

IV. THE CANON OF THE OLD TESTAMENTPreliminary notes

1. The major work on canon studies should be found in the Theology courses under Bibliology...or something line tha. The notes in this course merely tend to summarize concepts of the history of the canon and meet the general requirement of our second course objective: to see that we have the right books in the canon.

2. The content on this section is as follows:

- A. The concept of Canon
  - 1. The term and the idea
  - 2. Development of the idea
  - 3. Evidence within Scripture of a canon
  - 4. Extra-biblical canon witness
  - 5. Qumran witness
  - 6. Causes for canonical acceptance
- B. The extent of the canon
  - 1. Biblical arrangement
  - 2. Questions on completeness
- C. The divisions of the canon
  - 1. The main idea
  - 2. Canonical questions
- D. The Higher critical view of the canon
  - 1. Historical notes
  - 2. Statement
  - 3. Implications
  - 4. Application of theory to Old Testament
  - 5. Suggested causes for canon development
  - 6. Periods of canonization
  - 7. Definitive notes
- E. Final questions regarding church and canon
- F. Additional bibliography

Sorry I have not supplied the page numbers but at least that will give you an idea where we are headed.