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## Numbers

## **Eight and Fifty**

## **New Testament**

The Old Testament contained the law and the prophets and served many purposes. It testified of Jesus and showed forth the need of a redeemer. It was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ. The Old Testament contained examples for us in how that we ought to live. It has many types and shadows. However, the Old Testament ends with a curse, i.e., the last word of the Old Testament is "curse." The Old Testament declared unto us the exceeding sinfulness of sin and showed us our need for a redeemer.

We read in John 1:17 "For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ." Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ and the New Testament declares unto us this grace and truth. The last sentence in the New Testament testifies to us of God's grace: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."

In delivering the New Testament unto us, the Lord used **eight** men to pen the words of the New Testament: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, Peter, James and Jude. The New Testament is our guide for worship today.