BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES
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ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN CULTURE


ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN HISTORY
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Yamauchi, Edwin M. *Persia and the Bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 1996. [Although limited to the Persian period, the work is outstanding in its treatment of this period].

**ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN LITERATURE**


**ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN RELIGION**


**CANON OF THE OT, INCLUDING THE APOCRYPHA AND PSEUDEPIGRAPHA**


**ARCHEOLOGY**


**DEAD SEA SCROLLS**


GEOGRAPHY


HISTORY OF ISRAEL

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ISRAELITE CULTURE


OLD TESTAMENT CHRONOLOGY

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**OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION (HIGHER CRITICISM)**


OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY


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