

## Critical Theories

Simpson (Early Traditions of Israel, p. 551) says that J2 did not ascribe the making of the ark of Moses because he was ~~moved~~ by a certain antagonism to the temple and he was opposed to the Zadokite priesthood~~s~~ which controlled it. Therefore J2 fails to mention the ark even though when he wrote this was an important cult object of the sanctuary at Jerusalem. ~~Again, on p. 822, Simpson says~~