

A place whereby within two or three centuries after the writing of the last of the books, all the people of God to whom they were given unanimously agreed that these are the books which are inspired of God. They didn't agree as to who wrote Hebrews. Some thought Paul did, some thought he didn't, but they all agreed that it was part of God's word. They weren't agreed as to who wrote revelation. Some said the Apostle John wrote it. Others said, that's perfectly ridiculous. The style of it is so utterly different from the gospel of John that it is perfectly obvious that the same man couldn't have written both. This was written by the Elder John, not the apostle at all, another man. We don't know anything about him, but he's the elder. It says, I John, who is an elder, not an apostle at all. Well, it was inspired, whoever he was, it was inspired of God intended to be authoritative, and so all the Christians accepted the book of Revelation, even though there were questions as to who wrote the book. They all accepted Hebrews even though Origen and others said, God only knows. The Roman Catholic Church came in time to say that James and Jude were apostles. ~~Many Protestants~~ not all Roman Catholics say they were. Some say we're not sure. Most Protestants agree James and Jude were not apostles. They were the brothers of the Lord. They didn't even believe on him when he was living. The Bible tells us that the brethren of the Lord did not believe on Him until after His Resurrection. But two of these men who rejected Him until after His resurrection were writers of two of the books in our N. T. We can't prove that these men were inspired of God or not. We can't prove that any apostle approved of their ~~work~~ work. We can't prove they were apostles, but they are part of this group of books which the same process took place ^{regarding it} that took place regarding the Old Testament, and all the Christians unanimously agreed that these 27 books are the books which the Holy Spirit inspired, and no others, and we have a consensus of Christian opinion. Now Christians may unanimously be wrong on all kinds of things, just as Jews may be unanimously wrong on all kinds of things. But on this particular point that the Spirit of God led among the Jews, and caused there should come a unanimity, and Jesus Christ set the seal of His approval upon it, he gave the12..... there would be a N. T., in the case of the N. T. the same process took place that took part in the Old Testament, and for a period of two or three centuries