

For Further Reading

Chapter 1

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme111.htm> (quotes from various world religions on the importance of knowing and living by Scriptures)

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qa3818/is_200810/ai_n31110668/?tag=content:coll (lengthy scholarly article on the cross-cultural study of Scriptures)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/wsintr4.htm> (overview of the major world religions and their Scriptures)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religious_text (short article containing links to descriptions of the sacred texts of dozens of world religions, from Ayyavazhi to Zoroastrianism)

<http://www.unification.net/ws> (topically arranged quotations from a variety of world Scriptures on a broad range of issues pertaining to belief and practice)

<http://www.sacred-texts.com> (links to online versions of a highly diverse collection of sacred texts and articles about the beliefs and practices of various world religions and philosophies)

Chapter 2

<http://www.mfa.gov.il/MFA/Facts%20About%20Israel/People/Jewish%20Sacred%20Texts> (overview of Jewish sacred texts and their use in the Jewish community)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tanakh> (another overview of the Hebrew Bible/Tanakh from a Jewish standpoint)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/vox/vol16/scripture_evans.pdf (article discussing various ways in which Christians view the “Old Testament”)

<http://triangularchristianity.wordpress.com/2008/02/08/the-scripture-of-judaism> (brief comments on differences between Jewish and Christian views of Scripture)

http://www.hanefesh.com/Jewish-Christian_Talk.htm (article explaining why Jews do not accept Christian Messianic readings of the Jewish Scriptures)

http://www.readingislam.com/servlet/Satellite?cid=1123996015484&pagename=IslamOnline-English-AAAbout_Islam%2FAAskAboutIslamE%2FAAskAboutIslamE (description of Muslim beliefs about the Jewish and Christian Scriptures)

<http://en.allexperts.com/e/t/ta/tahrif.htm> (another article on Muslim beliefs about the Jewish and Christian Scriptures, including Jewish and Christian responses)

<http://www.scripturalreasoning.org/pdfs/an-interfaith-wisdom.pdf> (academic article describing dialogue between Jews, Christians, and Muslims over the similarities and differences among their Scriptures)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hebrew_calendar (explanation of the ritual calendar and modes of tracking time in Judaism)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Names_of_God_in_Judaism (discussion of Jewish names for God, including beliefs about not pronouncing the name “Yahweh”)

Chapter 3

<http://www.columbia.edu/cu/augustine/arch/sbrandt/canon.htm> (discussion of historical reasons for the differences between Catholic and Protestant canons of the “Old Testament”)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Development_of_the_Old_Testament_canon (broad historical overview of Christian debates over the contents of the “Old Testament” canon)

<http://www.bible.gen.nz/amos/literary/genre.htm> (readable discussion of the presence and meaning of various literary genres in the Hebrew Bible, focusing on the book of Amos)

<http://www.rpeurifoy.com/christn/theolog/litst/yot.htm> (descriptions and examples of various literary forms in the Hebrew Bible)

http://books.google.com/books?id=F4T9jnZcs8C&pg=PA1&lpg=PA1&dq=%22old+testament%22+literary&source=bl&ots=1HTeD9AYAD&sig=Var_y0s6zw2nWGuQkp-dFm8u7-0&hl=en&ei=IUhvSpG0IZWCMcioueII&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=5 (scholarly introduction to literary criticism of the Hebrew Bible [pp. 1-17])

Chapter 4

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Development_of_the_Jewish_Bible_canon (overview of the development of the Jewish canon)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oral_tradition (review of modern scholarly studies of oral traditions across various cultures)

<http://faculty.biu.ac.il/~barilm/illitera.html> (scholarly discussion of literacy and illiteracy in ancient Israel)

http://faculty.gordon.edu/hu/bi/Ted_Hildebrandt/OTeSources/20-Proverbs/Text/Articles/Millard-Scribes-B-S.htm (scholarly article on the role and activities of scribes in the ancient Near East)

<http://www.christianleadershipcenter.org/txtcriticism.htm> (scholarly overview of textual criticism, the art/science of reconstructing the original wording of the biblical text)

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/jud> (links to selections from Jewish sacred texts other than the Hebrew Bible, including the Mishnah, the Talmud, the Midrashim, and the Kabbalah)

Chapter 5

<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/%7Erklein/Documents/gonzalez.htm> (historical overview of Christian interpretations of the Bible)

<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/%7Erklein/Documents/signer.htm> (historical overview of Jewish interpretations of the Bible)

http://encarta.msn.com/encyclopedia_761577889/biblical_criticism.html (history of critical study of the Bible from ancient times to the present, including discussion of some of the methods used by contemporary scholars)

http://books.google.com/books?id=ooGh9TTe0jUC&pg=PA18&lpg=PA18&dq=%22biblical+criticism%22+history&source=bl&ots=owkIFN_qNb&sig=2GWfNqcJKS30iADHd8lkEmgit9U&hl=en&ei=ImFvSsKXH4ioMPrShekI&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=16 (shorter history of the rise and development of modern critical study of the Bible [pp. 18-22])

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Postmodern1/Methods.html> (overview of the methods used by academic scholars in studying the Hebrew Bible, organized in a different manner than the “three worlds” approach)

<http://www.bsw.org/?l=1111&a=arti1.html> (discussion of the relation between historical study and devotional reading of the Bible)

<http://moses.creighton.edu/JRS/pdf/1999-6.pdf> (scholarly article comparing different feminist modes of engagement with the language and ideas of the Hebrew Bible)

Chapter 6

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_57.htm (scholarly article on the various ways in which the word “Israel” is used in the Hebrew Bible)

<http://bible.org/maps> (collection of satellite photos of the major regions of Palestine showing locations of ancient towns and cities mentioned in the Hebrew Bible)

<http://www.bearport.org/SatMap> (interactive satellite map of Palestine with links to biblical texts; not compatible with Macintosh)

<http://www.bibleplaces.com> (collection of photos of archaeological sites and physical features throughout Israel and the surrounding region, including explanatory materials; search by region)

<http://www.holylandphotos.org/browse.asp?s=1,2> (another good collection of photos from various archeological sites across Israel; search by region)

<http://ebibletools.com/israel> (yet another collection of photos from key archaeological sites)

<http://www.wcg.org/lit/law/festivals/harvest.htm> (overview of agriculture in ancient Palestine)

Chapter 7

<http://www.museum.upenn.edu/Canaan/Home&Family.html> (short descriptions of various aspects of daily life in ancient Israel, from an exhibit at the University of Pennsylvania)

<http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~semitic/HOAI/adultmain.cgi?article=intro.htm> (another series of short articles on daily life in ancient Israel and Judah, from an exhibit at Harvard University)

<http://www.ivpress.com/title/exc/2737-1.pdf> (overview of marriage and family life in the ancient Near East, including ancient Palestine)

http://books.google.com/books?id=i9xUijIRWlcC&pg=PR9&lpg=PR9&dq=%22family+religion%22+%22ancient+israel%22&source=bl&ots=S3UzCLB5Z6&sig=XbC13VrhUVC2J3RXa8G0x_exs6A&hl=en&ei=ehVzSuOeJiOMcq0yLEM&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=16#v=onepage&q=%22family%20religion%22%20%22ancient%20israel%22&f=false (description of various aspects of family life in early Israel, focusing on the role of women (pp. 1-47))

http://www.bible-history.com/links.php?cat=2&sub=397&cat_name=&subcat_name=Manners+%26+Customs (links to various pages describing life in ancient Palestine)

<http://www.bible-architecture.info/Housing.htm> (description of different types of housing in ancient Palestine)

http://books.google.com/books?id=IoT6zimQOXMC&dq=de+geus+towns+ancient+israel&printsec=frontcover&source=bl&ots=TAEE07uprS&sig=Hp5DRP-taAV9JNoUNrSlpD0oZSs&hl=en&ei=o21vSp-wPlfGMJ_C2NsI&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=1 (selections from a recent book on towns in ancient Israel and the surrounding region; pages missing here and there)

<http://www.mfa.gov.il/MFA/History/Early%20History%20-%20Archaeology/Archaeologica%20Sites%20in%20Israel%20-%20Jerusalem%20-%20The%20C> (overview of the history and archaeology of ancient Jerusalem)

Chapter 8

<http://netministries.org/BBasics/BBHOI.htm> (readable overview of the biblical story line in the context of ancient near Eastern history)

<http://eawc.evansville.edu/chronology/nepage.htm> (timeline showing major developments in the history of the ancient Near East, including Israel)

<http://photo.net/travel/israel/timeline> (historical timeline of Israel from earliest settlements to the modern period)

<http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Doc6/3rdmill.htm> (multi-page, five-column parallel timeline that coordinates historical events in Egypt, Syria-Palestine, Asia Minor, Babylonia, and Assyria, including thumbnail links to illustrative photos)

Chapter 9

http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/mcnutt_ancientIsrael.htm (discussion of the various types of material that are available for reconstructing the history and society of ancient Palestine and the role of social-scientific methods in this process)

<http://www.religion-online.org/showarticle.asp?title=2964> (survey of modern scholarly study of the history of ancient Israel, presented as background for recent minimalist-maximalist debates)

http://cojs.org/cojswiki/Face_to_Face:_Biblical_Minimalists_Meet_Their_Challengers%2C_Hershel_Shanks%2C_BAR_23:04%2C_Jul/Aug_1997 (interview session with scholars representing minimalist and maximalist views)

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_13.pdf (presentation and defense of a minimalist approach to history by a leading exponent)

http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/Conservative_Scholarship.shtml (minimalist response to conservative approaches to the historicity of the biblical text)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_history_reid.html (conservative response to minimalist views of the historicity of the biblical text)

<http://ebonmusings.org/atheism/otarch0.html> (overview of how archaeologists do their work)

http://www.usnews.com/usnews/culture/articles/011224/archive_019920.htm (popular article on problems raised by archaeology for the historicity of the biblical narratives)

<http://www.equip.org/articles/biblical-archaeology-factual-evidence-to-support-the-historicity-of-the-bible> (brief review of archaeological findings that many believe corroborate the historical reliability of the biblical text)

<http://faculty.washington.edu/snoegel/okeanos2.html> (links to Web sites of a large number of archaeological sites across the eastern Mediterranean basin, including Palestine)

<http://www.bu.edu/anep/MB.html>, <http://www.bu.edu/anep/LB.html>, <http://www.bu.edu/anep/Ir.html> (detailed three-part study of the historical archaeology of ancient Palestine, including descriptions and photos of the various types of items found at a wide range of sites, from large-scale items like fortification walls to household items like earrings)

Chapter 10

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion> (overview article discussing the varied meanings of the term “religion” and various issues pertaining to its study)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/religion/quotes.htm> (list of quotations from a wide range of authors and sources on the essential meaning of the term “religion”)

<http://www.scottlondon.com/interviews/smart.html> (interview with Ninian Smart, developer of the “six dimensions” model of religion used in this book)

Chapter 11

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_view (discussion of the meaning of the term “worldview”)

www.apa.org/journals/features/gpr813.pdf (lengthy scholarly article that explores various theories on the psychological foundations of worldviews)

http://www.mukto-mona.com/new_site/mukto-mona/Articles/brent_meeker/cosmology.htm (description of how various peoples in the ancient Near East viewed the nature and origins of the physical universe, including the role of the gods)

http://www.religioustolerance.org/cosmo_bib12.htm (list of biblical passages pertaining to the nature of the physical universe)

<http://www.aarweb.org/syllabus/syllabi/g/gier/306/commoncosmos.htm> (discussion of the way the universe is depicted in the Hebrew Bible and the problems that this poses for conservative Christians)

Chapter 12

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deity> (overview of various beliefs concerning the nature of the supernatural realm)

<http://www.comparativereligion.com/god.html> (discussion of how various world religions view the nature of ultimate reality)

<http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Polytheism> (description of polytheism as a mode of understanding the supernatural realm)

http://atheism.about.com/library/FAQs/religion/blrel_theism_heno.htm (description of monolatry as a mode of understanding the supernatural realm)

<http://bible.org/article/baalism-canaanite-religion-and-its-relation-selected-old-testament-texts> (lengthy but readable article on Canaanite religion and its relation to the Hebrew Bible)

http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/MSmith_BiblicalMonotheism.htm (discussion of the prominence of polytheism and monolatry in the Hebrew Bible and ancient Israel)

<http://www.reclaimingthemind.org/papers/ets/2005/Heisermonotheism/Heisermomonotheism.pdf> (another article on conceptions of God in ancient Israel, this time by a conservative scholar)

<http://www.pantheon.org/articles/y/yahweh.html> (article on the historical development of Israelite/biblical conceptions of the divine)

http://people.vanderbilt.edu/~jack.m.sasson/Adams_Lecture.htm (scholarly article on the meaning and development of the biblical concept of Yahweh)

<http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/view.jsp?artid=52&letter=N> (discussion of the most common names used for God in the Hebrew Bible)

<http://www.womenpriests.org/classic/johnson3.asp> (scholarly article assessing and responding to biblical statements about the gender of God)

Chapter 13

<http://www.comparativereligion.com/man.html> (descriptions of beliefs about the human condition in various world religions)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme020.htm>, <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme021.htm> (two related articles containing quotes from various world religions on the essential goodness of human beings)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme053.htm>, <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme056.htm> (two related articles containing quotes from various world religions on the corruption of human nature)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Postmodern2/Humanity.html> (scholarly discussion of the significance of humans being made “in the image of God” in the Hebrew Bible)

http://faculty.gordon.edu/hu/bi/Ted_Hildebrandt/OTeSources/01-Genesis/Text/Articles-Books/Middleton-ImagoDei-CSR.pdf (another scholarly article on the significance of humans being made “in the image of God” in the Hebrew Bible)

http://www.biblicalperspectives.com/books/immortality_resurrection/2.htm (lengthy but readable article covering all aspects of the depiction of human nature in the Hebrew Bible)

http://www.biblicalperspectives.com/books/immortality_resurrection/2.htm (scholarly discussion of Hebrew Bible texts pertaining to the fate of humans after death)

<http://biblische.blogspot.com/2008/12/once-again-after-life-expectations-in.html> (another article on burial practices and views of life after death in the Hebrew Bible)

Chapter 14

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme032.htm> (collection of texts from various world religions describing the nature and characteristics of an “ideal society”)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme031.htm> (collection of texts from various world religions defining who qualifies as the “people of God”)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/C/covenant-in-the-old-testament.html> (encyclopedia article on the meaning of the term “covenant” in the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament)

http://www.theologicalstudies.org.uk/article_otcovenant_motyer.html (transcripts of four lectures on the presence and development of the “covenant” idea in the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, including comments on its continuation into the New Testament)

Chapter 15

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparative_mythology (article on the comparative study of stories in world religions)

<http://faculty.gvsu.edu/websterm/ways.htm> (description of various ways in which scholars and others have understood the meaning and purpose of religious stories/myths)

<http://www.pantheon.org> (links to over 7,000 short articles on myths, legends, and stories from a wide range of world religions)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_story_moberly.html (article on the important place of stories in the Hebrew Bible)

http://www.acu.edu/sponsored/restoration_quarterly/archives/1990s/vol_38_no_1_contents/heard.html (critical discussion of recent applications of narrative criticism to the Hebrew Bible)

<http://www.unisa.ac.za/default.asp?Cmd=ViewContent&ContentID=7379> (scholarly article on the proper application of literary theory to biblical narratives)

Chapter 16

http://encarta.msn.com/encyclopedia_761566324/creation_stories.html (overview of the nature and roles of creation narratives)

<http://www.magictails.com/creationlinks.html> (links to creation stories from different cultures around the world)

<http://www.gly.uga.edu/railsback/CS/CSIndex.html>, http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Creation_myth (summaries of creation stories from various cultures)

http://web.uct.ac.za/depts/ricsa/jtsa/j98/j98_nurn.htm (discussion of the theological message of the biblical creation stories, including comments on their significance for Christians)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Eve/Eve1Eve.pdf> (scholarly analysis of gender issues in the Genesis creation accounts)

<http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/bechte1.htm> (lengthy scholarly article examining the meaning of the “fall” story in Genesis 3)

http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/did_eve_fall_or_was_she_pushed.htm (discussion of the historical roots of the idea of Eve as “temptress” in Genesis 3)

<http://web.archive.org/web/19990508211006/puffin.creighton.edu/theo/simkins/handouts/Gen6-9.html> (chart that disentangles the two Flood stories that have been combined to form the present biblical narrative)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Postmodern2/Flood.html> (scholarly article discussing the theological message of the Flood story)

<http://www.crystalinks.com/babyloniancreation.html> (introduction and translation of the Enuma Elish, the Babylonian creation story that may have served as the basis for the biblical account; the creation of the universe begins near the end of the fourth tablet)

<http://web.archive.org/web/19990221091328/http://puffin.creighton.edu/theo/simkins/tx/Flood.html> (translation of the section of the Epic of Gilgamesh that relates the story of the great flood)

<http://www.talkorigins.org/faqs/flood-myths.html> (links to flood stories from around the world)

Chapter 17

<http://catholic-resources.org/Bible/History-Abraham.htm> (charts showing the genealogies and relationships of the characters in the ancestral narratives and later biblical characters)

<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/~rklein/Doc8/twelve.htm> (chart showing differences among the many biblical lists indicating the names of the ancestors of the “twelve tribes of Israel”)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/epn_1_goldingay.html (scholarly article on the major themes and historical contexts of the ancestral narratives)

<https://www.commentarymagazine.com/viewarticle.cfm/chosenness-and-its-energies-13662?page=all> (Jewish theological reflection on the biblical depiction of Abraham’s descendants as God’s “chosen people”)

<http://www.newsweek.com/id/103107> (popular article describing historical debates over the historicity of the biblical story of Abraham)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/epn_3_bimson.html (scholarly discussion of the relevance of archaeological data for assessing the likely dates of Abraham and his descendants, assuming that they are historical characters)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_archaeology.html (another article on the relevance of archaeology for the study of the patriarchs)

Chapter 18

http://books.google.com/books?id=M4SpwEb7DJgC&pg=PA25&lpg=PA25&dq=paradigmatic+narrative&source=bl&ots=uPyNo7oduw&sig=vFqrvVY_p7kVEqUUnr2KVy7fZtY&hl=en&ei=3rp3SvuHEsSntgeV0NWWCQ&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=6#v=onepage&q=paradigmatic%20narrative&f=false (sociological/theological analysis of the religious function of “paradigmatic narratives” for religious communities, focusing here on Christianity [pp. 25-27])

http://books.google.com/books?id=wcXayzU_EtYC&pg=RA1-PA10&lpg=RA1-PA10&dq=%22paradigmatic+narrative%22+exodus&source=bl&ots=Zdv8WGgbav&sig=NZWJrF-7tinNbMZh8KVzJfg9z1s&hl=en&ei=TL13SsykFNeJtgf89dCWCQ&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=7#v=onepage&q=%22paradigmatic%20narrative%22%20exodus&f=false (discussion of the paradigmatic role of the Exodus story in shaping the Hebrew Bible’s political theology [pp. 10-14])

<http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/1998/september7/8ta044.html> (popular article on debates over the historicity of the Exodus story and efforts by conservative historians to defend it)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_exodus_de-wit.html (article by a conservative scholar on the probable date and route of the Exodus, assuming that it is historical)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/exodusdate.html> (relatively neutral article on the dating of the Exodus story)

<http://www.beliefnet.com/Faiths/Judaism/2004/12/Did-The-Exodus-Really-Happen.aspx> (article by a Jewish rabbi on the non-historical nature of the Exodus story and whether it matters)

<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/Hebrewhabiruslaves.htm> (discussion of possible origins of the Exodus narrative, assuming that it is a myth)

<http://pseudoarchaeology.org/a06-ross.html> (scholarly critique of the use of archaeology by both minimalist and maximalist scholars in relation to the historicity of the Exodus story)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moses> (article on Moses, including historical questions)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramesses_II (article on Ramses II, the Pharaoh most often associated with the Exodus story)

Chapter 19

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap19.html (overview of the history leading up to Josiah's reform and the influence of the book of Deuteronomy in that reform)

<http://www.bsw.org/?l=71851&a=Ani14.html> (scholarly investigation of the chronological framework of the Deuteronomistic narrative)

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_m0LAL/is_1_33/ai_98922798 (scholarly article on the key role of Deuteronomy in the development of the Deuteronomistic narrative and eventually in the development of the biblical canon, reflecting the dominant view of contemporary scholarship)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_deut1_wenham.html,
http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_deut2_wenham.html (two-part discussion of the arguments for and against a 7th century BCE date for the creation of the book of Deuteronomy, reflecting a conservative scholarly viewpoint)

<http://www.bibleorigins.net/PrimaryHistory562BCE.html> (scholarly argument for an exilic date for the composition of the Deuteronomistic narrative)

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_14.pdf (scholarly article arguing for a post-exilic date and non-historicity of much of the material in the Deuteronomistic narrative)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Eve/Eve4Hist.pdf> (scholarly argument for the presence of two broad narrative traditions in the Hebrew Bible, not just one, and analyzes the viewpoints of each narrative)

<http://my.execpc.com/~stephwig/dtrnmst.html> (brief listing of the major themes of the Deuteronomistic narrative)

Chapter 20

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_canaan_bimson.html (scholarly critique of the major recent theories concerning the rise of biblical Israel)

<http://www.bibleorigins.net/Joshuaanomalies.html> (scholarly discussion of the many historical problems with Joshua's account of the conquest of Canaan, including arguments for an exilic date for the book)

http://journalofbiblicalstudies.org/Issue6/Origins_Revisited.pdf (scholarly defense of a revised version of the traditional conquest model for the rise of biblical Israel)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/conquest.html> (discussion of literary tensions within and between the books of Joshua and Judges and their significance for the historicity of the book of Joshua)

<http://www.mediasense.com/athena/jerusalem.htm> (overview of minimalist and maximalist views of the historicity of the biblical stories of David and Solomon)

<http://www.bibleorigins.net/davidicanomalies.html> (review of archaeological evidence pertaining to the date of composition of the stories about David)

<http://prophetess.ltc.edu/~rklein/Doc6/dsmyth.htm> (minimalist perspective on the historicity of David and Solomon)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/israelitekings.html> (chart listing the reigns of the kings of Israel and Judah in parallel columns)

<http://www.livius.org/cg-cm/chronicles/chron00.html>, <http://www.livius.org/ba-bd/babylon/babylonia.html> (readable overviews of the history of the Assyrian and Babylonian empires)

<http://www.livius.org/cg-cm/chronicles/chron00.html> (links to English translations of a variety of Assyrian and Babylonian cuneiform documents, including king lists, royal chronicles, and economic records)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_kingship_howard.html (scholarly analysis of the attitude toward kings and kingship in the Deuteronomistic narrative)

<http://www.kchanson.com/ARTICLES/king.html> (discussion of cross-cultural parallels to the Deuteronomistic narrative's repeated insistence on divine judgment against "bad kings")

Chapter 21

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/ancient/539cyrus1.html> (translations of the Cyrus Cylinder and the biblical narrative concerning the return of the exiles of Judah to their homeland)

<http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/ABDChr.htm> (scholarly introduction to the book of Chronicles)

<http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/synopsis.htm> (detailed, chapter-by-chapter comparison of the book of Chronicles with the book of Kings, showing how the author of Chronicles revised and adapted the material in his sources)

<http://www.directionjournal.org/article/?430> (examination of the different interpretive agendas of the authors of Kings and Chronicles)

<http://campus.houghton.edu/orgs/rel-phil/schultzweb/Ezra.htm> (overview of the historical framework of the return from exile as narrated in Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Eve/Eve5Nehemiah.pdf> (critical evaluation of the presence and effects of personal bias in Nehemiah's account of post-exilic events)

http://www.sbts.edu/pdf/sbjt/sbjt_2005fall3.pdf (analysis of theological perspectives in the book of Nehemiah)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/R/ruth.html>,
<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/R/ruth-the-book-of.html> (two-part encyclopedia article on the book of Ruth)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moab#Etymology> (article on Moab and the Moabites, presented here as background to the book of Ruth)

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_m0LAL/is_4_31/ai_94332361 (overview of the book of Esther, focusing on the implicit presence of God in the book)

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<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/J/judith-book-of.html> (encyclopedia article on the book of Judith)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/M/maccabees-books-of-1-2.html> (encyclopedia article on the books of Maccabees)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/M/maccabaeus-maccabees.html> (overview of the historical background of the books of Maccabees)

<http://www.jewishmag.com/27mag/archi/archi.htm> (discussion of archaeological evidence pertaining to the life and times of the Maccabees)

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<http://www.crivoice.org/torahholiness.html> (scholarly article that argues for understanding the term “Torah” in relational rather than legal terms)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/L/law-in-the-old-testament.html> (encyclopedia article on the history, nature, and content of the legal texts in the Hebrew Bible)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/613_Mitzvot (discussion and listing of the 613 commandments that Jews believe can be found in the Torah)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap3.html (overview of modern historical study of the origins of the Pentateuch and its laws, ending in the development of the “Documentary Hypothesis”)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/jedp.html> (description and discussion of the “Documentary Hypothesis”)

<http://www.bsw.org/?l=71861&a=Comm12pdf.html> (scholarly article comparing biblical and Mesopotamian law codes)

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/ancient/hamcode.html> (text and discussion of the Code of Hammurabi, a Mesopotamian law code that has many parallels with the laws of Torah)

Chapter 23

<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/483975/purification-rite> (thorough discussion of concepts and practices pertaining to ritual pollution and purification in various cultures, with special attention to their religious associations)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ritual_purification (overview of purification rituals in different religions)

http://books.google.com/books?id=JBhY9BQ7hIQC&pg=PA244&lpg=PA244&dq=household+passover+%22ancient+israel%22&source=bl&ots=m27bu62F8A&sig=Yq3idv7xswJ7tsrvn1YVyyYAiOk&hl=en&ei=US9zSvXSPI3IMeeqrLEM&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=23#v=onepage&q=household%20passover%20%22ancient%20israel%22&f=false (discussion of the meaning and practice of “holiness” and “purity” in the Hebrew Bible [pp. 131-51])

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/clean_sprinkle.pdf (examination of the content and purpose of purity laws in the Torah)

http://web.mac.com/lauraduhanka/plan/Writings/Library/Entries/2002/12/4_Ritual_Purity_-_Rational_Explinations.html (Jewish critique of three modern scholarly attempts to explain the purity system of the Torah)

<http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/faculty/princeton/KirkpatrickPurity0310.rtf> (comparative study of purity systems in ancient Jewish, Greek, and Roman religion through an anthropological lens)

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_87.pdf (scholarly article on the meaning of “holiness” in the Torah from an anthropological perspective)

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<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme154.htm> (quotes from the sacred texts of various world religions on the importance of basing human society on divine law)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme030.htm> (quotes from various world religions affirming the equal value of all humans)

<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/hebrewbible.htm> (scholarly article on the social visions of the Hebrew Bible, including but not limited to the Pentateuch)

http://www.lectio.unibe.ch/05_1/PDF/gerstenberger_women_in_old_testament.pdf (scholarly discussion of Torah laws pertaining to women)

<http://www.ivpress.com/title/exc/1781-X.pdf> (dictionary article on the content, development, meaning, and interpretation of the Decalogue/Ten Commandments [pp. 171-82])

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme014.htm> (quotes from the sacred texts of various world religions containing lists of duties that resemble the Ten Commandment)

Chapter 25

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme117.htm>, <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme119.htm>, <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme120.htm> (quotes from the sacred texts of various world religions on the value of prayer, meditation, and rituals as channels for encountering the supernatural realm)

<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/515425/sacred/66482/Basic-characteristics-of-the-sacred> (encyclopedia article on the centrality of “the sacred” in religious life and the role of sacred acts [rituals] in world religions)

<http://science.jrank.org/pages/8060/Rituals-in-Religion.html> (encyclopedia article [divided into six links] narrating the history of modern scholarly studies of religious rituals)

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_m0SOR/is_2_61/ai_63912433 (scholarly article describing the conceptual difficulties associated with modern attempts to study religious experiences)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Postmodern2/Sacred.html> (discussion of the concept of “sacred space” in comparative religions and ancient Israel)

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<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/berlinerblau1.htm> (scholarly article on the relation between “popular religion” and “official religion” in ancient Israel)

http://www.tyndalehouse.com/TynBul/Library/TynBull_2003_54_1_03_Gome_OTPopularReligion.doc (review of the history of scholarship on “popular religion” in ancient Israel and its relation to “official religion”)

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<http://adoraremente.sbts.edu/wp-content/uploads/2008/05/the-meaning-of-circumcision-in-israel-a-proposal-for-a-transfer-of-rite-from-egypt-to-israel.pdf> (historical background for the practice of circumcision in ancient Israel)

http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/judaica/ejud_0002_0003_0_03085.html (discussion of blessing and cursing in the Hebrew Bible)

http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/judaica/ejud_0002_0019_0_19745.html (overview of the meaning and use of teraphim [household gods?] in ancient Israel)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/A/amulet.html> (encyclopedia article on the use of amulets in the Hebrew Bible and the ancient Near East)

Chapter 27

<http://www.ivpress.com/title/exc/1781-X.pdf> (dictionary article on divination in ancient Israel and the Hebrew Bible [pp. 193-97])

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/D/divination.html> (encyclopedia article on divination in the Hebrew Bible and the ancient Near East)

<http://faculty.biu.ac.il/~barilm/witches.html> (scholarly article on witches in the Hebrew Bible and later Jewish literature)

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_88.pdf (scholarly article on attitudes toward “sorcery” and communication with the dead in the book of Leviticus)

<http://www.bib-arch.org/e-features/ancient-medicine.asp> (article on medical practiced in ancient Israel and the surrounding nations, including the role of religion and religious specialists)

<http://www.britannica.com/bps/additionalcontent/18/9326663/THE-HIGH-PLACES-BAlineM%C3%AET-AND-THE-REFORMS-OF-JEZEKIAH-AND-JOSIAH-AN-ARCHAEOLOGICAL-INVESTIGATION> (discussion of the biblical and archaeological evidence pertaining to “high places” in ancient Palestine and efforts to eliminate them)

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<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/Stones.htm> (discussion of the religious significance of the many stone pillars [*masseboth*] that have been found in southern Israel and Jordan)

<http://www.jonesdl.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/04/asherah-paper.pdf> (discussion of the evidence for worship of Asherah in ancient Palestine, including her relation to Yahweh)

<http://etd.unisa.ac.za/ETD-db/theses/available/etd-08192005-082659/unrestricted/05chapter4b.pdf> (review of archaeological findings that might pertain to the practice of household religion by women in ancient Palestine [pp. 261-73])

<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/HouseReligion.htm> (scholarly article on the role of women in family/household religion)

http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&source=web&ct=res&cd=19&url=http%3A%2F%2Fdia.lnet.unirioja.es%2Fservlet%2Ffichero_articulo%3Fcodigo%3D2313491%26orden%3D83678&ei=xxlzSr2ADY2cMYqr0bEM&rct=j&q=%22household+religion%22+%22ancient+israel%22&usg=AFQjCNFe2RuK2gS_zkxObyqW8_IRIDZkNQ (scholarly article on infant mortality in ancient Palestine and religious rituals performed by women in the home to protect their children)

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http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/jtvi/tabernacle_orr.pdf (conservative scholarly defense of the historicity of the Mosaic tabernacle)

<http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Jeroboam> (encyclopedia article on king Jeroboam, builder of the shrines at Dan and Bethel in the northern kingdom of Israel)

<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/politics.shtml> (scholarly article on the relation of religion and politics in ancient Israel and Judah)

<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/Schniedewind.shtml> (scholarly analysis of 2 Samuel 7, where Yahweh promises David an eternal dynasty in Judah)

<http://prophetess.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/mssmith.htm> (scholarly review of recent studies on the relation of Yahweh to other gods in the religious life of ancient Israel)

<http://www.usu.edu/markdamen/ANE/asherah.pdf> (discussion of evidence for viewing ancient Israel as a polytheistic society, even at the state level)

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solomon%27s_Temple (overview of biblical and historical evidence for the Jerusalem temple and its operation)

http://www.thewebfairy.com/israelbaal/solomon_temple.html (artist's reconstruction of the exterior and interior of the Jerusalem temple)

http://new.netours.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=141&Itemid=26&limit=1&limitstart=1 (description and photos of the ruins at Arad in southern Judah, focusing on the history of the temple found at this site)

http://cojs.org/cojswiki/The_Remarkable_Discoveries_at_Tel_Dan,_John_C._H._Laughlin,_BAR_7:05,_Sep/Oct_1981 (story of the discovery of Jeroboam's royal shrine at Dan [in the northern kingdom] and description of the ruins there)

<http://teldan.wordpress.com/israelite-temple> (short narrative and photos of the remains of the royal shrine at Dan)

<http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Bethel> (overview of the biblical descriptions of the royal shrine at Bethel)

<http://www.enotes.com/food-encyclopedia/sacrifice> (encyclopedia article on animal sacrifice and the purposes that it serves)

<http://www.islamawareness.net/Hajj/sacrafice.html> (description of reasons for animal sacrifice in Islam)

<http://www.africaspeaks.com/reasoning/index.php?topic=3340.0> (two short pieces describing the reasons for sacrifices and offerings in the religion of Santeria)

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<http://benabuya.com/2006/09/24/kill-ing-me-softly-cultic-infanticide-in-ancient-israel> (evidence for child sacrifice in the Hebrew Bible)

http://christ.org.tw/bible_and_theology/Bible/Burnt_Offering_of_Children.htm (another article on child sacrifice in the ancient near East, including Israel)

Chapter 30

<http://users.ox.ac.uk/~sben0056/psalms> (book-length study of the book of Psalms, including brief commentaries on a number of individual psalms)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/psalmgenre.html> (overview article on major aspects of the psalms)

http://biblical-studies.ca/pdfs/Shape_of_Psalter_chart.pdf (chart showing the organizational structure of the book of Psalms)

<http://theologytoday.ptsem.edu/jul1988/v45-2-article3.htm> (discussion of the nature and purpose of psalms of praise and thanksgiving)

<http://www.xenos.org/classes/psalms/psweek2.htm> (overview of lament psalms)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Postmodern2/King.html> (scholarly article on the vital role of the king in the book of Psalms)

<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/M/music.html> (discussion of the types of musical instruments mentioned in the Hebrew Bible, especially the book of Psalms)

Chapter 31

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme017.htm>, <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme158.htm> (quotes from various world religions condemning those who do evil and threatening divine judgment against kings and societies who fail to do what is right)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme151.htm> (quotes from various world religions showing prophets and other religious leaders confronting secular authorities about their conduct)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shaman> (wide-ranging discussion of the roles and activities of shamans in various cultures)

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<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/479082/prophecy> (encyclopedia article that discusses key issues pertaining to the prophets of the Hebrew Bible and relates them to similar phenomena in the ancient Near East and other world religions)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/prophetschart.html> (chart showing the dates when various prophets appear to have lived and their relation to the kingdoms of Israel and Judah)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_prophets_stuart.html (discussion of how the biblical prophets viewed themselves and their messages)

<http://www.ivpress.com/title/exc/1781-X.pdf> (dictionary article on the role of dreams as a mode of divine revelation in the Hebrew Bible [pp. 197-200])

<http://www.bibleinterp.com/articles/hebrewbible.htm> (scholarly article on the social visions of the Hebrew Bible, including but not limited to the books of the prophets)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/socialethics.html> (discussion of the social ethics of the biblical prophets and their relation to the social laws of the Torah)

http://fontes.lstc.edu/~rklein/Documents/day_of_yahweh.htm (scholarly article on the motif of divine judgment in the books of the prophets as embodied in the phrase, “day of the Lord”)

http://www.luthersem.edu/word&world/Archives/23-4_David/23-4_Waschke.pdf (review of biblical texts pertaining to the coming of a “Messiah” from the line of David, including but not limited to the books of the prophets)

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<http://www.internationalstandardbible.com/E/elisha.html> (encyclopedia article on Elisha)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap17.html (discussion of the contents, history, and messages of the books of Amos and Hosea)

<http://www.bible.gen.nz/amos/people/amos.htm> (overview of the context and message of the book of Amos)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/vox/vol06/amos_allen.pdf (scholarly article on the social dimension of Amos’s message)

<http://www.davidnblack.com/articles/Theology%20of%20an%20OT%20Book%20HOSEAnew.htm> (overview of the theology of the book of Hosea)

<http://jwa.org/encyclopedia/article/gomer-bible> (discussion of various scholarly interpretations of the story of Hosea and Gomer in Hosea 1-3)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap18.html (discussion of the contents, history, and messages of the books of Isaiah and Micah)

http://www.myjewishlearning.com/texts/Bible/Prophets/Latter_Prophets/Isaiah.shtml (overview of the life and ministry of Isaiah)

<http://www.cresourcei.org/isaiahunity.html> (review of arguments and evidence pertaining to the unity and dating of the various parts of the book of Isaiah)

http://98.131.162.170/tynbul/library/TynBull_1985_36_05_Dumbrell_PurposeOfIsaiah.pdf (scholarly discussion of the meaning and purpose of the various subsections of the book of Isaiah)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/vox/vol08/micah_allen.pdf (description of the social vision of the book of Micah)

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<http://soniclight.org/vandine/analyses/pdf/Zephaniah.pdf> (overview of the background and contents of the book of Zephaniah)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap20.html (overview of the historical context and messages of the books of Nahum, Habakkuk, and Jeremiah)

<http://bible.org/article/book-nahum> (discussion of the context, structure, and message of the book of Nahum)

http://98.131.162.170/tynbul/library/TynBull_1993_44_1_02_Thompson_PrayerTheophany_Hab.pdf (overview of the contents and message of the book of Habakkuk)

http://98.131.162.170/tynbul/library/TynBull_1991_42_1_04_McConville_Jeremiah.pdf (scholarly article examining both sides of the argument over how much we can know about the prophet Jeremiah from the book that bears his name)

http://www.luthersem.edu/word&world/Archives/22-4_Jeremiah/22-4_Viviano.pdf (discussion of the character of the prophet Jeremiah as depicted in the book of Jeremiah)

http://www.luthersem.edu/word&world/Archives/22-4_Jeremiah/22-4_Searcy.pdf (summary of Jeremiah's challenges to the ideologies and leadership of the nation of Judah)

http://www.luthersem.edu/word&world/Archives/22-4_Jeremiah/22-4_Bracke.pdf (analysis of the social justice dimension of Jeremiah's message)

<http://bible.org/article/introduction-book-ezekiel> (overview of the historical background of Ezekiel's message, including a chart showing the dates given in the book for his oracles)

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<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Lam.html> (introduction to the book of Lamentations and commentary on its major sections)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap21.html (description of the early period of the Babylonian exile as background for understanding Ezekiel and his message)

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/SFS/an0700.asp> (overview of the prophet Ezekiel's times and message)

<http://www.ot-studies.com/Documents/faithful.htm> (detailed analysis of Ezekiel's message to the exiles of Judah in Babylonia)

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http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_m0LAL/is_2_34/ai_n6148040 (analysis of the message of Second Isaiah as an address to the psychologically traumatized refugees of Judah in Babylonia)

<http://lizfried.com/Documents/Cyrus%20the%20Messiah.pdf> (scholarly article reviewing the historical background of references to the Persian king Cyrus as "Messiah" in Second Isaiah)

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http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap24.html (description of the early post-exilic era as background for understanding the prophets of this period)

<http://bible.org/seriespage/conceptions-davidic-hope-ezekiel-zechariah-haggai-and-chronicles> (study of texts pertaining to the coming of a new Davidic king in Ezekiel, Zechariah, Haggai, and Chronicles)

<http://bible.org/seriespage/haggai> (historical introduction and commentary on the text of the book of Haggai)

http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/JHS/Articles/article_96.pdf (scholarly article on the centrality of the Jerusalem temple in Haggai's prophecies)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/academic/A-C/biblst/DJACcurrres/InterestedParties/IntParties3Haggai.pdf> (another scholarly article on Haggai's view of the temple)

<http://bible.org/seriespage/zechariah> (historical introduction and commentary on the text of the book of Zechariah by a scholar who credits chapters 9-14 to Zechariah rather than a later author)

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<http://bible.org/seriespage/malachi> (historical introduction and commentary on the text of the book of Malachi)

<http://books.google.com/books?id=2Vo-11umIZQC&pg=PA536&lpg=PA536&dq=%22trito-Isaiah%22&source=bl&ots=5QdUcY2wQQ&sig=QiTvXBaCIFOAIux7X8eoah->

[mTSs&hl=en&ei=XEJ3SqblG4vvlAekifSACA&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=19#v=onepage&q=joel&f=false](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joel&document=NIV) (introduction and commentary on the text of the book of Joel [pp. 686-89])

http://www.myjewishlearning.com/texts/Bible/Prophets/Latter_Prophets/The_12_Minor_Prophets/Jonah.shtml (survey of different historical interpretations of the book of Jonah)

<http://www.kerux.com/documents/KeruxV8N3A2.asp> (discussion of the important place of paradox in the story of Jonah)

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http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/apocalyptic_morris.pdf (online text of a scholarly but readable book on apocalyptic literature in the Hebrew Bible and the Christian New Testament)

<http://rshendel.googlepages.com/Hendellsaiah.pdf> (scholarly article on the relation between the prophetic books of the Hebrew Bible and apocalyptic texts)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/eq/origin_ladd.pdf (discussion of the relationship between apocalyptic thought and the broader theology of the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible)

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http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/daniel_wenham.pdf (overview of disagreements between conservative scholars and others regarding the dating of the book of Daniel)

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/SFS/an0901.asp> (discussion of the apocalyptic nature of the dreams and visions in Daniel 7-12, including their theology)

[http://books.google.com/books?id=2KvkeRU8ar4C&dq="zechariah+9-14"&printsec=frontcover&source=bl&ots=ARR-CSXgSX&sig=UUGgJ1NaC3c4JfcpWm4Szxlyfs8&hl=en&ei=QUI3SrPvNIPmM4KGybEM&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=20#v=onepage&q=&f=false](http://books.google.com/books?id=2KvkeRU8ar4C&dq=) (scholarly introduction to Zechariah 9-14 [pp. 23-29])

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<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme016.htm> (quotes from various world religions expressing belief in a cosmic order behind, beyond, or within the visible world)

<http://www.unification.net/ws/theme110.htm> (quotes from various world religions that call on humans to seek wisdom and knowledge)

http://www.infidels.org/library/modern/gerald_larue/otll/chap28.html (overview of biblical wisdom books)

<http://campus.houghton.edu/orgs/rel-phil/schultzweb/tchrinistr.html> (article on education in ancient Israel)

<http://www.theotherpages.org/quote-05.html> (collection of nearly 700 proverbs from various cultures around the world)

http://faculty.gordon.edu/hu/bi/Ted_Hildebrandt/OTeSources/20-Proverbs/Text/Articles/Waltke_ProverbsANE_BSac.pdf (scholarly article comparing biblical proverbs with similar materials across the ancient Near East)

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Book_of_Job (overview of the story line, origins, and interpretation of the book of Job)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/academic/A-C/biblst/DJACcurrres/PoeticAchievement.pdf> (scholarly article on the poetic quality of the book of Job)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/Eve/Eve5DeconJob.pdf> (scholarly article examining tensions within the book of Job)

<http://campus.houghton.edu/orgs/rel-phil/schultzweb/JOBSTUDY.html> (analysis of the strange and troubling depiction of God in the book of Job)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/pdf/qoheleth_bartholomew.pdf (scholarly survey of historic and contemporary approaches to the interpretation of the book of Ecclesiastes)

http://www.luthersem.edu/word&world/Archives/7-3_Wisdom/7-3_Murphy.pdf (examination of the faith perspective of the book of Ecclesiastes)

http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_song1_tanner.html (overview of the history of Jewish and Christian interpretations of the Song of Songs)

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qa3818/is_199810/ai_n8822504 (another scholarly article on the history of interpretation of the Song of Songs)

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/bibs/DJACcurrres/InterestedParties/IntParties5Song.pdf> (analysis of the social setting of the Song of Songs and its effects on readers)

http://faculty.gordon.edu/hu/bi/Ted_Hildebrandt/OTeSources/22-SongOfSongs/Text/Articles/Davidson-SongofSongs-AUSS.htm (examination of the theology of sexuality in the Song of Songs)