

The Christian does not have a similar right when it comes to deciding which books to accept as inspired. This is not a matter on which the organized church has a right to speak, other than to affirm the unanimity which the Christian church has had for many centuries. The individual Christian has no basis, either subjective or objective, on which he could now make a correct decision for himself, whether a particular book belongs in the Bible. He must accept the authority of Jesus regarding the Old Testament books. Jesus' approval of that process authenticated in advance a similar process if it should occur in the case of the New Testament, as it did. Our whole Christian faith is based on the authority of Christ, and on this authority we can be sure which books are inspired of God.