

## II. The Text of the Old Testament

### A. The Question: Do we have a reliable text for the Old Testament?

### B. Some terms in definition... they keep showing up in discussion and you should know a bit of what they mean:

1. Autograph/Apograph
2. Paleography
3. Version

Rescension  
Edition

4. Codex

And I should say that terms occur at all points.  
Ask if any are unfamiliar to you

### C. What are the basic languages of the Old Testament?

1. Hebrew..this is not a language based course but we need a few notes on Hebrew...
  - a. Its origin...maybe
  - b. Consonants and vowels
  - c. A few distinguishing features
  - d. And is it really a hard language?
2. Aramaic
  - a. Relation to Hebrew
  - b. Growth in the Hebrew economy

### D. What do we know of the history of the O.T. Text?

1. A brief note on the most ancient Hebrew texts and what they tell us about the language