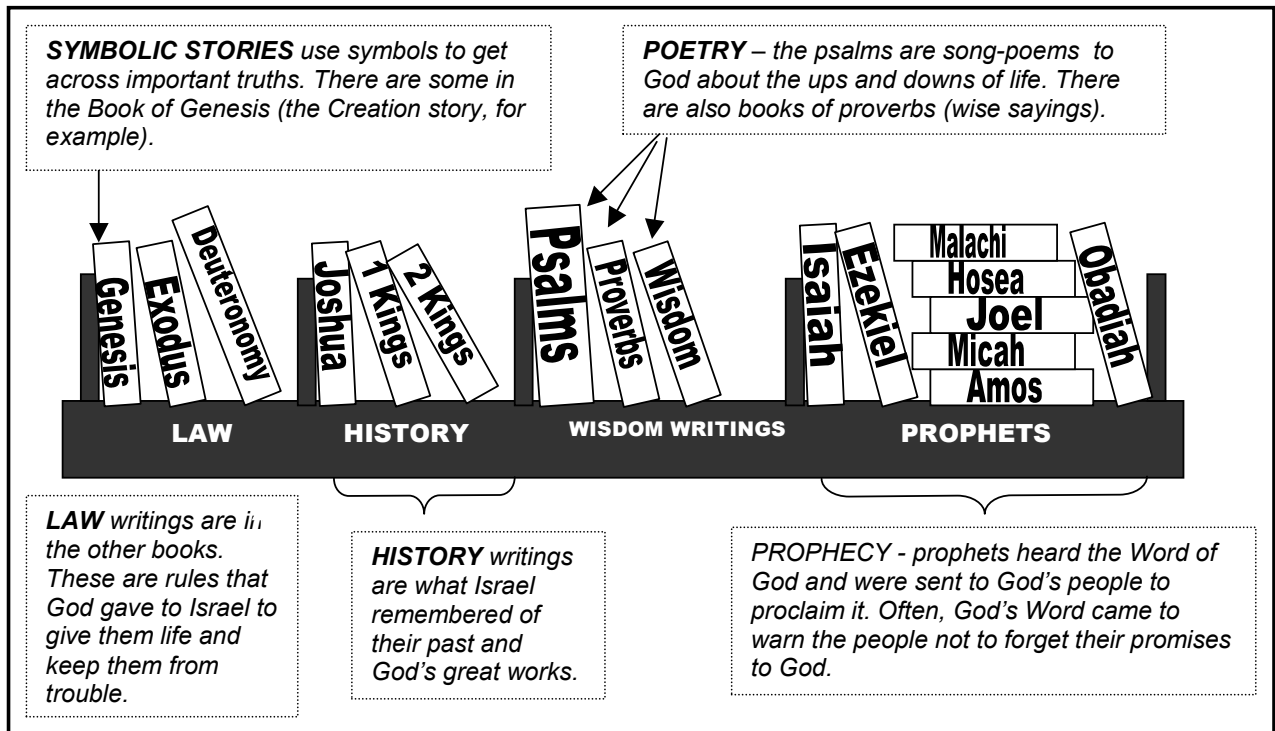


# Bible Books: OT

CHRISTIANS BELIEVE that the whole of the Bible is the Word of God. There are, however, many different types of writing in the Bible.

**Old Testament** GOD SPOKE at various (lots of different) times and in various ways to the people of Israel. The Old Testament books cover a time of well over a thousand years. Look at the different types of writing on the shelf below.



## To do

1 Explain in one sentence these types of Bible writing: SYMBOLIC STORY, POETRY, LAW, HISTORY.

2 Below are examples of different types of Bible writing. Can you say what type?

**A**  
 God saw all that he had made, and indeed it was very good. Evening came and morning came: the sixth day.

Thus heaven and earth were completed with all their array. On the seventh day God completed the work he had been doing. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

**B**  
 I look up at your heavens, made by your fingers,  
 At the moon and stars you set in place –  
 Ah, what is man that you should spare a thought for him,  
 The son of man that you should care for him?

**C**  
 But now, now – it is Yahweh who speaks – come back to me with all your heart, fasting weeping, mourning.

**D**  
 David son of Jesse had reigned over the whole of Israel. His reign lasted forty years; he had reigned in Hebron for seven years, and in Jerusalem for thirty-three.