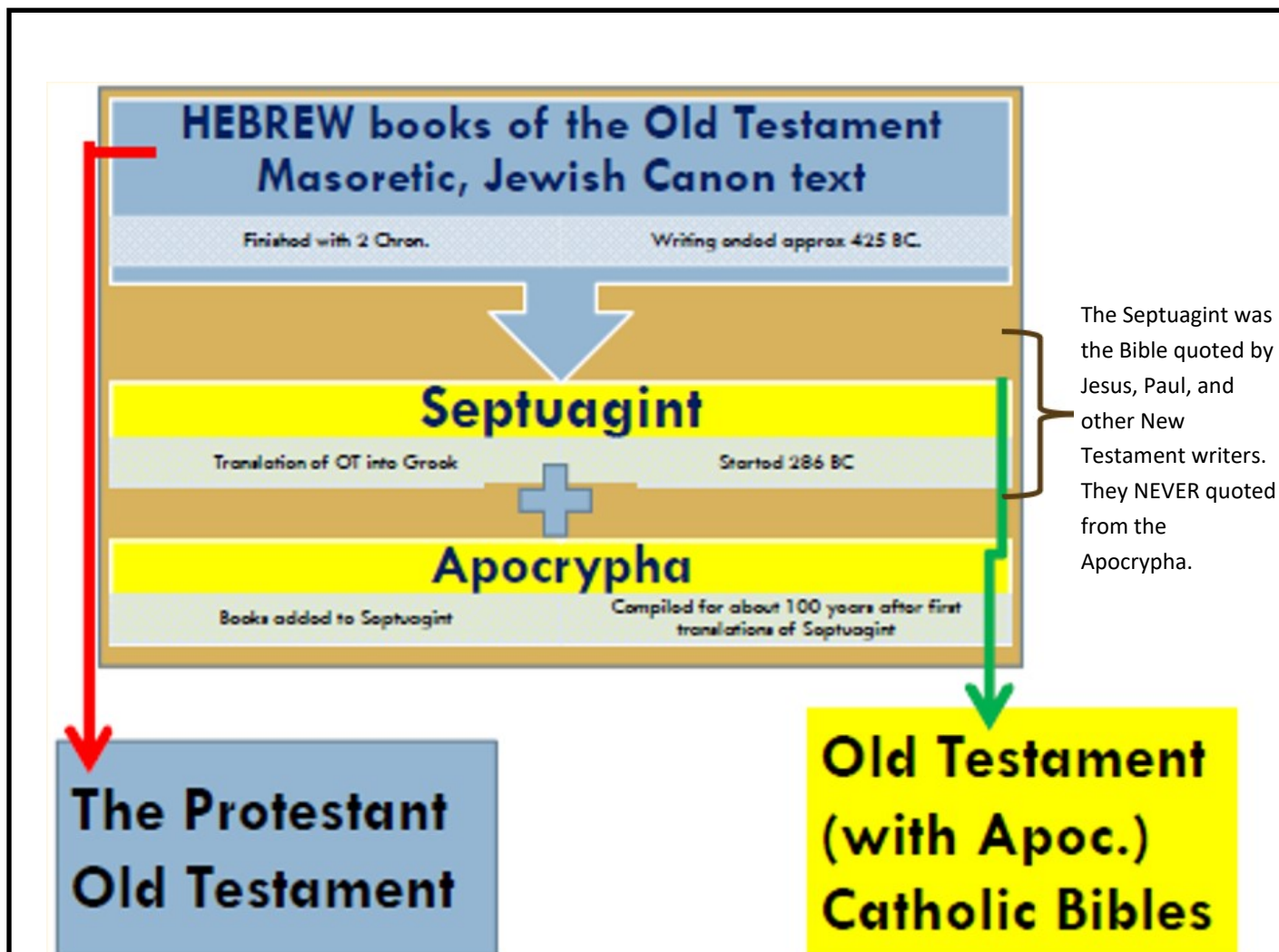


# Contrast between the Protestant Old Testament and the Old Testament with the Apocrypha



Authors clearly stated in most books or verified by Jewish tradition.

Very careful and precise translation of books that were determined to be God's Word to humanity.

Collected by Ezra and the Great Synagogue, writing ended in 425 BC with 2 Chronicles and the last book and Malachi as the last prophet.

Later becomes the authoritative text for the Old Testament and when compared with the Dead Sea Scrolls is almost identical to what was written at that time.

Septuagint a very loose translation, no one exact copy, though significant in that it was the first Greek translation of the Hebrew Old Testament and was the Scriptures used by Jesus and the New Testament writers.

The Apocrypha was added to it in an over 200 year time period, uncertain authors, dates of composition, errors in history, geography and theology.

Both the Old Testament Septuagint and the Apocrypha were grouped because of timing and subject matter but a careful analysis shows they are not both the divine Words of God — only the Septuagint translation of the Old Testament is.

I do not in any way recommend reading them as a unit, or reading for anything other than as historical documents that show the beliefs of the time, not necessarily accurate even in statements of history.