

Peter, Paul, and Canon: 2 Peter 3:15–16

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Introduction

A Common Model of Canonicity:

Lewis Sperry Chafer

_____ extant manuscripts; _____ extant ones

_____ is a cause for concern. Peter's _____ was at most _____

What Liberals Say:

F. H. Chase on when (1) Paul's epistles were collected and (2) viewed as Scripture

J. B. Mayor on when (1) Paul's epistles were collected and (2) viewed as Scripture

F. C. Burkitt on when (1) Paul's epistles were collected and (2) viewed as Scripture

Questioning the Correctness of the Model

How the NT characterizes relationships between congregations

Another way to view _____ extant mss.; _____ extant ones

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A Better Model of Canonicity

Exposition of the Twisting of all of Paul's Epistles and the Rest of Scripture

Exposition of Paul's Letters Contain Some Easy-to-Misunderstand things

Exposition of Paul Wrote to You (with an Explanation of the New Model)

Support for the New Model (Apostles did not regard their letters as _____)

Colossians 4:15–16

Philemon

Romans 16

Galatians

Philippians

_____ is no longer a cause for concern

Galatians (49); 1–2 Thessalonians (51); 1–2 Corinthians (56); Romans (56–57); Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon (62); 1 Timothy (62); Titus (66); 2 Timothy (67); Peter's death (not later than 68)

The New Model also:

Accounts for _____ letters (Philemon, the Pastorals, 2–3 John)

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Prioritizes the Greek canon

Conclusion