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## Abbreviations

### Technical Abbreviations

amend.	amended (by)
col(s).	column(s)
comm.	commentary
comp.	compiled (by)
const.	construct
dir.	director
DO	direct object
DSS	Dead Sea Scrolls
EC	Ethiopian calendar
Eth.	Ethiopic
f. or fem.	feminine
frag(s).	fragment(s)
Gk.	Greek
Heb.	Hebrew
inf.	infinitive
l(l).	line(s)
m. or masc.	masculine
MS(S)	manuscript(s)
n.d.	no date
neut.	neuter
n.p.	no place; no publisher
per.	person
pf.	perfect
pl(s).	plural; plate(s)
QSP	Qumran scribal practice
s. or sg.	singular
subj.	subjunctive
v(v).	verse(s)

## Dead Sea Scrolls Diacritics and Citation System

	division between textual differences and witnesses in variant readings
	division between transcriptional differences proposed by various editors in variant readings
[ ]	letters between brackets are reconstructed
◦	traces of ink indicating the presence of an indecipherable letter
⋈	probable letter (dot)
⋈	possible letter (open circlet)
<i>vacat</i>	intentional empty space
1QS 7:7	document column and line in documents for which column structure is an integral part of the publication
4Q339 1	line numbers for manuscripts represented by only one fragment
4Q502 76 1	fragment and line number in fragments with no columns
4Q491 11 ii 13	fragment, column, and line number
4Q512 51–55 ii 7	combined fragments

## Additional Sigla and Text-Critical Abbreviations

//	items in the text are paralleled
√	verbal root
⋈	Aleppo Codex
α'	Aquila
A	Codex Alexandrinus
~	conjunction
^	disjunction
Ⲑ	Old Greek (original Septuagint)
Ⲑ <sup>-</sup>	base text of the Göttingen edition
Ⲑ <sub>var</sub>	variant found in the Göttingen critical apparatus
ⲑ	Hebrew University Bible Project base text
Ⲓ	Leningrad Codex
LXX <sup>A 31</sup>	Septuagint manuscripts (e.g., manuscripts A and 31)
ⲙ	Masoretic Text
Ⲏ	petuhah (“open” section)

Ⲫ/Pesh	Peshitta
S	Codex Sinaiticus
Ⲅ	setumah ("closed" section)
σ'	Symmachus
T/Tg	Targum
θ'	Theodotion
γ'	the Three (Symmachus, Aquila, Theodotion)
α' <sub>var</sub>	different sources offering conflicting evidence
V	Codex Venetus
◦	Versional quotations involving variation
Ⲛ	Vulgate

## Ancient Compositions

1 <i>Apol.</i>	Justin, <i>First Apology</i>
1 En.	1 Enoch
1–4 Esd	1–4 Esdras
1–4 Macc	1–4 Maccabees
1Q17	1QJubilees <sup>a</sup>
1Q18	1QJubilees <sup>b</sup>
1Q20	Genesis Apocryphon (1QapGen ar)
1Q21	1QLevi
1Q26	1QInstruction
1Q29	1QLiturgy of the Three Tongues of Fire
1Q34	1QFestival Prayers
1Q35	1QHodayot <sup>b</sup>
2Q19	2QJubilees <sup>a</sup>
1QH <sup>a</sup>	1QHodayot <sup>a</sup>
1QIsa <sup>a</sup>	1QIsaiah <sup>a</sup>
1QIsa <sup>b</sup>	1QIsaiah <sup>b</sup>
1QM	1QWar Scroll
1QpaleoLev-Num <sup>a</sup>	1Qpaleo Leviticus-Numbers <sup>a</sup>
1QpHab	Pesher Habakkuk
1QS	1QSerekh ha-Yahad
1QSa	1QRule of the Congregation
1Qsb	1QRule of Benedictions
4Q137	4QPhylactery J
4Q158	4Q(Reworked) Pentateuch <sup>a</sup>
4Q173	4Qpesher Psalms <sup>b</sup>

4Q174	4QFlorilegium
4Q176 a	4QJubilees?
4Q177	4QCatena A
4Q179	4QApocryphal Lamentations A
4Q180	4QAges of Creation A
4Q181	4QAges of Creation B
4Q185	4QSapiential Work
4Q200	4QTobit <sup>c</sup>
4Q201	4QEnoch <sup>a</sup>
4Q202	4QEnoch <sup>b</sup>
4Q204	4QEnoch <sup>c</sup>
4Q213	4QLevi <sup>a</sup>
4Q213a	4QLevi <sup>b</sup>
4Q213b	4QLevi <sup>c</sup>
4Q214	4QLevi <sup>d</sup>
4Q214a	4QLevi <sup>e</sup>
4Q214b	4QLevi <sup>f</sup>
4Q220	4QJubilees <sup>e</sup>
4Q221	4QJubilees <sup>f</sup>
4Q222	4QJubilees <sup>g</sup>
4Q223–224	4Qpapyrus Jubilees <sup>h</sup>
4Q225	4QPseudo-Jubilees <sup>a</sup>
4Q226	4QPseudo-Jubilees <sup>b</sup>
4Q227	4QPseudo-Jubilees <sup>c?</sup>
4Q230	4QCatalogue of Spirits <sup>a</sup>
4Q252	4QCommentary on Genesis A
4Q254	4QCommentary on Genesis C
4Q259	4QSerekh ha-Yahad <sup>e</sup>
4Q364	4Q(Reworked) Pentateuch <sup>b</sup>
4Q365	4Q(Reworked) Pentateuch <sup>c</sup>
4Q369	4QPrayer of Enosh?
4Q379	4QApocryphon of Joshua <sup>b</sup>
4Q380	4QNon-Canonical Psalms A
4Q381	4QNon-Canonical Psalms B
4Q385	4QPseudo-Ezekiel <sup>a</sup>
4Q388	4QPseudo-Ezekiel <sup>d</sup>
4Q388a	4QPseudo-Moses <sup>c</sup>
4Q393	4QCommunal Confession
4Q395	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>b</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)

4Q397	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>d</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)
4Q398	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>e</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)
4Q400	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>a</sup>
4Q401	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>b</sup>
4Q402	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>c</sup>
4Q403	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>d</sup>
4Q404	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>e</sup>
4Q405	4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice <sup>f</sup>
4Q415	4QInstruction <sup>a</sup>
4Q416	4QInstruction <sup>b</sup>
4Q417	4QInstruction <sup>c</sup>
4Q418	4QInstruction <sup>d</sup>
4Q423	4QInstruction <sup>g</sup>
4Q427	4QHodayot <sup>a</sup>
4Q431	4QHodayot <sup>e</sup>
4Q434	4QBarkhiNafshi <sup>a</sup>
4Q435	4QBarkhiNafshi <sup>b</sup>
4Q436	4QBarkhiNafshi <sup>c</sup>
4Q437	4QBarkhiNafshi <sup>d</sup>
4Q438	4QBarkhiNafshi <sup>e</sup>
4Q439	4QLament by a Leader
4Q445	4QLament A
4Q453	4QLament B
4Q547b	4QEschatological Hymn
4Q458	4Q Narrative A
4Q471b	4QSelf-Glorification Hymn <sup>a</sup>
4Q491	4QWar Scroll <sup>a</sup>
4Q392	4QWorks of God
4Q398	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>e</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)
4Q399	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>f</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)
4Q493	4QWar Scroll <sup>c</sup>
4Q501	4QApocryphal Lamentations B
4Q502	4QRitual of Marriage
4Q504	4QWords of the Luminaries <sup>a</sup>
4Q505	4QWords of the Luminaries <sup>b?</sup>
4Q506	4QWords of the Luminaries <sup>c</sup>
4Q508	4QFestival Prayers <sup>b</sup>
4Q509	4QFestival Prayers <sup>c</sup>
4Q511	4QSongs of the Sage <sup>b</sup>

4Q512	4QRitual of Purification B
4Q522	4QProphecy of Joshua
4Q525	4QBeatitudes
4Q541	4QApocryphon of Levi <sup>b</sup> ?
4Q542	4QTestament of Qahat
4Q545	4QVisions of Amram <sup>c</sup>
4Q552	4QFour Kingdoms <sup>a</sup>
4Q554	4QNew Jerusalem <sup>a</sup>
5Q13	5QRule
11Q11	11QApocryphal Psalms
11Q17	11QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice
11Q19	11QTemple Scroll <sup>a</sup>
1QGen	1QGenesis
1QpPs	1QPsalms Peshier
4QCant <sup>a</sup>	4QCanticles <sup>a</sup>
4QCant <sup>b</sup>	4QCanticles <sup>b</sup>
4QCant <sup>c</sup>	4QCanticles <sup>c</sup>
4QDeut <sup>h</sup>	4QDeuteronomy <sup>h</sup>
4QDeut <sup>n</sup>	4QDeuteronomy <sup>n</sup>
4QEzek <sup>b</sup>	4QEzekiel <sup>b</sup>
4QGen-Exod <sup>a</sup>	4QGenesis-Exodus <sup>a</sup>
4QH <sup>a</sup>	4QHodayot <sup>a</sup>
4QIsa <sup>a</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>a</sup>
4QIsa <sup>b</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>b</sup>
4QIsa <sup>c</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>c</sup>
4QIsa <sup>d</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>d</sup>
4QIsa <sup>f</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>f</sup>
4QIsa <sup>g</sup>	4QIsaiah <sup>g</sup>
4QJer <sup>a</sup>	4QJeremiah <sup>a</sup>
4QJer <sup>b</sup>	4QJeremiah <sup>b</sup>
4QJer <sup>c</sup>	4QJeremiah <sup>c</sup>
4QJer <sup>d</sup>	4QJeremiah <sup>d</sup>
4QJosh <sup>a</sup>	4QJoshua <sup>a</sup>
4QJudg <sup>a</sup>	4QJudges <sup>a</sup>
4QLXXLev <sup>a</sup>	4QLXX Leviticus <sup>a</sup>
4QLXXNum	4QLXX Numbers
4QLXXpapLev <sup>b</sup>	4QLXX papyrus Leviticus <sup>b</sup>
4QM <sup>a</sup>	4QWar Scroll <sup>a</sup>
4QMMT	4QHalakhic Letter <sup>a</sup> (Miqṣat Ma'asê ha-Torah)



4QMyst <sup>c</sup>	4QMysteries <sup>c</sup>
4QNum <sup>b</sup>	4QNumbers <sup>b</sup>
4QpaleoDeut <sup>r</sup>	4Qpaleo Deuteronomy <sup>r</sup>
4QpaleoExod <sup>m</sup>	4Qpaleo Exodus <sup>m</sup>
4QpaleoGen <sup>m</sup>	4Qpaleo Genesis <sup>m</sup>
4QpaleoGen-Exod <sup>l</sup>	4Qpaleo Genesis-Exodus <sup>l</sup>
4QpaleoJob <sup>c</sup>	4Qpaleo Job <sup>c</sup>
4QpaleoParaJoshua	4QpaleoParaphrase of Joshua
4QpapPrQuot <sup>a</sup>	4QDaily Prayers <sup>a</sup>
4QParaGenExod	4QParaphrase of Genesis and Exodus
4QpPs <sup>a</sup>	4QPsalms Peshet <sup>a</sup>
4QpPs <sup>b</sup>	4QPsalms Peshet <sup>b</sup>
4QPs <sup>c</sup>	4QPsalms <sup>c</sup>
4QPs <sup>j</sup>	4QPsalms <sup>j</sup>
4QS <sup>a</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>a</sup>
4QS <sup>b</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>b</sup>
4QS <sup>c</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>c</sup>
4QS <sup>d</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>d</sup>
4QS <sup>h</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>h</sup>
4QS <sup>i</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>i</sup>
4QS <sup>j</sup>	4QSerekh ha-'Edah <sup>j</sup>
4QSam <sup>a</sup>	4QSamuel <sup>a</sup>
4QtgLev	4QTargum Leviticus
4QtgJob	4QTargum Job
6Q18	6QHymn
8QGen	8QGenesis
11QMelch	11QMelchizedek
11QpaleoLev <sup>a</sup>	11Qpaleo Leviticus <sup>a</sup>
11QPs <sup>a</sup>	11QPsalms <sup>a</sup>
11QtgJob	11QTargum Job
Acts Pil.	Acts of Pilate
<i>Adv. Jud.</i>	Tertullian, <i>Against the Jews</i>
<i>Ag. Ap.</i>	Josephus, <i>Against Apion</i>
<i>A.J.</i>	Josephus, <i>Antiquitates judaicae</i>
ALD	Aramaic Levi Document
<i>Ant.</i>	Josephus, <i>Jewish Antiquities</i> ; Sophocles, <i>Antigone</i>
Apoc. Ezra	Apocalypse of Ezra
Apoc. Sedr.	Apocalypse of Sedrach
Apos. Con.	Apostolic Constitutions and Canons

ArBib	Aramaic Bible
Ascen. Isa.	Martyrdom and Ascension of Isaiah 6–11
Av.	Aristophanes, <i>Aves</i> ( <i>Birds</i> )
Bar	Baruch
Barn.	Letter of Barnabas
b. B. Bat.	Baba Batra (Babylonian Talmud)
b. Ber.	Berakot (Babylonian Talmud)
b. Hul.	Hullin (Babylonian Talmud)
<i>B.J.</i>	Josephus, <i>Bellum judaicum</i>
b. Meg.	Megillah (Babylonian Talmud)
b. Menah.	Menahot (Babylonian Talmud)
Bodl.	ALD texts of the Oxford Bodleian Library
b. Qidd.	Qiddusin (Babylonian Talmud)
b. Sotah	Sotah (Babylonian Talmud)
Cambr.	ALD texts of the Taylor-Schechter collection at Cambridge University Library
CD	Damascus Document
<i>Cels.</i>	Origen, <i>Contra Celsum</i>
<i>Comm. Jo.</i>	Origen, <i>Commentarii in evangelium Joannis</i>
<i>Contempl.</i>	Philo, <i>De vita contemplativa</i>
<i>Dial.</i>	Justin, <i>Dialogue with Trypho</i>
<i>Eccl. Hist.</i>	Eusebius, <i>Ecclesiastical History</i>
Ep. Apos.	Epistula Apostolorum
<i>Epid.</i>	Irenaeus, <i>Demonstration of the Apostolic Preaching</i>
G (or LXX)	Septuagint
G	Genizah fragment
GenAp	Genesis Apocryphon (1QapGen ar)
Gen. Rab.	Genesis Rabbah
<i>Geogr.</i>	Strabo, <i>Geographica</i>
H	Hodayot
<i>Haer.</i>	Irenaeus, <i>Against Heresies</i>
<i>Hell.</i>	Xenophon, <i>Hellenica</i>
<i>Hist.</i>	Herodotus, <i>Histories</i> ; Tacitus, <i>Histories</i> ; Polybius, <i>Histories</i>
Jub.	Jubilees
<i>J.W.</i>	Josephus, <i>Jewish War</i>
LAB	Pseudo-Philo, <i>Liber antiquitatum biblicarum</i>
<i>Life</i>	Josephus, <i>The Life</i>
LXX (or G)	Septuagint

M	War Scroll
Mas1k	Masada Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice
MasDeut	Masada Deut (Mas 1c)
MasEzek	Masada Ezekiel (Mas 1d)
MasGen	Masada Genesis (Mas 1)
MasLev <sup>b</sup>	Masada Leviticus <sup>b</sup> (Mas 1b)
MasPs <sup>a</sup>	Masada Psalms <sup>a</sup> (Mas 1e)
MasPs <sup>b</sup>	Masada Psalms <sup>b</sup> (Mas 1f)
Midr. Pss.	Midrash on the Psalms
Mos.	Philo, <i>On the Life of Moses</i>
m. Sotah	Sotah (Mishnah)
MT	Masoretic Text
Mt. Athos	ALD text of the Mount Athos Koutloumousiou monastery
MT <sup>k</sup>	what is written ( <i>ketiv</i> )
MT <sup>Kenn</sup>	consonantal reading found in Kennicott's collation
MT <sup>q</sup>	what is read ( <i>qere</i> )
m. Yad.	Yadayim (Mishnah)
Nat.	Pliny the Elder, <i>Natural History</i>
NETS	Pietersma, Albert, and Benjamin G. Wright, eds. <i>A New English Translation of the Septuagint</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007.
OG	Old Greek
OL	Old Latin
P	Paris Manuscript
Pan.	Epiphanius, <i>Panarion</i>
P.Cair.Zen.	Edgar, C. C., O. Guéraud, and P. Jouguet, eds. <i>Zenon Papyri: Catalogue général des antiquités égyptiennes du Musée du Caire</i> . 5 vols. Cairo: Fouad, 1925–1940.
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P.Fouad	Bataille, A., O. Guéraud, P. Jouguet, N. Lewis, H. Marrou, J. Scherer, and W. G. Waddell, eds. <i>Les Papyrus Fouad I (Nos. 1–89)</i> . Cairo: Société Fouad I de Papyrologie, 1939.

P.Oxy.	Grenfell, Bernard P., et al., eds. <i>The Oxyrhynchus Papyri</i> . London: Egypt Exploration Fund, 1898–.
P.Sed.	El-Ashiry, Mohamed, and Mohamed Kashaf. “Account of Livestock from Fayum Villages.” <i>BCPS</i> 27 (2010): 5–12.
Ps.-Jonathan	Targum Pseudo-Jonathan
P.W.	Thucydides, <i>History of the Peloponnesian War</i>
Q	Qur’an
Sib. Or.	Sibylline Oracles
Sir	Sirach (Ben Sira)
Somn.	Philo, <i>De somniis</i>
Sop.	Soferim
SP	Samaritan Pentateuch
Syr	Syriac (version)
Syr.	Syriac (language)
T/Tg	Targums
Ta’an.	Ta’anit
T. Benj.	Testament of Benjamin
Tg. Ps.-J.	Targum Pseudo-Jonathan
Thuc.	Dionysius of Halicarnassus, <i>De Thucydide</i>
T. Job	Testament of Job
T. Levi	Testament of Levi
t. Sotah	Sotah (Tosefta)
V	Vaticanus
Virtues	Philo, <i>On the Virtues</i>
Vulg.	Vulgate
y. Ketub.	Ketubbot (Jerusalem Talmud)
y. Meg.	Megillah (Jerusalem Talmud)

#### Journals, Reference Volumes, and Monograph Series

AASF	Annales Academiae Scientiarum Fennicae
AB	Anchor Bible
ABG	Arbeiten zur Bibel und ihrer Geschichte
AEF	Aethiopistische Forschungen
AGWGPH	Abhandlungen der Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen: Philologisch-Historische Klasse
AIL	Ancient Israel and Its Literature
AJEC	Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity

AJSL	<i>American Journal of Semitic Languages and Literatures</i>
ALC	<i>Across Languages and Cultures</i>
AmSc	<i>American Scientist</i>
ANRW	Temporini, Hildegard, and Wolfgang Haase, eds. <i>Aufstieg und Niedergang der römischen Welt: Geschichte und Kultur Roms im Spiegel der neueren Forschung</i> . Part 2, <i>Principat</i> . Berlin: de Gruyter, 1972–.
ANYAS	Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences
ARevE	<i>Annual Review of Entomology</i>
AS	<i>Aramaic Studies</i>
ATDan	<i>Acta Theologica Danica</i>
AYBRL	Anchor Yale Bible Reference Library
BA	<i>La Bible d'Alexandrie</i> . Paris: Cerf, 1986–.
BAR	<i>Biblical Archaeology Review</i>
BBM	<i>Between Bible and Mishnah</i>
BBR	<i>Bulletin for Biblical Research</i>
BCPS	<i>Bulletin of the Center of Papyrological Studies, Ain Shams University</i>
BDAG	Danker, Frederick W., Walter Bauer, William F. Arndt, and F. Wilbur Gingrich. <i>Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature</i> . 3rd. ed. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000.
BDB	Brown, Francis, S. R. Driver, and Charles A. Briggs. <i>A Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament</i> . Oxford: Clarendon, 1907.
BDSS	Abegg, Martin G., Jr. "The Biblical Dead Sea Scrolls and Second Temple Hebrew Syntax." Pages 163–72 in <i>Celebrating the Dead Sea Scrolls: A Canadian Collection</i> . Edited by Jean Duhaime, Peter W. Flint, and Kyung S. Baek. EJL. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2011.
BETL	<i>Bibliotheca ephemeridum theologiarum lovanien-sium</i>
BHK	Kittel, Rudolph, ed. <i>Biblia Hebraica</i> . Leipzig: Hinrichs, 1905–1906.
BHQ	Schenker, Adrian, et al., eds. <i>Biblia Hebraica Quinta</i> . Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2004–.

BHS	Elliger, Karl, and Wilhelm Rudolph, eds. <i>Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia</i> . Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 1983.
BHWJB	Bericht der Hochschule für die Wissenschaft des Judentums in Berlin
Bib	<i>Biblica</i>
BibInt	<i>Biblical Interpretation</i>
BibInt	Biblical Interpretation Series
BIOSCS	<i>Bulletin of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies</i>
BL	British Library
BLE	<i>Bulletin de littérature ecclésiastique</i>
BMI	The Bible and Its Modern Interpreters
BMW	Bible in the Modern World
BN	Bibliothèque Nationale de France
BRev	<i>Bible Review</i>
BS	Biblical Studies
BTS	Biblical Tools and Studies
ByzZ	<i>Byzantinische Zeitschrift</i>
BZ	<i>Biblische Zeitschrift</i>
BZAW	Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft
BZNW	Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft und die Kunde der älteren Kirche
CBET	Contributions to Biblical Exegesis and Theology
CBQ	<i>Catholic Biblical Quarterly</i>
CBQMS	Catholic Biblical Quarterly Monograph Series
CBS	Core Biblical Studies Series
CC	Continental Commentaries
CCS	Cambridge Classical Studies
CCWJCW	Cambridge Commentaries on Writings of the Jewish and Christian World, 200 B.C. to A.D. 200
CDCH	Clines, David J. A. <i>The Concise Dictionary of Classical Hebrew</i> . Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2009.
CFRRC	Capuchin Franciscan Research and Retreat Center
CI	<i>Critical Inquiry</i>
CQS	Companion to the Qumran Scrolls
CRINT	Compendia Rerum Iudaicarum ad Novum Testamentum

CSBS	Canadian Society of Biblical Studies
CSCO	Corpus Scriptorum Christianorum Orientalium
CSCT	Columbia Studies in the Classical Tradition
CSIFM	Cataloghi sommari e inventari dei fondi manoscritti
CTR	<i>Canadian Theological Review</i>
CurBR	<i>Currents in Biblical Research</i>
DBSup	Pirot, Louis, and André Robert, eds. <i>Dictionnaire de la Bible: Supplément</i> . Paris: Letouzey & Ané, 1928–.
DJBA	Sokoloff, Michael. <i>A Dictionary of Jewish Babylonian Aramaic of the Talmudic and Geonic Periods</i> . Ramat-Gan: Bar Ilan University Press, 2002.
DJD	Discoveries in the Judaean Desert
DNTB	Evans, Craig A., and Stanley E. Porter, eds. <i>The Dictionary of New Testament Background</i> . Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2000.
DSD	<i>Dead Sea Discoveries</i>
DSSR	Parry, Donald W., and Emmanuel Tov, eds. <i>The Dead Sea Scrolls Reader</i> . 6 vols. Leiden: Brill, 2004–2005.
EC	<i>Early Christianity</i>
ECA	Early Christian Apocrypha
ECC	Eerdmans Critical Commentary
ECDSS	Eerdmans Commentaries on the Dead Sea Scrolls
EDEJ	Collins, John J., and Daniel C. Harlow, eds. <i>Eerdmans Dictionary of Early Judaism</i> . Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2010.
EDSS	Schiffman, Lawrence H., and James C. VanderKam, eds. <i>Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls</i> . 2 vols. New York: Oxford University Press, 2000.
EH	<i>Ethnohistory</i>
EJL	Early Judaism and Its Literature
EP	<i>Ekklesiastikos Pharos</i>
EPSL	<i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i>
ErIsr	<i>Eretz-Israel</i>
ETL	<i>Ephemerides Theologicae Lovanienses</i>
FAT	Forschungen zum Alten Testament
FIOTL	Formation and Interpretation of Old Testament Literature
Folio	<i>Folio</i>
FOTL	Forms of the Old Testament Literature

FRLANT	Forschungen zur Religion und Literatur des Alten und Neuen Testaments
FSMS	Fordham Series in Medieval Studies
GBS	Guides to Biblical Studies
GD	Gorgias Dissertations
GRBS	<i>Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies</i>
GRM	Graeco-Roman Memoirs
HALOT	Koehler, Ludwig, Walter Baumgartner, and Johann J. Stamm. <i>The Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament</i> . Translated and edited under the supervision of Mervyn E. J. Richardson. 2 vols. Leiden: Brill, 2001.
HBAI	<i>Hebrew Bible and Ancient Israel</i>
HBCE	The Hebrew Bible: A Critical Edition
HCEC	McBrien, Richard P., ed. <i>The Harper Collins Encyclopedia of Catholicism</i> . New York: Harper Collins, 1995.
HCS	Hellenistic Culture and Society
HCSB	Holman Christian Standard Bible
HDSS	Qimron, Elisha. <i>The Hebrew of the Dead Sea Scrolls</i> . HSS 29. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1986.
HEBT	Hebrew-English Edition of the Babylonian Talmud
HOSANE	Handbook of Oriental Studies, Section One: The Ancient Near East
HSM	Harvard Semitic Monographs
HSS	Harvard Semitic Studies
HTR	<i>Harvard Theological Review</i>
HUBP	Hebrew University Bible Project
HUCA	<i>Hebrew Union College Annual</i>
HUCM	Monographs of the Hebrew Union College
IJAL	<i>International Journal of American Linguistics</i>
Int	<i>Interpretation</i>
IOQS	International Organization for Qumran Studies
IR	Iconography of Religions
Iraq	<i>Iraq</i>
JAB	<i>Journal for the Aramaic Bible</i>
JAJ	<i>Journal of Ancient Judaism</i>
JAJSup	Journal of Ancient Judaism Supplements
JAOS	<i>Journal of the American Oriental Society</i>



Jastrow	Jastrow, Morris, comp. <i>A Dictionary of the Targumim, the Talmud Babli and Yerushalmi, and the Midrashic Literature with an Index of Scriptural Quotations</i> . London: Luzac; New York: Putnam, 1903.
JBL	<i>Journal of Biblical Literature</i>
JBT	<i>Jahrbuch für Biblische Theologie</i>
JBW	<i>Jahrbuch der biblischen Wissenschaft</i>
JCS	<i>Journal of Cuneiform Studies</i>
JCT	Jewish and Christian Texts
JE	Singer, Isidore, ed. <i>The Jewish Encyclopedia</i> . 12 vols. New York: Funk & Wagnalls, 1901–1926.
JECS	<i>Journal of Early Christian Studies</i>
JJS	<i>Journal of Jewish Studies</i>
JNES	<i>Journal of Near Eastern Studies</i>
JNSL	<i>Journal of Northwest Semitic Languages</i>
JOTSSA	<i>Journal of the Old Testament Society of South Africa</i>
JQR	<i>Jewish Quarterly Review</i>
JR	<i>Journal of Religion</i>
JS	<i>Journal of Seismology</i>
JSCS	<i>Journal of Septuagint and Cognate Studies</i>
JSHRZ	Jüdische Schriften aus hellenistisch-römischer Zeit
JSJ	<i>Journal for the Study of Judaism</i>
JSJSup	Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplement Series
JSNTSup	Journal for the Study of the New Testament Supplement Series
JSOT	<i>Journal for the Study of the Old Testament</i>
JSOTSup	Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement Series
JSP	<i>Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha</i>
JSPSup	Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha Supplement Series
JSQ	<i>Jewish Studies Quarterly</i>
JSS	<i>Journal of Semitic Studies</i>
JSSSup	Journal of Semitic Studies Supplement Series
JTS	<i>Journal of Theological Studies</i>
König. Bib.	Königlichen Bibliothek zu Berlin
KUSATU	<i>Kleine Untersuchungen zur Sprache des Alten Testaments und seiner Umwelt</i>
LCL	Loeb Classical Library

LD	Lectio Divina
<i>Lingua</i>	<i>Lingua</i>
LISOR	Leiden Institute for the Study of Religions
LLBIS	Kutscher, E. Y. <i>The Language and Linguistic Background of the Isaiah Scroll (1QIsaa)</i> . STDJ 6. Leiden: Brill, 1974.
LNTS	Library of New Testament Studies
LSJ	Liddell, Henry George, Robert Scott, and Henry Stuart Jones. <i>A Greek-English Lexicon</i> . 9th ed. with revised supplement. Oxford: Clarendon, 1996.
LSTS	Library of Second Temple Studies
MASES	Modern Approaches in Solid Earth Sciences
MBFJ	<i>Mitteilungen und Beiträge der Forschungsstelle Judentum</i>
<i>Meta</i>	<i>Meta: Journal des traducteurs / Translators' Journal</i>
MG	<i>Materia Giudaica</i>
MOTP	Bauckham, Richard, James R. Davila, and Alexander Panayotov, eds. <i>Old Testament Pseudepigrapha: More Noncanonical Scriptures</i> . 2 vols. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2013–.
Msr	Ofer, Yosef. <i>The Babylonian Masora of the Pentateuch: Its Principles and Methods</i> [Heb.]. Jerusalem: Magnes, 2001.
MSU	Mitteilungen des Septuaginta-Unternehmens
NASB	New American Standard Bible
NETS	Pietersma, Albert, and Benjamin G. Wright, eds. <i>A New English Translation of the Septuagint</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007.
NHMS	Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies
NICNT	New International Commentary of the New Testament
NIDB	Sakenfeld, Katharine Doob, ed. <i>New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible</i> . 5 vols. Nashville: Abingdon, 2006–2009.
NIGTC	New International Greek Testament Commentary
NIHP	Wilson, Paul Scott, ed. <i>The New Interpreter's Handbook of Preaching</i> . Nashville: Abingdon, 2008.
NovTSup	Supplements to Novum Testamentum
NRSV	New Revised Standard Version

OBO	Orbis Biblicus et Orientalis
OCD	Hornblower, Simon, and Anthony Spawforth, eds. <i>Oxford Classical Dictionary</i> . 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996.
OHO	Oxford Handbooks Online
OIS	Oriental Institute Seminars
OLA	Orientalia Lovaniensia Analecta
OS	<i>Ostkirchliche Studien</i>
OTL	Old Testament Library
OTP	Charlesworth, James H., ed. <i>The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha</i> . 2 vols. New York: Doubleday, 1983–1985.
PAM	Palestine Archaeological Museum
PapCol	Papyrologica Coloniensia
PEQ	<i>Palestinian Exploration Quarterly</i>
PGM	Preisendanz, Karl, and Albert Henrichs, eds. <i>Papyri Graecae Magicae: Die griechischen Zauberpapyri</i> . 2nd ed. 2 vols. Stuttgart: Teubner, 1973–1974.
PGSIST	Publications of the Green Scholars Initiative: Semitic Texts
<i>Philol</i>	<i>Philology</i>
PIM	Monographs of the Peshitta Institute
<i>PJ</i>	<i>Palästina-Jahrbuch</i>
<i>PJEGl</i>	<i>Proceedings: Journal of the Eastern Great Lakes and Midwest Biblical Societies</i>
PNTC	Pillar New Testament Commentary
PPSSHJ	Princeton-Prague Symposia Series on the Historical Jesus
PRR	Princeton Readings in Religions
PSer	Pseudepigrapha Series
PTA	Papyrologische Texte und Abhandlungen
PTSDSSP	Princeton Theological Seminary Dead Sea Scrolls Project
PVTG	Pseudepigrapha Veteris Testamenti Graece
<i>Questes</i>	<i>Questes: Revue pluridisciplinaire d'études médiévales</i>
RAPH	Recherches d'archéologie de philologie et d'histoire
RB	<i>Revue biblique</i>
RBS	Resources for Biblical Study
RCHL	<i>Revue critique d'histoire et de littérature</i>

<i>RCT</i>	<i>Revista catalana de teologia</i>
<i>RevQ</i>	<i>Revue de Qumran</i>
<i>RI</i>	<i>Recherches Intertestamentaires</i>
RILP	Roehampton Institute London Papers
ROC	Rockefeller Museum inventory number
<i>RSE</i>	<i>Rassegna di Studi Etiopici</i>
<i>RSR</i>	<i>Recherches de science religieuse</i>
<i>RStB</i>	<i>Ricerche storico bibliche</i>
RSV	Revised Standard Version
RT	Radical Thinkers
SAeth	Scriptores Aethiopici
SBL	Society of Biblical Literature
SBLCS	Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint
SBLDS	Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series
SBLMS	Society of Biblical Literature Monograph Series
SBLSP	Society of Biblical Literature Seminar Papers
SBOT	Sacred Books of the Old Testament
SBS	Stuttgarter Bibelstudien
<i>ScrJC</i>	<i>Scripta Judaica Cracoviensia</i>
SCS	Septuagint and Cognate Studies
SCSer	Septuagint Commentary Series
SD	Septuaginta Deutsch. Edited by Martin Karrer and Wolfgang Kraus. Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2011–.
SDSSRL	Studies in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Related Literature
<i>Sem</i>	<i>Semitica</i>
SFSHJ	South Florida Studies in the History of Judaism
SHR	Studies in the History of Religions (supplements to Numen)
SJ	Studies in Judaica (Sydney, N.S.W.)
<i>SJOT</i>	<i>Scandinavian Journal of the Old Testament</i>
SPB	Studia Post-Biblica
SPOT	Studies on Personalities of the Old Testament.
SSETS	Symposium Series of the Evangelical Theological Society
Stages	Stages
<i>StB</i>	<i>Studies in Bibliography</i>
STDJ	Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah

STJHC	Studies and Texts in Jewish History and Culture
StL	Storie e linguaggi
StPB	Studia Post-biblica
StSam	Studia Samaritana
StT	Studi e Testi, Biblioteca apostolica vaticana
SUNT	Studien zur Umwelt des Neuen Testaments
SVTG	Septuaginta: Vetus Testamentum Graecum
SVTP	Studia in Veteris Testamenti Pseudepigraphica
SwJT	<i>Southwestern Journal of Theology</i>
SymS	Symposium Series
TAPS	Transactions of the American Philosophical Society
Tarbiz	<i>Tarbiz</i>
TBN	Themes in Biblical Narrative
TCT	Textual Criticism and the Translator
TDNT	Kittel, Gerhard, and Gerhard Friedrich, eds. <i>Theological Dictionary of the New Testament</i> . Translated by Geoffrey W. Bromiley. 10 vols. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1964–1976.
TECC	Textos y Estudios “Cardenal Cisneros”
Textus	<i>Textus</i>
THAT	Jenni, Ernst, with assistance from Claus Westermann, eds. <i>Theologisches Handwörterbuch zum Alten Testament</i> . 2 vols. Munich: Kaiser; Zürich: Theologischer Verlag, 1971–1976.
THBSup	Supplements to the Textual History of the Bible
THEOT	Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament
ThWQ	Fabry, Heinz-Josef, Ulrich Dahmen, and George J. Brooke, eds. <i>Theologisches Wörterbuch zu den Qumrantexten</i> . Stuttgart: Kohlhammer, 2011–2013.
TLG	University of California, Irvine. <i>Thesaurus Linguae Graecae: A Digital Library of Greek Literature</i> . <a href="http://tinyurl.com/SBL3546p">http://tinyurl.com/SBL3546p</a> .
TLSM	Trends in Linguistics Studies and Monographs
TRu	<i>Theologische Rundschau</i>
TS	Texts and Studies
TSAJ	Texte und Studien zum antiken Judentum / Texts and Studies in Ancient Judaism
TSHL	Texts and Studies in the Hebrew Language and Related Subjects

TSK	<i>Theologische Studien und Kritiken</i>
TT	Topics in Translation
TTr	Texts and Translations
UCOP	University of Cambridge Oriental Publications
UF	<i>Ugarit-Forschungen</i>
UUA	Uppsala Universitetsårskrift
VCSNC	Viking Collection: Studies in Northern Civilization
VF	<i>Verkündigung und Forschung</i>
VT	<i>Vetus Testamentum</i>
VTSup	Supplements to Vetus Testamentum
WAW	Writings from the Ancient World
WBC	Word Biblical Commentary
WD	<i>Wort und Dienst</i>
WLAW	Wisdom Literature from the Ancient World
WMANT	Wissenschaftliche Monographien zum Alten und Neuen Testament
WUNT	Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament
YJS	Yale Judaica Series
ZAW	<i>Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft</i>
ZPE	<i>Zeitschrift für Papyrologie und Epigraphik</i>

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# The Story of a Scholar: The Life and Academic Legacy of Peter W. Flint

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Continually engaged in the study of Torah, day and night ...  
—1QS 6:6–7

## 1. Introduction

Like many *Festschriften*, the present volume began in hushed conversations out of earshot from its honoree. In the fall of 2013, plans were made to organize, edit, and present a collection of essays by students and colleagues to Professor Peter Flint. As is also the case with many *Festschriften*, such secrets are difficult to keep. As his sixty-fifth birthday neared (21 January 2016), the editors disclosed to Peter that the volume was in the works and could be expected to appear in the year ahead in one of his favorite series, *Early Judaism and Its Literature*. Peter was honored and grateful to hear that this celebratory volume was well under way. A moment that at first seemed like a spoiled surprise was in retrospect a true blessing. When the shocking news of Peter's passing on 3 November 2016 came, we as editors found a small comfort in knowing that he did not leave us without a knowledge of this project honoring his life work. As the complete bibliography of Peter's contributions in the appendix attests, his research made a lasting impact on both the academic and public knowledge on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Septuagint, Hebrew Bible, and the Second Temple background of New Testament writings. Not unlike the model of community and scribal encounters with Scripture noted above in an excerpt from the Community Rule, Peter was truly a scholar continually engaged in the study of Scripture at all times.

This preface proceeds with two sections setting the context and direction of the *Festschrift* and memorial volume. First, a short synopsis

of Peter's life and work is presented, drawing on details and samplings from the many memorial notes and eulogies published or delivered in the months after his passing. Second, an overview of the structure of the volume and a necessarily brief summary of its twenty-seven individual contributions is provided to give a sense of the whole.

## 2. A Biographical Sketch of the Life and Career of Peter W. Flint

Peter William Flint was born on 21 January 1951, in Johannesburg, South Africa, and passed away on 3 November 2016, in Langley, British Columbia, Canada. He was not only a renowned biblical scholar but also a dedicated son, husband, father, and grandfather.<sup>1</sup>

As the eldest of three sons, he was a hardworking student. He graduated from the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg with a BA (1972) and Teacher's Higher Education Diploma (1973). From the University of South Africa in Pretoria, he earned an Honors BA (*cum laude*) in Classical Hebrew (1979) and an MA shortly thereafter (1983). Peter's studies at the University of Notre Dame allowed him to fulfill his dream of working on the Dead Sea Scrolls, which resulted in a second MA (1990) and then a PhD (1993) in Old Testament and Second Temple Judaism. His doctoral dissertation, directed by Eugene Ulrich, entitled "The Dead Sea Psalms Scrolls and the Book of Psalms," was revised and subsequently published in 1997 (Leiden: Brill).

Education ran through Peter's blood. His teaching career commenced in high schools and colleges in Johannesburg, Soweto, and Umtata. Later, he was appointed Assistant Professor of Bible and Biblical Languages at the University of Transkei (1984–1987). Following the completion of his doctoral studies at Notre Dame, he was appointed Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Southwestern College in Phoenix, Arizona (1993–1995). Around this time, Craig Evans was sowing the seeds for Qumran research at Trinity Western University in Langley, British Columbia, Canada. In 1995, Peter Flint and Martin Abegg were hired in tandem and took up positions as Associate Professors of Religious Studies. In the years that

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1. This historical section primarily follows the memorial note by Robert J. V. Hiebert, "Peter W. Flint," *JSCS* (forthcoming). For additional reflections on Peter's life and academic work see those by Andrew B. Perrin, "Remembering Peter W. Flint (1951–2016)," *RevQ* 28 (2016): 153–55; and Martin Abegg, "Peter W. Flint (1951–2016)," *Henoch* 38 (2016): 413; "Peter W. Flint (1951–2016)," *BAR* 43 (2017): 14.



followed, Abegg, Evans, and Flint cultivated Trinity as a destination for advanced research in the emerging field of Qumran studies and a regular meeting place for engaging the public on insights and ideas discovered in the newly available writings of the Dead Sea Scrolls. In 2000, Peter was promoted to the rank of full professor, and in 2004 he was awarded a prestigious Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Dead Sea Scrolls Studies, an appointment that he held until the time of his death.

In all of his positions, Peter was a dedicated teacher exhibiting an unmatched passion for his subjects of study. As he became more prolific in his scholarly contributions, his classroom extended to include audiences around the globe in both academic and public venues. He was an active member of a variety of scholarly organizations, including the Society of Biblical Literature, the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, the Catholic Biblical Association, the International Organization for Qumran Studies, and the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies.

The impact of Peter's academic publications was recognized by several major awards. In 2002, the coauthored volume with James VanderKam, *The Meaning of the Dead Sea Scrolls* (New York: HarperSanFrancisco, 2002), received the Biblical Archaeological Society's award for the "Best Book Relating to the Hebrew Bible." In 2009–2010, this same accolade was awarded to the edition of the Cave 1 Isaiah scrolls, coedited with Eugene Ulrich for the Discoveries in the Judaean Desert Series, *Qumran Cave I.II: The Isaiah Scrolls* (Oxford: Clarendon, 2010). Peter's enthusiasm for the Dead Sea Scrolls and unique ability to engage the general public on these discoveries led to a new introduction, *The Dead Sea Scrolls* (Nashville: Abingdon, 2013) and his best-selling English translation of the biblical texts, *The Dead Sea Scrolls Bible* (New York: HarperSanFrancisco, 1999), prepared in collaboration with his colleague, Martin Abegg, and mentor, Eugene Ulrich.

Peter's keen eye and desire to advance the research of others in the academic guild resulted in invitations to coedit a number of leading series. These include: *The Formation and Interpretation of Old Testament Literature* (Brill); *Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah* (Brill); *Eerdmans Commentaries on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Studies in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Related Literature* (Eerdmans); and *The Bible at Qumran* (Brill); he served as an area editor for the *Hebrew Bible: A Critical Edition* (SBL Press). Peter was also a prominent member of the Discoveries in the Judaean Desert (Oxford) editorial team and contributed textual editions

and critical analyses of a variety of biblical and psuedepigraphal works in volumes 16, 22, 28, 32, and 38.

In light of Peter's unexpected passing and due to his far-reaching influence, a number of peers, past students, and colleagues delivered memorials and tributes both in print publications and at gatherings in his memory. The following words are excerpts from such memorials that celebrate not only Peter's academic work but, more importantly, his heart, character, and person.

Peter had a great heart, which was wide and deep, noble and loving, boundless in energy, beating and functioning always generously toward others, and especially his students. One of his most admirable qualities and enduring legacies was that he was constantly, devotedly nurturing and helping to promote the next generation.

He was passionate about his academic activity, always dreaming big, and with keen eyes zooming in on widely useful projects that would benefit the broader public. He frequently participated in scholarly conferences and was eager and eminently gifted for speaking to the wider public about biblical and scrolls scholarship in an engaging way in churches and synagogues. He was a unique and prolific scholar and personality, and I will dearly miss him. But his publications and the many students he was so devoted to will carry his memory for decades to come.

—Eugene Ulrich at Peter Flint's Memorial Service in Langley, British Columbia, Canada (17 November 2016)

Peter and I had offices side-by-side for these twenty years. At the end of nearly every week, he would shuffle into my room in his stocking feet, sit in the chair by the door and ask, "Do you think it's all worth it?" I picture now my children when they were small after an especially lengthy and life-threatening tussle about the living room. They would always say, "Let's do it again!" So, yeah, Peter, it was certainly worth it. Let's do it again.

As I now think on my good friend and colleague, the best description that I have imagined of Peter came to me as I was reading the Gospel of John and the comment that Jesus made when he saw Nathanael: "Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" (John 1:47).

This was Peter, a gentle soul, like a brother.

—Martin Abegg at Peter Flint's Memorial Service in Langley, British Columbia, Canada (17 November 2016)

Of the many areas of technical expertise Peter trained me in—textual criticism, Hebrew language, philology, Dead Sea Scrolls—the greatest

impact he had on me was not so much what he said; it was what he did, and how he did it.

Working with Peter was an apprenticeship. It entailed learning the craft of scholarship—watching, learning, applying. As I worked through this rigorous yet informal apprenticeship over the years, I learned that it was possible to develop a great mind, but this should never come with a big ego. I also grasped that the best scholar is a dual citizen: spending focused time in the ivory tower to create new ideas, but functioning as a public servant to share that knowledge with even the least. I learned that a wise academic does not wax eloquent in the abstract but makes the complex accessible, engaging, meaningful, even inspiring. I understood that intelligence should always be blended with modesty, critique with compassion, and that faith and academics have a common footing in asking good questions.

—Andrew Perrin at Peter Flint's Memorial Service in Langley, British Columbia, Canada (17 November 2016)

I greatly lament the death of a dear friend, Peter Flint, who died far too soon, when he still had so much to give to this world, as a human being and as a scholar.

Peter was a loyal collaborator and a thorough scholar. He had a very special approach towards scholarly projects and assignments: he wanted to please everyone. More than any other scholar I know or knew, Peter was a charismatic and God-inspired speaker. He always found the right words, the right tone. He was inspired and he inspired others. I remember the conferences he organized at Trinity Western; when he spoke the people in the room would have done or bought anything Peter recommended. Peter's greatest professional pride was the Canada Research Chair in Dead Sea Scrolls Studies that he had obtained in recognition of his many publications and activities. Within that framework, he fulfilled his tasks with great dignity and with a sense of mission.

—Emanuel Tov at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio (21 November 2016)

Peter was the kind of teacher and mentor that every student dreams of knowing—a familiar refrain you will hear from those of us who studied under him is that he was instrumental in each of our own successes in academics and in life.

But it was in the general public that Peter's gift was especially pronounced. He produced an infectious enthusiasm wherever he went, and in any venue about biblical scholarship, history, and in particular the Dead Sea Scrolls. This irresistible passion and his frequent appearances on television, in large churches and synagogues, and in public lectures

made him something of a local celebrity, as those listening would hang on his every word.

—Kipp Davis at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Antonio (20 November 2016)

For Professor Peter Flint, Trinity Western University was his home—not only his academic home but a family where he invested in his relationships with colleagues, students, and friends. Although he was an established scholar with many professional accomplishments, he valued and cared for people (and this was especially true for his students). He was always concerned with their academic growth as well as their spiritual and emotional well-being.

So, in his life and along the way, Peter made many, many friends. This bench represents for me, and hopefully for everyone who sits on it, a stop on the road—a moment with God. Going from one class to another, going from one conference to another, going from one project to another can be exhausting. Peter knew all about this, but he also knew how to stop and catch his breath. Often, he would make me stop and sit down and take a break. And what would happen is that quite randomly he would start a conversation with someone and share the wonders of ancient manuscripts and the current events of the world, while all along displaying the love of God. This bench will remind me of Peter's hospitality.

—Kyung Baek at the Trinity Western University Peter Flint Bench Dedication, Langley, British Columbia, Canada (29 April 2017)

### 3. From Transmission to Reception: The Volume in Outline

The present volume is organized into two thematic sections. In light of Peter's many contributions to the publication of primary texts, insights into the text-critical impact of ancient manuscripts, and studies on the forms and formation of Scripture in antiquity, part 1 of the book includes twelve studies that detail the various representations of ancient authoritative texts and contemporary methods and approaches for presenting these materials in modern editions.

The first cluster of essays in part 1, *Hebrew Scriptures in Ancient Traditions and Modern Editions*, pertains to the state and forms of Scripture that took shape in, and emerged out of, the Second Temple period. Eugene Ulrich describes the complex overlap and interplay of literary and text-critical phenomena attested in the Qumran biblical scrolls, surveys the works attested in variant editions at Qumran, and presents a fresh profile of biblical texts discovered at Masada. Emanuel Tov undertakes a com-

prehensive survey of ancient translations of the Hebrew Scriptures—the Septuagint, Peshitta, Targumim, Vulgate, and so on—and thus provides a tool for recovering the textual histories and reception of Scripture in early Jewish and Christian communities. Martin Abegg revisits the data behind volume 3 of the *Dead Sea Scrolls Concordance* and identifies nineteen types of orthographic and morphological variations between the Qumran biblical scrolls and Masoretic Text that add a new tier of data in support of what Tov has previously described as “Qumran Scribal Practice.” Timothy Lim contextualizes pre-Samaritan texts at Qumran in light of the larger question of determining the historical origins of the Samaritan Pentateuch, perhaps as early as the second century BCE. Steve Delamarter collates and analyzes the content and order of Old Testament books in 332 Ethiopic manuscripts to shed light on the textual history of individual writings and the formation of Ethiopic Scriptures.

Following this, three essays profile modern projects employing different approaches to constructing critical editions of central traditions of the Hebrew Scriptures. Gary Knoppers discusses past and in-progress editions of the Samaritan Pentateuch, underscores how select Qumran Pentateuch texts have impacted research and critical editions, and provides some methodological considerations for ongoing textual studies on the scriptural heritage of Samaritan Judaism. Michael Segal outlines the text-critical methods and approaches of the Hebrew University Bible Project and illustrates these with a full sample of Ezek 1:18–23. Robert Hiebert draws on ongoing work for a critical edition of 4 Maccabees in the Göttingen Septuaginta series to identify linguistic features indicating recensional activity within the textual history of the Greek texts.

The final five essays of part 1 explore the ways in which our current knowledge of the diversity and development of texts in antiquity calls for reflection on traditional text-critical goals or requires close consideration in using individual case studies of texts at Qumran and in the Septuagint. Ronald Hendel explores the resurgence of textual criticism in view of the Dead Sea finds and the present need for philosophical and methodological reflection on the discipline’s implicit guidelines and epistemological bases. Utilizing insight from material philology, Sarianna Metso and James Tucker reevaluate the aims and methods of traditional textual criticism as applied to manuscripts developed through dynamic processes of scribal transmission, such as those of the Community Rule and associated texts. Donald Parry documents methods for identifying *hapax legomena* in biblical literature and presents a detailed study and statistical evaluation of

these singularly occurring words in the Isaiah witnesses of the Masoretic Text and at Qumran. Based on uses of Jeremiah in Barkhi Nafshi and the Rule of Benedictions, Armin Lange gauges the textual affiliation of Jeremiah citations in view of previously known text traditions and versions. In a case study on Lev 19:1–10, Dirk Büchner considers the modern commentator's task of ascertaining ancient cultural expectations of a translated text, understanding the process of the Septuagint's production, and accounting for the linguistic relationship between the original and translated texts.

To reflect Peter's broader interest in recovering how scriptural texts were interpreted—from minute scribal interventions all the way up to their theological recontextualization by early Jewish and Christian writers and communities—part 2 of the book adopts an overarching theme of the reception of texts and redeployment of scriptural traditions in antiquity.

The first eight studies treat a cross section of literatures in the Dead Sea Scrolls that are, in various ways, steeped in, and extend from, scriptural concepts and traditions. John Collins considers predominantly nonhalakic uses of Torah when it was merged with wisdom discourses in narrative settings of select Qumran Aramaic texts (1 Enoch, Genesis Apocryphon, and Aramaic Levi Document) and the Hebrew writing of 4QInstruction. George Brooke reassesses the use of Isaac traditions in the Dead Sea Scrolls and suggests that descriptions of the Teacher of Righteousness and references to the Kittim in the Damascus Document possibly depend on antecedent patriarchal traditions, such as in Gen 22 and Jub. 24. Kipp Davis studies the use and interpretive possibilities of the term ספר התהלים in the context of the War Scroll as a way of advancing discussions on Scripture and the authority of the Psalms traditions in Second Temple Judaism. Drawing on the concept of literary editions, Andrew Perrin considers the available texts of Aramaic Levi Document and concludes that, while the witnesses indicate a degree of pluriformity in variant passages, there is insufficient evidence to discern the existence of two full versions of the work as a whole. In a study on the Genesis Apocryphon, John Srenock draws on insights from translation studies as a way of accounting for the balance between preservation and change that results from various activities of rewriting in ancient Jewish texts often described as “rewritten Scripture.” Eileen Schuller situates the fragmentary remains of 1Q35 in the larger history of research on the Hodayot and opens questions of the nature of the fragments as hailing from a potential excerpted text, originating in different locations in the now lost manuscript, or representing a scribal note or exercise. Dorothy Peters considers the reuse and reconfiguration of scriptural idioms and concepts

of lament in a selection of poem-songs of the Hodayot as a way of ascertaining how language at once affirmed afflicted “insiders” and delineated adversarial “outsiders.” Daniel Falk examines and compares the influence of Ps 51 on Qumran texts without explicit sectarian diction (e.g., Communal Confession, Words of the Luminaries, and Plea for Deliverance) as well as its influence on the language and themes of two key sectarian texts (i.e., Community Rule and Hodayot).

The final subset of six essays in part 2 explores some dynamics of the development of traditions, ranging from their earliest coalescence in Israelite writings, to appropriations in Jewish texts of the Hellenistic and Greco-Roman periods, to theological interpretations in New Testament books. Ryan Roberts explores potential parallels between Isa 6 and Amos 9:1–6 based on the shared language and imagery of seismic disaster and the preserved memory of an earthquake behind the prophetic oracles. James VanderKam revisits the question of the cohesive or composite authorial origins of the book of Jubilees and argues for its unity in a case study on the narrative and legal developments of Noah’s planting a vineyard in Jub. 7 against the background of Gen 9:20–21. Robert Kugler considers the Testament of Job and aims to recover how the ideas, genres, and styles of discourse included therein reveal the influence of Septuagint Job as well as provide potential insights into the book’s setting in Greco-Roman Egypt. Steve Mason focuses in on the tradition of Elisha at Jericho in *J.W.* 4.459–465 and demonstrates that the unit indeed flowed from the pen of Josephus and indicates an authorial knowledge of the biblical passage of 2 Kgs 2:19–22. In view of King David’s increasing identification as a prophet in ancient Jewish literature, Craig Evans refocuses early Christian messianic paradigms in light of Second Temple traditions that merged expectations of a royal and prophetic messiah. In light of ancient Near Eastern divination and interpretive patterns of the Qumran pesharim, Kyung Baek describes Matthew’s use of dream-visions and fulfilment quotations as a strategy for contemporizing the Hebrew prophets and identifying Jesus as the Messiah for the early church.

#### 4. Closing Remarks in Memory and Expectation

Peter Flint was an unabashed evangelist for the Dead Sea Scrolls, a flagship faculty member of Trinity Western University, and as the foregoing outline indicates, a dedicated teacher, diligent scholar, and regular conversation partner with students and colleagues in the many subfields of biblical



studies. For Peter, research in these topics was at once life-giving and life-changing. At such a time as this, it seems fitting to conclude our preface with a passage that was forever changed by the Qumran discoveries and was a regular item of Peter's repertoire of examples underscoring how the words of the scrolls demanded fresh consideration of the historical, textual, and theological worlds of Scripture. At Isa 53:11, 1QIsaiah<sup>a</sup> reads as follows: "Out of the suffering of his soul *he will see light* [יִרְאֶה אֹר], and find satisfaction. And through his knowledge his servant, the righteous one, will make many righteous, and he will bear their iniquities."<sup>2</sup>

We will miss you, may you rest in peace.

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2. Hebrew text from Eugene Ulrich and Peter W. Flint, eds., *Qumran Cave 1.II: The Isaiah Scrolls, Part 1; Plates and Transcriptions*, DJD 32 (Oxford: Clarendon, 2009), 32, 88; with accompanying English translation from Martin G. Abegg Jr., Peter W. Flint, and Eugene Ulrich, *The Dead Sea Scrolls Bible* (New York: HarperSanFrancisco, 1999), 360.