

suggestions' on book for Pentateuchal criticism

1. If scholars today believe they have gone beyond Wellhausen or given up large parts of his theory, shouldn't this be dealt with more explicitly, either to show them wrong or acknowledge their claims?

this point seems to pivot around the importance of the evolutionary and developmental hypothesis to the Wellhausen theory as a whole.

Some recent scholars may consider the documentary hypothesis a contribution from pre-Wellhausen days; ordering the documents chronologically should be Wellhausen.

2. Epistemological considerations would be helpful beginning at 1.41:

are there just four ways of approaching the Bible and Pentateuch?

3. In the tendencies of the by-gone age (3), should evolution be mentioned?

4. 5.17- although most books present the Graf-Wellhausen hypothesis with very little change, what about the rise of form-critical approaches in Germany (including religio-historical school), and the tradition-history of Scandinavia.

5. 5.19- Hupfeld and Ilgen's idea is not given

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I stopped reading at 7.1 in detail