

BIBLE OVERVIEW

First & Last Name: _____

Class: _____ Today's date: _____

Saint of the Day: _____

(“Pray for me!”)

BIBLE FACTS

Where did the name “Bible” come from? The Latin word “biblia” which means “books”

Written by about 40 / 1 authors over a period of about 1,000 years.

Written in: Babylon (modern-day Iraq),

Palestine (modern-day Israel),

and The Roman Empire (modern-day Europe).

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Catholic Bibles = 46 OT books + 27 NT books = 73 books total

Protestant Bibles = 39 OT books + 27 NT books = 66 books total

Martin Luther (and other Protestant Reformers) took out 7 books of the Bible in the 1500s.

This group of books is commonly called the “Deuterocanonicals” (Catholic term)

books and/or the “Apocrypha” (Protestant and non-Christian term).

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER

A. Every book of the Bible is at least slightly different.

Some books/verses should be read literally
(word-for-word)

while others are meant to be read metaphorically / figuratively
(symbolically).

B. The main goal of the Bible is to teach truth about
God, NOT science.

- Missing Books:**
- Tobit
 - Judith
 - 1 Maccabees
 - 2 Maccabees
 - Wisdom
 - Sirach
 - Baruch

Way to remember these 7 books:

The
Jumbo
Big Mac
Will
Sicken
Boys



BIBLE-RELATED QUOTES

1. “The Bible is a love letter from God to you with your name on it.” - Peter Kreeft

2. “You can sum up the Bible in 2 words: come closer.” - John Eldridge

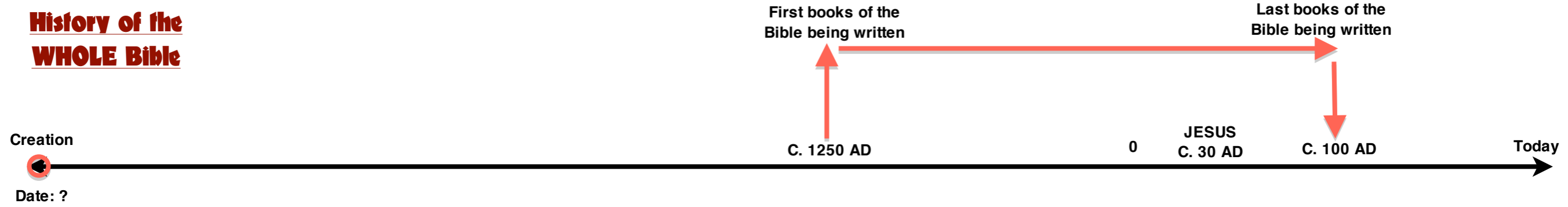
3. “The Bible should come with a warning label.” - Peter Kreeft

4. “A well-used Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to a person who isn't.”

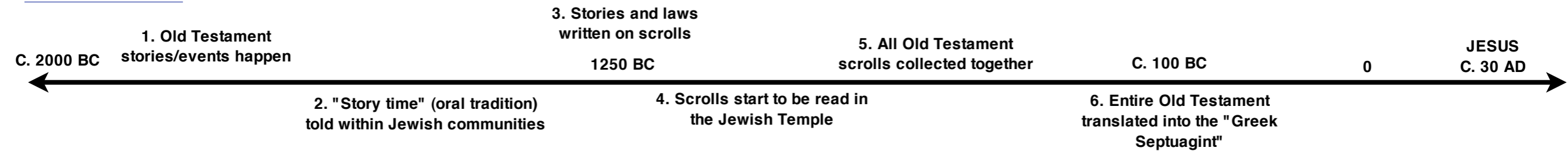
5. “Become familiar with the Bible so that it can be your compass pointing out the road to follow.” - Pope Benedict XVI



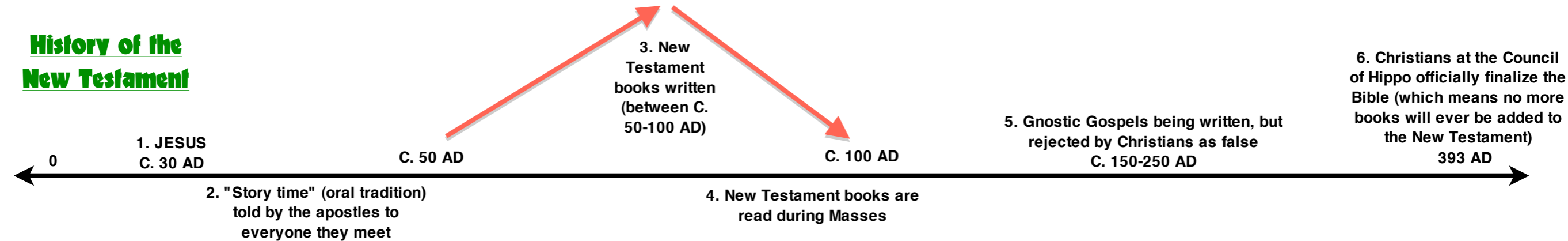
History of the WHOLE Bible



History of the Old Testament



History of the New Testament



3 Main Reasons Why Some Books Were Rejected:

TOO OLD! **1.** The books were written too many years after the time of Jesus and His apostles.

NOT AT MASS! **2.** The first Christians never allowed these books to be read at Masses.

FALSE! **3.** People knew the books contained some heretical (false) teachings about Jesus.