

THE BIBLE

The Authority of the Old Testament

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Question: *What are the _____, or evidences, by which we know that the Scriptures are inspired?*

Answer: *The nature of the truths, which they communicated, was such, that must have been taught them of God.*
- The Baptist Scriptural Catechism, 1850

1. We see in God's revelation in the Old Testament that He established His relationship with His people through covenants and these covenants are based upon a _____ word.

- a. Within the Old Testament there is a _____ of revelation regarding God's covenant.
- b. The new covenant, promised in the Old Testament, finds its fulfillment in the _____.

2. Jesus, as Messiah and Lord, has the _____ to establish the content of the Old Testament.

- a. Jesus, as the embodiment of the new covenant, recognized the _____, the Prophets, and the Writings as being the Word of God.

_____ = Gen., Ex., Lev., Num., Deut.
_____ = Josh., Judg., Sam., Kings, Isaiah, Jer., Eze., The Twelve
_____ = Psa. (with Ruth as prefix), Job, Prov., Eccl., Song of Songs, Lam., Dan., Esth., Ezra-Nehe., Chronicles

- b. Jesus repeatedly spoke of the Old Testament as an authority that must be believed and _____.
- c. Jesus not only affirmed the truth that the Old Testament reveals, but even the very _____ itself.

3. The New Testament (covenant) _____ the divine authority of the Old Testament.

- a. The New Testament affirms that God Himself is the ultimate _____ of the Old Testament.
- b. The New Testament affirms that all of Scripture is God-breathed, therefore it is to be received as the written transcript of God's divine _____.