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No other biblical book ascribes such a prominent place to the temple of Zion as the book of Isaiah does. One of the most important statements regarding Zion is to be found in Isa. 28:16. The text speaks of the laying of a foundation stone in Zion and enjoys an important place in New Testament preaching since it is associated with the advent of Jesus Christ. The present study addresses the interpretation of Isa. 28:16 in its Old Testament context. Its significance lies in the fresh contribution it makes to our understanding of the Zion text in question and its importance for establishing the role played by Zion and the so-called Zion tradition in the preaching of Isaiah.

It has often been argued that Zerubbabel, the Jewish governor of Yehud at the time of the rebuilding of the temple (late 6th century BCE), was viewed by the prophets Haggai and Zechariah as the new king in the line of David. In this new study, Rose offers a contrary proposal for the interpretation of the oracles in Haggai and Zechariah 3 and 6. He traces their background in the pre-exilic prophets, pays special attention to often neglected details of semantics and metaphor, and concludes that neither Haggai nor Zechariah designated Zerubbabel as the new king in Jerusalem. Instead, the oracles in Zechariah 3 and 6 should be seen as fully messianic.

Nordic Reference Soils

Preparing nursing students to transition into the professional registered nurse role is the task of nurse educators. These educators must train students to function in multiple nursing specialties post-graduation, to include critical care. As more nursing graduates enter into areas such as intensive care units and emergency rooms, nurse educators must prepare them to work with critically ill patients. Increased exposure to critical care clinical experiences and simulations may be one method to prepare them for these

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complex, high-acuity patient situations. In order to determine whether or not a relationship exists between increased hours of experience and effects on self-efficacy and knowledge, the Nursing Student Self-Efficacy Scale (NSSES) and the Basic Knowledge Assessment Test-8 (BKAT-8) was administered to senior nursing students in a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) pre-licensure program during their final semester. Hierarchical regression analysis evaluated each variable in the regression model. Control variables included age, gender, ethnicity, prior experience, and preferred initial job placement. Predictor variables (independent variables) were clinical hours and simulation hours. Data indicated a positive relationship for each predictive variable to both the NSSES and BKAT-8. Additionally, clinical hours and simulation hours do contribute to the overall predictive model for NSSES and BKAT-8 outcomes. Practical implications and suggestions for future research are addressed.

From Old Revelation to New

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Theology of the Old Testament

Nursing and Computers

Exodus 1-18

Inner Biblical Allusion in Zechariah 9-14

Prophetic Oracles of Salvation in the Old Testament

A Prophet Confronts His People

This book argues that a helpful framework within which to interpret the paraenesis of Deuteronomy 4:1–40 can be constructed through interaction with the cultural memory interests of German Egyptologist Jan Assmann and the canonical approach of U.S. biblical theologian Brevard Childs. By bringing Assmann's cultural memory concerns to bear on the world within the text of Deuteronomy is brought into fruitful contact with

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questions from the field of sociology; by asking these questions in interaction with the theologically rich formulation of canon offered by Childs's canonical approach, Deuteronomy is interpreted as an authoritative witness to God for contemporary communities of faith. As a result of this reading strategy, the communal and trans-generational nature of covenant stands out. This emphasis, in turn, influences the way Horeb is remembered by later generations and how that memory is transmitted from one generation to the next through ritual practice and the text of Scripture. How should Christians approach the Old Testament? Should we use it to reconstruct what people believed several millennia ago? Or should we ask what the Old Testament says to us today and consider how it addresses today's world? J. W. Rogerson firmly believes that we should take the latter approach. Rogerson, an internationally respected scholar, has dedicated much of his academic life to probing the possibility of the abiding significance of the Old Testament. He shows how texts written for a strange and distant world with different social, religious and cultural factors can still speak to moral issues today.

Originally presented as the author's thesis (doctoral)--Universit'at T'ubingen.

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zum Strafverfahren werden detailliert und leicht verständlich erklärt. Gleichzeitig werden alle Möglichkeiten aufgezeigt, um Strafen zu vermeiden oder zu mildern. Das Buch liefert Ihnen außerdem alle wichtigen Informationen zum Wiedererwerb der Fahrerlaubnis bei Führerscheinentzug, MPU und den EU-Führerschein. All diese Fragen wird Ihnen das Buch beantworten. Vorteile auf einen blick - Kompetente und schnelle Information "Erste Hilfe" bei Fragen zum Führerscheinentzug. - Alle Informationen zu Strafverfahren, Bußgeldverfahren, Punktesystem, Führerscheinentzug und Wiedererteilung. - Wichtige Tipps und Strategien zu Ablauf, Verfahren und Rechtsfolgen. - Informationen zur Rechtslage beim Führerscheinerwerb im Ausland. Zum Autor Carsten Krumm ist Richter am Amtsgericht in Lüdinghausen und seit Jahren mit der Praxis dieses Themas befasst. gilt daher als ausgesprochener Kenner des Rechtsgebietes. Zielgruppe Betroffene, denen Fahrverbot oder gar der Entzug der Fahrerlaubnis droht, Behörden und Juristen.

Solomon's Prayer

Studien zur Altägyptischen Kultur Band 41

The World of Ancient Israel

Relationships Between Experiential Learning and Effects on Senior Nursing Students' Self-Efficacy and Knowledge

Essays in Honour of H. G. M. Williamson on the Occasion of His Sixty-Fifth Birthday

The Role of Edom in Biblical Prophecy and Story The Old Testament Text of the Evangelist An Anthology, 1987-1996

Prophetic Oracles of Salvation in the Old Testament is a comprehensive and innovative assessment of these often ignored or misunderstood canonical texts. Claus Westermann shows that these oracles occur in distinct forms and make up a coherent tradition. He goes on to demonstrate that these texts, often perceived only as a message of judgement and doom, in fact proclaim hope and deliverance as well.

This book provides an exhaustive analysis of the semantic domain of 'gift' in Ancient Hebrew. The investigation focuses on the single lexemes and provides an overall picture of the developments of the lexical field across the linguistic layers of Ancient Hebrew.

This study deals with the semantics of the Semitic root NQM (vengeance, revenge, avenge) and sketches an outline of the place and function of the disputed theme of vengeance in the Old Testament preaching with regard to God.

What type of Old Testament text did Matthew use as editor of his Gospel? On the one hand, the editorially inserted fulfilment quotations with their peculiar textual form may be expected to represent Matthew's biblical text. On the other hand, the remaining OT quotations are mainly Septuagintal, and it is often assumed that

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Matthew reinforced the Septuagintal character of the quotations which he found in his sources. In the first part of this study, the fulfilment quotations are examined. Their textual form is best explained as a Septuagint text that was revised to make it better agree with the Hebrew and to improve the quality of its Greek; the evangelist took these quotations from a continuous text. In the second part, Matthew's remaining OT quotations are investigated. If Matthew borrows quotations from his sources, he does not adjust them to the LXX but he simply copies them or edits them in his usual way; if he inserts quotations into his sources, he makes use of his revised Septuagint. On the whole, this revised Septuagint seems to have been "Matthew's Bible".

Israel's Dual Origins in the Hebrew Bible

Messianic Expectations in the Early Postexilic Period

Matthew's Bible

The Origin and the Use of Tradition in Nehemiah 9

Synchrony and Diachrony in the Composition of I Kings 8, 14-61

An Exegetical Study of the Zion Text in Isaiah 28:16

Cultural Memory, Canon Consciousness, and the Book of Deuteronomy

A Symposium in Honour of A.S. Van Der Woude

Revision of thesis (doctoral)--Pontifical Biblical Institute, 1983.

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God calls his people to be holy. What does this mean? Holiness means belonging to God and being stamped with his character. This belonging is expressed for ancient Israel in the story of the foundational events on Mount Sinai. The idea is then developed, refined and transformed through the establishment of the priesthood, the gift of the Law, the challenge of the prophets and, in the New Testament, through the life of Christ. This book sets out these perspectives alongside each other, and considers their interplay within the canon of scripture as a whole. The result is both a biblical theology of holiness and a promising model for reinterpreting one text in the light on another.

This is a print on demand book and is therefore non- returnable. In his introduction De Vries sketches the canonical setting of the books of Chronicles, especially in relation with Ezra-Nehemiah, and then discusses the redacted and original versions of Chronicles. He describes Chronicles as genealogical and narrative history that tells who/what ideal Israel is, how it has suffered by its unfaithfulness, and how it will remain true Israel by trusting in God.

(Peeters 1992)

The Origin and Purpose of the Jealousy Motif in Romans 9-11

The Lexical Field of the Substantives of "Gift" in Ancient Hebrew

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Judgement and Salvation

The Effect of Level of Patient Acuity on Clinical Decision Making by Critical Care Nurses with Varying Levels of Knowledge and Experience

Edom, Israel's Brother and Antagonist

1. Characterisation and Classification of 13 Typical Nordic Soils ; 2. Sorption of 2,4-D, Atrazine and Glyphosate

Remembering the Unexperienced

Strafverfahren - Bußgeldverfahren - Entzug der Fahrerlaubnis - Fahrverbot -

Wiedererteilung

A compilation of both landmark historic and contemporary papers, illustrating the inception and evolution of nursing informatics. The authors have assembled the papers into an invaluable source book providing a framework for future developments in the field. Examining the relationship between nursing and information systems, practical applications include administration, practice, research, education, critical care, and community health. An essential tool for nurses seeking to attain credentials as Nursing Informatics Specialists.

Instead of seeking a juxtaposition between the message of Moses and the prophets and that of our Lord and his apostles, the author advances the thesis that our Lord and the apostles confirmed that the message of the prophets is most relevant for individual and community ethics, for the development of godliness, and for the encouragement of living with hope and vision. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

(Peeters 1993)

Ernest Nicholson draws together and expands a

collection of his writings on Deuteronomy, presenting his challenging thesis that the book derived from thinkers and writers who lived among the Judaeen exiles in Babylonia in the sixth century, and in significant ways represents a break with pre-exilic Israelite religion.

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Zemah and Zerubbabel

Zion's Rock-Solid Foundations

The Composition and Redaction of Micah 2-5

God's Holy People

The Meaning of the Root NQM and the Function of the NQM-Texts in the Context of Divine Revelation in the Old Testament

Converting the Past

Praying the Tradition

H. Altenmüller: Bemerkungen zum Architrav und zur Scheintür des Felsgrabes des Anchi unter der Südumfassung der Djoseranlage in Saqqara R.

Assem: The God @w – A Brief Study L. Baqué-

Manzano: Beyond the Offering Table: Cairo Stela,

JE 45626 M. Bommas: First Intermediate Period

tombs at Beni Hassan: Problems and Priorities (including BH no. 420 and the unpublished box coffin fragment BH3Liv). A. Brawanski / H.-W. Fischer-

Elfert: Der 'erotische' Abschnitt des Turiner Papyrus 55001: Ein Lehrstück für das männliche Ego? F.

Breyer: Zwerg-Wörter und ägyptisch-kuschitischer Sprachkontakt bzw. -vergleich. Zur sprachlichen

Situation im mittleren Niltal des 3.–2. Jahrhunderts v.

Chr. G. P. F. Broekman: On the administration of the

Thebaid during the Twenty-sixth Dynasty G. Gabra:

Ein vergessener Naos Nektanebos I. in Alt-Kairo B. Haring: Stela Leiden V 65 and Heri hor's Damnatio Memoriae A. Jiménez-Serrano: On the Construction of the Mortuary Temple of King Unas J. Kahl: Regionale Milieus und die Macht des Staates im Alten Ägypten: Die Vergöttlichung der Gaufürsten von Assiut J. Kahl / M. El-Khadragy / U. Verhoeven / M. Abdelrahiem / H. Fahid / A. Kilian / Ch. Kitagawa / M. Zöller- Engelhardt / M. van Elsbergen / T. Rzeuska: The Asyut Project: Ninth Season of Fieldwork (2011) M. Lehmann: Die Verwandtschaftsbeziehungen in den Felsinschriften des Mittleren Reiches in der Region Aswân J. Moje: Der Domänenschreiber der Gottesgemahlin Nes-paqai-schuti B und seine Familie in der 25./26. Dynastie M. Panov: Two Coffins of the Late Period. H. Satzinger / D. Stefanovic ?: The Middle Kingdom xnmw A. Spalinger: Nut and the Egyptologist M. Tarasenko: The Vignettes of the Book of the Dead Chapter 17 during the Third Intermediate Period (21st-22nd Dynasties) V. Vasiljevic ?: Female owners of carrying chairs: Sitzsäufte and Hocksäufte M. Verner: Pyramid towns of Abusir

The present study provides a form-critical analysis of the first eighteen chapters of the book of Exodus. Dividing his discussion between the Exodus and Moses traditions and the wilderness traditions, Coats examines each unit of the text of Exodus in turn, showing how the units' internal structures reveal the

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genre and social setting in which the book was written and what that setting and genre mean for proper interpretation.

It is generally agreed within Hebrew Bible scholarship that Zechariah 9-14 is filled with allusions to other books within the Hebrew canon. Rex Mason's doctoral dissertation in the early 1970s contributed significantly to the foundation of this consensus. However, although Mason's thesis remains a seminal work for those studying Deutero-Zechariah, it has never been published. This volume contains the first publication of that work together with reflections from leading biblical scholars who have published on Zechariah 9-14. The volume is rounded off with a response by Mason to these scholars and a reflection on his own contribution thirty years ago. Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement series, Volume 370.

The late Mitchell Dahood who lectured in Northwest Semitic languages at the Pontifical Biblical Institute from 1956-1982 made numerous, often very original suggestions for interpreting the Hebrew text of the Old Testament. His proposals provoked much controversy at the time. Fifteen years after his sudden death, it seems appropriate to consider some of them again with a view to establishing how far they may be judged plausible.

*Genesis and the Moses Story
Speaking of Speaking*

ACCCN's Critical Care Nursing

A Theme in Biblical Theology

Bringing Out the Treasure

Marking Direct Discourse in the Hebrew Bible

The Disputation Speech in the Prophets

Let Us Go Up to Zion

This volume honours Professor H. G. M. Williamson, Regius Professor of Hebrew at Oxford University through a collection of essays by colleagues and former students from across the globe. The various contributions intersect with the previous work of Professor Williamson related to the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible and Hebrew language and texts.

Sacred History and Sacred Texts in Early Judaism

A Symposium in Honour of A.S. Van Der Woude
Peeters Publishers

*Konrad Schmid is a Swiss biblical scholar who belongs to a larger group of Continental researchers proposing new directions in the study of the Pentateuch. In this volume, a translation of his *Erzväter und Exodus*, Schmid argues that the ancestor tradition in Genesis and the Moses story in Exodus were two competing traditions of Israel's origins and were not combined until the time of the Priestly Code—that is, the early Persian period. Schmid interacts with the long tradition of European scholarship on the Hebrew Bible but departs from some of the main tenets of the Documentary Hypothesis: he argues that the pre-Priestly material in both text blocks is literarily and theologically so divergent that their present linkage is more appropriately interpreted as the result of a secondary redaction than as thematic variation stemming from J's oral prehistory. He dates Genesis–2*

Kings to the Persian period and considers it a redactional work that, in its present shape, is a historical introduction to the message of future hope presented in the prophetic corpus of Isaiah-Malachi. Scholars and students alike will be pleased that this translation makes Schmid's important work readily available in English, both for the contributions made by Schmid and the summary of continental interpretation that he presents. In this edition, some passages have been expanded or modified in order to clarify issues or to engage with more-recent scholarship. The notes and bibliography have also been updated. Dr. Schmid is Professor of Old Testament and Early Judaism at the University of Zürich. The study uses the sacred traditions of Dan in Judges 17-18 as a springboard for an examination of the nature of the pre-exilic cult at Dan and in the Northern Kingdom in general, with particular reference its Ancient Near Eastern context.

The Forsaken Firstborn
Provoked to Jealousy
The Vengeance of God
An Introduction to the Prophetic Literature of the Old Testament
Religious Tradition and Cultic Practice in Judges 17-18
A Non-Experimental Predictive Correlation Multiple Regression Analysis
A Tradition-historical and Redaction-critical Study of Temporal Transitions in Prophetic Prediction
Sacred Dan

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on concepts that underpin practice - essential physical, psychological, social and cultural care New case studies elaborate on relevant care topics Research vignettes explore a range of topics Practice tips highlight areas of care particularly relevant to daily clinical practice Learning activities support knowledge, reflective learning and understanding Additional case studies with answers available on evolve NEW chapter on Postanaesthesia recovery Revised coverage of metabolic and nutritional considerations for the critically ill patient Aligned with the NEW ACCCN Standards for Practice The subject of the present book is the theme of Edom in the Old Testament. In the four long oracles against Edom (Isa. 34, Jer. 49.7-22, Ezek. 35, Obadiah), this nation serves as Israel's antagonist and the representative of the enemy nations. Edom also appears in the book of Genesis: Jacob's brother Esau is the patriarch of the Edomites and Esau himself is called Edom as well (Gen. 25-36). Although there is no such negative estimation of Edom as in the prophecies, here too Edom represents the nations, and serves as Israel's opponent. This study discusses the origin and development of Edom's exceptional role. It extensively analyses the connections between Obadiah (the only one of the four major oracles in which, like in Genesis, Edom is called Israel's brother), the other oracles, and Genesis. It sketches the literary history of these texts and discusses the possible historical background of the conceptions they share. Can the

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similarities in Edom's role be explained by assuming the same historical background for the two sets of texts? If so, why do the major oracles against Edom present an extremely negative, and the Jacob-Esau stories a relatively positive picture of Edom? This detailed study of Micah 2-5 presents a status questionis of much of the previous research on the composition and redaction of the Book of Micah and offers a new depiction of the redaction history of the book.

Deuteronomy and the Judaeen Diaspora

Studies in Northwest Semitic

A Study of a Recurrent Motif in the Patriarchal Narratives

New Light on a Forgotten Connection

Sacred History and Sacred Texts in Early Judaism

Enoch and Qumran Origins

Studies in Prophetism, Biblical Theology and

Structural and Rhetorical Analysis, and the Place of Music in Worship. Papers Read at the Joint British-Dutch Old Testament Conference Held at

Woudschoten, 1982

The rediscovery of Enochic Judaism as an ancient movement of dissent within Second Temple Judaism, a movement centered on neither temple nor torah, is a major achievement of contemporary research. After being marginalized, ancient Enoch texts have reemerged as a significant component of the Dead Sea Scrolls library unearthed at Qumran. Enoch and Qumran Origins is the first comprehensive treatment of the complex and forgotten relations between the Qumran community and the Jewish group behind the pseudepigraphal

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literature of Enoch. The contributors demonstrate that the roots of the Qumran community are to be found in the tradition of the Enoch group rather than that of the Jerusalem priesthood. Framed by Gabriele Boccaccini's introduction and James Charlesworth's conclusion, this book examines the hypotheses of five particularly eminent scholars, resulting in an engaging and substantive discussion among forty-seven specialists from nine countries. The exceptional array of essays from leading international scholars in Second Temple Judaism and Christian origins makes Enoch and Qumran Origins a sine qua non for serious students of this period.

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Encapsulating as it does research that has been undertaken on the sociological, anthropological and political aspects of the history of ancient Israel, this important book is designed to follow in the tradition of works in the series sponsored by The Society for Old Testament Study which began with the publication of *The People and the Book* in 1925. *The World of Ancient Israel* is especially concerned to explore in greater depth than comparable studies the areas and degrees of

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overlap between approaches to the subject of Old Testament research adopted by scholars and students of theology and the social sciences. Increasing numbers of scholars have recognised the valuable insights that can be gained from a cross-disciplinary approach, and it is becoming clear that the early biblical traditions about the formation of the Israelite state must be examined in the light of comparative anthropology if useful historical conclusions are to be drawn from them.

This book concerns the use of the Hebrew Bible for historical research, containing a general introduction, a reappraisal of the Ark Narrative, an assessment of the historical value of the Mesha inscription, a discussion of problems relating to the Hezekiah narratives, and a study of the representation of king Manasseh in Kings and Chronicles.

Speaking of Speaking aims to enrich the reading of the biblical text by offering a coordinated analysis of direct discourse markers, not only in order to consolidate a considerable body of work that is often overlooked by scholars, but also to move further toward a synthesis that can permit informed generalizations not possible at the present time.

Studies in Ancient Israelite and Moabite Historiography
Cultural Memory, Communication And Being Human
Prophets, Worship and Theodicy

Influence of Knowledge and Clinical Experience on Clinical
Decision Making of Registered Nurses and Nursing Students
Using Interactive Video Simulation

Sociological, Anthropological and Political Perspectives

Interpreting the Prophetic Word

Führerschein weg - was nun?

The series Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche
Wissenschaft (BZAW) covers all areas of research into the Old

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Testament, focusing on the Hebrew Bible, its early and later forms in Ancient Judaism, as well as its branching into many neighboring cultures of the Ancient Near East and the Greco-Roman world.

This provocative book combines literary and historical methods to examine the phenomenon of the 'forsaken firstborn' in Genesis. The dignity of the firstborn sons of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph-Ishmael, Esau, Reuben and Manasseh-is disregarded in the narrative and the rights inherent in their status are taken from them and conferred on a younger brother. One might easily compare this with the motif in many folktales of the youngest son outdoing his elder brothers in cleverness and skill. But unlike the folklore motif, in the book of Genesis the younger brother's success is not due to any courageous deed or heroic feat on his own part. Instead the displacement of the elder by the younger is usually the result of somebody else's initiative and achievement.