

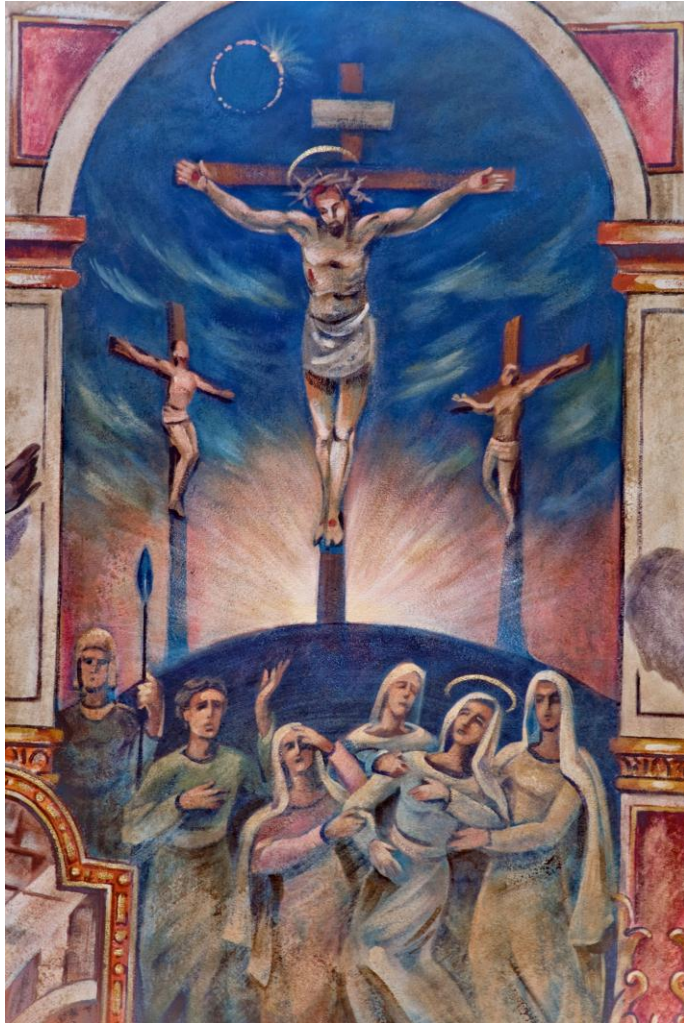
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## **The Canon** **Lesson 3 – Part 1**

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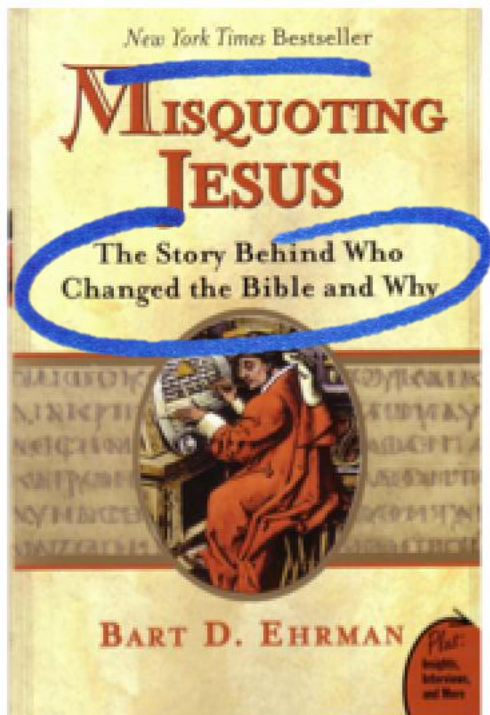


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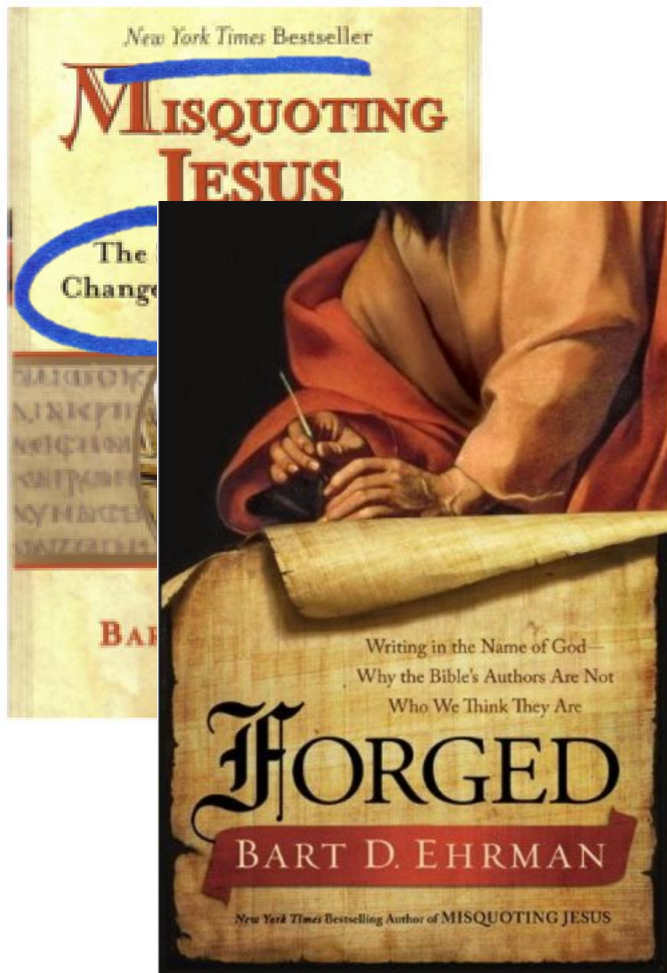




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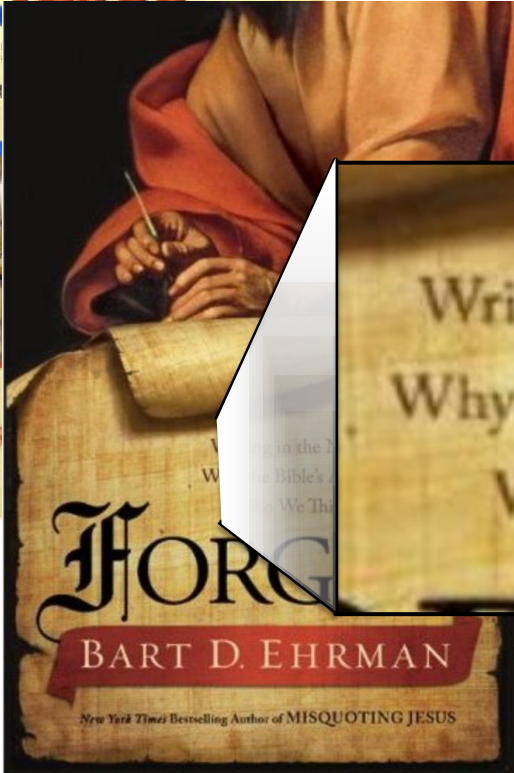
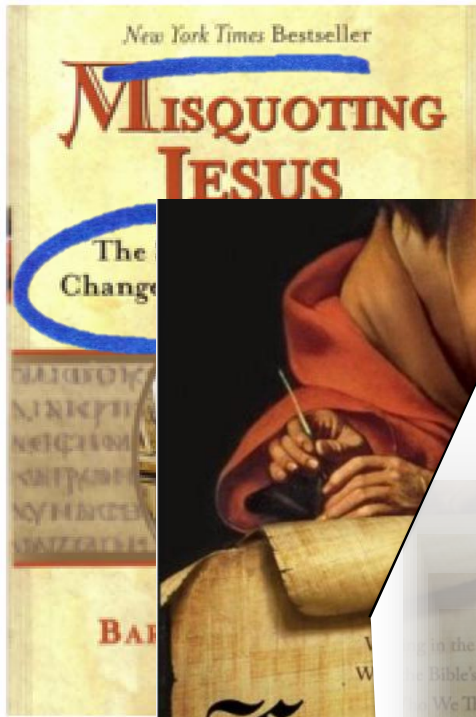




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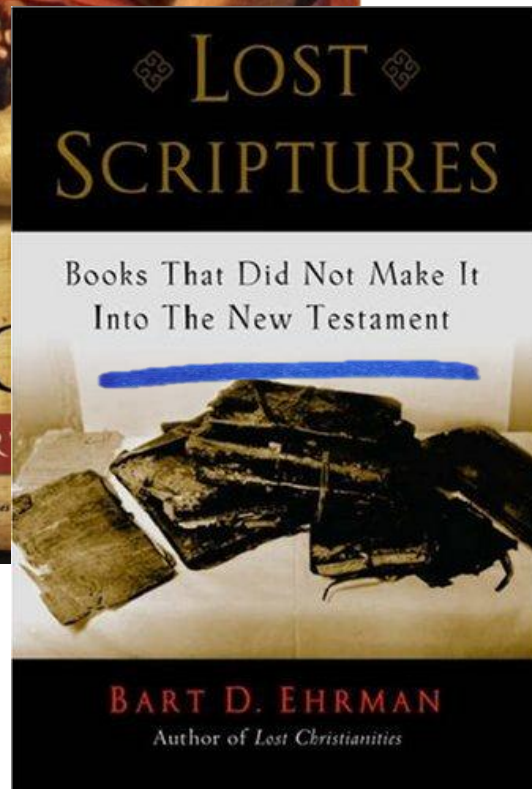
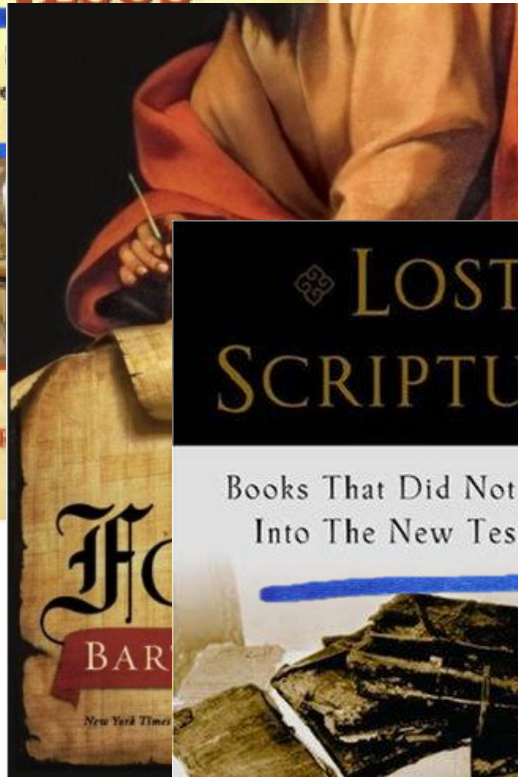
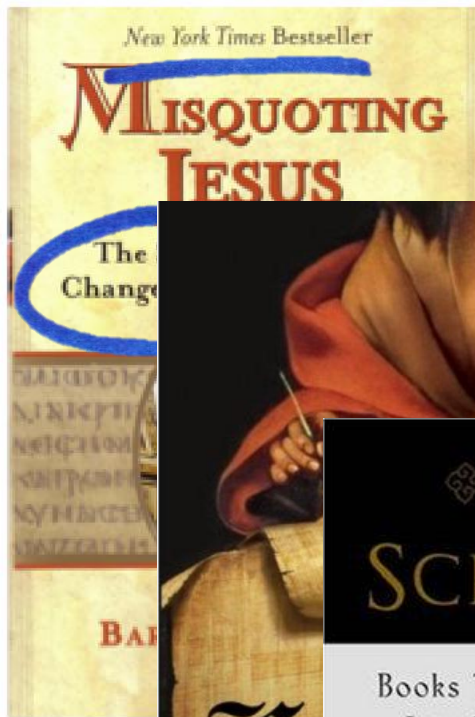


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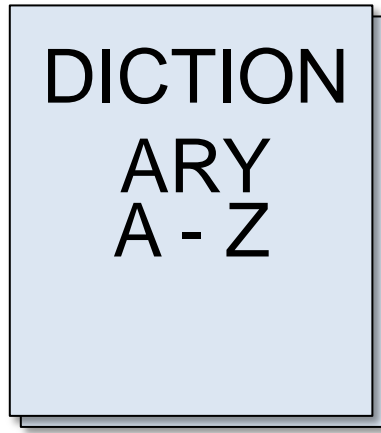
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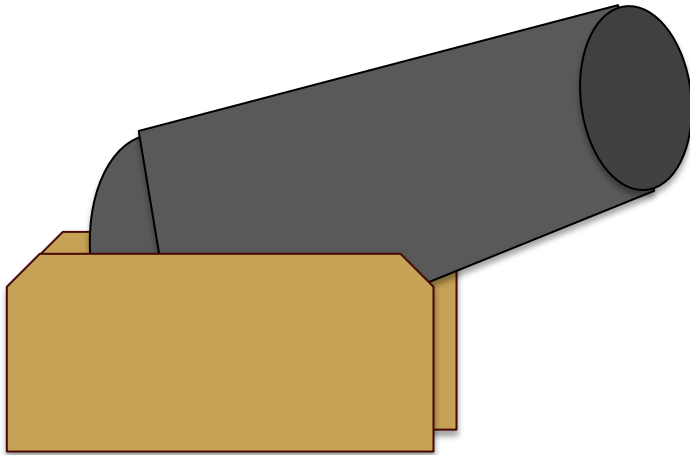
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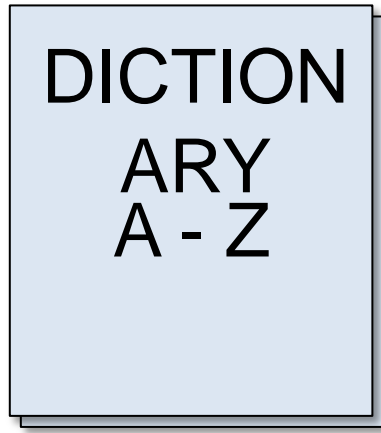
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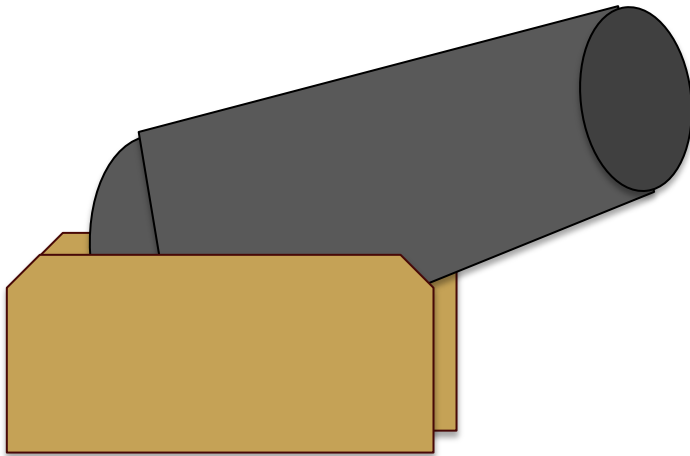


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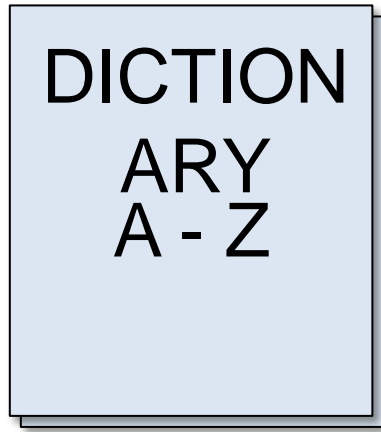




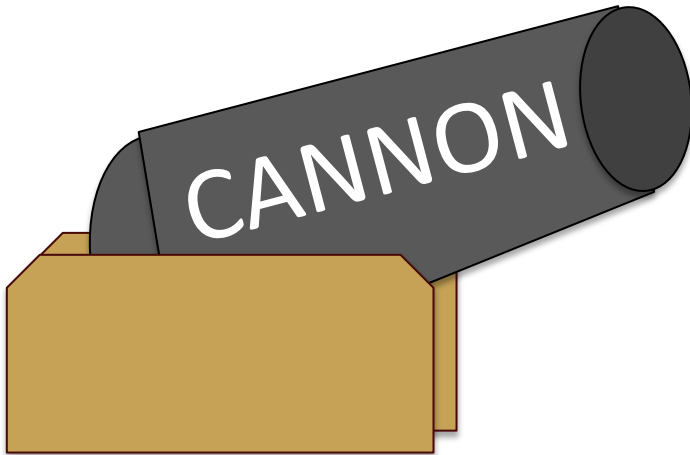
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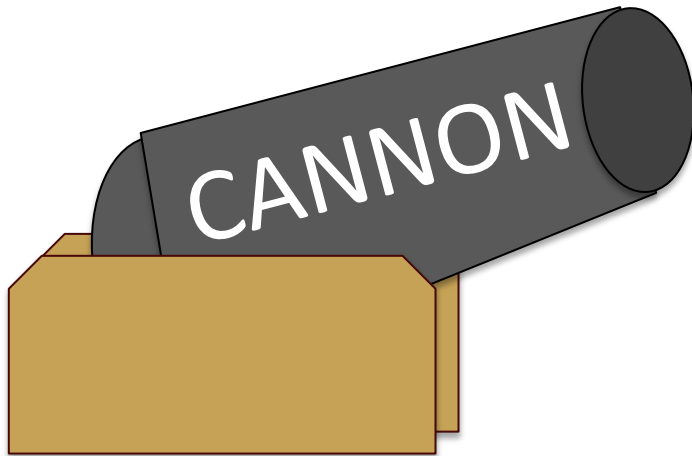
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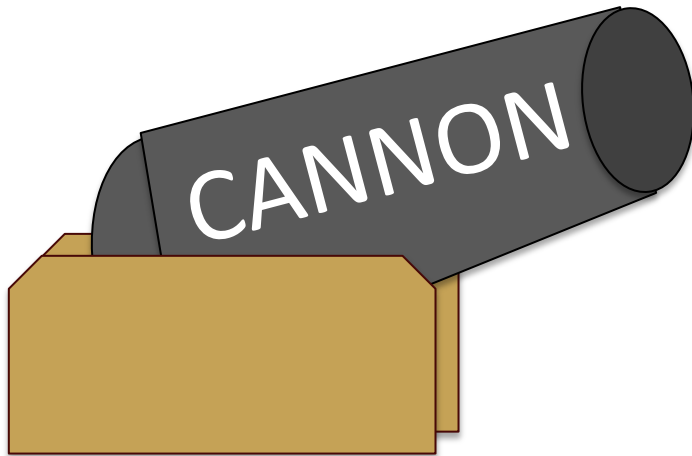
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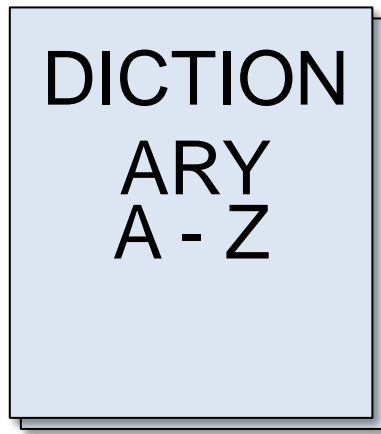
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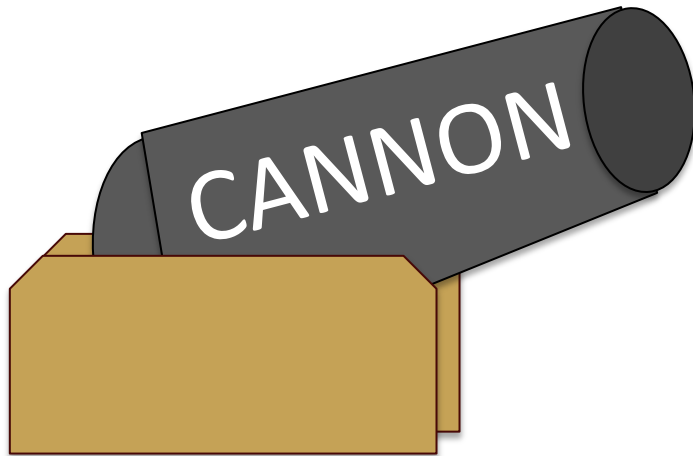
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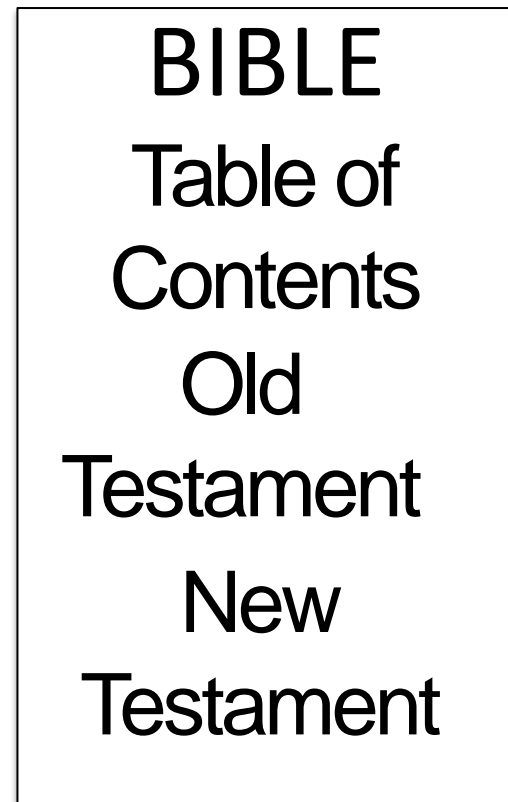


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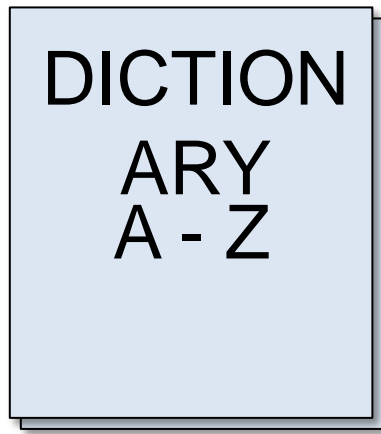
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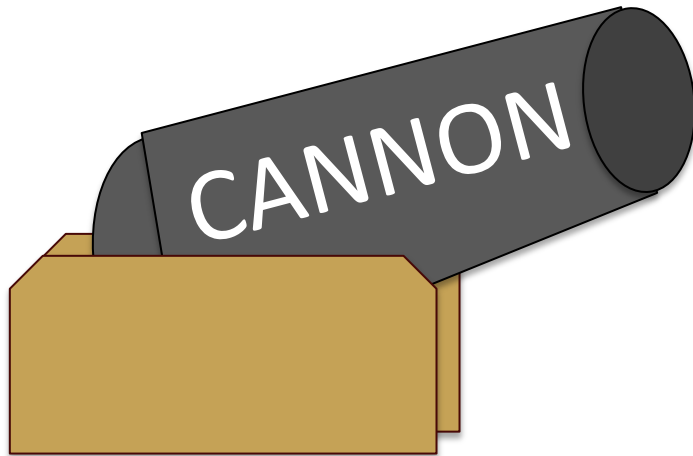


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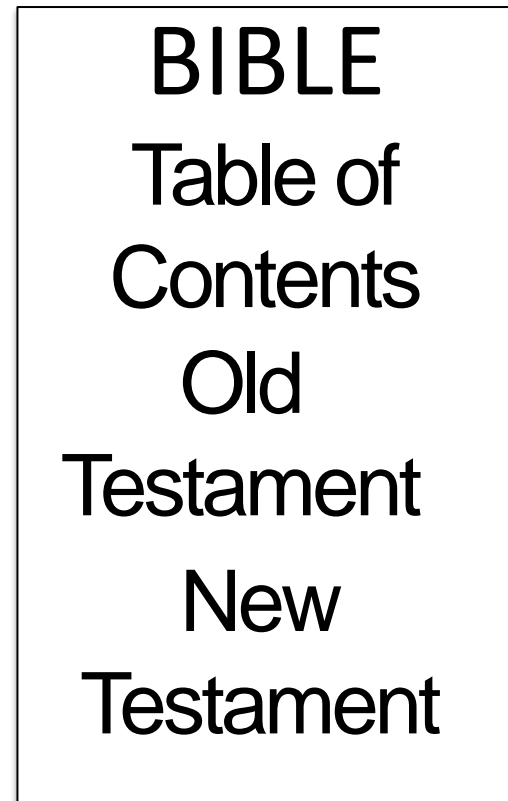


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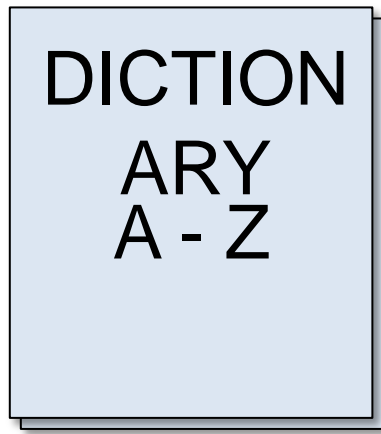
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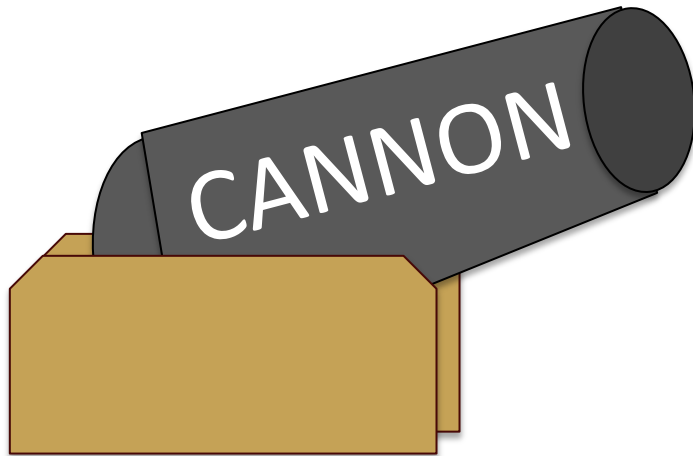


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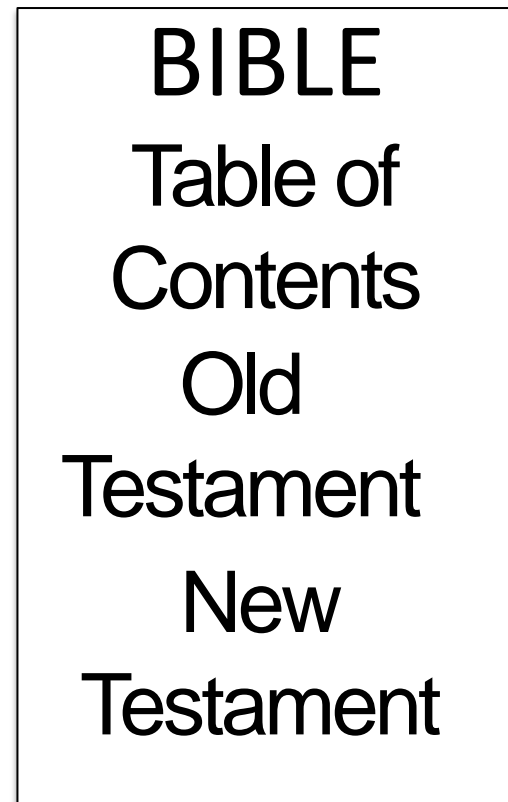


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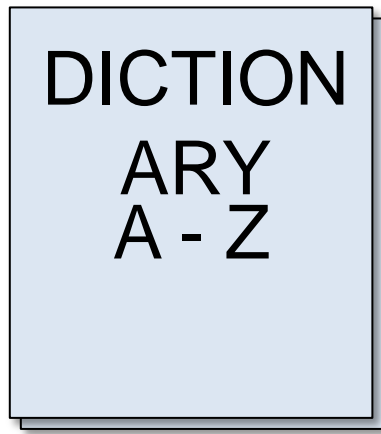


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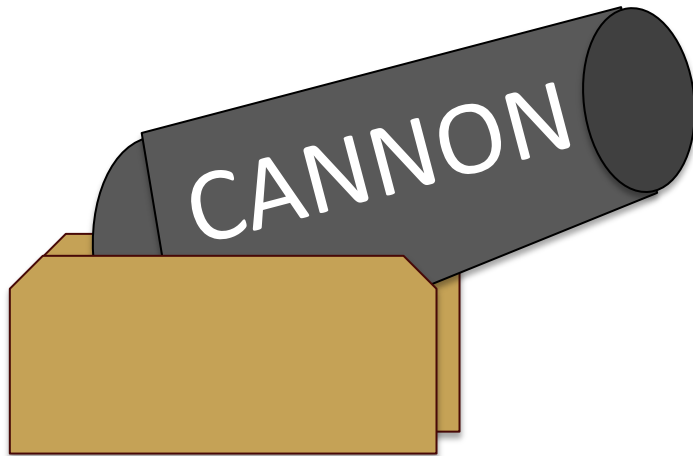
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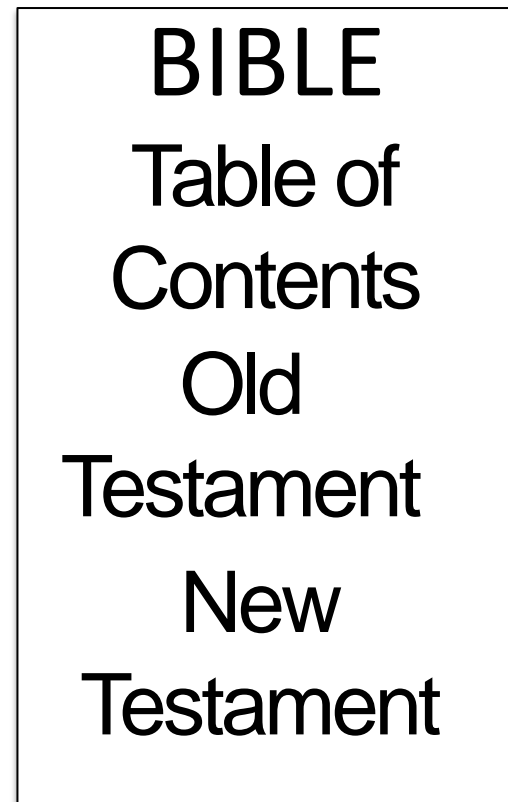


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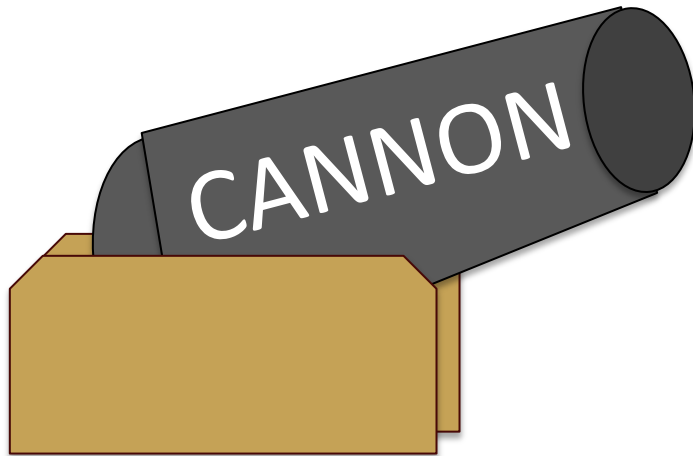


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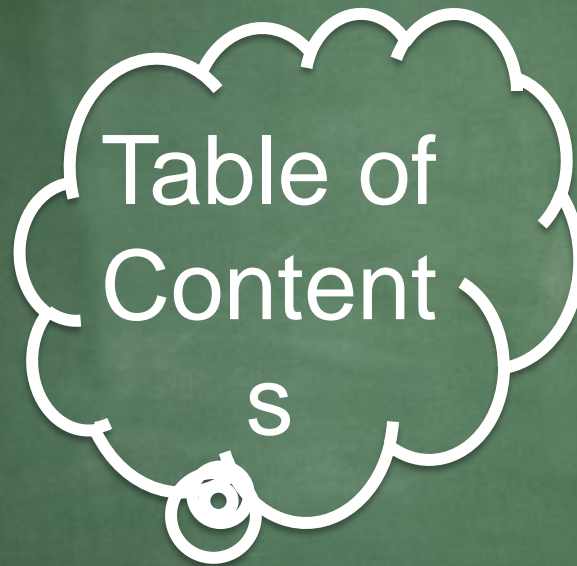
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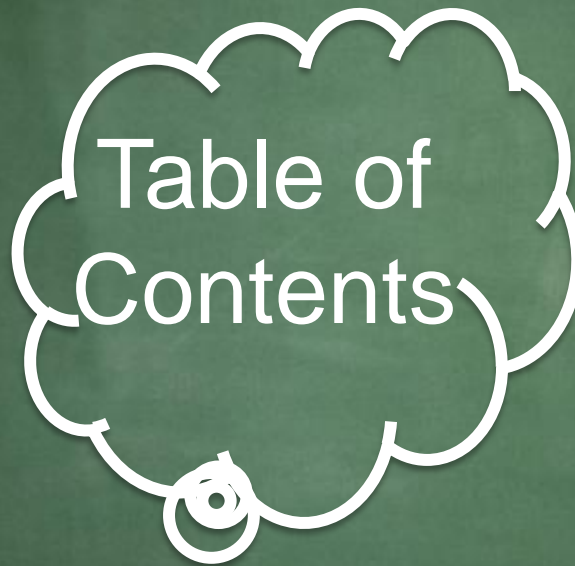


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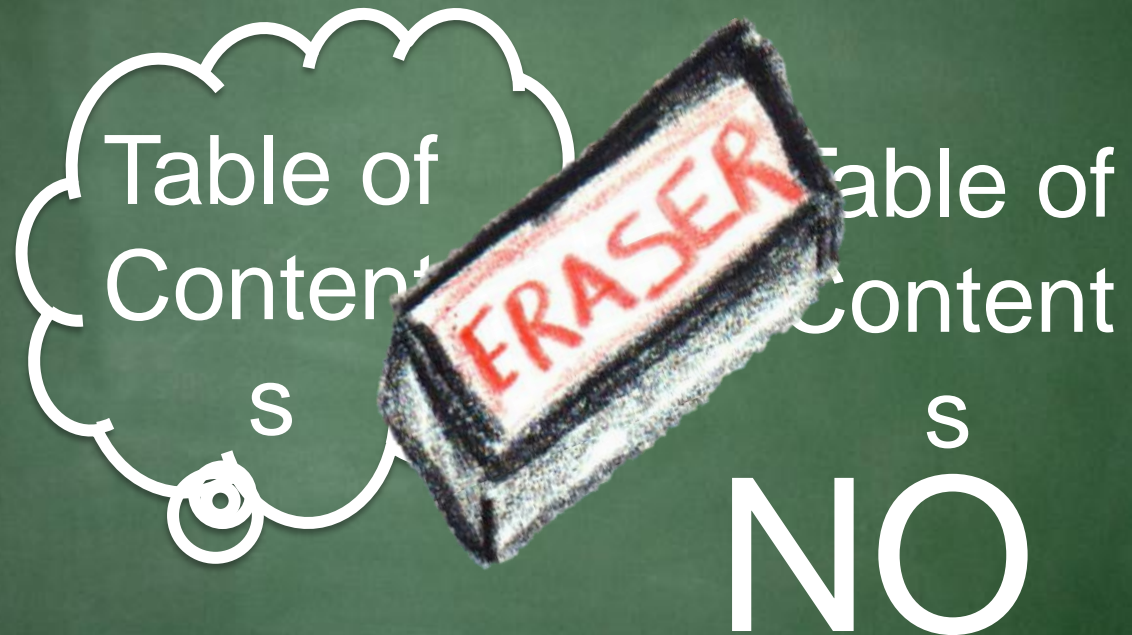
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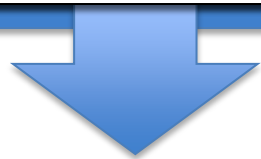
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who works in you both to will  
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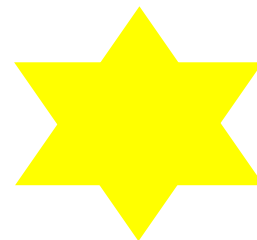
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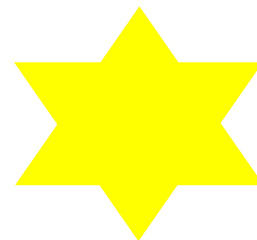
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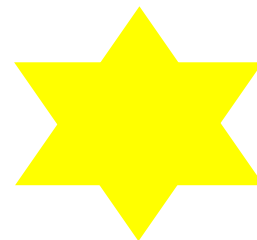
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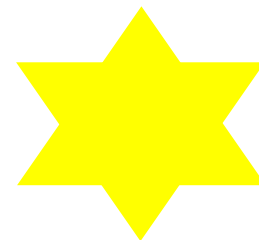
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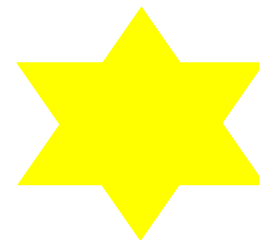
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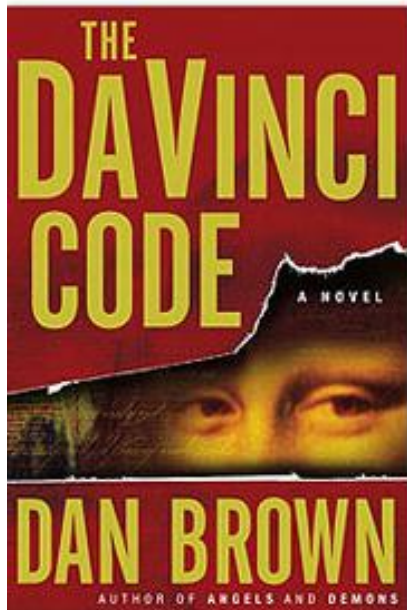


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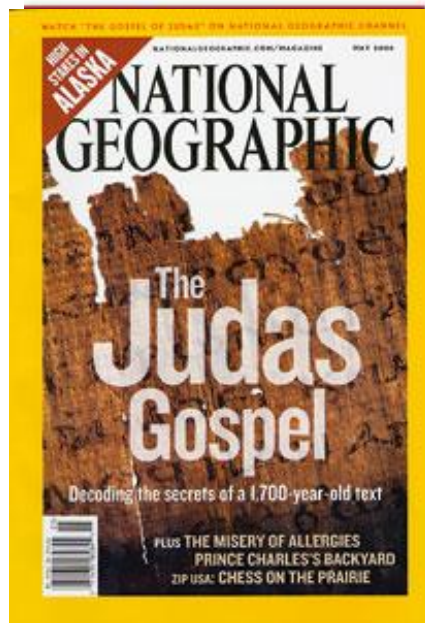


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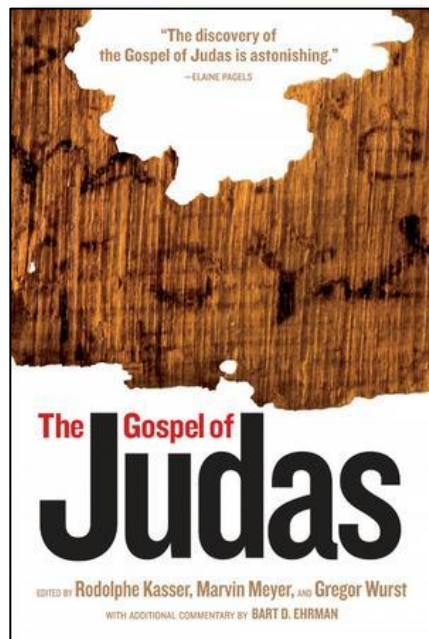


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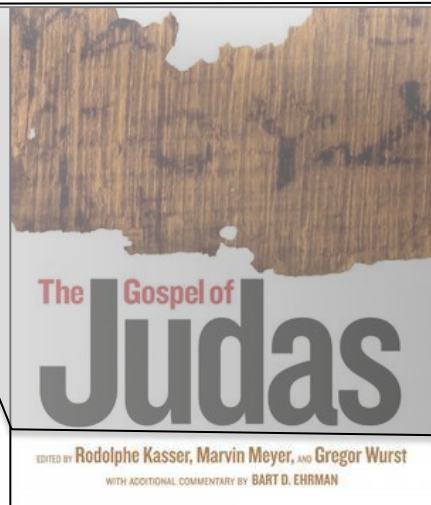
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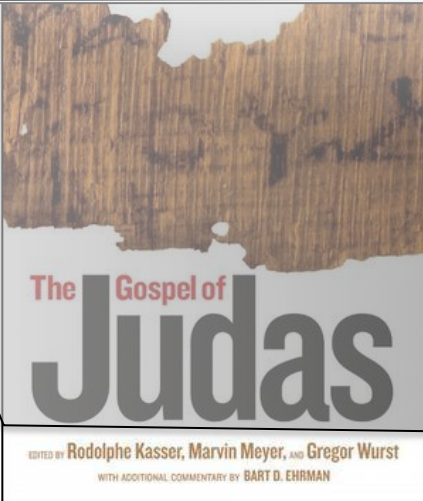
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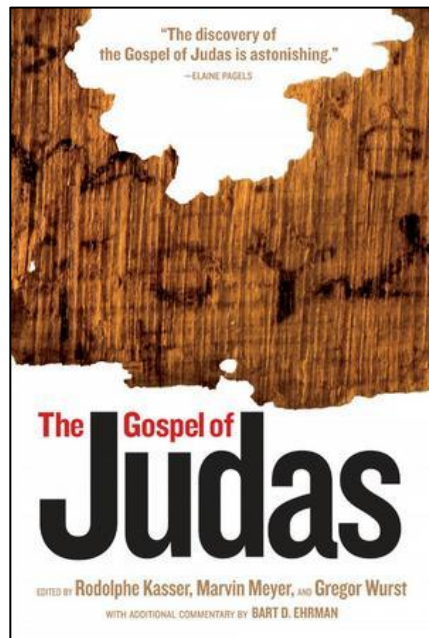
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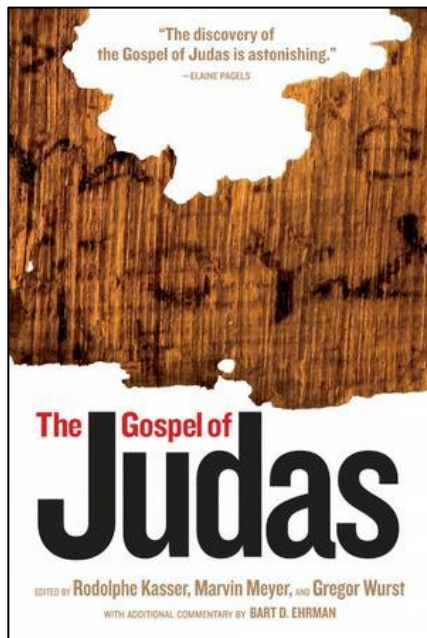
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## FACT:

The Gospel of Judas  
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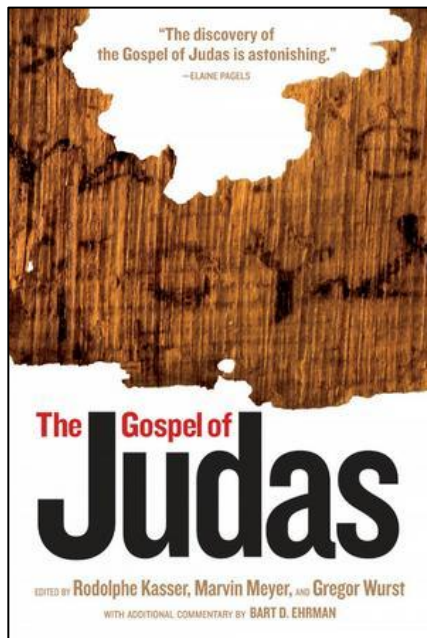


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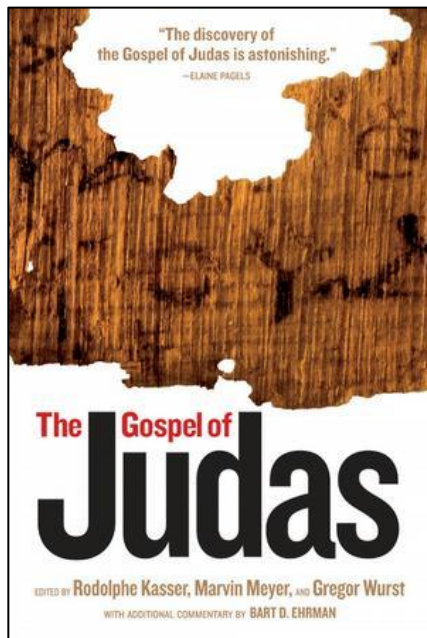
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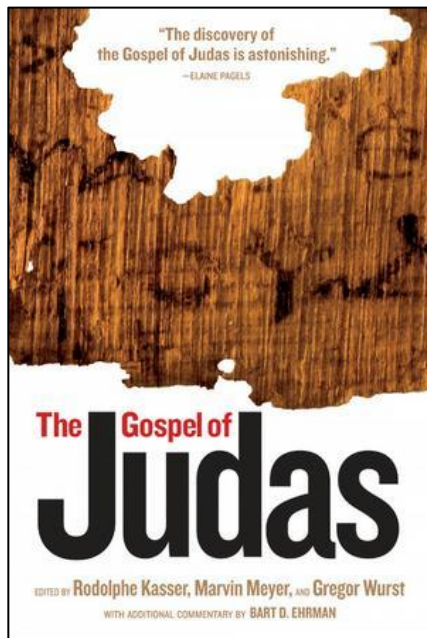
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“Paul, an apostle through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead” (Gal. 1:1)

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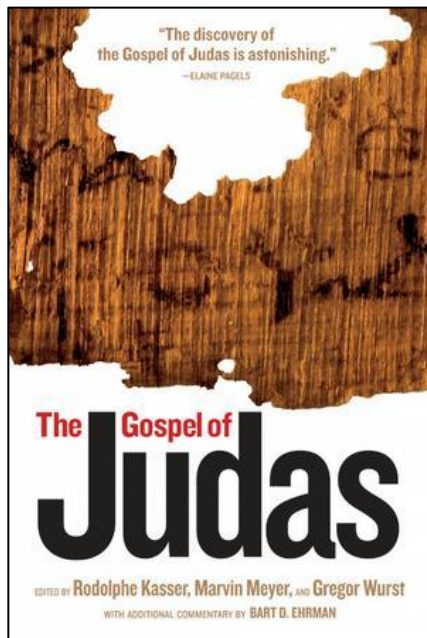
The Gospel of Judas runs contrary to a resurrected Jesus. It is NOT a view that goes “all the way back to Jesus and his apostles”

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“Even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed” (Gal. 1:6-9)

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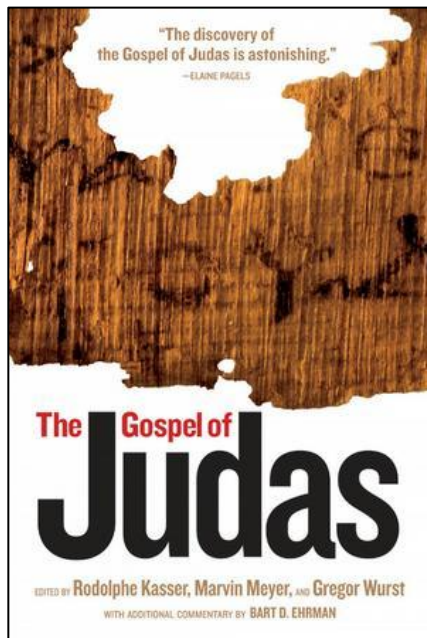
**FACT:**

Paul judged heretical gospels,  
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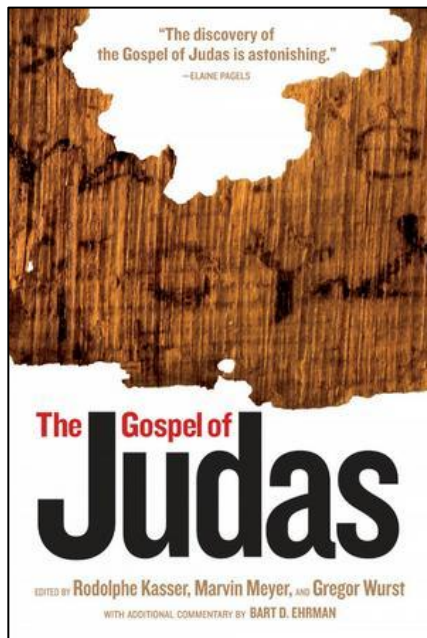
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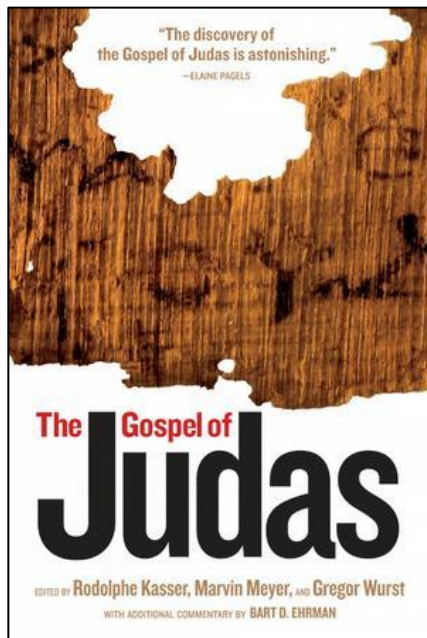
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**FACT:**

The early church accepted the  
our gospels before any of these  
later ones were even written.



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**Was Jesus married?**  
**Papyrus may give clue**



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Ancient papyrus fragment refers to  
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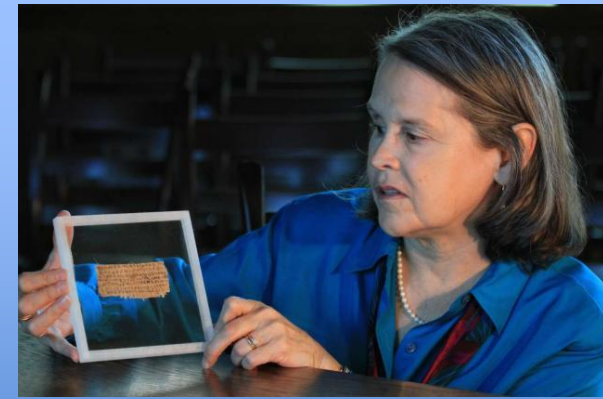
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## CONSIDER:

“At least don’t say  
this proves Dan  
Brown right.”



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## FACT:



This does not support  
the Da Vinci Code!

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## CONSIDER:

“She repeatedly cautioned that this fragment should not be taken as proof that Jesus, the historical person, was actually married.”



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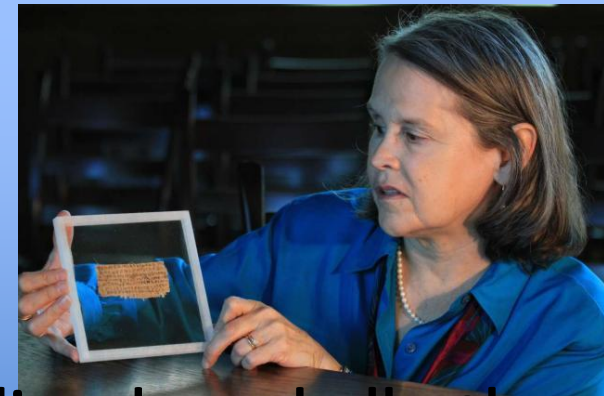


This does not mean  
Jesus was married!

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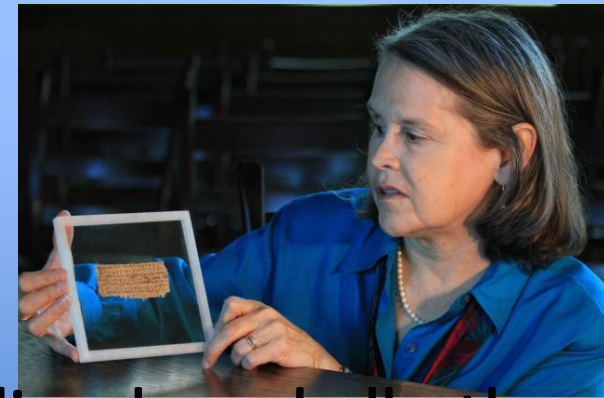
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## FACT:



Prominent women in the cosmic order are a typical heresy from the gnostic age

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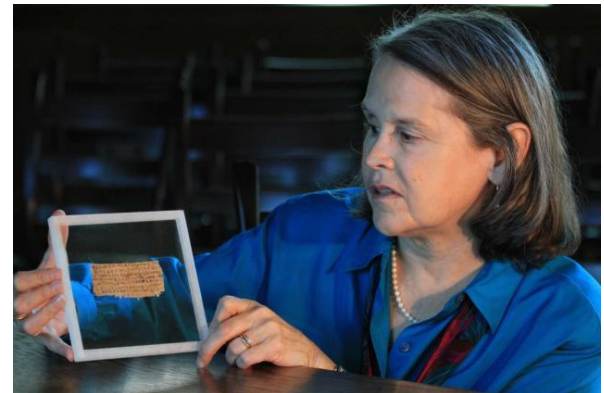
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CHALLENGE

**FACT:**



King promotes the  
“myth of origins”





*“For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements.”*  
(Acts 15:28)

**Let God renew our minds and  
work *through* us!**





*"I delivered to you as of first importance...that Christ died for our sins...was buried...was raised on the third day"*

*(1 Cor. 15:1-3)*

Everything is rubbish compared to knowing this.

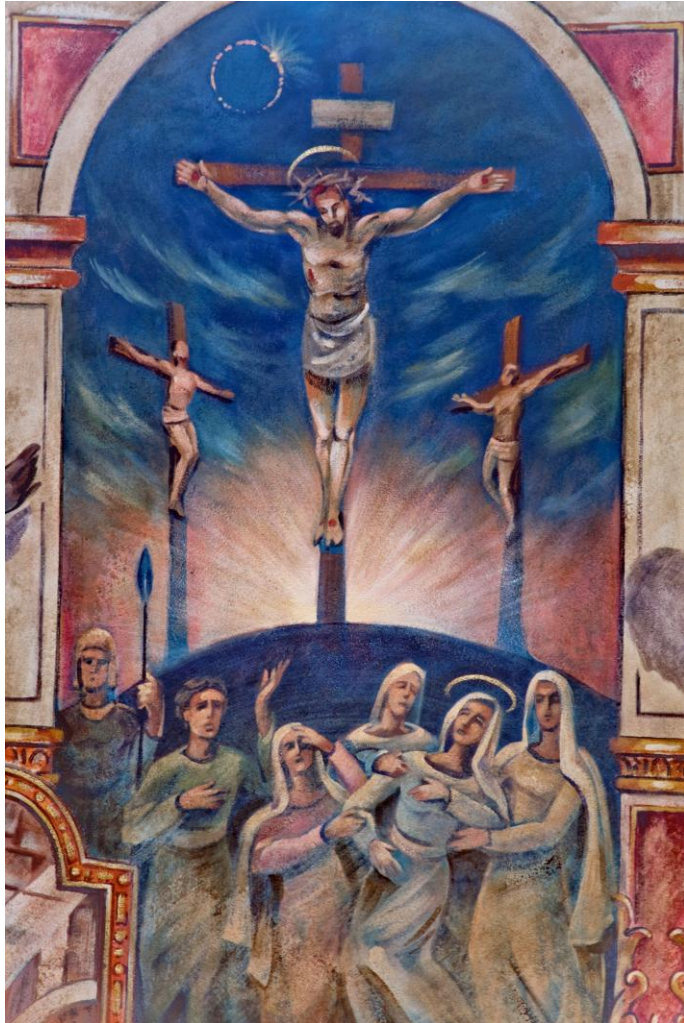


*“There are some who want to trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.”*

*(Gal. 1:7-8)*

**This is no less true today!**

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