

Characteristic Features of E

A marked awareness of the distance between God and man is undoubtedly a recognized characteristic of the Elohist.⁵⁶ ((Beyerlin, W., Origins and History of the Oldest Sinaitic Traditions, trans. by S. Rudman(Basil Blackwell, 1965) p. 9))
Footnote 56 Cf. O. Eissfeldt, Einleitung in das Alte Testament, 2nd ed., p. 218; A. Weiser, Introduction to the Old Testament, p. 114.

2. The idea that God dwells on the mountain and does not just descend on it is also characteristic of the Elohist.⁵⁸ (Beyerlin, W., op. cit., pp. 9, 10)
Footnote 58 Cf. O. Eissfeldt, Hexateuch-Synopse, p. 46.

3. The attempt to preserve a distance between God and the people (W. Beyerlin, Origins and History . . . p. 124

Existence of E

G. Fohrer, IOT, p. 153

Some deny the existence of such a source stratum altogether

IBid, p. 154

It is understandable that Volz and Rudolph went a step further and denied the very existence of E. In their view, we are dealing instead solely with expansions and parallel traditions to J, or varying age and authorship.