

A Christian Intellectual Self-Defense Starting Bibliography

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Against JEDP, the Four Source Documentary Hypothesis see:

- pp. 54-106 in Isaac M. Kikawada and Arthur Quinn, *Before Abraham Was: A Provocative Challenge to the Documentary Hypothesis* (Nashville: Abingdon, 1985)

For a critique of higher critical readings of the Old Testament, see:

- Gleason L. Archer, *Survey of Old Testament Introduction*, rev. ed. (Chicago: Moody, 2007).

For the philosophical solution to the problem of evil, see:

- Alvin J. Plantinga, *God, Freedom, and Evil* (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans, 1977). See the brief overview and review at <https://apologetics315.com/2018/03/book-review-god-freedom-and-evil-by-alvin-plantinga-2/>

On a typological approach to origins, see:

- Larry Laudan, “Science at the Bar—Causes for Concern,” *Science, Technology, And Human Values* 7.41 (Fall 1982): 16-19;
- Charles B. Thaxton, Walter L. Bradley and Roger L. Olsen, *The Mystery of Life's Origin* (New York: Philosophical Library Inc., 1984).
- Michael Denton, *Evolution: A Theory in Crisis* (Bethesda, MD: Adler & Adler, 1985);
- Jonathan Wells, *Icons of Evolution: Science or Myth?* (Washington, DC: Regnery, 2000);
- also: Douglas Axe, *Undeniable: How Biology Confirms Our Intuition that Life is Designed* (New York: HarperCollins, 2016);
- Stephen C. Meyer, *Darwin's Doubt: The Explosive Origin of Animal Life and the Case for Intelligent Design* (New York: HarperCollins, 2013);
- J. C. Sanford, *Genetic Entropy and the Mystery of the Genome*, 3rd ed (Waterloo, NY: FMS Publications, 2008).

Against modern poststructural literary theory, see:

- E. D. Hirsch, *Validity in Interpretation* (Yale University Press, 1967)

On the Bible's teaching contrary to homosexual practice:

- Robert A. J. Gagnon, *The Bible and Homosexual Practice: Texts and Hermeneutics* (Nashville: Abingdon, 2001).

On the historical evidence for Jesus, and Celsus's claim that Mary was raped by or adulterated with a Roman soldier:

- John P. Meier, *A Marginal Jew: Rethinking the Historical Jesus* (New York: Doubleday, 1991), 222-25; read Meier in general in tandem with:

- Craig L. Blomberg, *The Historical Reliability of the Gospels*, 2nd ed. (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2007).

On the historical Jesus quest and its imperfect results:

- Craig L. Blomberg, *The Historical Reliability of the Gospels*, 2nd ed. (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2007).

On the textual reliability, or lack thereof, of the Quran, see:

- Keith E. Small, *Textual Criticism and Qur'an Manuscripts* (Lanham, MD: Lexington, 2011);
- Mohammad Al Ghazoli, *Christ, Muhammad and I*, ed. David W. Daniels (Ontario, CA: Chick Publications, 2007);
- Nabeel Qureshi, *No God but One: Allah or Jesus? A Former Muslim Investigates Evidence for Islam and Christianity* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2016).

On the reliability of the NT textual tradition, see against Bart Ehrman:

- Timothy Paul Jones, *Misquoting Truth: A Guide to the Fallacies of Bart Ehrman's Misquoting Jesus* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2007)

Other Good Starting Points

For a New Testament introduction that answers, e.g., criticisms of Pauline authorship of many of his letters, see:

- D. A. Carson and Douglas J. Moo, *An Introduction to the New Testament*, 2d ed. (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007)

For my own books:

- *Baptized into God's Family*, 2d ed. (Milwaukee: Northwestern Publishing House, 2008; orig. 1991)
- *Paul, the Law, and the Covenant* (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2001; now available from Baker)
- *The Forgotten God*, ed. with Frank J. Matera (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2002)
- *Paul and the Jews*, Library of Pauline Studies (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2003)
- *Solving the Romans Debate* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2007)
- *Galatians*, Concordia Commentary (St. Louis: Concordia, 2014)
- *Paul and the Stories of Israel: Galatians' Grand Thematic Narratives* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2016)
- *Scripture, Texts and Tracings in Romans*, ed. with Linda Belleville (Lanham, MD: Lexington/Fortress Academic, 2020)