approval upon being the books that were inspired of God x is what we must accept as such. He set His approval upon the books which the Jews of His day accepted as inspriedinspired. We have examined the Canon of the Jews and seen that there was no group of any size which had a different as to what the inspired books were. As Josephus says, they all agreed that these were the inspired books and they would not add anything to them, or take anything from them. That doesn't mean that may not add something in a Greek translation, after all they did not consider it as God's word, but they did not add anything to the Hebrew of the books which they considered to be inspired word of God. This is what is viat vital for us and what is the inspired Word of God, it is interesting however to see that we have no evidence from the 1st or second century AD to suggest that the Christian Church considered any a prochryhaal - & Aprochryhal definite additions as part of the Word of God but we have some/evidence that the Christian Church considered at that time that wax what the Jews down considered to the part of the Old Testament was indeed what they as Christians and followers of Jesus Christ a lso should accept as the part of the Word of God. Some R.C. writers try to get around this by **xx** saying **x**, Melito was not trying to found - find out what were the books of the Old Testam ent. He was particularly interested in trying to find out what were the books that the Jews accepted. And that is the material that he gives . However, it is not so stated at all. And xxxxxxxxx, anyway, why would Melito be particularly conderconcerned to know **x** what were the books that the Jews accepted unel- unless he understood that the books that the Jews accepted are the books upon which Jesus Christ a has set the seal of His appproval.

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