

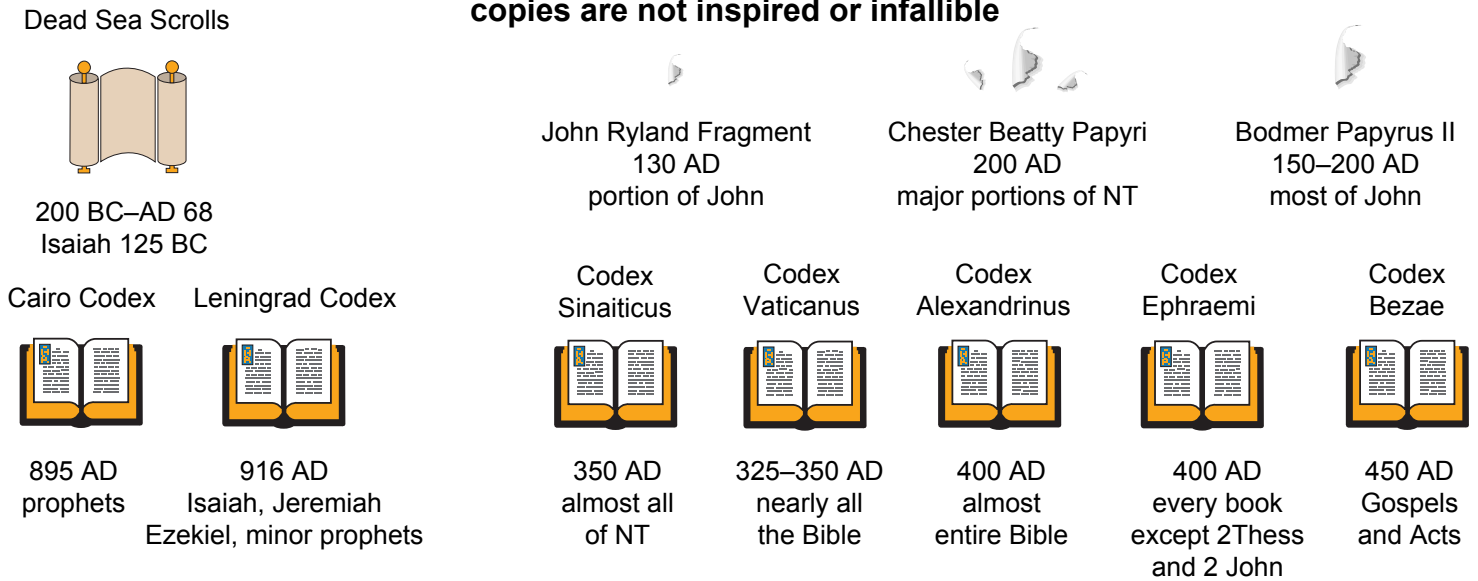
## ORIGINAL AUTOGRAPHS

original manuscripts are inspired and infallible  
inspiration guarantees infallibility—no originals have survived



## EARLY COPIES

human errors introduced in making copies of the originals  
copies are not inspired or infallible



## LATE COPIES

more human errors introduced in making copies of the copies  
copies of the copies are not inspired or infallible  
all we have today are copies of copies

we have about 5000 Greek manuscripts containing all or part of the New Testament  
the textual tradition is 98.33% pure—only 1.67% substantial variants in these copies  
textual criticism tries to reconstruct the original text from the many copies  
no fundamental doctrine of the Christian faith rests on a disputed reading



## TRANSLATIONS OF THE BIBLE

errors are made in translating from copies of copies  
translations are not inspired or infallible

