

acknowledge as necessary to salvation, things which are not directly contained in the Scriptures, or are not proved from them.

What does the Church here mean by "Holy Scripture?"

"Those canonical books of the Old and New Testament, of whose authority there was never any doubt in the Church."

What is meant by *canonical* books?

Those books which contain the *rule* of Christian faith and duty, and by which consequently controversies may and ought to be decided.

Why are they called *canonical*?

The word *canon* signifies a *rule*.

Mention the canonical books of the Old Testament.

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, the First Book of Samuel, the Second Book of Samuel, the First Book of Kings, the Second Book of Kings, the First Book of Chronicles, the Second Book of Chronicles, the First Book of Esdras, the Second Book of Esdras, the Book of Esther, the Book of Job, the Psalms, the Proverbs, Ecclesiastes or Preacher, Cantica, or Songs of Solomon, Four Prophets the greater, Twelve Prophets the less.

What is meant by the first and second books of Esdras?

The books of Ezra and Nehemiah.

Why is the book of Nehemiah called the second book of Esdras?