

The 66 Books of the Bible

Categorized and sectioned for easier memorization, with short summations

The Preparation, The Presentation, The Propagation, The Explanation, The Consummation

(only the Truth of the Bible is wholly inspired of God, not the summation or commentary. Glory be to God)

THE OLD TESTAMENT (The Preparation) <u>THE TORAH</u> <u>HISTORICAL BOOKS</u> <u>WISDOM BOOKS</u> <u>PROPHETS</u>		THE NEW TESTAMENT <u>GOSPELS</u> <u>ACTS</u> <u>CHURCH</u> <u>REVELATION</u>	
Section and Titles	Principle themes and persons (see Halley's Bible Handbook for a shorter summation).	Section and Titles	Principle themes and souls
THE TORAH	5 Books: Creation, Giving of the Law, + Journeys	The Gospels	The Presentation 4 Books. The story of Christ from four aspects.
1. Genesis	The Book of Beginnings: Creation to beginning of the Hebrew Nation (Israel; Noah, Abraham, Joseph)	1. Matthew	Jesus, the Promised Jewish Messiah
2. Exodus	Deliverance of the Hebrew Nation from Egypt to Wilderness Chastisement; Giving of The Law and Covenant; Instructions for the Temple (Moses).	2. Mark	Jesus, the Son of God and servant.
3. Leviticus	Laws for Israel, Ordinances for Temple Service and for Aaronic Priesthood (Moses, Aaron). Key word: = holiness (87 times).	3. Luke	Jesus, the Son of Man
4. Numbers	Numbering of Israel and Journey to the Promised Land (Moses).	4. John	Jesus, the Son of God
5. Deuteronomy	Laws for Hebrew Nation, reiterated and expanded; Warnings of Chastisement if not obeyed (Moses + Aaron)	5. Acts of the Apostles	The "Propagation" Acts of the Apostles; History of early church
The Historical Books	9 books. The History of Israel from the conquest of Canaan (most of it) to the establishment of the Kingdom, it's division, and the captivity	Church Epistles + Letters	Beginning of the "Explanation." The first 3 may be easy to remember by the abbreviations, Ro-Co-Co, then by the letters GEPC
6. Joshua	Conquest of Canaan under Joshua, whom God choose to succeed Moses, and who laid hands on him. The Book of Act is somewhat of a parallel to this.	6. Romans	First of 13 letters given by Paul. Foundational doctrines of election and justification, with application.
7. Judges	Death of Joshua and Backsliding of Israel and effects (various Judges; Gideon, Samson).	7. First Corinthians	Paul's long-suffering and teaching toward the immature church at Corinth with various disorders
8. Ruth	Beginning of Messianic Line (Ruth, Naomi Boaz)	8. Second Corinthians	Paul's love, exhortations, entreaty and warning to the carnal church at Corinth
<i>Six historical books, easy to remember by the abbreviations, 1st and 2nd Sam, Kings, Chronicles</i>		9. Galatians	Paul's correction and exhortations to the Galatian church. Saved by grace, not by the law
9. First Samuel	Birth and life of Samuel (the last judge); Israel's choice of a King and establishment of the Kingdom (Samuel, Saul, David, Jonathan, Goliath)	10. Ephesians	The first of the "Prison Epistles" of Paul, who was imprisoned due his preaching the gospel (cf. Acts 21:31-33). The richness of the grace of God in Christ. The mystery and unity of the church
10. Second Samuel	Establishment of Davidic Kingdom centered in Jerusalem (David, Joab, Absalom)	11. Philippians	2 nd "Prison Epistle. Letter to a stable church, exhortations to greater unity and maturity. "Press toward the mark .."
11. First Kings	Reign of Solomon, the building of the Temple; The Kingdom Divided after his death into North (Israel/Ephraim) and South (Judah). (Adonijah, Solomon, Rehoboam, Jeroboam, Elijah, Ahab, Asa, Jehoram, Ahaziah).	12. Colossians	3 rd Prison Epistle. Warning against gnosticism; exhortations to live out the faith. The Deity of Christ declared, Gnostic Jewish false teaching is refuted, Christian holiness exhorted, and a fervent prayer warrior (Epaphras) is exemplified.

12. Second Kings	History of Divided Kingdom; Various Kings over Israel and Judah, respectively (Elisha, Athaliah, Jehoash, Jehoahaz, Joash, Hezekiah)	More of the Pauline epistles, 5 "T" books (1st and 2nd Thessalonians, 1st and 2nd Timothy, and Titus)	
13. First Chronicles	Death of Saul and history of the Reign of King David to his death; Preparation for the building of the Temple.	13. First Thes-salonians	Commendations + exhortations to the church at Thessalonica. The Lord's 2 nd coming foretold and described
14. Second Chronicles	Reign of Solomon, his building of the Temple and his death: Israel's spiritual declension, the Kingdom Divided; History of the Southern Kingdom to the Captivity (Solomon, Asa, Jehoshaphat, Joash, Hezekiah, Josiah).	14. 2 Thes-salonians	More of the above. Faith and Patience in Persecutions
Post – captivity books	(see also post – captivity prophets Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi)	15. 1 Timothy	Paul's instructions to young pastor Timothy, and to all who would follow. Give attendance to doctrine.
		16. Second Timothy	More instructions + exhortations to young pastor Timothy, Paul's "dearly beloved son." Be a good soldier, endure all things. Rebuke, reprove, exhort...
17. Esther	Fasting and Prayer, Deliverance from extermination (Virtuous Vashti, Enduring Esther, Moral Mordecai)	18. Philemon	Paul's intercession for a converted runaway slave
16. Nehemiah	Rebuilding of the Walls of Jerusalem and use of civil authority; Perseverance over Persecution by Sanballat and Tobiah and + co. Repentance, Revival according to the Truth + discipline.	19. Hebrews	After Romans, the 2nd major doctrinal book. Christ, His Deity + our great high priest, the new and better covenant declared. Written while Temple was still standing, Human authorship disputed (Apollos?).
17. Esther	Fasting and Prayer, Deliverance from extermination (Virtuous Vashti, Enduring Esther, Moral Mordecai)	20. James	The Proverbs of the New Testament. Faith without works is not saving faith; Exhortations to repentance, prayer and humility, etc.
The Wisdom Books	5 Books. Trials, Heart Experience, Observation and Discernment, Folly, and Love (cf. Rm. 5:1-5)	"P+J" books, letters by Peter, John and Jude	
		21. 1 Peter	Exhortations to a persecuted church
18. Job	Story of affliction and deliverance of just Job; The Problem of Suffering	22. 2 Peter	Prediction of apostasy, and description of the Day of the Lord to come. Exhortations to holiness.
19. Psalms	Hymn (150) Book of Israel	23. 1 John	Heart and Works of True Christian saving Faith and True Love delineated.
20. Proverbs	The God - Given Wisdom of Solomon	24. 2 John	Caution against false teachers
21. Ecclesiastes	Solomon's folly: The vanity of the material wealth and of the natural man	25. 3 John	Helping Christian laborers, "fellow helpers to the truth" commended, cultic preacher exposed.
22. Song of Solomon	The Glory of Wedded love - between a Man and a Women (not man with man)	26. Jude	Warnings and examples of False Teachers/Prophets and their end, and of Imminent Apostasy.
The Prophetic Books: The Major Prophets.	5 Books. Prophesying to the Northern or Southern Kingdoms, sometimes to both or to heathen nations, they also warn all mankind of the blessings lost + ruin gained by transgressing the just laws of God, + call all to repentance	The Consummation	
		27. Revelation	The Ultimate Triumph of Christ, and the redemption of His elect. To God be the glory!
23. Isaiah	Prophet to Judah. The "Gospel according to Isaiah;" The reproof of the Jews idolatry, forecasts of Judgments, as well as the foretelling of the Messiah	SUMMARY OF KING JAMES BIBLE STATISTICS:	
24. Jeremiah	The "Weeping Prophet" warning Judah The last effort to save Jerusalem before going into captivity.	Total Books in the King James Bible = 66	
25. Lamentations	A poetic dirge over the loss of Jerusalem + the Temple	Total Chapters in the King James Bible = 1,189	
26. Ezekiel	Declaring the sins of "the whole house of Israel," as well as future restoration and rebuilt Temple. "They shall know that I am the Lord"	Total verses in the King James Bible = 31,102	
27. Daniel	The prophet at Babylon, foretelling the course of Gentile world-rule to its judgment, and establishment of of the Messianic kingdom.	Total words in the 31,102 verses = 788,258 (not including the Hebrew Alphabet in Psalm 119 or the superscriptions listed in some of the Psalms)	
The "Minor" Prophets	12 Books. Not minor in spiritual stature, but in the size of their books	Total Books in the Old Testament = 39	
		Total Chapters in the Old Testament = 929	
		Total verses in the Old Testament = 23,145	
		Total Books in the New Testament = 27	
		Total Chapters in the New Testament = 260	
		Total verses in the New Testament = 7,957	
		Middle Book in the King James Bible = There are 2 – Micah & Nahum	
		Longest Book in the King James Bible = Psalms	
		Shortest Book in the King James Bible = 2 John	

28. Hosea	A prophet of the N. Kingdom. The apostasy of Israel likened to the adulterous wife of a faithful husband	<p>(verses) & 3 John (words)</p> <p>Middle Chapter in the King James Bible = Psalm 117</p> <p>Longest Chapter in the King James Bible = Psalm 119</p> <p>Shortest Chapter in the King James Bible = Psalm 117</p> <p>Middle verse in the King James Bible = There are 2 – Psalm 103:1 & Psalm 103:2</p> <p>Longest verse in the King James Bible = Esther 8:9</p> <p>Shortest verse in the King James Bible = John 11:35</p> <p>Source statistics from http://www.biblebelievers.com/believers-org/kjv-stats.html</p>
29. Joel	A prophet of Judah, Prediction of the Holy Spirit age and the coming of the Day of the Lord	
30. Amos	A prophet of Judah to the N. Kingdom. Ultimate, universal reign of Messiah	
31. Obadiah	Doom of Edom, Israel's enemy of old	
32. Jonah	Call of God to Jonah to call Nineveh to repent; Jonah's rebellion, and Nineveh's obedience; God's mercy	
33. Micah	A prophet in Judah. The soon fall of Israel and Judah, and future birth of the Messiah in Bethlehem	
34. Nahum	The destruction of Nineveh	
35. Habakkuk	In Judah. The holiness of God, coming judgment though it tarries. "The just shall live by faith."	
36. Zephaniah	Of Judah. The coming Day of the Lord upon Judah, other nations, and the coming of a "pure language."	
37. Haggai	Rebuke, reproofs, and exhortation regarding the rebuilding the temple	
38. Zechariah	Judgments and Messianic Prophecies	
39. Malachi	Last O.T. message to a disobedient people. The coming of the Day of the Lord.	

"Sacred Contents"
 (Writer unknown, to men)

"The Bible contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers.

Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are unchangeable.

Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy.

It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you.

It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter.

Here Paradise is restored, Heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed.

Christ is its grand subject, our good the design, and God's glory its end.

It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet.

Read it slowly, frequently, and prayerfully.

It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure.

It is given you in life, will be opened at the judgment, and will be remembered forever.

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"O give thanks unto the Lord for *He is* good; for His mercy for ever" (Ps. 107:1).

Note: The apocrypha (extra books which Roman Catholicism includes, as well as a few others) are not to be included in the list of inspired Scripture, as they are of an inferior quality, and were not included in the Jewish Canon of Jesus day, nether did He quote from them (in the gospels) nor does the rest of the New Testament. Moreover, certain apocryphal texts can promote serious doctrinal error (such as praying for dead idolaters: 2 Maccabees 12:39-45). For a further explanation of why such books are not included in the canon of inspired Scripture, see <http://www.christiantruth.com/articles.html>

http://www.christiancourier.com/articles/read/the_apocrypha_inspired_of_god

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