Comprehensive Exam Reading List (New Testament) (March 2018)
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Total pages: 8000

Biblical Studies: Method, Hermeneutics, Criticism, Linguistics (1386 pp.)


Reference (reading not required)


**New Testament Backgrounds – History, Septuagint, Culture, Dead Sea, Gnosticism (1012 pp.)**


**Reference (reading not required)**


**New Testament and Social Sciences (509 pp.)**

**Reference (reading not required)**

**New Testament Text and Canon**

**Reference (reading not required)**


**New Testament Ethics (364 pp.)**


**Reference (reading not required)**


**Gospels and Acts (1467 pp.)**


Reference (reading not required)

**Paul (1,567 pp.)**


Reference (reading not required)


**General Epistles and Revelation**

Reference (reading not required)


**New Testament Theology (660 pp.)**


**Reference (reading not required)**


**Criticism and Method (977 pp.)**


**Reference (reading not required)**


**General Reference (reading not required)**

**Introduction and History of Research**


**Primary Sources**


*The Apostolic Fathers: Greek Text and English Translation*. Edited and revised by Michael W. Holmes (Grand Rapids: Baker, 1999). There are also other translations.

*The Dead Sea Scrolls Study Edition*. 2 vols. Edited by García Martínez, F. and E. J. C. Tigchelaar (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000); Also available in *The Complete Dead Sea Scrolls in English*. Edited by Geza Vermes (New York: The Penguin Press, 1997): Suggested: The Temple Scroll (11Q19-20); The Community Scroll (1QS) + Fragments (4Q255-264; 5Q11); The Damascus Scroll (CD) + Fragments (4Q265-273; 5Q12; 6Q15); Rule of the Community (1Q28a); Ritual Purity Laws and Initiation Laws (4Q274-279.284); Purification Ritual (Q512); Baptismal Liturgy (4Q414); The War Scroll (1QM)+ Fragments (4Q285; 4Q491-496; 4Q471; 4Q529; 11Q14); The New Jerusalem (2Q24; 4Q554-555; 5Q15; 11Q18); Vision of the Messiah (4Q246).

*The Mishnah: Translated from the Hebrew with Introduction and Brief Explanatory Notes*. By Herbert Danby (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1933). You may also use another appropriate translation. Suggested: Second Division: The Sabbath (1.1– 24.5); The Fusion of
the Sabbath Limits (1.1–10.15); Feast of Passover (1.1–10.9); The Shekel Dues (1.1–7.8); The Feast of Tabernacles (1.1–5.8); Fourth Division: The Sanhedrin (1.1–11.6).
