

The Covenantal Arrangement of the Christian Bible

This illustrates one way of understanding the canonical relationships and emphasis of the Scriptures.

Jesus said to them,

“This is what I told you while I was still with you:

*Everything must be fulfilled that is written about Me in the **Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.**”*

Luke 24:44

	Covenant Establishment The Law (Torah)	Covenant History The Prophets	Covenant Life (interpretation and application) The Writings (The Psalms, David)	
Covenant Prologue (Creation) Genesis How the people of God came to be.	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy The Passover is the central interpretive event.	Joshua Judges Samuel Kings Isaiah Jeremiah Ezekiel 12 Minor Prophets	Psalms Job Proverbs Ruth Song of Songs Ecclesiastes Lamentations Esther Daniel Ezra-Nehemiah Chronicles (The Law points to the Davidic Messiah)	Covenant Epilogue (Consummation) Revelation Who the people of God ultimately will be.
	Matthew Mark Luke John The Cross (the fulfillment of the Passover) is the central interpretive event.	Acts of the Apostles While in the OT Prophets we see disobedient Israel, in the NT (Acts) we see obedient Israel, the Spirit-filled Church.	James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2, 3 John Jude Paul’s Epistles: Romans – Philemon Hebrews (comes after 2 Thessalonians before 1 Timothy)	
	New Covenant Establishment	New Covenant History	New Covenant Life (interpretation and application)	

Note: The OT books are arranged according to the Hebrew Tanak. The NT books are arranged in the order most common in the early church.