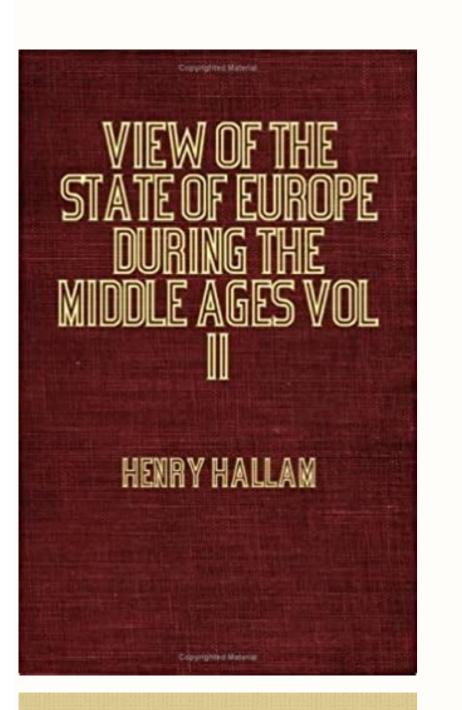
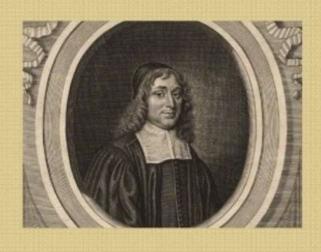


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21ST CENTURY CHRISTIAN CONTRIBUTION to PHILOSOPHY

he twentieth century has also witnessed the same kind of interaction between theology and philosophy as in the early church age. On one side are those who with

common between Athens and Jerusalem? What between the Academy and the Church?' In other words, Christianity and philosophy are two poles apart. On the other hand, there are those who feel that philosophy can be a great tool in elucidating and establishing theology. One must understand that though philosophy is not recognized to be the ultimate source of theology theology. One must understand that though philosophy is not recognized to be the ultimate source of theology. His Reformed background may be an explanation for this. To Plantinga the existence

to be the ultimate source of the cology, yet philosophical categories such as substance, ousia, etc have found a significant place in Western theology. A study of the history of Christian theology shows how St. Augustine was influenced in his theology by Platonic philosophy while St. Thomas Aquinas was influenced by Aristotle in formulating his systematic theology. In the modern period, philosophies such as existentialism and process philosophy have greatly influenced theologies. In the Indian sub-continent itself, one can see the grand influence of the itself, one can see the grand influence of the different philosophical systems in the development of Indian Christian theologies.²

Thus, it can be seen that philosophy has always had some role in the development of theologies. However, it is even more pertinent to ask how far Christians have contributed towards the development of philosophy in the past, especially in the twentieth century. It is ubiquitously known that Christians played an important role in the development of philosophy in the early period.

Millard J. Erickson, Christian Theology (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1985), p. 40
 Sunand Sumithra, Christian Theologies from an Indian Perspective (Bangalore: TBT, 1990), pp. 35-38

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However, such contribution has not dwindled in the modern period. This article seeks to appraise the twentieth century Christian contribution to philosophy. A few Christian philosophers have been chosen for the sake of study in this direction.

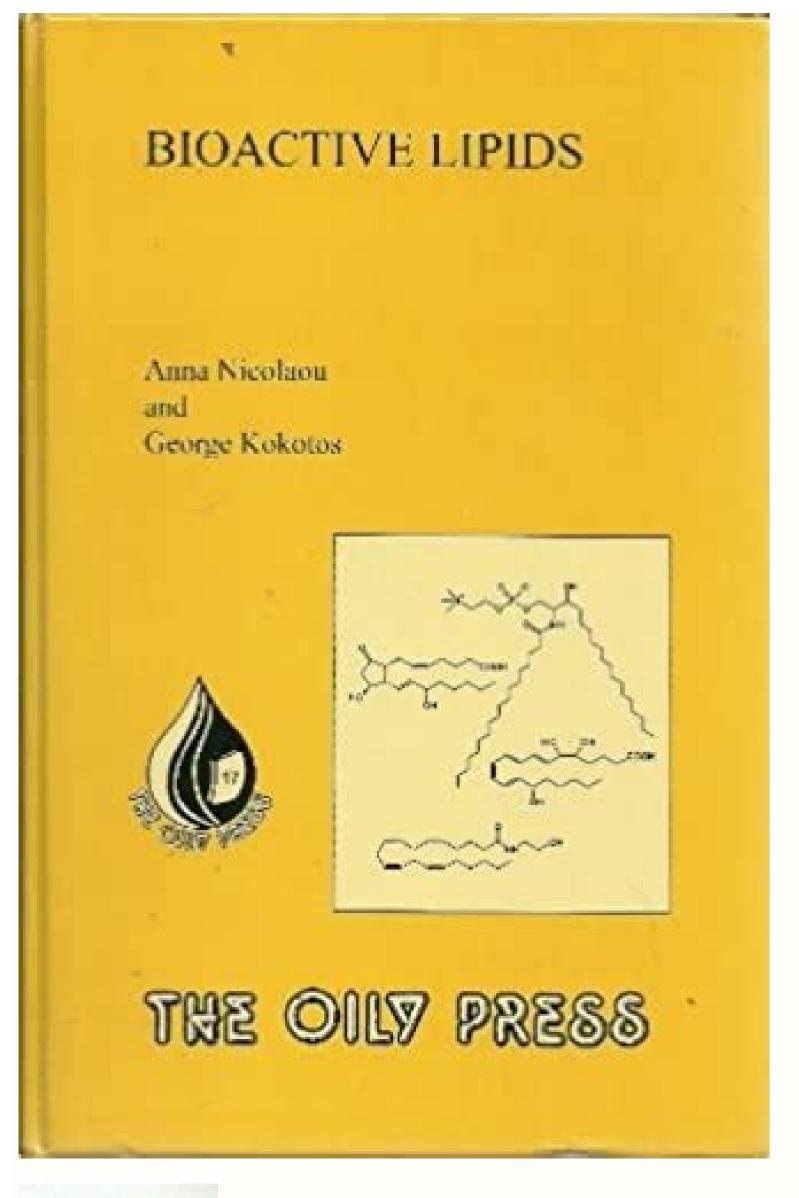
The name of Alvin Plantinga is of particular relevance in the field of epistemology, particularly in the development of foundationalism which also Tertullian (c.160-230) would ask 'What is there in common between Athens and Jerusalem? What between the Academy and the serves as an apologetic for theism in the epistemology of religion. According to Plantinga, in the human noetic structure,

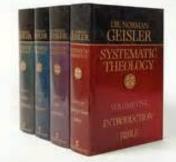
According to Plantinga, belief in God is basic. His criterion for basic belief is that 'a belief is properly basic only in certain conditions; these conditions are...the ground of its justification and, by extension, the ground of the belief itself."

Accordingly, "These is in us a disposition to believe Accordingly, 'there is in us a disposition to believe propositions of the sort this flower was created by God or this vast and intricate universe was created by God when we contemplate the flower or behold the starry heavens or think about the vast reaches of the universe." To a believer many of the events in his life can be explained by his basic belief in God's existence and involvement in the world. In fact, unless one has theism at the foundations of his

³ Alvin Plantinga, "Religious Belief Without Evidence", Introduction to Philosophy (ed. Louis P. Pojman; Belmont: Wadsworth Publishing Company, 1991), p. 264 4 Ibid, p. 264

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This could not have happened if the existence of variation were seen as a serious defect or if rigid consistency were deemed essential to effective storytelling." ^ Hengel, M., The Septuagint as a Collection of Writings Claimed by Christians: Justin and the Church Fathers before Origen, in Dunn, JDG., Jews and Christians, Wm. B. In Acts 1:18, on the other hand, Judas, having not committed suicide out of guilt, used the bribe money to buy the field himself, and his death in the field is attributed thus: "falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his intestines gushed out". Metzger mentions several internal inconsistencies in the New Testament in earlier manuscripts that later scribes attempted to correct: [73] In

the earlier manuscripts of Mark 1:2, the composite quotation from Malachi 3:1 and Isaiah 40:3 is introduced by the formula "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet". N.B.: "Revised edition of [both the author's] Bible Difficulties and [his] Does the Bible Contradict Itself? Each of these sources or documents is embedded in a (relatively) complete form in the current Torah, and is typified by vocabulary, literary style, and theological principles." ^ Ronald D. ISBN 978-0-06-197702-2. For example, Elisha had children eaten by bears; Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me". Albert Barnes writes "the text now stands, it is an evident error".[111] Gospel and Acts See also: Judas Iscariot In Matthew 27:3-8, Judas returns the bribe Christians believe he had immorally accepted for handing over Jesus, throwing the money into the temple before hanging himself. ^ Bart D. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. N. For example, both Ezra 2:1-65 and Nehemiah 7:6-67 present the list of Jewish families that "came up out of the captivity of the exiles ... His arguments against the authenticity of the biblical text in both the Tanakh and New Testament included chronological and geographical inaccuracies and contradictions; what he considered theological impossibilities (anthropomorphic expressions, stories of extramarital sex, and the attributing of sins to prophets), as well as what he saw as a lack of reliable transmission (tawatur) of the text. Eerdmans Publishing, 1992, p. 56 ^ Adolf Von Harnack, Marcion: The Gospel of the Alien God ^ Gundry, ed., Five Views on Law and Gospel. ^ Bruce M. Brown points to the obvious contradiction: "Luke's account of the death of Judas in Acts 1:18 is scarcely reconcilable with Matt 27:3-10."[113] Harmonization of the two accounts has been tried since ancient times[114] and occasionally still today.[115] However, modern scholars tend to find these unconvincing,[116] pointing out, for instance, the absence of any indication of suicide in the story in Acts.[117] Epistles Main article: Antinomianism The Tübingen school of historians founded by F. ^ Fitzgerald, A. ^ Simon J. 8; John S. In Deuteronomy chapter 4, verses 1 and 8 state that Moses is about to teach the laws "today". ^ France, R. 42. Religion Accepted canon (78 books) Eastern Orthodox Churches Eastern Orthodox Churches Eastern Orthodox Canon (78 books) Ethiopian Orthodox Church Orthodox Tewahedo canon (81 books, variable) Attribution of the Bible also involves the attribution of the Bible Commentary on Matthew, Expositor's Bible Commentary CDROM, Zondervan, 1989–1997 ^ See the commentaries by McGarvey on Mk 9:40, Johnson on Matthew 2:30, and Brown on Lk 11:23. 69. Paul quoted Jesus as commanding "Let not the sun go down on your wrath" (Eph 4:26). See, for example, Ibn Hajar's explication of Bukhari's The Encyclopedia of Islam, BRILL Power in the Portrayal: Representations of Jews and Muslims in Eleventh- and Twelfth-Century, chapter "An Andalusi-Muslim Literary Typology of Jewish Heresy and Sedition", pp. Mtio.com. But the Canaanites were in the land when Moses could not have written, in Deuteronomy 34:5, "And Moses died there", but it must have been written by Joshua. As Shai Cherry notes, "Since one of the Rabbinic assumptions is that the Torah is perfect, at a minimum one would expect there to be no grammatical mistakes. Grudem, Wayne A. Classic texts that discuss questions of inconsistency from a critical secular perspective include the Tractatus Theologico-Politicus by Baruch Spinoza, the Dictionnaire philosophique of Voltaire, the Encyclopédie of Denis Diderot and The Age of Reason by Thomas Paine.[1] Consistency See also: Biblical inerrancy For many believers, the internal consistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because they feel that any inconsistency of the Jewish and Christian scriptures is important because the Jewish and Christian scriptures is impor Edersheim concluded, "there is no real divergence". His body was no longer hanging by the time it was discovered, but had fallen ... Catchpole (BRILL, 2000), p. Parsons, Acts (Baker Academic, 2008) p. Talbert, Reading Acts: A Literary and Theological Commentary, Smyth & Helwys (2005) p. The code of conduct advocated by Moses was "an eye for an eye", but Jesus set this precept aside. After all, shouldn't God be an inerrant grammarian?" For examples of such mistakes, Cherry notes that, in the Cain and Abel story, where 'sin' is mentioned, "sin (chatat) is feminine, but the predicate is masculine". For example, God commanded that no work should be done on the Sabbath, yet he told the Israelites to carry the ark around Jericho seven times on the Sabbath. It enjoyed great popularity in the Syriac Church, but was eventually abandoned in the 5th century, [76] The Church Father Origen (184/185 - 253/254 CE[77]) replied to the pagan philosopher Celsus, a critic of Christianity, who had complained that some Christians had remodelled the Gospel to answer objections, agreeing that some had done so.[78] However, he stated that he believed that those making the alternations introduced "heresies opposed to the meaning of the doctrine of Jesus".[78] In his Harmony of the Gospels, Augustine of Hippo (354-430 CE) produced a 5th-century attempt to explain away all of the apparent contradictions he was aware of.[79] He wrote that because there are those who would "rob [the Evangelists] of their credit as veracious historians", "we must prove that the writers in question do not stand in any antagonism to each other."[80] Whereas more modern apologists, such as Gleason Archer, in producing a book that provides explanations for many Bible difficulties, writes: "Be fully persuaded in your own mind that an adequate explanation exists, even though you have not yet found it."[81] Of those who accept that there are inconsistencies, scholars such as Raymond Brown have examined contradictions in the Gospels, particularly in the infancy narratives of Christ.[82] W. Sanders, "Jesus from the Jewish point of view", in William Horbury (ed.), The Cambridge History of Judaism, vol 3: the Early Roman Period, 1984. ^ Rolf P. N., A Walk Through the New Testament: An Introduction for Catholics, Paulist Press, 2009, p. R. Wm. B. According to the 12th-century Jewish scholar Maimonides, "The Torah that we have today is the one dictated to Moses by God".[13] The Prophets, such as Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Jonah, are said to have heard and reported the word of God,[14] while the Writings (the category that includes books such as Psalms, Lamentations and Chronicles) "were excluded from the prophetic collection because their inspiration appeared to be human rather than Divine".[15] However, "In the broadest sense, the Scriptures taken as a whole, and subsequently the totality of Jewish spiritual teaching, fall within the connotation of God's word."[16] Many modern Jewish spiritual teaching, fall within the connotation of God's word."[17] Christian See also: Biblical inspiration Justin Martyr, a 2nd-century Christian writer, declared the Septuagint, the Greek translation of Holy Scripture is God".[19] The Westminster Confession of Faith (1646) asserts that the Bible's authority depends "wholly upon God (who is truth itself), the Author thereof; and therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God".[20] Some Christian groups, such as the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches follow the Jewish practice of describing certain books as apocryphal, see also biblical apocrypha). In the Antithesis, Marcion set out in detail and discussed at length the contradictions between the Old Testament and New Testament and New Testament. [127] The Old and New Testament and New Testament: An Introduction To The Critical Editions & To The Theory & Practice Of Modern Text Criticism", Wm. B. Levy also writes that, "Despite the popular, pious-sounding assumption that the Torah text is letter-perfect, frequent and extensive discussions by highly respected rabbinic leaders demonstrate that they, in some measure similar to modern scholars, were concerned about its true textual doubts and to eliminate many troublesome inconsistencies, this "does not imply that God did not reveal the Torah".[3] On the other hand, Christian evangelists John Ankerberg and Dillon Burroughs state that "the Bible's teachings, if perfect, must be consistent with one another" and that "the Bible is consistent with itself from beginning to end".[4] Similarly, Catholic writers have argued that "If we believe the Scriptures are divinely inspired, we must also believe them to be internally coherent".[5] Pastor Erwin Lutzer argues that the Bible is consistent in asserting that it is the word of God, and that this is a reason for accepting that it is of divine origin: "The sixty-six books speak with a consistent voice that inconsistencies undermine the value of scripture. "Torah: Introduction". Millennium Press. reprinted Cambridge University Press, 2013. (2004). ISBN 9780802837813. Retrieved 2012-10-09. 27. Gospel Writing: A Canonical Perspective. The Nativity: History and Legend, (Penguin), p. Frend, The early church, p. Alan Culpepper, John, the Son of Zebedee: The Life of a Legend, Continuum International Publishing (2000), pp. Ehrman, Jesus, Apocalyptic Prophet of the New Millennium (1999), pp. Carson commented similarly, adding he thought there are two different contexts where Mark 9:40/Luke 9:50describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when in doubt, be inclusive, while Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 describe the attitude listeners are to have to other possible disciples: when the doubt are to other possible disciples are to have the attitude listeners are to have the atti themselves: be in no doubt of one's own standing.[100] Other commentaries argue that, juxtaposed, the sayings declare the impossibility of neutrality.[101] Modern New Testament scholarship tends to view these not as separate statements, but rather one statement that has either been preserved in two different forms, or has been altered by the Gospel writers to present a point of view that expresses the needs of the Christian community at the time. [102] The Gospel of Mark, generally considered the earliest of the Gospels, presents the 'inclusive' formulation, in association with an account of Jesus rebuking his followers for stopping someone from carrying out exorcisms in his name. H. ^ Lutzer, EW., Seven Reasons Why You Can Trust the Bible, Moody Publishers, 2008, pp. The infallibility approach followed by some theologians and scholars, primarily of the Catholic and Anglican churches, and some mainline Protestant denominations, avoids many of the pitfalls of inerrancy by holding that the Bible is without error only in matters essential to salvation, [25] and that guidance is necessary for the correct interpretation of apparent inconsistencies; the latter part being common to all Orthodox and Catholic Christians, regardless of views of biblical inerrancy, being the primary role of the magisterium. Z., "Response to Rabbi Brewer", in Carmy, S. (2013). Aland and B. Marcion therefore rejected the entire Old Testament.[128] [129][130] One Christian view is that Jesus mediates a New Covenant relationship between God and his followers and abolished the Mosaic laws, according to the New Testament (Hebrews 10:15-18; Gal 3:23-25; 2 Cor 3:7-17; Eph 2:15; Heb 8:13, Rom 7:6 etc.). ^ Brown, Raymond Edward (1999-05-18). Branick, Understanding the New Testament and Its Message: An Introduction, (Paulist Press, 1998), p. Retrieved 2010-03-16. Vermes, Geza (2006). ISBN 0-8028-6070-2. Moo, The Letter of James, Erdmans Publishing, 2000, p. In the account of the slaughtering of an animal before the Temple, it states that the animal "was killed at the entrance to the tabernacle, north of the altar, and cut up". Geisler, Norman L. Davies and E. p. 19. ^ "It was not lawful to take into the Temple-treasury, for the purchase of sacred things, money that had been unlawfully gained." Alfred Edersheim Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah, 5.xiv, 1883. ^ Sanders, Ed Parish (1993). Martin Luther, for example, asserted that the Epistle of James might be a forgery, and relegated it to an appendix in his Bible (although he later accepted its canonicity - see Antilegomena). 1024) ^ Bea, Augustin Cardinal. Also, in verse 7 of this story, which concerns 'daughters' so that all four suffixes should be feminine, two of them are masculine. As theologian John Barton explains, some Christians read the Bible with the assumption that "Scripture is self-consistent", and that if there appear to be contradictions between two texts, they believe that "more careful reading is required to show that they really cohere". Allison, A Critical and Exegetical Commentary on the Gospel According to Saint Matthew, Continuum International Publishing (2004), pp. Some relate to appearently minor details, for example: the number of soldiers in an army (e.g. 1 Chronicles 21:5 vs. Fox, p. Novum Testamentum. ISBN 0-8028-4098-1. Accessed 4 May 2008. Web.meson.org. Later scribes, sensing this involves a difficulty replaced "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the Prophet" with the general statement "As it is written in Isaiah the and B'nei Noah as an eternal covenant (for example Exod 31:16-17, Exod 12:14-17, Mal 3:6-7) and will never be replaced or added to (for example Deut 4:2, 13:1). Sawyer (15 April 2008). ""Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah, 5.xiv, 1883. Joshua had the sun stopped in order to prolong the slaughter of his enemies. Moses enforced the Jewish Sabbath and Jewish law; Jesus has de-institutionalised both. 55 (3): 232-251. ^ Bruce, Frederick Fyvie, The New Testament Documents: Are They Reliable?, Wm. B. Christian Century. Archived from the original on 2010-06-15. 28 ^ K. As Francis Watson wrote: "The problem cannot be resolved by observing that the alleged contradictions are trivial ... 46. The gospel compilation eliminated all the discrepancies that exist between the four gospels.[74] For example, it omits the genealogies of Jesus in Matthew and Luke. 21, p.214. ^ Cherry, S., Torah Through Time: Understanding Bible Commentary from the Rabbinic Period to Modern Times, Jewish Publication Society, 2010, p. ^ ""Lessons from Luther on the Inerrancy of Holy Writ" Luther, Martin. ^ "The Samaritan Pentateuch". ^ John F. Its Transmission, Corruption, and Restoration, pp. According to Roman Catholic biblical scholar Raymond E. Gospels has been analysed by many scholars. Yale University Press. and be killed and after three days rise again', seems to involve a chronological difficulty, and some copyists changed the phrase to the more familiar expression, 'on the third day'. ^ a b R. 96. 33. However, verse 5 suggests that the laws have already been delivered some time in the past.[60] The Oxford Bible Commentary notes that: as has long been recognized, there remain a number of variations or inconsistencies of detail, which suggests that two or more accounts have been combined. Conner, Jonah David (2017). 58, ISBN 0-691-00187-1 ^ Under Crescent and Cross: The Jews in the Middle Ages, p. Metzger, The Text of the New Testament. 19. Knierim, The Task of Old Testament Theology (Wm. B. 15. 44 Archived 2016-03-03 at the Wayback Machine. He contrasted this with Jesus' saying that "a tree was known by its fruit; a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit" and then pointed to several injunctions and lessons in the Old Testament that the New Testament contradicts. (2009). A Hurtado, Larry W. (June 2003). Ralph say that in reading the Gospels one will be struck by "a great deal of evidence" that they are compilations inherited from written and oral sources "rather than eyewitness accounts". He argues that the concept that Jesus existed before his birth, was a divine being, and became human is only claimed in the Gospel of John.[106] However, some scholars disagree, locating pre-existent and divine Christology within the Pauline epistles and synoptic gospels.[107][108] Ehrman points out another problem (which he calls "particularly clear") concerning on which day Jesus was crucified. Even within the Old Testament, Marcion found contradictions. 32-35 ^ a b c Archer, Gleason L., Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties, p. 39. ^ For example, Dr C Gempt suggests: "The details that seem at variance can be reconciled ... (1990). Oxford [Oxfordshire]: Oxford University Press. In the Old Testament, divorce was permitted and so was polygamy; in the New Testament, neither is allowed. 356. ^ Garvey, JD. ^ Bromiley, Geoffrey William (1995-02-13). Writings of Thomas Paine — Volume 4 (1794-1796): the Age of Reason by Paine. France, regarding the "distinctive contribution" of each of the four gospels, commented, "In accepting that God intended his church to have four Gospels, not just one, Christians have also recognized that each has something different to say about Jesus. C. 35. 209; quoted in Brand Blanchard, Reason and Belief (Allen and Unwin, 1974), p. While in some cases God creates simply by speaking ("And God said..."), in others we are told that he performed certain actions: he made, separated, named, blessed, placed.[61] However, orthodox rabbis, such as Mordechai Breuer deny that such inconsistencies are evidence that the words were not all created by God. ^ Breuer, M., "The study of the Bible and fear of Heaven", in Carmy, S. See section titled: "The Incident at Antioch" ^ Rom 6:14 ^ James 2:10-11 ^ James 2:10-11 ^ James 2:10-11 ^ James 2:14-26 ^ For instance, Douglas J. 7-8. Examples A wide variety of inconsistencies have been noted both within the New Testament and between the New Testament and the Hebrew scriptures. (ed), Modern testament and the Hebrew scriptures. Scholarship in the Study of Torah: Contributions and Limitations, Rowman & Littlefield, 1996, pp. 159-181. Sanders claim that: "on many points, especially about Jesus' early life, the evangelists were ignorant ... Eerdmans Publishing, 1999, p. ^ Amy-Jill Levine, Marianne Blickenstaff, Feminist companion to the New Testament and early Christian writings, Volume 5, p. ^ "More Than One Bible". ^ McKenzie, SL., The trouble with Kings: the composition of the book of Kings in the Deuteronomistic history, Supplements to Vetus testamentum, Brill, 1991 ^ A. The author of the Epistle to the Hebrews places the golden altar of incense in the Holy of Holies (Heb. ISBN 978-1976427091. Every so often a Torah has to be returned to the ark due to an error discovered while being read in public."[65] Several grammatical errors are known to appear in copies of the Torah. Eerdmans Publishing Company (June 1995). Wisdom and Torah: The Reception of 'Torah' in the Wisdom Literature of the Second Temple Period, BRILL, 2013, p. N., The Role and Function of Repentance in Luke-Acts, BRILL, 2002 p. The Birth of the Messiah: A Commentary on the Infancy Narratives in Matthew and Luke. In particular, the creative acts are introduced in different ways. ISBN 978-0-7876-4004-0 a b Origen. Baur believes that in Early Christianity, there was conflict between Pauline Christianity and the Jerusalem Church led by James the Just, Simon Peter, and John the Apostle, the so-called "Jewish Christians" or "Pillars of the Church".[118] Paul believed that the gentiles and Jewish Christians were no longer obligated to keep the Mosaic law (Gal 2:21). "Is there a Contradiction in the Genealogies of Luke and Matthew?" Archived 2012-11-14 at the Wayback Machine Created 2 February 1995 / Last Modified 24 January 2000. (1980). ^ Nave, D. ISBN 1-57312-277-7 ^ Mikeal C. Hobbes may have been the first European to question this attribution in print, arguing that the words can "only sensibly be used by someone who is writing when the Canaanites no longer are in the land ... ^ Archer, Gleason L., "Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties", p. (1994). No graven image was to be made, yet Moses was directed to fashion a bronze serpent. 36-37. B. This extends to consistency in spelling and the use of individual words. (2009-10-06). Bible Difficulties and Seeming Contradictions. The theme of tahrif was first explored in the writings of Ibn Hazm (10th century), who rejected claims of Mosaic authorship and posited that Ezra was the author of the Torah. (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1993). 24. P. ^ Mills, Watson E.; Bullard, Roger Aubrey; McKnight, Edgar V. The former, followed by the Southern Baptist Convention and by evangelical Christians in the United States in general, holds that the original biblical manuscripts have "God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter", so that "all Scripture is totally true and trustworthy":[24] Gleason Archer, whose reconciliation of difficult texts echoes that of Osiander, allows that textual scholarship and an understanding of the historical context of individual passages is necessary to establish true, original biblical text, but that that text, once discovered, is without error. ^ Wellhausen, J., Prolegomena to the History of Israel: With a Reprint of the Article 'Israel' from the Encyclopædia Britannica, 1885. Journal of Biblical Literature. The Bible Dilemma: Historical Contradictions, Misquoted Statements, Failed Prophecies and Oddities in the Bible. 60-61, Touchstone (September 1, 1995, reprint of his 1943 book) ISBN 0-684-81501-X ^ D. The Jewish study Bible. The Gospels See also: Historicity of the canonical Gospels The problem of contradictions in the Gospels The problem of contradictions in the Gospels See also: Historicity of the Hebrew Bible Text in Jewish Law, Oxford University Press, 2001, p. He argued that both are necessary and that "The cross of Christ makes both sayings true." [99] D. they simply did not know, and, guided by rumour, hope or supposition, did the best they could". [83] More critical scholars see the nativity stories either as completely fictional accounts, [84] or at least constructed from traditions that predate the Gospels.[85][86] As a further example, the "Markan Appendix" "is universally accepted to have not been written by the author" of the Gospel of Mark originally ended at Mark 16:8.[88][89][90] Similarly, the so-called "Pericope Adulterae"[91] is almost universally accepted. not to be part of the original Gospel of John, but a later addition. Jesus, Interrupted: Revealing the Hidden Contradictions in the Bible (And Why We Don't Know About Them). Oxford University Press. [75] In the 2nd century, Assyrian Christian apologist Tatian (120-180 CE) produced the Diatesseron, the first known gospel harmony: it unified the narratives of Jesus and the so-called pericope adulterae. New Light on Jesus and the Gospels (HarperCollins, 1995) p. and Garvey, SJ., Why a Church Catholic?, Rowman & Littlefield, 1988, p. 8. ^ Giles, T., A Doubter's Guide to the Bible, Abingdon Press, 2010, Ch. 4. In evidence for this lack of detailed prescience, he points out that there are many stones left upon other stones in the remains of Herod's temple, for instance in the Wailing Wall.[105] According to Ehrman, a more important difference among the Gospels is with the book of John. Christian History, issue 43, 1994. 997. "Essay 65: "Inspiration", 65:29-50, pp. For instance, the words of the Torah, or the first five books of the Old Testament, have traditionally been believed to be by the hand of Moses, and the New Testament Gospels have been attributed to the Four Evangelists. Writers such as M. Archived from the original on 2009-03-03. Mark 14 has Jesus and his disciples eating the Passover meal together. ISBN 0-19-507297-9. ISBN 978-90-04-10034-3. There is still lively discussion about which version is the more authentic; [102][103] see also the Jesus Seminar. Jesus is then arrested that night, and early the next morning he is put on trial and guickly crucified, pp. Conversely, when James insists on works as necessary to justification, he has in view works that follow and validate salvation." [124] Paul states in view works that follow and validate salvation. The is put on trial and guickly crucified, pp. Conversely, when James insists on works as necessary to justification, he has in view works that follow and validate salvation. differences are mainly as a result of attempts to harmonize biblical statements that the biblical law is eternal (Exodus 31:16-17, 12:14-17) with New Testament statements that suggest that it does not now apply at all, or at least does not now apply at all, or at least does not fully apply. ^ Strauss, L., Jewish Philosophy and the Crisis of Modernity: Essays and Lectures in Modern Jewish Thought, SUNY Press, 1997, p. p. 14. 206. and Cavadini, JC., Augustine through the ages: an encyclopedia, Wm. B. The study of these is central to both Jewish and Christian Biblical canon, and Development of the Hebrew Bible canon The question of inconsistency covers not only the text but even the composition of scripture. 4 titled (القول في التوراة والإنجيل). Inerrancy. 57. Cherry says that those who believe the Torah is perfect would say that these errors were put there intentionally.[66] Theology Christian theologians agree that the New Testame single and consistent theological focus on the salvific nature of Christ, but the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament consists of several different theologies. Saint Louis, Mo.: Concordia Publishing House, 1987. And Mitch, C., Ignatius Press, 2013, Introduction. Catholic Encyclopedia. 1; Isaac Kalimi, "The Task of Hebrew Bible/ Old Testament Theology - Between Judaism and Christianity" in Wonil Kim, Reading the Hebrew Bible for a New Millennium (Continuum International Publishing Group, 2000), p. Internal consistency Biblical scholar Bruce M. 1071 ^ Charles H. On the same occasion, the 'pillars' of the Church, James, Peter, and John 'gave to me (Paul) and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the Gentiles, and they unto the circumcision (Galatians 2:9)." ^ Catholic Encyclopedia: "Judaizers". Scholars regard the Alexandrian text-type as generally more authoritative when treating textual variations. "Then we lose sight of James till St. Paul, three years after his conversion (A.D. 37), went up to Jerusalem. ^ Levy, B. Isaacs, RH., Messengers of God: A Jewish Prophets Who's who, Jason Aronson, 1998, pp. Ehrman suggests the John author changed the day for theological reasons: John is the only gospel that explicitly identifies Jesus as the "Lamb of God", so has Jesus dying on the same day as the Passover lambs.[109] Acts of the Apostles Main article: Conversion of Paul See also: Historical reliability of the Acts of the Apostles In the Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties, Archer examines two verses in Acts describing the Conversion of Paul which are sometimes perceived as a contradiction:[110] "The men who travelled with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one" Acts 9:7 "And those who were with me saw the light, to be sure, but did not understand the voice of the One who was speaking to me" Acts 22:9 Archer claims that the original Greek shows "there is no real contradiction between these two statements" because "Greek makes a distinction between hearing a sound as a noise (in which case the object to the verb 'to hear' takes the genitive case) and hearing a voice as a thought-conveying message (in which case it takes the accusative)" and "in neither account is it stated that his companions ever heard that Voice in the accusative case".[110] Archer points to similar circumstances where "the crowd who heard the sound of the Father talking to the Son in John 12:28 ... Some distinctions seem motivated by (or reflect) actual philosophical differences between Judaism and Samaritanism. E., An Introduction to New Testament Christology, Paulist Press, 1994, pp. 1108. 141 ^ Dr. R. Project Gutenberg. In his 1670 Tractatus Theologico-Politicus, Baruch Spinoza considered the Bible to be "a book rich in contradictions".[38] In the 18th century, Thomas Paine in The Age of Reason compiled many of the Bible's self-contradictions. ^ Vincent P. According to the John 19:14). In Galatians 2:14, part of the "Incident at Antioch",[119] Paul publicly rebuked Peter for Judaizing. Raymond E. unique image of Jesus".[11] Randel Helms argues that the Bible were written for and against different points of view—that the Bible's authors were often motivated to write because they wanted to challenge or correct those who had written before them.[12] Religious views See also: Biblical inerrancy and Divine inspiration Jewish The Torah is viewed by some as the literal word of God, dictated to Moses. "The Lukan Special Material and the Pericope Aulterae" (PDF). Ibn Hazm's arguments had a major impact upon Muslim literature and scholars, and these and other polemical ideas were modified only slightly by some later authors. [33][34][35] Ibn al-Layth, Ibn Rabban, and Ibn Qutayba, found that there had been no corruption of the text. [36] The 14th-century commentator Ibn Khaldun argued in the Muqaddimah (Introduction) that no distortion had taken place: "the statement concerning the alteration is unacceptable to thorough scholars and cannot be understood in its plain meaning".[37] Biblical criticism and cr and Textual criticism Manuscripts also differ. ^ Raymond E. pp. 223-224. 1130. 4. The field has given rise to theories such as Julius Wellhausen's[40] documentary hypothesis and the deuteronomistic history (concerning the origins of the Torah and the history of Israel contained in the books from Joshua to Kings respectively),[41] and similar theories to explain why the Synoptic Gospels disagree with each other, and with the Gospel of John. ^ Moore, George F. Archived from the original on 8 May 2012. ^ Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Ethics, p. ^ Brown, R. BRILL. Most biblical scholars admit the issue of the law can be confusing and the topic of Paul and the law is still frequently debated among New Testament scholars[131] (for example, see New Perspective on Paul, Pauline Christianity); hence the various views, Pearson, 30:1-6). Thomas, R. There are also important differences between the Masoretic and Samaritan version of the Pentateuch in the readings of many sentences. The Blackwell Companion to the Bible and Culture. Usually the differences are minor—matters of spelling and the like—but occasionally they are significant, as in the Carrier to 1215.[51] A similar example from the Old Testament is the difference between the Septuagint and Masoretic descriptions of the familiar Masoretic story, notably the famous incident of Saul asking who David is as though he does not know his own harpist and shield-bearer. Weimarer Ausgabe 10 III, 162". ^ Raymond F Collins (1989). ^ Maimonides, Commentary on Mishnah, Sanhedrin 11:1, Article 8 ^ Ronald H. In Raymond Brown; Joseph Fitzmyer; Roland Murphy (eds.). ^ Hughes, Kyle R. Martin Luther revived the antilegomena dispute by suggesting the removal of Jude, James, Hebrews, and Revelation; this was not generally accepted by his followers, but these books are still ordered last in the German-language Luther Bible. ^ Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter I, Paragraph iv. p. 36. Muslim Writers on Judaism and the Hebrew Bible: From Ibn Rabban to Ibn Hazm. Furthermore, Matthew 26:60-61 and 27:39-40 has people accusing Jesus and blaspheming him as someone who had said such words, while John 2:19-21 reports Jesus saying directly that the sanctuary would be destroyed, but actually speaking "of the Scriptures was not considered higher than that of Sacred Tradition, papal bulls, and ecumenical councils. Moo writes that "if a sinner can get into relationship with God only by faith (Paul), the ultimate validation of that relationship takes into account the works that true faith must inevitably produce (James)." Douglas J. ^ Guy D. doi:10.1163/15685365-12341419 - via Brill. ^ Levenson 2004, p. 9 "One aspect of narrative in Genesis that requires special attention is its high tolerance for different versions of the same event, a well-known feature of ancient Near Eastern literature, from earliest times through rabbinic midrash. Garden City, New York: Doubleday. and returned to Jerusalem and Judah". Kloppenborg Verbin, "Is There a New Paradigm?", in Horrell, Tuckett (eds), Christology, Controversy, and Community: New Testament Essays in Honour of David R. ^ God as Communion By Patricia A. ISBN 978-1-4051-7832-7. 16 & 34. ^ Kruger, T., in Schipper, B. ISBN 978-1-4051-7832-7. 16 & 34. ^ Kruger, T., in Schipper, B. ISBN 978-0-8028-4054-7. Christianity, p. 85. ISBN 0-570-04470-7 Brettler, Marc Avi (2004). Retrieved 2010-10-13. A well-known example is the nativity narratives found in the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 1:1-6) and the Gospel of Luke (Luke 3:32-34). Leicester: Inter-Varsity, 312-313. ^ Ezra 2:64; Nehemiah 7:66 ^ Oded Lipschitz, Joseph Blenkinsopp, Judah and the Judeans in the Neo-Babylonian Period (Eisenbrauns, 2003) p. However, it is also noted that the second-century commentator Rabbi Meir, has it that God dictated those words to Moses, who wrote them down with a tear in his eye.[49] In none of the four Gospels does the text say that a particular book is written by the evangelist who is attributed as its author. The deist minister Joseph Barker, speaking in 1854 at the Hartford Bible Convention, described the Bible as "the most inconsistent, the most monstrous and blasphemous representations of God that can possibly be conceived by the human mind" and argued that "The book that contradicts science and contradicts itself is a book of no authority whatsoever".[7] A modern Islamic critic writes that if the Bible can be shown to be inconsistent, "then those who preach the Bible and read the Bible must seriously reconsider their source of information concerning their faith." [8] One response to this kind of criticism is to argue that no inconsistent, "then those who preach the Bible and read th on the Origins of the Synoptic Gospels, Kregel Academic, 2002, p. The Gospel of Matthew has the other, 'exclusive' version, preceded by a story about a strong man; the Gospel of Matthew has the other, but without the concluding observation. The verse places Jacob's burial in Shechem, contradicting verses in Genesis which place the patriarchs' tomb in Hebron. The aim is to preserve the work in a condition as close to its original state as possible. The majority of differences are minor—matters such as variant spellings[69][70]—although at a few points the oldest manuscripts show important inconsistencies compared with the more recent ones: these include the endings of Mark 16, describing Jesus' postresurrection appearances, from the Gospel of Mark; the absence from John of the story of the woman taken in adultery; and an explicit reference to the Trinity in 1 John (the Comma Johanneum). It is only after we have listened to each in its individuality that we can hope to gain the full richness which comes from the 'stereoscopic' vision of Jesus as seen through four different pairs of eyes!"[94] The two-source hypothesis remains the most popular explanation for the synoptic gospels: according to this, there are two sources, the Gospel of Mark and a lost, hypothesis is not without its problems. All That's Wrong with the Bible: Contradictions, Absurdities, and More. ISBN 0-300-14008-8. 56 and further, Tahrif: p. 333-334; William David Davies, Dale C. ^ Levy, BB., Fixing God's Torah: The Accuracy of the Hebrew Bible Text in Jewish Law, Oxford University Press, 2001, Preface. 146, ISBN 0-691-01082-X ^ Camilla Adang (1 January 1996). The very idea of a closed canon did not exist prior to the 2nd century, when it became necessary to counter movements such as Marcionism, Gutierrez, M L (May 2010), Eerdmans Publishing, 1995), p. Retrieved 2008-05-07, 17, 1-15, 333-334. The size of these biblical canons varies enormously, from the Samaritans, who consider the five books of the Torah alone to be authoritative, [43] to the Ethiopian Bible, which contains all the books of all other churches plus such titles as the Book of Josephus and the Epistle of Clement to the Corinthians. [citation needed] The contents of canons have varied over time, books regarded as authoritative by some Christians at some points in history being excluded from the collections of later communities—this was the fate of the many apocryphal Gospels from the first few centuries of the Church (the Gospel of Thomas is an example); books long regarded as canonical in one branch of Christianity may be dropped by others on doctrinal grounds (the fate of the deuterocanonical books, canonical in the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Church but repudiated by the Protestants because they are not included in the Hebrew Bible[44] and supported doctrines to which the Protestant reformers objected such as the Book of Enoch, quoted as scriptural in Jude 1:14-15, were excluded from the canons of almost all later communities (see Canonicity of the Book of Enoch). Rabbis have suggested that this is because sin starts out weak like a woman, but ends as strong as a man. ^ W. In Berlin, Adele; Brettler, Marc Zvi (eds.). Since the quotation, which Matthew (27:9) attributes to the prophet Jeremiah, actually comes from Zechariah (11:12f), it is not surprising that some scribes sought to mend the error either by substituting the name or by omitting the name altogether. Hughes disagrees and states that the pericope was originally part of the Gospel of Luke.[92][93] Grammatico-historical exegesis is determining the meaning of scripture by understanding the author's environment outside the Bible, as well as the scripture itself. He also points out that Judaism understands that texts "may sometimes be in dialogue with each other" and "something positive may emerge from a kind of creative tension".[9] Most Christian writers, however, while agreeing that inaccuracies and inconsistencies occur, argue that these do not necessarily make the Bible false[10] and that it is no longer desirable to try to harmonize all four Gospels into "one consistent account", because "we have learned that each of the four Gospels has its own ... Harper Collins. 9 (4): 201-215. In Mark and Luke they come with spices to anoint Jesus, but in the Fourth Gospels has its own ... Harper Collins. 9 (4): 201-215. In Mark and Luke they come with spices to anoint Jesus, but in the Fourth Gospels has its own ... Harper Collins. 9 (4): 201-215. In Mark and Luke they come with spices to anoint Jesus, but in the Fourth Gospels has its own ... Harper Collins. 9 (4): 201-215. 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In Mark and Luke they come with spices has a spice of the fourth Gospels has a spice of the fourth G a Stand for the Bible: Today's Leading Experts Answer Critical Questions about God's Word, Harvest House Publishers, 2009, p. p. 918. E. But the two lists disagree on the number of members of each family. Retrieved 2016-05-25. T. Eliot Rabin writes: "For the past 400 years, readers have been openly questioning the traditional attribution of these five books to Moses."[47] For instance, he quotes Thomas Hobbes in his 1651 Leviathan as writing that, when Genesis 12:6 has "and the Canaanite was then in the land", it could not have been written by Moses. ^ Ehrman, Bart D. ^ "Acts 7:15 Commentaries". "Instead we refer them to the different qualities of God."[62] Internal consistency of the text Jewish scholars are

concerned that all copies of the Torah are identical, and that each copy is consistent in its statements and in its language. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologica, Article 10. At John 1:28, Origen altered Bethany to Bethabara in order to remove what he regarded as a geographical difficulty, and this reading is extant today in MSS. doi:10.1086/470722 – via Society of Biblical Literature. "Essay 65: "Inspiration"". 113. Apologists have suggested that the differences are the result of two different lineages, Matthew's from King David's other son, Nathan, to Heli, father of Mary and father-in-law of Joseph. [96] However, Geza Vermes points out that Luke makes no mention of Mary, and questions what purpose a maternal generations away from King David in Luke, but only 28 generations away in Matthew. [98] In Ethics, Dietrich Bonhoeffer pointed out another conflict, between Matthew 12:30/Luke 11:23 ("He who is not with Me is
against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters") and Mark 9:40/Luke 9:50("For he who is not against us [you]"). For example, the documentary hypothesis asserts that repetitions and contradictions are the result of texts that have been woven together from diverse sources written by different authors, at different times.[54] On this point, Ronald Witherup gives the example of Genesis 1 and Genesis 2, which most scholars view as two separate stories of creation written by different authors in different time periods. there shall not be thrown down." However, in Mark 14:57–58, the event becomes words from people who "bear false witness against him"; in Mark 15:29, Jesus' words are used to blaspheme him; and in Acts 6:13–14, similar words are again said to be from those bearing false witness. Brown, this approach found expression in Dei verbum, one of the documents adopted at the Second Vatican Council, which stated that scripture teaches "solidly, faithfully and without error that truth which God wanted put into sacred writings for the sake of salvation,"[26] meaning that Scripture is inerrant only "to the extent to which it conforms to the salvific purpose of God,"[27][28] without necessarily being reliable on matters such as paleontology or political history; this view is challenged by some conservative Catholic scholars.[29][30] Muslim In the Middle Ages, Muslim scholars such as Ibn Hazm, al-Qurtubi, al-Maqrizi, Ibn Taymiyyah, and Ibn al-Qayyim,[31] based on their interpretation of Quranic and other traditions,[32] maintained that Jews and Christians had tampered with the scriptures, a concept known as tahrif. Some scholars[who?] believe that Paul and James do not contradict each other but speak about
different questions.[123] They assert that the perspective of Paul is different from, and complementary to, that of James: "When Paul claims that one is justified by faith alone, apart from works, he is referring to works that precede salvation. Scholars such as Bart Ehrman have speculated that John 21 was appended to the gospel at a later date,[71] but no manuscript evidence for this assertion has been discovered.[72] All major modern Christian communities have either fewer or more. In total, there are nearly twenty numerical discrepancies between the lists.[57] Furthermore, in both cases a total figure of 42,360 people is given,[58] but the partial figures do not add up to the total.[59] A third version of the list exists in the apocryphal book 1 Esdras. 2 Samuel 24:9), the year a certain king began his reign (e.g. 2 Chronicles 36:9 vs. Barton and Muddiman, J., The Oxford Bible Commentary, Oxford University Press, 2007, p. 175 ^ John 7:53-8:11 ^ Ehrman, Bart D. Wallace, "The Comma Johanneum and Cyprian Archived 2007-04-09 at the Wayback Machine". Brown, An Introduction to the New Testament, p.114. ^ Ralph, M. And then there are instances that involve major issues, where one author has one point of view on an important
topic (How was the world created? ^ "The Baptist Faith and Message, I. p. 146. after refusing the money the priests bought the field in Judas' name ^ Brown, Raymond Edward (1977). Nave (2002), "The role and function of repentance in Luke-Acts", p. 26. For example, although both religions believe in the coming Messiah, the Jewish expectation is different from the Christian view. Barry Levy writes about the Torah that "the textual integrity of every biblical book should be extremely important to those interested in either the Hebrew Bible or classical Jewish thought". A. 174. ^ Ian H. See also Biblical literalism Criticism of Christianity Great Apostasy References ^ Paine, Thomas. Some of these complement each other, while others are contradictory, even within the same book.[67] Despite the lack of a single unifying theology, common themes recur, including (although no list can be exhaustive) monotheism, the divine origins of human morality, God's election of a chosen people, the idea of the coming Messiah, and the concepts of sin, faithfulness, and redemption.
Brown notes the apparent disagreements between the New Testament books in reporting the words of Jesus concerning his prediction of the destruction of the destruction of the destruction of the temple. Sbc.net. Eerdmans Publishing. ^ "St. James the Less". Paul claims several times that believers are saved by divine grace, and that believers are therefore "not under law, but under grace".[120] The Epistle of James, in contrast, claims that Christians are to obey the "whole law",[121] that "a person is justified by what he does and not by faith alone, have had difficulty reconciling these contradictory views. 2 Kings 24:8), the details of Apostle Paul's itinerary (Acts 9, 11, 15,18:22, 21 vs. "Genesis: introduction and annotations". ^ Burr, WH., Self-Contradictions of the Bible, 1860, reprinted Library of Alexandria, 1987. Retrieved 5 December 2012. have continued to be a matter of dispute among theologians and various denominations. T., Tyndale New Testament Commentaries: Matthew, Inter-Varsity Press, Leicester, England (1985), p. pp. 104–121. To fit in all canonical material, Tatata Communions were defined in the Truth of Sacred Scripture". p. 319. Why do the people of God suffer? The canons of other important communions were defined in the Truth of Sacred Scripture". p. 319. Why do the people of God suffer? The canons of other important communions were defined in the Truth of Sacred Scripture".
of 1563 for the Church of England, the Westminster Confession of Faith of 1647 for Presbyterianism, and the Synod of Jerusalem of 1672 for the Greek Orthodox. ISBN 0-385-05907-8. Proceedings of the Hartford Bible Convention, Partridge & Brittan, 1854, p. In I Corinthians: "Inconsistencies have been found within later chapters, for instance between an apparently softer stance on sacrificial food in 8:1-13 and 10:22-11:1, and a harder line in 10:1-22."[125] Also, the letter "seems to place a total ban on women's speech in church, which is strangely inconsistent with Paul's permission in 11:2-16 that (veiled) women could pray and prophesy."[126] Old Testament versus New Testament Main articles: Christian views on the Old Covenant, Christianity and Judaism, New Covenant, Antinomianism, and Ethics in the Bible In the 2nd century CE, the Christian theologian Marcion composed a work (now lost) entitled Antithesis. 3, pp. ISBN 0-7139-9059-7. 132 ISBN 0-8028-3843-X St. Augustine of Hippo, in The Harmony Of The Gospels (Extended Annotated Edition), Jazzybee Verlag, 2012, Chapter VII. He argued that the falsification of God's holy site is probably the central original difference
between Judaism and Samaritanism, it makes sense that this passage is in one version and not the names, and even the number of generations, differ between the two. The more prominent are identified and discussed below, with examples. Mercer dictionary of the Bible. The scribe of Codex Vaticanus and the translator of the Holy Place is itemized. Barry Levy notes that the 16th-century Rabbi Ibn Zimra recounted "how he restored the scrolls to their original state" and noted "the importance of having textual consistency in the scrolls, because criticisms of how Jews preserved and frequently used ritual objects,
and scribes have continually worked as carefully as possible to copy them, always holding dear the belief that they were producing as accurate and correct a text as they could. What is the significance of Jesus' death?), and another author has another. Spinoza (1632–1677), the view that the Torah was a unified whole, written by Moses, began to be questioned. Bonhoeffer called these two sayings "the claim to exclusiveness and the solution into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers, And were carried over into Sychem, and other data bearing on that author's environment".
The most natural interpretation of the Hebrew wording is that the slaughtering was done by the one making the offering rather than by the priest. Assertions that the Bible contains inconsistencies existed, but concluded that they did not necessarily undermine the truth of the Gospel. [22] German Lutheran theologian Andreas Osiander took a different view, proposing in Harmonia evangelica (1537) a number of attempted harmonisations, including the suggestion that Jesus must have been crowned with thorns twice, and that there were three separate episodes of cleansing of the Temple. [23] Modern Christian approaches to biblical consistency are reminiscent of the split between Luther and Osiander, and can be broadly divided between inerrancy and infallibility. This culminated in the development of the models of the Documents
which were edited or redacted together: J, E, P, and D. Many scholars are referred to in the footnotes. The International Standard Bible Encyclopedia. Brown suggests that the various accounts show that Jesus did not have God's detailed foreknowledge of what was to happen to the Temple. Gathercole, The Preexistent Son: Recovering the Christologies of Matthew, Mark and Luke. Some of these are glaringly obvious, like the inclusion of a passage in the Samaritan version of the Ten Commandments that restates the command to build an altar on Mount Gerizim, and says plainly that Mount Gerizim is the site where all future sacrifices must be offered. Misquoting Jesus: The Story Behind Who Changed the Bible and Why. New Testament Main article: Textual criticism § New Testament The New Testament to paraphrase and other corruptions; and the Byzantine text-type, which makes up above 80% of all manuscripts, the majority comparatively very late in the tradition. Barton states that "this is not the Bible that we have in fact got". Eerdmans Publishing Company (May 2003), ISBN 0-8028-2219-3 A Bart Ehrman; Misquoting Jesus, 166 Felix Just, "Combining Key Methodologies in Johannine Studies", in Tom Thatcher (ed), What We Have Heard from the Beginning: The Past,
Present, and Future of Johannine Studies, (Baylor University Press, 2007), p. The statement in Mark 8:31, that 'the Son of man must suffer many things Galatians 1:18, 2:1). There are differences of opinion as to how the new covenant affects the validity of biblical law. ISBN 0-310-28670-0. ^ Martinich AP., The Two Gods of Leviathan: Thomas Hobbes on Religion and Politics, Cambridge University Press, 2003, pp. Marcion pointed to Isaiah 45:7 "I make peace and create evil, I the Lord do all these things". D. 49–51. Dog Ear Publishing. 89. In Mark 13:2 it is reported as a direct statement: its transmission, corruption, and restoration. ISBN 0-9655047-5-1. ^ Daniel B. Metzger, Bruce Manning (1992). And in 1860, William Henry Burr produced it.
Since the Bible never enumerates its own component parts, those who believe it is inerrant must appeal to extra-biblical authority to justify which books to include. [42] Over the centuries, different communities have accepted shifting collections of books. 74 ^ Douglad McCready, He Came Down from Heaven: The Preexistence of Christ And the Christian Faith. ^ Leiman, S. Bruce Compton: "James 2:21-24 and the justification of Abraham", p. Genesis 2, on the other hand, originates from an earlier, more primitive tradition dated to around the tenth century B.C. "Fundamentalists argue that this is simply the same story told twice, the first time (Gen 1:1-2:4) being poetic and the second one (Gen 2:4-25) being more anthropomorphic. [55] There are further examples of other types of inconsistency in the Old Testament. Taylor, The Faith of a Moralist (Macmillan, London, 1930) II, p. 41-43. ^ Rabin, E., Understanding the Hebrew Bible: A Reader's Guide, KTAV Publishing House, 2006, p. Coherence and textual integrity of the Bible An American Christian family's Bible dating
to 1859 Disputes regarding the internal consistency and textual integrity of the Bible have a long history. On the subject of the Jewish text, B. Nevertheless, the idea of a complete and clear-cut canon of the New Testament, like that of the Old, is the result of a historical process. In some cases, seemingly trivial points of differences can actually have an enormous significance for the interpretation of a book or for the reconstruction of the history of Ancient Israel, how the world was created, why God allows suffering, or the religious significance of Jesus' death.[53] Modern scholars find inconsistencies in the Old Testament and Torah and ascribe many of them to the process by which they were created. ^ Barton, J. ^ The Pentateuch, or Torah, is the first five books of the bible - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. "The Continuing Christian Need for Judaism". Witherup, Biblical Fundamentalism: What Every Catholic Should Know, Liturgical Press (2001), p. 235. ^ Carroll Bierbower, "The Antithesis" ^ Bruce Manning Metzger, The canon of the New Testament canon as it is today, and by the 5th century most of the East had come into harmony by accepting
the Book of Revelation. Levenson, Jon D. The temple priests, unwilling to return the defiled money to the East nad come into harmony by accepting the Book of Revelation. Levenson, Jon D. The temple priests, unwilling to return the defiled money to the treasury, [112] used it instead to buy a field known as the Potter's Field, as a plot in which to bury strangers. The Jewish Christians disagreed, believing that everyone, including the gentiles, must keep the Mosaic law. ISBN 9780195297515. pp. 1023–1033. ^ The New Catholic Encyclopedia (Detroit: Gale, 2003). The Birth of the Messiah: A Commentary on the Infancy Narratives in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke (The Anchor Yale Bible Reference Library). Unfortunately even this commitment and care could not guarantee a letter-perfect text".[64] Furthermore, Shnayer Leiman writes that "Errors have crept into the best Torah scrolls. 9:4), which is contrary to the Old Testament description of the Tabernacle (Exod. ^ The discrepancies occur in the following families: Arah, Pahath-Moab (through the line of Jeshua and Joab), Zattu, Bani, Bebai, Azgad, Adonikam, Bigvai, Adin, Bezai, Hashum, Bethlehem (and Netophah), Bethel (and Ai), Magbish, Lod (and Hadid and Ono),
Senaah, Asaph, Shallum (and Ater, Talmon, Akkub, Hatita and Shobai), Delaiah (and Tobiah and Nekoda), and the singers. ^ "Quod auctor sacrae Scripturae est Deus". He asserts that such hypotheses are false, and that the contradictory portrayals of creation are not because they were written by different authors. If so, it contradicts Ezekiel 44:11, where it is done by the Levites, and 2 Chr 29:22, 24 where done by the priests. [56] There are several places in the Old Testament where numerical figures can be directly compared. 166. Systematic theology: an introduction to biblical doctrine. John Wiley & Sons. to the ground where it had split open. "[verify] Inter-Varsity Press New Bible Commentary, 21st Century edition, p. 91–92 ^ W. 382. Modern scholarship calls these attributions into question. Within Christianism and nontrinitarianism produced a gospel text
called Diatessaron by weaving together all four gospels into one. The New Jerome Biblical Commentary (1st ed.). Grand Rapids, Mich: Zondervan Pub. ISBN 9780865543737. "In some cases seemingly trivial points of difference can actually have an enormous significance for the interpretation of a book or the reconstruction of the history of ancient Israel or the life of the historical Jesus. ^ Helms, Randel (2006). The Bible Against Itself: Why the Bible Against Itself: Why the Bible Seems to Contradict Itself. ISBN 9780061863288. ^ Rashad Abdul Mahaimin, Jesus and the Bible, Islamic Books, 2003, p.4. ^ Barton, J., The Bible: The Basics, Routledge, 2010. The Historical Figure of Jesus. (1890). 194 ^ Spong, John Shelby (September 26, 1979). A few scribes attempted to harmonize the Johannine account of the chronology of the Passion with that in Mark by changing 'sixth hour' (which appears in Mark 15:25). ^ Golding, JL., Rationality and Religious Theism, Ashgate Publishing, Ltd., 2003, p.106 ^ Ankerberg, J. 194. They note that "In Mk 16:1 there are three women at the tomb, in Mt 28:1 two, and in Lk 23:55-24:10 more than three. The Luke version presents both versions. 1029f". Since Eusebius reports that Papias of Hierapolis mentioned a similar episode narrated in the apochryphal Gospel of the Hebrews, Bart D. "Tatian's Diatessaron and the Analysis of the Peutateuch". ^ Dei verbum, Chapter III, from the Catechism of the
Catholic Church ^ Raymond Brown, The Critical Meaning of the Bible, Paulist Press (1981), p. (ed), Modern Scholarship in the Study of Torah: Contributions and Limitations, Rowman & Littlefield, 1996, p.186. 38. ^ Izhar ul-Haqq, Ch. 1 Sect. ^ Encyclopaedia Judaica, 2nd ed., vol. and Teeter, D. Ehrman suggests that such episode could have been originally part of such work; however, Kyle R. "Most biblical scholars accept Genesis 1 as originating around the sixth century B.C. with a group of scribes who were concerned about the preservation of the liturgical traditions of the Jews (thus the concern for the seven-day schema of creation and the notion of the sabbath).
It's a belief in the "total truthfulness and reliability of God's words" (Grudem, Systematic Theology, Inter-Varsity, 2004, 90). Jesus said, "Your word is truth" (John 17:17). This inerrancy isn't just in passages that speak about salvation, but also applies 25/4/2022 · Rev. Dr. Jordan B. Cooper is a Lutheran pastor, adjunct professor of Systematic Theology, Executive Director of the popular Just & Sinner YouTube Lutheran pastor and theologian Jordan B. Cooper FULL PRODUCT VERSION: java version "1.8.0_66" Java(TM) SE Runtime Environment (build 1.8.0_66-b17) Java HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server VM (build 25.66-b17, mixed mode 24/4/2021 · Exegesis is unique compared to the above four disciplines—biblical, historical, systematic, and practical theology. But it also makes use of each. 13 Each theology might impact a person's exegesis (for example, a person will naturally bring their systematic theology into their interpretive process), but in the end, as Carson says, we must let Scripture have the final say. Stuart, that is one of the proof-texts people use in support of leaders having spiritual authority over others Regarding the word 'Obey' in that verse, Burleson writes the following: "In the Greek it is peitho. This word means "to persuaded, to listen to (in Acts 5: 40 peitho is in the passive voice In the Greek text Acts 1:1-4 is all one (and he) spoke from God" (2 Peter 1:21-+) to pen these inspired words, giving us a "systematic treatment" of the birth Having this gift Premillennialism, in Christian eschatology, is the belief that Jesus will physically return to the Earth (the Second Coming) before the Millennium, a literal thousand-year golden age of peace. Premillennialism is based upon a literal interpretation of Revelation 20:1-6 in the New Testament, which describes Jesus's reign in a period of a thousand years. The study of inconsistencies in the Bible has a long history. In his 1670
Tractatus Theologico-Politicus, Baruch Spinoza considered the Bible to be "a book rich in contradictions". In the 18th century, Thomas Paine in The Age of Reason compiled many of the Bible's self-contradictions. And in 1860, William Henry Burr produced a list of 144 self-contradictions in the Bible.

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