

# *Almost* Everything You Need to Know

*A Systematic Study of God*

## The Canon of the Old Testament

*Remember the law of my servant Moses,  
the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel. (Malachi 4:4)*

*God intended from the beginning that his people would be ruled by a written document,  
a canon, as in the Old Testament. So when he inspired these books he did it for that purpose.<sup>1</sup>*

*Q. How do we know that we have the correct books in the Old Testament?*

### Internal Evidence

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### The Dead Sea Scrolls

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<sup>1</sup> John Frame, "The Canon," in *Lexham Survey of Theology*, ed. Mark Ward et al. (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2018).

## External Evidence

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“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.” (Matthew 5:17)

‘Therefore this generation will be held responsible for the blood of all the prophets that has been shed since the beginning of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who was killed between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, this generation will be held responsible for it all.’ (Luke 11:50-51)

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