

in the N.T. and an argument is not built on a word or two found in the O.T. but rather the meaning in context is always kept in mind. If we are followers of Christ then the next thing--if we are saved then the next step is to find out what Christ wants us to do. How is He to show us His will but through His Word? The Lord's attitude for us is not that we come to the Scriptures and give our opinion of what we think that it ought to say or what our reason tells us that it should say, but rather to come to the Word, humbly seeking what does the Word of God say. All our reason is but a partial segment of life. We certainly can't know very much in comparison of what there is to be known--but God has revealed what He wants us to know and on that we must stand absolutely firm. Now how do we know that these 66 books are the only ones we are to have? Ill. of boy in Los Angeles who constantly went over to the library to study about the Bible--asked how he knew these certain books should be in the Bible--said a council had decided on it which was wrong--he had lot of unbelief injected into his mind and consequently dropped out from the Christian fold altogether. There is no single shred of evidence that a council or individual sat down and picked a certain group of books and said that these certain books were canonical. Not until 1540 was there even an attempt to settle on what books were canonical. God did not permit any ~~individual~~ individual or council to pick some books out and put them apart as being canonical. God inspired men to write books. And these books that were inspiredly written were given to the people by the ones who wrote the books. These people read them and passed them on so forth on down the line. Even before Christ the Jewish people had a unanimous attitude toward the books of the Scripture and they came to an absolute agreement which is proved to us by a writing that came out 180B.C.--we have 22 books-- one book was counted as the minor prophets, and these were counted as the oracles of God. Now the Lord Jesus Christ and the Apostles and all the people of that day had a unanimity of what books composed the N.T. (Record # 26)-- Now when Christ set His seal upon the O.T. we will uphold it. Now, how about the N.T? We already have the idea of the inspired books of the O.T. and when we read about the Holy Spirit who would bring all things to the remembrance of the Apostles --there were many things that He could not tell them at the time but He would reveal to them later. Does this not suggest strongly that there would be