



In this series *Scripture and Authority & Law and Gospel*, we begin to understand Scriptural authority, which is the foundation of all our teachings. Last week, Dr. James Kellerman explained how the books of the Holy Scriptures were selected; however, some of you observed that there are religious groups that are using Bibles that include more books than others. Dr. T, LCC's Director of Communications, has asked Dr. Kellerman to return and answer this question:

Dr. T: **Why do Roman Catholic Bibles contain Old Testament books that Protestant Bibles do not?**

Rev. Kellerman: Hear what Rev. Dr. James Kellerman has to say [here](#).

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For more insights from Dr. Kellerman, tune in to [LCC's 2026 Convention](#), where he is scheduled to share next. In the meantime, if you had asked, "why are the Scriptures considered 'inspired'" and "what does it even mean to say the Scriptures are inspired", join our next *Conversation*. One of our other pastors will explain.