

How it's Made: The Bible
The Old Testament
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The Old and New Testaments of the Bible have different histories, backgrounds and processes by which they came to be.

Our "Old Testament" has different names:

1. Hebrew Bible
2. Tanakh

The making of the Old Testament took over 1000 years.

There are clues to find in the O.T. to figure out how it was made.

Exodus 17:14

Deuteronomy 31:24-29

Proverbs 25, 30, 31

Jeremiah 36:27-32

How can we trust the Old Testament as accurate and reliable?

Three sets of manuscripts is key!

1. Masoretic Text

The oldest complete manuscript of the Hebrew Bible is the Leningrad Codex.

Leviticus 11:42: the third letter of the word "belly" is the center of the Torah.

2. Septuagint_____

Also known by the Greek Roman numeral LXX_____
Genesis 4:8

3. Dead Sea Scrolls_____

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