

## What Makes the Catholic bible different from most protestant bibles, and why?

- The deuterocanonical books, termed apocrypha by Protestants, remain included in Bibles between Old and New Testaments with a disclaimer statement that they are not inspired writings.
- Early 17th century English Protestants separated from the Church of England began excluding the deuterocanonical books from their Bibles entirely.
- Most protestant Bibles from early 19th century to present have no deuterocanonical books included in their content.

## IV. Additional notes

- A. Deuterocanonical definition: 'Second canon'
- B. Apocrypha definition: 'Hidden books'

## References and supplemental reading:

- CATHOLIC ANSWERS "ANTI-CATHOLIC MYTHS" 20 Answers booklet Question #10:The Catholic Church adds to the Bible
- CATHOLIC ANSWERS "THE BIBLE" 20 Answers booklet Question # 6: How do we know which writings belong to the Bible Question # 7: Why are Catholic Bibles bigger than Protestant Bibles
- WIKIPEDIA "Bible Canon" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Biblical\_canon
- BRITANNICA "Septuagint" https://www.britannica.com/topic/Septuagint
- EWTN Global Catholic Network "Defending The Deuterocanonicals" https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/library/defending-the-deuterocanonicals-996
- CATHOLIC ANSWERS Online "Did Catholics Add 7 Books to the Bible? Or Did Protestants Remove Them?" https://www.catholic.com/audio/sp/did-catholics-add-7-books-to-the-bible-or-did-protestants-remove-them