

The 66 Books of the Bible

The 39 Books of the Old Testament

BOOK	AUTHOR	THEME	DATE WRITTEN*	CHAPTERS
Genesis	Moses	Beginnings	c. 1450–1400 B.C.	50
Exodus	Moses	Deliverance	c. 1450–1400 B.C.	40
Leviticus	Moses	Holiness	c. 1450–1400 B.C.	27
Numbers	Moses	Wilderness Wanderings	c. 1450–1400 B.C.	36
Deuteronomy	Moses	Law Restated	c. 1410 B.C.	34
Joshua	Joshua	Conquering Canaan	c. 1400–1370 B.C.	24
Judges	Samuel (?)	Defeat and Deliverance	c. 1045–1000 B.C.	21
Ruth	Samuel (?)	Kinsman-Redeemer	c. 1011–931 B.C.	4
1 Samuel	Samuel, Nathan, Gad (?)	Samuel, Saul, and David	c. 960 B.C.	31
2 Samuel	Nathan, Gad (?)	David's Reign	c. 960 B.C.	24
1 Kings	Jeremiah (?)	Kingdom United, Divided	c. 560–540 B.C.	22
2 Kings	Jeremiah (?)	Israel and Judah	c. 560–540 B.C.	25
1 Chronicles	Ezra (?)	Genealogy and History	c. 450–425 B.C.	29
2 Chronicles	Ezra (?)	Judah's Greatness	c. 450–425 B.C.	36
Ezra	Ezra (?)	Return of the Remnant	c. 460–440 B.C.	10
Nehemiah	Nehemiah, Ezra (?)	Rebuilding Jerusalem's Walls	c. 445–420 B.C.	13
Esther	Mordecai, Nehemiah (?)	God's Providential Care	c. 460–350 B.C.	10
Job	Job, Elihu, Solomon (?)	Problem of Suffering	c. 1550–1500 B.C.	42
Psalms	David and several others	Praise	c. 1000–500 B.C.	150
Proverbs	Solomon	Wisdom	c. 900 B.C.	31
Ecclesiastes	Solomon	Man's Reasoning	c. 935 B.C.	12
Song of Solomon	Solomon	The Beloved	c. 965 B.C.	8
Isaiah	Isaiah	Israel's Messiah	c. 740–680 B.C.	66
Jeremiah	Jeremiah	Warning and Judgment	c. 630–580 B.C.	52
Lamentations	Jeremiah (?)	Mourning for Jerusalem	c. 586–575 B.C.	5
Ezekiel	Ezekiel	Judgment and Glory	c. 593–565 B.C.	48
Daniel	Daniel	Rise and Fall of Kingdoms	c. 540–530 B.C.	12
Hosea	Hosea	Redeeming Love	c. 755–725 B.C.	14
Joel	Joel	Day of the LORD	c. 835–800 B.C.	3
Amos	Amos	Judgment on Sin	c. 760–753 B.C.	9
Obadiah	Obadiah	Doom of Edom	c. 848–840 B.C.	1
Jonah	Jonah	God's Mercy	c. 793–758 B.C.	4
Micah	Micah	Judgment and Kingdom	c. 735–700 B.C.	7
Nahum	Nahum	Nineveh's Doom	c. 663–612 B.C.	3
Habakkuk	Habakkuk	From Doubt to Faith	c. 610–605 B.C.	3
Zephaniah	Zephaniah	Day of the LORD	c. 735–725 B.C.	3
Haggai	Haggai	Rebuilding the Temple	c. 520 B.C.	2
Zechariah	Zechariah	Messiah's Advents	c. 520–470 B.C.	14
Malachi	Malachi	Formalism Rebuked	c. 440–400 B.C.	4

The 27 Books of the New Testament

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Matthew	Matthew	Christ as the King	c. A.D. 37-40	28
Mark	Mark	Christ as the Servant	c. A.D. 37-40	16
Luke	Luke	Christ as the Man	c. A.D. 37-40	24
John	John	Christ as JEHOVAH God	c. A.D. 37-40	21
Acts	Luke	Transition from Jews to Gentiles and Transition from Peter to Paul	c. A.D. 52-60	28
Romans	Paul	Basic Grace Doctrine	c. A.D. 55-58	16
1 Corinthians	Paul	Christian Conduct	c. A.D. 57-58	16
2 Corinthians	Paul	Paul's Apostleship	c. A.D. 57-58	13
Galatians	Paul	Legalism and Denominationalism	c. A.D. 52-53	6
Ephesians	Paul	The Church, the Body of Christ	c. A.D. 61-63	6
Philippians	Paul	Christian Experience	c. A.D. 61-63	4
Colossians	Paul	Christ as Head of the Body	c. A.D. 61-63	4
1 Thessalonians	Paul	Rapture of the Church the Body of Christ	c. A.D. 53-54	5
2 Thessalonians	Paul	Day of the LORD, Second Coming of Christ	c. A.D. 53-54	3
1 Timothy	Paul	Church Order	c. A.D. 62-64	6
2 Timothy	Paul	Holding the Truth <i>Paul's farewell letter</i>	c. A.D. 67-68	4
Titus	Paul	Church Order	c. A.D. 63-65	3
Philemon	Paul	Love Exemplified	c. A.D. 64-65	1
Hebrews	Unknown	Christ's Priesthood and the New Covenant	c. A.D. 58-60	13
James	James	Practical Judaistic Living	c. A.D. 45-50	5
1 Peter	Peter	Suffering and Glory	c. A.D. 52-58	5
2 Peter	Peter	Last Days <i>Peter's farewell letter</i>	c. A.D. 67-68	3
1 John	John	Fellowship	c. A.D. 52-58	5
2 John	John	Christ's Commandment	c. A.D. 52-58	1
3 John	John	Walking in Truth	c. A.D. 52-58	1
Jude	Jude	False Teachers	c. A.D. 52-58	1
Revelation	John	Consummation	c. A.D. 52-58	22

* NOTE: All dates given are approximate.