

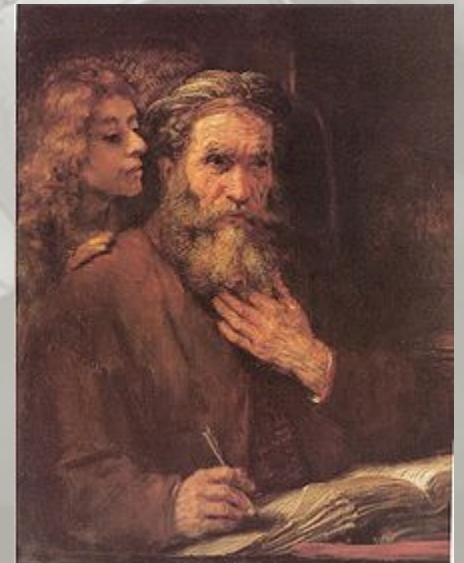
The Bible is One Book



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(2Pet 1:21)*

Who Wrote the Bible?

- The Holy Spirit –
 - *“For prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”* (2Pet 1:21)
 - Revelation: God reveals to us things that we have no means to find out.
 - Inspiration: Thoughts that are transmitted to man by God and kept from error.
 - “Divinely breathed into” (St. Jerome)
 - Genesis - God revealed the creation to Moses.



Biblical Writers

- Forty different authors
- Over 1600 years
- Diverse vocations in life
 - Moses, a political leader;
 - David, a shepherd;
 - Solomon, a king;
 - Amos, a herdsman;
 - Daniel, a prime minister;
 - Matthew, a tax collector;
 - Luke, a physician;
 - Paul, a rabbi;
 - Peter, a fisherman.



Where was it written?



- Different locations
- Under a variety of circumstances.
- Three continents: Europe, Asia and Africa.
 - Paul wrote from a Roman prison as well as from the city of Corinth-both in Europe;
 - Jeremiah (and perhaps Moses) wrote from Egypt, Africa;
 - Most of the other books were written in Asia.
 - Moses probably wrote in the desert,
 - David composed his Psalms in the countryside,
 - Solomon contemplated the Proverbs in the royal courts,
 - John wrote as a banished person on the island of Patmos,
 - Paul wrote five books from prison.
- Many of the writers did not know of the other writers of Scripture and were unfamiliar with their writings.

Divine Authorship

- The Bible is a marvelous, unified whole.
- There are no contradictions or inconsistencies within its pages.
- The Holy Spirit is the unifier of the sixty-six books, determining its harmonious consistency.
- In unity these books teach the tri-unity of God, the deity of Jesus Christ, the personality of the Holy Spirit, the fall and depravity of man, as well as salvation.
- It quickly becomes apparent that no human being(s) could have orchestrated the harmony of the teachings of the Scripture.
- The divine authorship of the Bible is the only answer.

Continuity of the Bible

One Complete Book

- St. Paul mentioned the names of the two Egyptian magicians who resisted Moses, not mentioned in the Old Testament:
 - *“Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses...” (2Tim 3:8)*
- St. Jude mentioned the dispute between Archangel Michael and Satan regarding the body of Moses the Prophet, which is not mentioned in O.T.
 - *“Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses...” (Jude 9)*
- St. Jude mentioned a prophecy by Enoch, not written in the Old Testament.
 - *¹⁴ Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, “Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, ¹⁵ to execute judgment on all...” (Jude 14-15)*

Consistency of the Bible

- Satan accuses the Believers:
 - “Now Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel.” (1Ch 21:1)
 - “Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them... So Satan answered the LORD and said, “Does Job fear God for nothing? ” (Job 1:6,9)
 - “Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him.” (Zech 3:1)
 - “...For the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.” (Rev 12:10)

The Lord Christ in the Old Testament

Genesis	The Seed of the Woman	Song of Solomon	The Lover & Bridegroom
Exodus	The Passover Lamb	Isaiah	The Suffering Servant
Leviticus	The High Priest	Jeremiah & Lamentations	The Weeping Prophet
Numbers	The Cloud and The Fire	Ezekiel	The Son of Man
Deuteronomy	Prophet, City of refuge	Daniel	Savior from fiery furnace
Joshua	Captain of Our Salvation	Hosea	The Bridegroom
Judges	The Judge And Lawgiver	Joel	Baptizer With The Holy Spirit
Ruth	The Kinsman Redeemer	Amos	The Burden Bearer
1 & 2 Samuel	The Prophet of The Lord	Obadiah	The Mighty Savior
1 & 2 Kings, 1&2 Chronicles	The Reigning King	Jonah	The Forgiving God
Ezra	The Faithful Scribe	Micah	Messenger, in Bethlehem
Nehemiah	Rebuilder of the Walls	Nahum	The Avenger of God's Elect
Esther	Mordecai, Savior	Habakkuk	Great Evangelist of Revival
Job	Bearer of Suffering	Zephaniah	The Restorer of the Remnant
Psalms	Our Shepherd	Haggai	The Cleansing Fountain
Proverbs & Ecclesiastes	The Wisdom of God	Zechariah	The Pierced Son
		Malachi	The Sun of Righteousness

The Lord Christ in the New Testament

Matthew	The Messiah	1 & 2 Thessalonians	The Soon Coming King
Mark	The Miracle Worker	1 & 2 Timothy	The Mediator Between God And Man
Luke	The Son of Man	Titus	The Blessed Hope
John	The Son of God	Philemon	The Friend, Closer Than a Brother
Acts	The Ascended Lord	Hebrews	The Blood That Washes Away My Sins
Romans	The Justifier	James	The Great Physician
1 & 2 Corinthians	The Last Adam	1 & 2 Peter	The Chief Shepherd
Galatians	One Who Sets Us Free	1 & 2 & 3 John	Everlasting Love
Ephesians	The Christ of Riches	Jude	The God our Saviour
Philippians	The God Who Meets Our Every Need	Revelation	The King of Kings and the Lord of Lords!
Colossians	The Fullness of The Godhead		

Workshop: Comparisons Between Genesis And Revelation

- Find verses in Genesis that were completed, perfected, realized in Revelation
- Most from first 3 chapters of Genesis, and last 3 chapters of Revelation
- Work in groups: each class is a group
- Example:

The creation of heaven and earth	<u>Gen 1:1-2:4a</u>	The creation of the new heaven and earth	<u>Rev 21:1-5</u>
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- “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...” (Gen 1)
- “Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth...” (Rev 21)