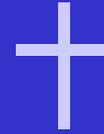
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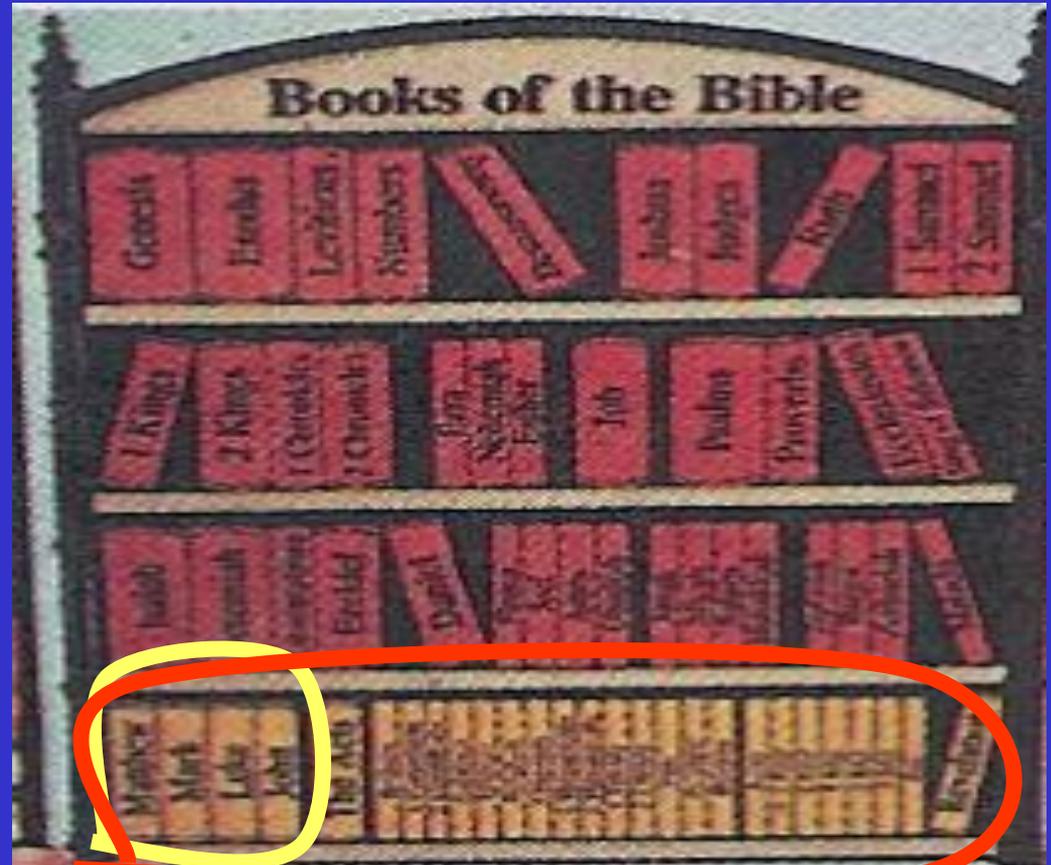
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New Testament

- ❖ All 27 books written after the death of Jesus.
- ❖ First four tell an independent account of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus



The New Testament

The First Four Books

- Called the four gospels (gospel is a Greek word for “good news”)
- Named after the authors – Matthew, Mark, Luke, John. Three were eyewitnesses, Luke knew many of the eyewitnesses.
- Jesus lived & died in 30 A.D., all 27 New Testament books were written while eyewitnesses were alive

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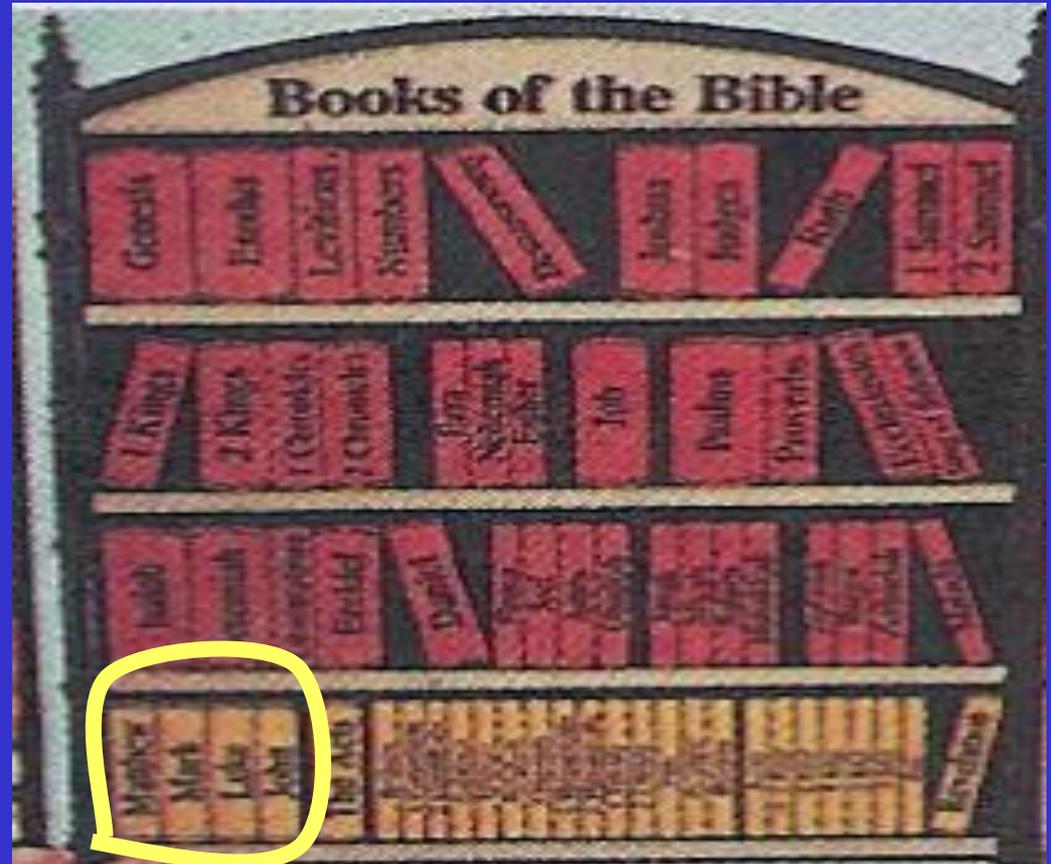
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New Testament

- ❖ The Four Gospels give evidence that **Jesus is the Christ** (the anointed of God), the one predicted in the Old Testament times.
- ❖ Shows how prophecy was fulfilled in the life and death of Jesus



The Four Gospels

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

- Tell the purpose of Jesus' coming
- Reveal his perfect life and service
- Gives the true source of his teaching
- Gives evidence that he is the Son of God and deserves our worship
- Help us understand why his own nation killed him

The Four Gospels

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

Do not Contain everything Jesus did

(John 21:25) Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written. (NIV)

(John 20:30-31) Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. (NIV)

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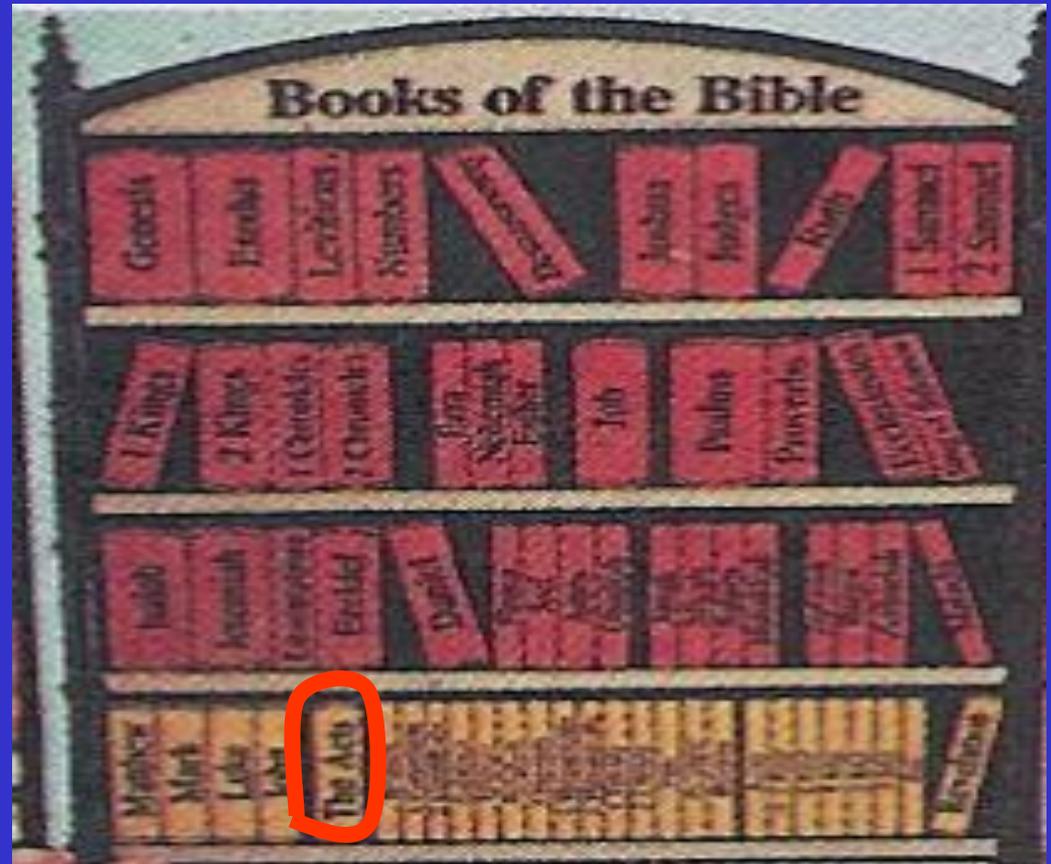
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New Testament

- ❖ Fifth Book – Acts, written by Luke tells the story of the first 30 years of Christianity



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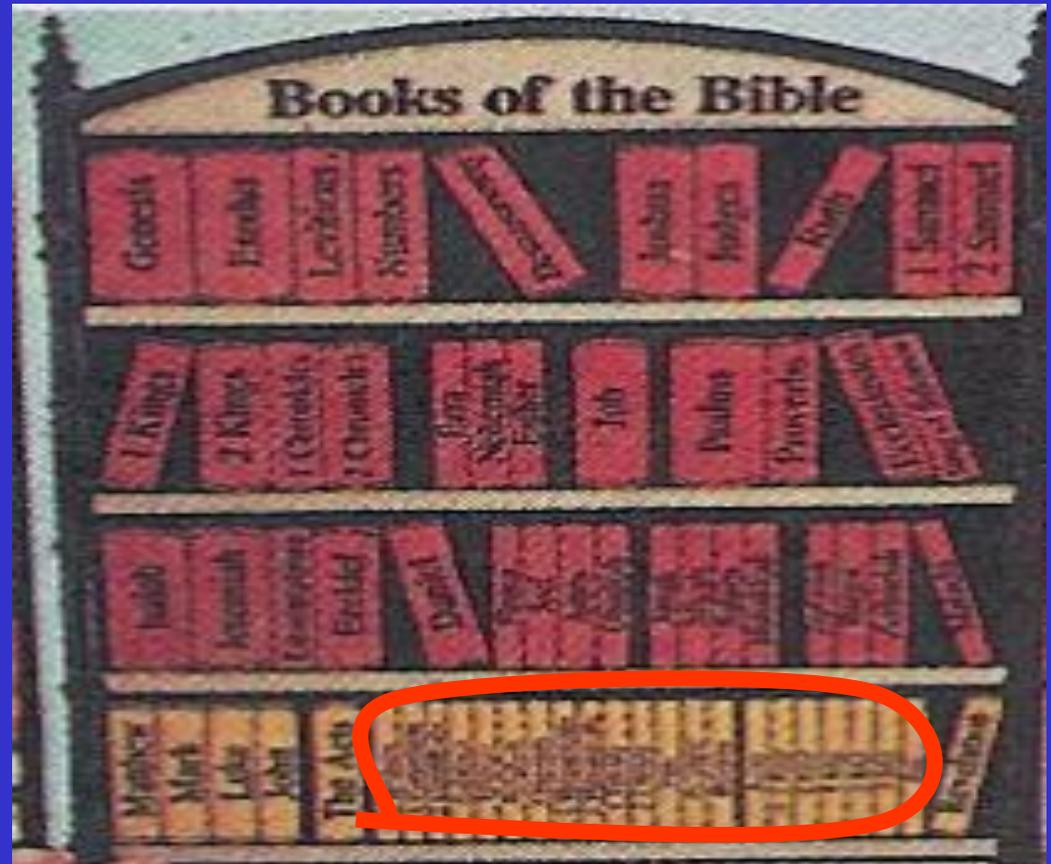
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New Testament –
books 6-26

- ❖ Are letters written by apostles and prophets in the church to various churches and individuals
- ❖ Instruction in Christian living found here



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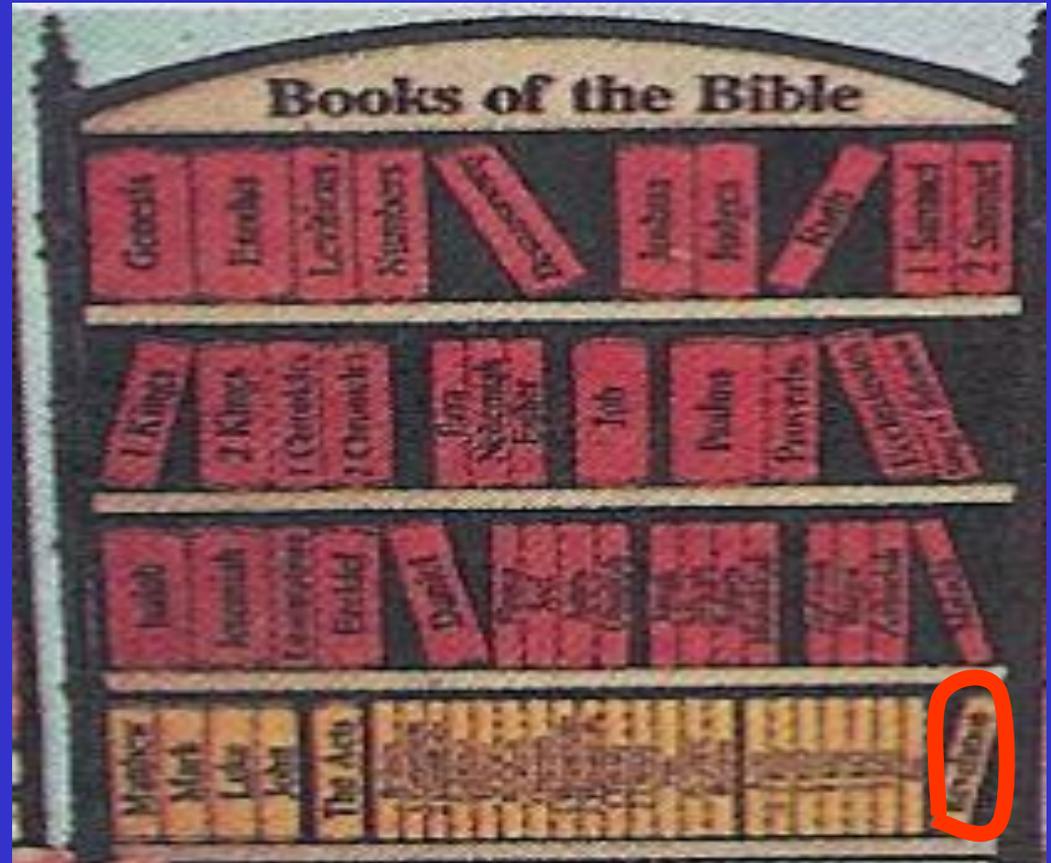
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New Testament – Book 27

- ❖ A prophecy of the destruction of Jerusalem and the fall of the Jewish Nation in 70 A.D. at the hand of the Roman Empire



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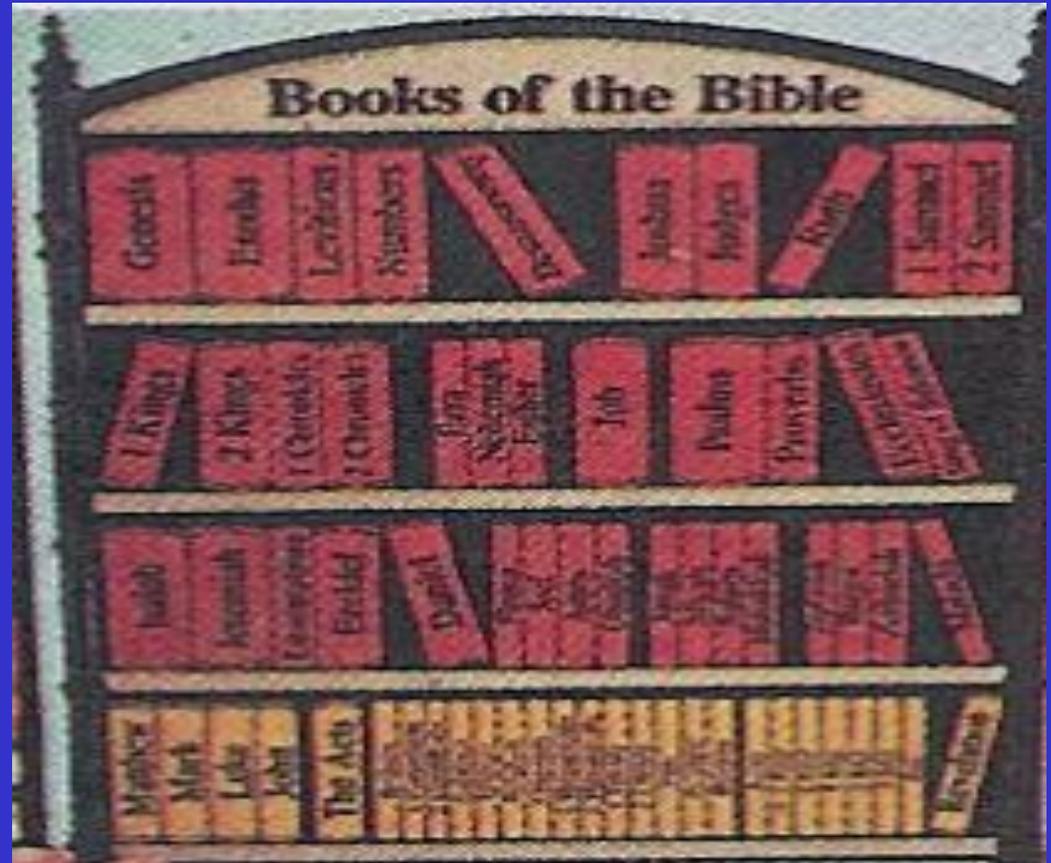
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New Testament

- ❖ All 27 books written after the death of Jesus.



Summary

- The OLD TESTAMENT emphasizes the history of one nation – Israel
- This nation is emphasized because it was one man – from that nation, that would one day change the world
- The Coming of Jesus Christ is the CENTRAL EVENT IN ALL OF HUMAN HISTORY
- How did the writers of the Bible know to record the history of his ancestors?

Will you investigate the
claims of the Bible?

HELLMERS!

