Two aspects in this regard need special notice:

a. Patterns of unity within diversity which reflect an essential reciprocity between the Testaments (See Gerhard Hael. N.T.THEOLOGY; BASIC ISSUES IN THE CURRENT DEBATE, pp. 186-197.)

- (1) Historical connection
- (2) Scriptural dependence
- (3) Vocabulary
- (4) Themes
- (5) Typology
- (6) Promise and fulfillment
- (7) Salvation history
- (8) Unity of perspective

3-5. And, finally, a note with regard to the questions of antithetical idealogies.

C. Scope of the New Testament Literature

Some general concepts:

a. The New Testament is comprised of 27 books broken down arbitrarily into 250 chapters with 9 (?) authors and written between 45 and 100 AD.

b. The contents are classified by:

literary character:

--historical, 5 pieces --doctrinal, 15 --personal, 6 --prophetic, 1

The wise student knows what books go in what categories...the unwise just know the above tabulation.