

# The Origin of the Bible

*How do we know what books should be in God's Word, the Bible?*

## 1. Keys to Canonicity:

a. It C\_\_\_\_\_ to be God's Word: "\_\_\_\_\_"

- Exodus 20:1
- Isaiah 55:11

b. G\_\_\_\_\_ 's P\_\_\_\_\_ accept it as such, and do so I\_\_\_\_\_

- Exodus 17:14
- Deuteronomy 25:17

→→→ Writers are E\_\_\_\_\_ (details!!)

- Judges 3:15-17
- 2 Peter 1:16

→→→ Recipients are C\_\_\_\_\_ (often also eyewitnesses)

→ Scripture is **Protected** → and **Honored**

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| • Ex 40:20-21   | • Lev 10:11     |
| • Deut 31:24-26 | • Deut 31:11-12 |
| • 1Sam 10:25    | • Deut 17:18-19 |

c. Writers are usually attested with S\_\_\_\_\_ and M\_\_\_\_\_

- Exodus 4:29-31

d. It is accurate in all P\_\_\_\_\_ (and all other matters!)

- Deuteronomy 18:21-22
- Matthew 2:4-6

→ S\_\_\_\_\_ -authenticating (short-term → long-term)

e. It does not C\_\_\_\_\_ earlier Scripture

- Deuteronomy 13:1-5
- Galatians 1:8-9

f. It is C\_\_\_\_\_ by subsequent Scripture quotation

- 1 Kings 13:2
- 2 Kings 23:16

## 2. Why Should I Believe the Bible?

Nov 2 – The Old Testament

Nov 9 – The New Testament & the Continuing Testimony of the Church