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Craig Blomberg's award-winning Jesus and the Gospels prepares readers for an intensive study of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and the events they narrate. Blomberg considers the historical context of the Gospels and sheds light on the confusing interpretations brought forth over the last two centuries. This second edition incorporates new

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scholarship, debate, critical methods, and the ongoing quest for the historical Jesus, and ensures the work will remain a valuable tool for exploring the life of Christ through the first four books of the New Testament.

In this provocative book, noted scholar G. A. Wells tells the story of Higher Criticism: the close study of the scriptures that reveals difficulties and discrepancies. Wells traces the discipline's German beginnings, exploring the problems in

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the New Testament that prompted scholars to revise traditional theories of the scriptures' origins. Wells then traces the development and reception of these views from the 18th century to today. Drawing on current biblical scholarship, Wells explains how the Jesus of Paul's epistles differs radically from later versions and addresses conservative Christians' attempts to reconcile them. He carefully analyzes what the New Testament says

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about miracles, the Virgin Birth, the Nativity, Jesus' conflicting genealogies, the Resurrection, the post-Resurrection appearances, and the failed prophecies of imminent apocalypse. Wells persuasively profiles the New Testament as a fascinating but flawed collection of incompatible viewpoints, revealing Jesus as a shifting, ambiguous, legendary figure who reflected the evolving teachings of a fragmented, emotion-based cultic movement.

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The introduction to this new guide sets out the sources (Graeco-Roman, Jewish and Christian), noting the problems connected with them, paying particular attention to the nature of the gospels, and the Synoptic versus the Johannine tradition. A substantial section will discuss scholarship on Jesus from the nineteenth century to the explosion of works in the present day, introducing and explaining the three different 'quests' for the historical Jesus.

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Subsequent chapters will analyse key themes in historical Jesus research: Jesus' Galilean origins; the scope of his ministry and models of 'holy men', particularly that of prophet; Jesus' teaching and healing; his trial and crucifixion; the highly contentious question of his resurrection; and finally an exploration of the links between the Jesus movement and the early church. Throughout, the (often opposing) positions of a variety of key scholars will be explained and discussed

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(eg. Sanders, Crossan, Dunn, Wright, Brown). In this revised introduction, an internationally respected scholar explores biblical, historical, and contemporary developments in Christology. The book focuses on the global and contextual diversity of contemporary theology, including views of Christ found in the Global South and North and in the Abrahamic and Asian faith traditions. It is ideal for readers who desire to know how the global Christian community

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*understands the person and
work of Jesus Christ. This
new edition accounts for
the significant
developments in theology
over the past decade.*

*The Historical Jesus?
Essays in Honour of John
Webster*

*Evaluations of the State
of Current Research*

*An International
Perspective*

*Necessity and Limits of an
Inquiry*

Christology

***Historical-Jesus research
continues to captivate the
interests of scholars.***

Recently there has been

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renewed discussion of the criteria for authenticity. This study traces the history of this type of research, especially in terms of authenticity criteria.

This Encyclopedia brings together the vast array of historical research into the reality of the man, the teachings, the acts, and the events ascribed to him that have served as the foundational story of one of the world's central religions. This kind of historiography is not biography. The historical study of the Jesus stories and the transmission of these stories through time

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have been of seminal importance to historians of religion. Critical historical examination has provided a way for scholars of Christianity for centuries to analyze the roots of legend and religion in a way that allows scholars an escape from the confines of dogma, belief, and theological interpretation. In recent years, historical Jesus studies have opened up important discussions concerning anti-Semitism and early Christianity and the political and ideological filtering of the Jesus story of early Christianity through the Roman empire and

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beyond. Entries will cover the classical studies that initiated the new historiography, the theoretical discussions about authenticating the historical record, the examination of sources that have led to the western understanding of Jesus' teachings and disseminated myth of the events concerning Jesus' birth and death. Subject areas include: the history of the historical study of the New Testament: major contributors and their works theoretical issues and concepts methodologies and criteria historical genres and rhetorical styles in the

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culture, politics, and law
of the Roman Empire.
Studying the New Testament
requires a determination to
encounter this collection of
writings on its own terms.
This classic introduction by*

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Charles B. Puskas, revised with C. Michael Robbins, provides helpful guidance. Since the publication of the first edition, which was in print for twenty years, a host of new and diverse cultural, historical, social-scientific, socio-rhetorical, narrative, textual, and contextual studies has been examined. Attentive also to the positive reviews of the first edition, the authors retain the original tripartite arrangement on 1) the world of the New Testament, 2) interpreting the New Testament, and 3) Jesus and early Christianity. This volume

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supplies readers with pertinent primary and secondary material. The new edition carries on a genuine effort to be nonsectarian, and although it is more of a critical introduction than a general survey, it is recommended to midlevel college and seminary students and to anyone who wants to be better informed about the New Testament.

Rev. ed. of: Ancient evidence for the life of Jesus. Includes bibliographical references and index.

*An Introduction for Students
An Introduction to the New Testament, Second Edition
Christianity in the Making,*

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Volume 1

Probing the Authenticity of the Parables

Eberhard JÄ¹ngel on the Sacramental Structure of God's Relation to the World 1900-1950

The areas of discussion include the nature and method of theology, Scripture and its interpretation, Christology and the doctrine of the Trinity, moral theology, and the reading and use of theological dialogue partners. The essays are written by eminent systematic theologians, theological ethicists, and

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biblical scholars from a wide range of Christian traditions. The contributors to this volume appraise, extend and apply different aspects of the conception of "theological theology". That theology should in fact be thoroughly theological means that theological discourse gains little by conforming to the canons of inquiry that govern other disciplines; it should rather focus its attention on its own unique subject, God and all things in relation to God, and

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should follow procedures that allow it to access and bear witness to these realities.

Groundbreaking study that examines the works of more than fifty 18th- and 19th-century authors and scholars and concludes that many of the earlier historical reconstructions of Christ were largely fantasies.

Essential reading for anyone interested in the historical Jesus debate, this volume offers a comprehensive and balanced account of research into the person of Jesus.

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A little over a hundred years ago, Dr. Albert Schweitzer set forth the definitive survey of studies into the historical Jesus up to that point. His book, originally in German, was a major event that reverberates to this day. Even though many people will find his conclusions objectionable, the book needs to be on the shelf of any serious Bible scholar. This edition is based on the first English edition, translated by W. Montgomery. A foreword puts Dr. Schweitzer's book

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in the context of the hundred years of research into the 'historical Jesus' that has followed the publication of the book. This edition also includes an 8 page index to aid the serious researcher.

A Marginal Jew: Rethinking the Historical Jesus,
Volume V

The Human Christ

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The Historical Bejeezus

A Scholarly View of the Man and His World

The Historical Jesus in the Twentieth Century

Since the late nineteenth

century, New Testament scholars have operated on the belief that most, if not all, of the narrative parables in the Synoptic Gospels can be attributed to the historical Jesus. This book challenges that consensus and argues instead that only four parables—those of the Mustard Seed, the Evil Tenants, the Talents, and the Great Supper—can be attributed to the historical Jesus with fair certitude. In this eagerly anticipated fifth volume of A Marginal Jew, John Meier approaches this controversial subject with the same rigor and insight that garnered his earlier volumes praise from such publications

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as the New York Times and Christianity Today. This seminal volume pushes forward his masterful body of work in his ongoing quest for the historical Jesus.

Traces the preoccupation with uncovering the true story of the human figure of Jesus Christ, describing the conflicting historical accounts that have emerged during the past three hundred years and focusing on the "life-of-Christ" industry built around them. 15,000 first printing. Newly issued in a series of part volumes, the OBC is now available in an affordable and portable format for the four canonical Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

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Includes a general introduction to using the Commentary, in addition to an introduction to study of the New Testament, and a detailed comparison of the four gospels in synopsis. Scholars and students have long awaited such a volume, which provides direct access to the classic writers on the Historical Jesus, allowing them to speak in their own words. This volume brings together, in English translation, substantial extracts from the key works in Jesus studies. Includes substantial quotations in English from Troeltsch, Schweitzer, Wrede, Kähler, Bultmann, Käsemann and

others. The selections are accompanied by brief introductions to each writer with helpful summaries of the works from which extracts are taken.

Handbook for the Study of the Historical Jesus (4 vols)

A Global Introduction

Jesus Research

From Quest to Q

Historiography, the Historical Jesus, and Atonement Theory

The Historical Jesus For Dummies

Including a range of materials dating from the nineteenth century to the present, this comprehensive collection brings together the essential research into the historical reality of Jesus the man, his teachings, and the acts and

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events ascribed to him that comprise the foundational story of one of the world's central religions. br br The set features a substantial new introduction by the editor in the first volume and a full index in the last, and provides work covering all of the key aspects of the field, including the recent discussions concerning anti-Semitism in early Christianity, and the political and ideological filtering of the Jesus story through the Roman empire and beyond. Modern scholars have varied responses to apocalyptic narrative in the Synoptic Gospels. Some ignore it; others reinterpret it and don't think that Jesus' warning about persecution works in this setting. In order to understand apocalyptic in the New Testament,

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we need to understand Jewish apocalyptic, and its similarities and differences with Jesus. We need to know the key themes and where those themes develop in the Synoptic Gospels. Eschatological Relationships and Jesus begins by exploring the components of prophetic and apocalyptic eschatology (figurative language, history, sequence, and juxtaposition of ideas) and then develops some of the major theological themes in Meyer, Wright, and Progressive Dispensationalism from the Synoptic Gospels. As readers work through Eschatological Relationships and Jesus, they begin to see and interpret the various patterns and themes in the eschatological discourses. Samples

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from Mark's Gospel to Matthew and Luke and a table of key eschatological relations makes this study a practical guide to the gospels.

While German Lutheran theologian Eberhard JÄ¼ngel (1934-) has made a number of significant contributions to contemporaneous discussions of sacramental theology, this topic has largely been ignored by interpreters of his thought. This study summarizes and evaluates, through a close reading of primary and secondary source materials, JÄ¼ngel's approach to the problem of sacrament. R. David Nelson considers JÄ¼ngel's claim that the word of God functions sacramentally as it addresses its hearer, and analyses his assertion

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that Jesus Christ is the unique and preeminent sacrament of God for the world. Progressing to an exploration of JÃ¼ngel's ecclesiology, Nelson reveals JÃ¼ngel's interesting approach to the question of the church's sacramentality. The volume concludes with an investigation into JÃ¼ngel's doctrines of baptism and the Lord's Supper. The Interruptive Word demonstrates that JÃ¼ngel consistently appeals to the category of 'interruption' for describing God's sacramental relation to the world and its actualities, concluding that the hegemony of the category of 'interruption' in JÃ¼ngel's theology of sacrament raises important questions concerning its coherence and tenability.

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The quest of the historical Jesus : a critical study of its progress from Reimarus to Wrede by Albert Schweitzer. Originally published in German: Geschichte der Leben-Jesu-Forschung. A classic work of Biblical historical criticism. The original edition was translated into English by William Montgomery and published in 1910. A review of all prior work on the question of the "historical Jesus" starting with the late 18th century. Points out how Jesus' image had changed with the times and with the personal proclivities of the various authors. Concludes with a synopsis and interpretation. Takes the position that the life of Jesus must be interpreted in the light of Jesus' own convictions, characterized as those of "late Jewish eschatology."

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***English] The Continuing Search for
the Historical Jesus***

The Quest of the Historical Jesus

***What a Long, Strange Quest It's
Been***

The quest of the historical Jesus

Jesus and the Last Supper

The Gospels

This coordinated collection of studies provides important critical assessments of recent progress in Life of Jesus research. Topics treated include Jesus and Palestinian politics, the parables and miracles of Jesus, and the Jesus tradition in extracanonical sources.

Drawing upon over fifty years of scholarly experience of one of the most industrious contemporary scholars, this work, which was first published in 1975, has been revised, updated, and expanded to offer a

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fresh, in-depth introduction to the New Testament for today's students.

Students will be immersed into the world of the first century, learning about both Greco-Roman and Jewish backgrounds. While discussing the fundamental questions surrounding the content of each book including its authorship, audience, and message, this work also engages with the wider historical-critical discussion, helping students navigate the wider world of modern New Testament scholarship.

A natural sequel to "The Historical Jesus Quest", this book provides commentary on the work and significance of the classic writers presented in that volume: Spinoza, Strauss, Schweitzer, Troeltsch, Bultmann, Kasemann, and others. Recent scholarship on the historical Jesus has rightly focused upon how

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Jesus understood his own mission. But no scholarly effort to understand the mission of Jesus can rest content without exploring the historical possibility that Jesus envisioned his own death. In this careful and far-reaching study, Scot McKnight contends that Jesus did in fact anticipate his own death, that Jesus understood his death as an atoning sacrifice, and that his death as an atoning sacrifice stood at the heart of Jesus' own mission to protect his own followers from the judgment of God.

Ancient Evidence for the Life of Christ
The Interruptive Word
An Essential Guide
The Historical Jesus and the Literary Imagination, 1860-1920
Is the Jesus of History the Christ of Faith
Festschrift James M. Robinson

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Who did Jesus of Nazareth claim to be? What was his relationship with early Judaism? When and how did he expect the kingdom to come? What were his intentions? Though these key questions have been addressed in studies of the historical Jesus, Brant Pitre argues that they cannot be fully answered apart from a careful historical analysis of the Last Supper accounts. In this book Pitre offers a rigorous, up-to-date study of the historical Jesus and the Last Supper, filling a significant gap in current Jesus research. Situating the Last Supper in the triple contexts of ancient

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Judaism, the life of Jesus, and early Christianity, Pitre brings to light crucial insights into major issues driving the quest for Jesus. His Jesus and the Last Supper is sure to ignite discussion and debate.

The search for the historical Jesus is a hot topic in both popular and academic circles today and has drawn a lot of attention from national magazines, such as Time, Newsweek, and U.S. News & World Report. Further, the media has given an undue amount of attention to the Jesus Seminar's outlandish statements, a self-selected liberal group

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representing a tiny percentage of New Testament scholarship. Dr. Gary Habermas will address the questions surrounding the debate over the historical Jesus and show a significant number of historical facts about Jesus in secular and non-New Testament sources that prove that the Jesus of history is the same Jesus of the Christian faith. The author of EVIDENCE FOR THE HISTORICAL JESUS is Dr. Gary Habermas, author of the book, The Historical Jesus and about twenty other volumes. He received his Ph.D. from Michigan State University. Dr. Habermas is chairman of the Department

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of Philosophy at Liberty University. He has written more than 100 articles, mostly on the life of Jesus, which have appeared in scholarly journals and elsewhere. Herein you will learn why Jesus is one of the most historically verified lives of ancient times.

In Christianity in the making, James D.G. Dunn examines in depth the major factors that shaped first-generation Christianity and beyond, exploring the parting of the ways between Christianity and Judaism, the Hellenization of Christianity, and responses to Gnosticism. He mines all

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the first- and second-century sources, including the New Testament Gospels, New Testament apocrypha, and such church fathers as Ignatius, Justin Martyr, and Irenaeus, showing how the Jesus tradition and the figures of James, Paul, Peter, and John were still esteemed influences but were also the subject of intense controversy as the early church wrestled with its evolving identity.

On June 30th 1999, James M. Robinson formally retired from his position as Arthur Letts Jr. Professor of Religion at Claremont Graduate University. At this juncture in his life Peeters

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Publishers is proud to be the publisher of a festschrift, From Quest to Q, dedicated to Robinson, and his monumental contributions to the field of Q studies or the Sayings Gospel Q. The Festschrift is divided into four sections following an introduction written by Asgeirsson. The first section of the Festschrift entitled "From Source to Document" opens with a tribute to the jubilee whose very work within the International Q Project has, indeed transformed the hypothetical source into a document using a papyrological model. It is followed by two essays: one

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on the genre of the document Q and the other on the impact of Old Testament citations or allusions in Q or more specifically the Temptation Story in Q. The second section on "Founder and Fashion" visits in three essays the questions of the character of Jesus. Whom may he be likened to, what factors in the social environment of the followers of Jesus colored his manners and view of life? In a third section "Topos and Topics", four essays deal with diverse theological motifs in Q. From the breaking up of traditional family relationships to the question of the poor, this

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section also includes the motif of Son of man and the geographical topos, Nazara. The last section, "Q in Redaction" deals with several aspects of the redaction of Q in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Finally, in this section, two essays deal with parallel motifs in Q, the Gospel of Thomas, the Synoptic Gospels, as well as the Gospel of John. The contributors, from Europe and the United States, have all worked within the field of Q Studies and together comprise some of the most prominent names among junior and senior scholars in the field.

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*Cutting Jesus Down to Size
The Historical Jesus
The Quest of the Historical
Jesus ... Translated by W.
Montgomery ... With a
Preface by F. C. Burkitt ...
Second English Edition
The Challenge of History to
Religious Authority
Jesus Remembered
How Modern Historians View
the Man from Galilee
Abstract.*

*A very active member of the École
Biblique et Archéologique Française
de Jérusalem that has done so
much to introduce historical
criticism into the believer's reading
of the Scriptures, Étienne Nodet
proposes here a beautiful history
book. Certainly, in putting forward to*

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the general public an accessible synthesis of scholarly and dense works carried out successfully in these recent years, he spares the reader the ponderousness of a critical apparatus and consigns to Appendix I the citation of his principal ancient sources. He invites the reader to a fascinating effort of the intelligence and of the heart that constitutes the profession of a historian: documentation, appraisal of documents, examining witnesses, comparisons, inductions and deductions; even textual criticism is sometimes called upon: for example, he is one of those who postulates the existence of a "Western Text" of the New Testament, and draws interesting

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hypotheses from its comparison with the standard text of the critical editions. In a second appendix, not found in the original French work, he presents a new translation of Josephus' War of the Jews for hints of authentic non-Christian evidence about Jesus and John the Baptist. Beginning with the Gospel accounts of the infancy of Jesus, the author opens up for us the main features of the life of Jesus in a reading that oscillates between the questioning of the historical reference and the penetrating understanding of their verbal expression. Finally, there is the very suggestive sketch of the figure of James, "the brother of the Lord" and the head of the early Jerusalem church.

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This collection from the first Princeton-Prague Symposium on the Historical Jesus gathers twelve papers from international scholars evaluating the state of Jesus Research, seeking to represent and comprehend Jesus of Nazareth within his historical Jewish setting in Galilee and Jerusalem. / Each internationally renowned scholar examines different aspects of Jesus? life and thought both in his historical and geographical setting and also within his religious and cultural context. They then suggest what, therefore, we may learn from Jesus? teachings. In the process, readers are also made aware of the Palestinian Jesus Movement before 70 ce when Jerusalem was burned

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by Roman soldiers directed by a future emperor. / Jesus Research is a comprehensive collection from the luminaries in this area of research and provides a focus to the issues currently confronted by seeking to re-create Jesus in his world.

With ca. 120 articles from ca. 100 writers from ca. 20 countries, this publication forms a repository where students and scholars can readily get to know their way around the breadth of recent research on the historical Jesus.

The Historical Jesus: A Guide for the Perplexed

*The Problem of the Historical Jesus
Criteria for Authenticity in Historical-Jesus Research*

The Search for the Historical Jesus

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*Studying the Historical Jesus
New Testament Foundations*
**Written in a clear and
engaging style, Weaver's
story chronicles not only the
progress of Jesus research
but also the cultural drifts
and sociological phenomena
that relate to the varying
pictures of Jesus that
scholarship has produced.
Fictional reconstructions of
the Gospels continue to find
a place in contemporary
literature and the popular
imagination. Present-day
writers of New
Testament-based fiction are
considered to be part of a**

tradition formed in the mid-to-late twentieth century. Yet the foundations were laid earlier still by writers like Oscar Wilde, George Moore, and Marie Corelli who, in turn, drew influence from other works of biblical scholarship. The latest in the English Association Monographs series, The Historical Jesus and the Literary Imagination paints a convincing picture of the relationship between nineteenth-century biblical scholarship and literary works that raises interesting questions for scholars

***working at the intersection
of literature and theology.***

The Historical Jesus

Question

Jesus and His Death

Eschatological Relationships

and Jesus in Ben F. Meyer,

N. T. Wright, and

Progressive

Dispensationalism

Jesus as a Figure in History

The Routledge Encyclopedia

of the Historical Jesus

The Historical Jesus Quest