

Introduction to Pentateuch -- February 21, 1950

1. (10) Jean Astruc was a distinguished French physician, who anonymously published a book on Biblical criticism.
2. (5) in 1753
3. (10) He firmly believed that Moses wrote the Pentateuch.
4. (10) His book deals only with Genesis (plus the first two chapters of Exodus.)
5. (9) He thought that Moses used written sources in writing Genesis.
6. (9) He thought Moses incorporated these sources verbatim, simply placing a section of one after a section of another.
7. (10) He thought he could determine which parts of Genesis came from each source.
8. (20) His principle clue was the idea that one main source always spoke of the deity as Elohim (God) and the other as Jehovah (LORD in A. V.)
9. (10) On this basis he thought that Genesis was made up of sections from two main sources, divided on the basis of the divine names, and of short passages from other sources.
10. (2) His book had little influence at the time,
11. (3) but the idea it contained was of outstanding importance in the later development of the Higher Criticism.

Handwritten calculations:

$$\begin{array}{r} 78.57 \\ 98 \overline{) 77.0000} \\ \underline{686} \\ 840 \\ \underline{784} \\ 560 \\ \underline{490} \\ 700 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{r} .92 \\ 23 \overline{) 23.00} \\ \underline{225} \\ 50 \end{array}$$