AN ENGLISH-BASED BIBLIOGRAPHY for THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS

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Note: For a more extensive bibliography including works in German and French (as well as English titles prior to 1960), see the commentary by Paul Ellingworth (1993) and the Word commentary by William Lane (1991).

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COMMENTARIES

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The *basic message* of Hebrews is "how to acquire the fulfillment of the promise God made with Abraham." Jesus has made the fulfillment of the promises possible, and Christians are exhorted to be faithful "so that the precious reward might not be missed." This theme, however, does not seem to incorporate adequately the priestly motif of the author.

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 - Based upon previous works of Dr. Fanning on Hebrews, I would anticipate that he takes the warning passages in the Reformed way (not aimed at true believers). With this I would disagree with him. But Dr. Fanning (Chairman of the New Testament Dept at Dallas Seminary) can be counted on to present a carefully reasoned case for this particular perspective of the Epistle.
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 - Hodges takes the book as addressed to Jewish believers (true Christians) who are in danger of abandoning their confession of faith in Christ and lapsing back into Judaism. The "warning passages" serve to warn them of the possibility of God's retribution in the present and the danger of forfeiting their "inheritance" in Messiah's kingdom. Excellent study. Highly recommended!
- Hughes, Philip Edgcumbe. *A Commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Pub. Co., 1977.
 - A superb conservative commentary and well-researched. Good interaction with historical commentaries. Hughes sees the book as emphasizing the supremacy of Christ, and takes the warning passages to be addressed to *professing* believers who are in danger of rejecting Christianity for Judaism (those who do so are <u>not</u> true believers). Although I do not commend this theology, Hughes does a good job of presenting the book from the perspective of Reformed theology.
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 - "After a fresh translation of the whole of Hebrews, this volume treats the history of its interpretation and influence, its social setting (history of the community, profile of the community and its context), formal and rhetorical aspects (genre, structure, rhetorical strategy, language and style), theological issues (cosmology and eschatology; Christology; promises, covenants, and Law; the Scriptures; divine action and human response; Lord's Supper or Eucharist), and text. Then

following a 34-page general bibliography, it presents for each pericope a translation, notes, and comments according to a rhetorical outline: exordium (1:1—2:4), proposition (2:5-9), arguments (2:10—12:27), peroration (12:28—13:21), and epistolary postscript (13:22-25). Under 'arguments' Koester, professor of NT at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, . . . discerns three series: Jesus received glory through faithful suffering—a way that others are called to follow (2:10—6:20); Jesus' suffering is the sacrifice that enables others to approach God (7:1—10:39); and God's people persevere through suffering to glory by faith (11:1—12:27)." [NT Abst No. 1, 2002].

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Provides 167 pages of introduction on historical and literary questions, with attention to recent developments in rhetorical and discourse analysis as well as to Hebrews' use of the Old Testament, its theological questions and its place in early Christianity. Although I don't agree with all Lane's conclusions (e.g., he advocates that a Christian can lose his salvation through apostasy), this is probably one of the best commentaries on Hebrews and therefore highly recommended.

Lang, G. H. *The Epistle to the Hebrews*. London: The Paternoster Press, 1951; reprint, Miami Springs, FL: Conley & Schoettle Pub., 1988.

An expositional and devotional work. Lang believes the warning passages are addressed to believers who are in danger of losing their kingdom "inheritance" (rewards), rather than eternal salvation. The material in this work is available in PDF format at the following website: < http://www.schoettlepublishing.com/booksonline/lang/hebrews.htm>

- Lenski, R. C. H. *The Interpretation of the Epistle to the Hebrews and The Epistle of James*. Minneapolis, Minn: Augsburg Pub. House, 1966.
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 - See review in *JETS* (Jun 2003, p 353).
- Hurst, L. D. *The Epistle to the Hebrews: Its Background and Thought*. SNTSMS, 65. Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press, 1990.
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- Clark, N. "Reading the Book. 2. The Letter to the Hebrews," Expository Times 108 (2, 1996): 37-40.
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- Emmrich, M. "Pneuma in Hebrews: Prophet and Interpreter." WestTheolJourn 64 (1, 2002): 55-71.

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Williamson, Ronald. "Platonism and Hebrews." Scottish Journal of Theology 16 (1963): 415-424.

Witherington, B. "The Influence of Galatians on Hebrews." New Testament Studies 37 (1991): 146-52.

HIGHER CRITICISM (Date, Authorship, Destination)

Allen, D. L. "The Lukan Authorship of Hebrews: A Proposal." Journal TransTextling 8 (1996): 1-22.

NT Abs 41:3 - "Five lines of evidence support the independent Lukan authorship of Hebrews: lexical, stylistic, and textlinguistic similarities between Lk-Acts and Hebrews; comparison of the purposes of Lk-Acts and Hebrews; theological similarities; the Jewish background of Lk-Acts; and the historical reconstruction of the background of Hebrews (the recipients were former Jewish priests who had been converted to Christianity; see Acts 6:7). Luke wrote Hebrews in Rome about A.D. 67." Cf. similar article ("The Authorship of Hebrews: The Lukan Proposal") in *Faith and Mission* 18 (2, 2001): 27-40.

- Anderson, C. P. "The Epistle to the Hebrews and the Pauline Letter Collection." *Harvard Theological Review* 59 (1966): 429-38.
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- Bullock, M. R. "The Recipients and Destination of Hebrews." Th.D. diss., Dallas Theological Seminary,

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Kistemaker, S. J. "The Authorship of Hebrews." Faith and Mission 18 (2, 2001): 57-69.

Concludes that we cannot be sure who wrote the epistle.

Linnemann, E. "A Call for a Retrial in the Case of the Epistle to the Hebrews." *Faith & Mission* 19 (2, 2002): 19-59.

"The article undertakes a reexamination and reassessment of the facts pertinent to the authorship of Hebrews. It discusses the manuscript evidence; the testimony of the early Church Fathers; the questioning of Hebrews' Pauline authorship between A.D. 200 and 255 by Clement of Alexandria, Origen, and Tertullian; the style of Hebrews; its vocabulary; particularities; and the line of argument in Hebrews. It concludes that there is no compelling substance to the argument that Hebrews was not written by Paul." [NT Abst, No. 2, 2003, p 281]

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- Walker, Peter. "Jerusalem in Hebrews 13:9-14 and the Dating of the Epistle." *Tyndale Bulletin* 45 (May 1994): 39-71.

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- Black, David Alan. "Looking at the Structure of Sentences and Literary Techniques." *Bible Review* 8:17 (Apr 1992):

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The author reacts against the traditional two-fold division of the book, 1:5–10:18 (kerygmatic) and 10:19–13:17 (parenetic), by arguing that the epistle has been composed by an author employing a sophisticated literary structure. Black commends the work of Vanhoye (1966) as one of the better attempts to identify this structure, though offering little to improve upon it.

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- 5:5–7:28 on Ps 110:4; (4) Heb 8:1–10:18 on Jer 31:31-34; (5) Heb 10:32–12:3 on Hab 2:3c-4; (6) Heb 12:4-13 on Prov 3:11-12; and (7) Heb 12:18-29 on the Mount Sinai motif. It concludes with reflections on the distinctive expository method of Hebrews."
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For a nice summary of Guthrie, see Lane's commentary (1:xc-xcviii). This has been published under the same title by E. J. Brill of Leiden (1994). Walters's article (pp 67-68) provides some brief evaluation of Guthrie's primary thesis.

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See review in NT Abst, No. 1, 2003, p 76.

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- Stine, Donald Medford. "The Finality of the Christian Faith: A Study of the Unfolding Argument of the Epistle to the Hebrews, Chapters 1–7." Th.D. diss., Princeton Theological Seminary, 1964.
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Swetnam, James. "The Structure of Hebrews: A Fresh Look; On the Occasion of a Recent Commentary." *Melita Theologica* 41 (1990): 25-46.

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Trotter, A. H., Jr. Interpreting the Epistle to the Hebrews. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker, 1997.

Vanhoye, A. *Structure and Message of the Epistle to the Hebrews*. Subsidia Biblica, 12. Rome: Pontifical Biblical Institute, 1989.

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NT Abs 41:3 - "After reviewing different attempts to define the arrangement of Hebrews, the article contends that the entire document falls readily into a structure organized according to six primary scriptural quotations (see Heb 2:6-8; 3:7-11; 5:6; 8:8-12; 10:37-38; 12:5-6) and directed toward exhortation. Thus the rhetorical arrangement of Hebrews is fairly simple, consisting of an introduction (1:1--2:4) utilizing a catena of OT texts, six sections coordinated with the primary scriptural quotations (2:5-18; 3:1-4:13; 4:14-7:28; 8:1-10:31; 10:32-12:2; 12:3-13:19), and a conclusion (13:20-21)."

Wills, L., "The Form of the Sermon in Hellenistic Judaism and Early Christianity." *Harvard Theological Review* 77 (1984): 277-99.

MESSAGE OF THE BOOK

Brown, Raymond. "Pilgrimage in Faith: The Christian Life in Hebrews." *Southwestern Journal of Theology* 28:1 (Fall 1985): 28-35.

An excellent article discussing vital aspects of the Christian Life distilled from a study of Hebrews. The author highlights several primary themes in the book which are relevant to success in the Christian life (e.g., prayer). Unfortunately, the article is marred by a couple of statements that insinuate the warning passages for apostasy are for unbelievers (pp 33-34).

Bruce, F. F. (see under Literary)

Dixon, R. L. "The Kingdom of God in Hebrews," Stulos [Bandung] 3 (2, 1995): 95-112.

NT Abs 41:1 - "The concept of the kingdom of God binds Hebrews 1X8 into a cohesive framework: the promulgation of the kingdom and the enthronement of the Son (1:1-14), the character of the kingdom of God (2:1X4:13), and kingdom and covenant relationship (4:14X8:13). Hebrews 9X10 expands and deepens the argument of 4:14X8:13 by contrasting the two covenants, while chapters 11X13 describe the role of faith in kingdom living."

Hughes, Graham. Hebrews and Hermeneutics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1979.

The author provides a helpful summary and evaluation of Grässer's work (Erich M. R. Grässer, *Der Glaube im Hebräerbrief* [Marburg: N. G. Elwert Verlag, 1965]). Grässer had taken the position that the $\pi i \sigma \tau \iota \varsigma$ ("faith") word group was the key to the theology of Hebrews.

Johnsson, William G. "Issues in the Interpretation of Hebrews." *Andrews University Seminary Studies* 15 (1977): 169-87.

Johnsson, William G. "The Pilgrimage Motif in the Book of Hebrews." *Journal of Biblical Literature* 97 (1978): 239-51.

Explores the pilgrimage motif in Hebrews, and concludes that the book must be viewed in terms of the harmonized metaphors of cult and pilgrimage to account for the shifts in thought. The latter is to be found in the paraneses sections in which the chief concern is with unfaithfulness.

Käsemann, Ernst. *The Wandering People of God: An Investigation of the Letter to the Hebrews*. Translated by Ray A. Harrisville and Irving L. Sandberg. Minneapolis: Augsburg Pub. House, 1984.

Käsemann viewed the principal motif of the book to be "the wandering of the people of God," i.e., the focus is on the pilgrim motif in the book (which gives more weight to the paraenetic sections rather than the theological expositions).

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Lidgett, J. Scott. Sonship and Salvation: A Study of the Epistle to the Hebrews. London: Epworth Press, 1921.

Views the *sonship of Christ* as the dominant theme of the epistle.

MacLeod, David J. "The Doctrinal Center of the Book of Hebrews." *Bibliotheca Sacra* 146:583 (Jul-Sep 1989): 291-300.

MacLeod provides an excellent survey of different positions that have been taken about the "doctrinal center" of the book. He concludes by asserting that the expository sections center on the high priesthood of Christ, while the paraenetic sections are dominated by the pilgrimage motif. In light of 8:1, however, the high priesthood of Christ is the controlling theme of the epistle.

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PERSEVERANCE, APOSTASY, AND ETERNAL SECURITY

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This is a "must-read" book for anyone interested in the issues of perseverance and eternal security. He carefully analyzes and critiques the reformed doctrine of perseverance, and he devotes a good amount of attention to Hebrews. This is an expanded and revised edition of his earlier work, *The Reign of the Servant Kings: A Study of Eternal Security and the Final Significance of Man.* Schoettle Pub. Co., 1992. The new book can be ordered online at: www.jodydillow.com.

Evans, Tony. Totally Saved: Understanding, Experiencing and Enjoying the Greatness of Your Salvation. Chicago: Moody Press, 2002.

A strong defense of eternal security and personal assurance. The author has one chapter dealing with those who have never heard, and attempts to argue that God may save some of them based on their response to general revelation (consignment to hell is for those who reject the gospel offer).

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Marshall, I. H. Kept by the Power of God: A Study of Perseverance and Falling Away. London: Epworth, 1969.

Marshall holds that the warning passages in Hebrews are written to true believers, and that the sin of apostasy (recantation of Christ and His saving work) is a real danger. Hence, a Christian can potentially lose His salvation. Marshall attempts to distance himself from classical Arminianism by emphasizing that perseverance is not a mere work of man.

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An excellent article arguing that we are eternally secure in Christ, but we will be scrutinized by Christ to determine our rewards.

Ryrie, Charles C. So Great Salvation: What It Means to Believe in Jesus Christ. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1989.

The author carefully defines the gospel, and deals with such issues as carnality, repentance and eternal security. Recommended.

Shreiner, Thomas R., and Ardel B. Caneday. *The Race Set before Us: A Biblical Theology of Perseverance and Assurance*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2001.

The authors discuss four different views on perseverance and assurance, and (rejecting them all) propose a fifth model they call "God's means of salvation view." This work may be helpful for

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 - The author contends that believers are eternally secure in Christ and that we can have assurance of salvation. Recommended.
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Colijn, Brenda B. "'Let Us Approach': Soteriology in the Epistle to the Hebrews." *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 39:4 (Dec 1996): 571-586.

Holds to "conditional security," although Christ's priesthood is a present encouragement. NT Abs 41:3 - "For the author of Hebrews, salvation is a pilgrimage toward a promise, a journey toward God. It is grounded in relationship. After reviewing the basis of salvation as presented in Hebrews, the article explores the eschatological character of salvation in Hebrews, the images of salvation as pilgrimage and worship, and the results of salvation—soteriology as the foundation for ethics. It concludes that for the author of Hebrews the essence of salvation is worship."

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MacLeod, D. J. (see under "Priesthood of Christ")

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WARNING PASSAGES IN HEBREWS

Bateman, Herbert IV, ed. Four Views on the Warning Passages in Hebrews. Grand Rapids, MI: Kregel Publications, 2007.

This is an excellent book for gaining insight into various ways that Hebrews is interpreted today. Grant R. Osborne presents the classical Arminian view, Buist M. Fanning the classical reformed view, Gareth Lee Cockerill the Wesleyan Arminian view, and Randall C. Gleason the moderate reformed view. Unfortunately a good presentation of the free grace view (such as I advocate) is missing, although Gleason's comes the closest. Gleason does hold that the warning are directed to true believers and that loss of salvation is not the danger (like free grace), but he differs in that he sees the danger connected with the judgment upon Jerusalem in AD 70 (which I would not agree with).

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