

Colossians 3:15–16*

The peace of Christ,
let it rule in your heart.

The word of Christ,
let it dwell in you richly.

The Bible is a God-breathed book. It is, therefore, both living and life giving. It has a theological center, a unified thematic framework, and a covenantal structure.

Its human authors were guided by the Spirit of Christ who controlled its content, delivery, and preservation.

Acts 28:23, 30–31; 2 Tim 3:16–17; Heb 4:12;
1 Pet 1:10–11, 23–25; 2 Pet 1:20–21; Luke 24:44

Acts 28:23

When they had appointed a day for him, they came to him at his lodging in greater numbers. From morning till evening he expounded to them, testifying to the **kingdom of God** and trying to convince them about **Jesus** both from the **Law of Moses** and from the **Prophets**.

Acts 28:30–31

He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the **kingdom of God** and teaching about the **Lord Jesus Christ** with all boldness and without hindrance.

Jesus Christ
theological center

The Kingdom of God
thematic framework

**The Law of Moses, the Prophets,
and the Psalms**
covenantal structure

The Old Testament Canon

*A Comparison of the English and
Hebrew Bible Arrangements*

Pentateuch

Genesis

Exodus

Leviticus

Numbers

Deuteronomy

Historical Books

Joshua

Judges

Ruth

1-2 Samuel

1-2 kings

1-2 Chronicles

Ezra

Nehemiah

Esther

Poetry

Job

Psalms

Proverbs

Ecclesiastes

Song of Songs

Prophets

Isaiah

Jeremiah

Lamentations

Ezekiel

Daniel

12 Minor Prophets

Law

Genesis

Exodus

Leviticus

Numbers

Deuteronomy

Prophets

Joshua

Judges

Samuel

Kings

Isaiah

Jeremiah

Ezekiel

Book of the Twelve

Writings

Psalms

Job

Proverbs

Ruth

Song of Songs

Ecclesiastes

Lamentations

Esther

Daniel

Ezra

Nehemiah

Chronicles

The New Testament Canon

*A Comparison of the Received and
Manuscript Arrangements*

Gospels

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Gospels

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts & Epistles

Acts

Romans

1, 2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Phillipians

Colosians

1, 2 Thessalonians

1, 2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

1, 2 Peter

1, 2, 3 John

Jude

Revelation

Acts & Epistles

Acts

James

1, 2 Peter

1, 2, 3 John

Jude

Romans

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Ephesians

Phillipians

Colosians

1, 2 Thessalonians

Hebrews

1, 2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Revelation

The Covenantal Structure of the Christian Bible

	Law	Prophets	Writings			
Covenant Prologue	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy	Joshua Judges Samuel Kings	Isaiah Jeremiah Ezekiel The Twelve	Psalms Job Proverbs Ruth Song of Songs Ecclesiastes	Lamentations Esther Daniel Ezra Nehemiah Chronicles	Covenant Epilogue
Genesis						Revelation
	Matthew Mark Luke John	The Acts of the Apostles	Paul's Epistles Hebrews James 1, 2 Peter 1, 2, 3 John Jude			
	Covenant	Covenant History	Covenant Life			

Luke 24:44

“This is what I told you while I was still with you:
 πEverything must be fulfilled that is written about me
 in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”

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The Bible Outlined

I. Kingdom Inauguration: Genesis

II. Old Covenant Kingdom

- A. Law: Covenant (kingdom administration)
 - 1. Exodus
 - 2. Leviticus
 - 3. Numbers
 - 4. Deuteronomy
- B. Prophets: Covenant History
 - 1. Former Prophets (history described)
 - a. Joshua
 - b. Judges
 - c. Samuel
 - d. Kings
 - 2. Latter Prophets (history interpreted)
 - a. Isaiah
 - b. Jeremiah
 - c. Ezekiel
 - d. Book of the Twelve
- C. Writings: Covenant Life
 - 1. Covenant Life (in the Land)
 - a. Psalms
 - b. Job
 - c. Proverbs
 - d. Ruth
 - e. Song of Songs
 - f. Ecclesiastes
 - 2. Covenant Life (in Exile)
 - a. Lamentations
 - b. Esther
 - c. Daniel
 - d. Ezra
 - e. Nehemiah
 - f. Chronicles

III. New Covenant Kingdom

- A. Law: Covenant (kingdom administration)
 - 1. Matthew
 - 2. Mark
 - 3. Luke
 - 4. John
- B. Prophets: Covenant History (Acts: history described and interpreted)
- C. Writings: Covenant Life
 - 1. Pauline Epistles
 - a. Letters to Churches
 - b. Letters to Individuals
 - 2. Catholic Epistles

IV. Kingdom Consummation: Revelation

Deuteronomy 34:10-11

Since then, **no prophet** has risen in Israel **like Moses**, whom the LORD knew face to face, who did all those miraculous signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land.

Malachi 3:4-6

“Remember the law of my servant **Moses**, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel. “See, I will send you the prophet **Elijah** before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers; or else I will come and strike the land with a curse.”

Joshua 1:8

Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; **meditate on it day and night**, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

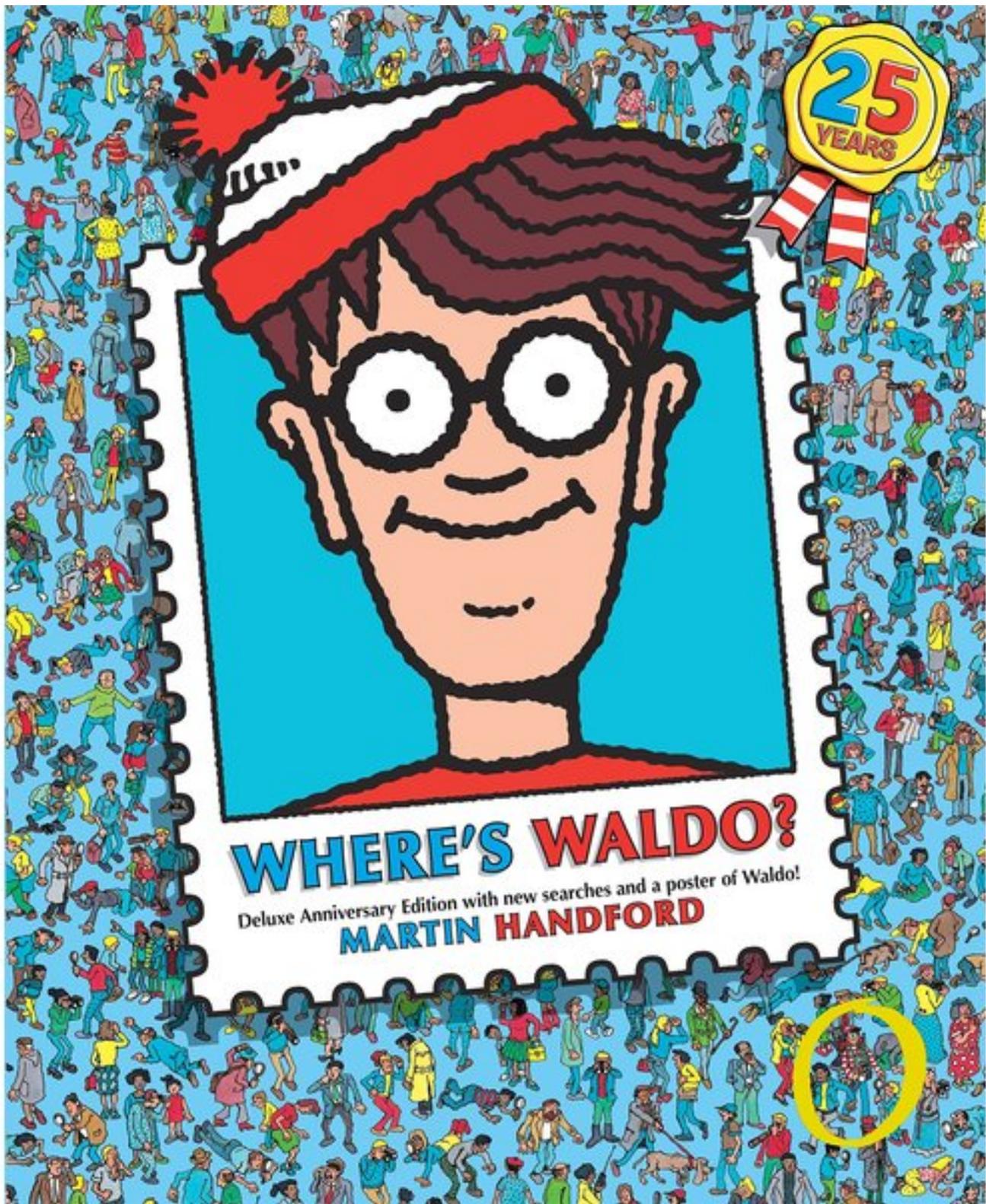
Psalms 1:2

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he **meditates day and night**.

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YEARS

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Luke 24:25–27

And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! **26** Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” **27** And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them **in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.**

Luke 24:44

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that **everything written about me** in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”

John 5:39–40, 45–47

You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. **These are the Scriptures that testify about me**, yet you refuse to come to me to have life.

But do not think I will accuse you before the Father. Your accuser is Moses, on whom your hopes are set. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, **for he wrote about me**. But since you do not believe what he wrote, how are you going to believe what I say?

Romans 1:1–3

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—the gospel he promised beforehand (1) **through his prophets** (2) **in the Holy Scriptures** (3) **concerning his Son**, who as to his human nature was a descendant of David.

- (1) The Vehicle of Gospel Revelation
- (2) The Location of Gospel Revelation
- (3) The Content of Gospel Revelation

OLD TESTAMENT

There are almost **475,000** (474,872) Hebrew and Aramaic words in the Old Testament. In it, there are **13,905** different proper names that occur a total of **35,783** times (7.5% of the total OT word count).

Seven of the most frequent proper names in the OT (6,901).

Israel	2,509
David	1,075
Judah	820
Moses	766
Egypt	682
Jerusalem	643
Saul	406

The Most Frequent Name in the Old Testament

Yahweh	6,829 (19.1% of all proper names)
Elohim	about 2,602
Adonai	about 700
TOTAL	almost 10,131

The covenant God, Yahweh, is the main character of the OT, according to simple math. In fact, the name Yahweh is the seventh most common word in all of the OT, just after: “and,” “the,” “to,” “in,” the DDOM, and “from.”

NEW TESTAMENT

There are almost **138,167** Greek words in the New Testament. In it, there are **551** different proper names that occur a total of **4,132** times (**2.99%** of the total OT word count).

Seven of the most frequent proper names in the OT (920).

Paul	158
Peter	156
John	135
Pharisee	98
Moses	80
Jerusalem	77
Simon	75
Abraham	73
Israel	68

The Most Frequent Name in the New Testament

Jesus	917 (22.2% of all proper names)
God	(<i>theos</i>) about 1,317
Lord	(<i>kurios</i>) about 717
TOTAL	almost 2,951

The covenant God, Jesus, is the main character of the NT, according to simple math. In fact, the name Jesus and God (*theos*) are the two most frequently occurring nouns in the NT.

John 12:37–41

Even after Jesus had done all these miraculous signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: “Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?” For this reason they could not believe, because, as Isaiah says elsewhere: “He has blinded their eyes and deadened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn—and I would heal them.” **Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus’ glory and spoke about him.**

1 Corinthians 10:1–4

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, **and the Rock was Christ.**