

## II. The testimony of the rest of the Old Testament to the Pentateuch.

The book of Joshua contains ample evidence of the existence of the Pentateuch. The "book of the law" is frequently referred to, and in such a way as to make its identity unquestionable.

Josh. 1:7-8.-- Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Compare also Joshua 8:31-35, and Joshua 22:5.

Joshua 23:6-- Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, that ye turn not aside therefrom to the right hand or to the left.

Josh. 24:26 -- And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the LORD.

In the books of Judges and of First and Second Samuel, there is no explicit reference to the Pentateuch, but its history and its laws and usages are frequently presupposed. As instances of this, compare Judges 11:12-28; 13:4-5; 20:26-28; 1 Sam. 10:18; 15:2; 21:1-6; 23:6-9; 2 Sam. 6.

References are more frequent in the books of Kings and Chronicles. Compare 1 Kings 2:3-- And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses.....