

THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AND THE NEW TESTAMENT  
HB/NT 241

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Office Hours:  
Wednesday, 1:30-3:00 (usually)  
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**1. Purpose of Course:**

In the study of this unique Jewish literature, we will discuss the nature of the genres encompassed within the fragments from this find, their literary characteristics, their major ideas, their origins, attempt to define the character of the group(s) that produced them and assess their impact directly and indirectly on Judaism in the Greco-Roman period and early Christianity.

**2. Objectives of the Course:**

- a. To develop an understanding of the varieties of literature encompassed within what are called the Dead Sea Scrolls
- b. To develop an understanding of the complexity of the issues shaping how one studies this literature and its interpretation
- c. To learn how to find one's way through this literature and the tools available for its study
- d. To develop an understanding of some of the major issues discussed in the literature called the Dead Sea Scrolls
- e. To develop an understanding of the history of Judaism during the Greek and Roman periods
- f. To develop an understanding of how the Dead Sea Scrolls have impacted our understanding of that history
- g. To learn to use the insights and perspectives gained from a study of the Dead Sea Scrolls within their context to the study of the New Testament

**2. Textbooks:**

Schiffman, Lawrence H. *Reclaiming the Dead Sea Scrolls: The History of Judaism, The Background of Christianity, The Lost Library of Qumran*. Philadelphia/Jerusalem: JPS, 1994

VanderKam, James and Peter Flint. *The Meaning of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Their Significance for Understanding the Bible, Judaism, Jesus and Christianity*. New York: Harper San Francisco, 2002.

Wise, Michael, Martin Abegg, Jr., and Edward Cook. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: A New Translation*. Rev. ed. New York: Harper San Francisco, 2005

*Other recent text editions:*

Martínez, Florentino García and Eibert J. C. Tigchelaar. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Study Edition*. 2 vols. Leiden: Brill/Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1997-98.

- Parry, Donald W. and Emanuel Tov, eds. *The Dead Sea Scrolls Reader*. 6 vols. Leiden: Brill, 2004-05.
- Tov, Emanuel, ed. *The Dead Sea Scrolls Electronic Library*. Rev. ed. Leiden: Brill/Provo: Brigham Young University, 2006.
- Vermes, Geza. *The Complete Dead Sea Scrolls in English*. Rev. ed. New York: Penguin, 2004

### 3. Class Requirements:

- a. Read the pages assigned for each class session and come to class prepared to discuss the material in them. You will be expected to have noted some questions from each of the readings which you will bring to class and use in discussion.
- b. You will be expected to present in class one Qumran text selected from the list provided. Since this will be the only introduction the class receives to the text you choose to present, your presentation is important for the learning process of the entire class. That presentation should include a summary and outline of content, discussions of its form and its historical context, discussion of significant issues that concern its interpretation and its importance for understanding the nature of a Qumran community or Essene communities. You could and some interesting things you learned reading this text. You should hand in a paper of no more than 5 pages (1250 words) summarizing and documenting this presentation. You are advised to work in pairs on this assignment. The class presentation for most texts will need to be in pairs even though you can elect to hand in separate summaries of the presentation. If you wish to present some text(s) other than those found on the following list please consult the instructor:

#### Temple Scroll

Commentaries on Isaiah, Hosea, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah and Psalms  
 War Rule  
 Thanksgiving Hymns  
 Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice  
 4QInstruction  
 \*4QBeatitudes and other Wisdom Texts  
 Calendrical Texts  
 \*Liturgical texts  
 \*Rewritten Scriptures  
 Enoch at Qumran  
 Jubilees

The presentation schedule will be worked out the second class period. The summaries of your presentations should also be posted on Sharepoint for other class members to use as a resource for their subsequent research.

\* Note that these collections of texts include some larger compositions mentioned independently in this list.

- c. Write a 10-12 page (2500-3000 word) research paper on a subject of your choice related to the study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and, when relevant, their relationship to material in the New

Testament. A list of suggested topics is appended to this syllabus. You would be wise to consider your choice of text in b. above in conjunction with this subject. You do not have to limit your choice of topic to the appended list. You should choose your topic in consultation with the instructor. Topic selection should be finalized by March 5. An appointment with the instructor to discuss the project is advised.

A preliminary draft of each paper will be posted on Sharepoint for discussion in classes on April 30 and May 7. They will be posted by Friday noon prior to the class in which it will be discussed. Each class member will post a question or comment in response to reading the paper no later than Tuesday at 12:00 noon. Class discussion will begin with the presenter's response to the comments.

The final copy of the paper will be due May 14.

d. In lieu of a final examination you will write a 2-page (500 word) reflection paper of your thoughts on the implications of our study: "The Implications of the Scrolls for the Study of the New Testament and Christian Origins." Identify three important points around which to focus your summary. These papers will form the basis for the final session on May 14. They will be handed in to the instructor.

This is meant to be a reflection paper of your developing and concluding thoughts on this subject as you complete the introduction to this body of literature. In order to prepare yourself for this final exercise I would recommend that you keep a journal of your thoughts on the subject as the semester progresses and as thoughts pop into your mind. You will then have a ready resource for your own creative reflection on the topic.

e. More than one unexcused absence or the failure to give a presentation in the scheduled class period will result in the loss of one letter grade. Late postings and papers will result in the loss of one letter grade. By seminary policy more than 3 absences results in a grade of "F".

f. Any plagiarism of assignments or evidence of the use of these assignments in another course without prior consultation with the instructor will result in a grade of "F" for the course. See the description of the policy in the MTSO Student Handbook.

#### **4. Grades:**

Presentation and discussion of text	20%
Research paper	50%
Class participation and engagement	10%
Implications paper	20%

#### **5. Class and Reading Schedule:**

Jan. 30 - Introduction and Historical Overview

Feb. 6 - Historical Introduction and Archaeology:

Damascus Document, "The Exhortation" (WAC, pp. 51-62 )

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 1-4

Schiffman, Chapters 1-3

Feb. 13 - The Essene Hypothesis and Jewish Sectarianism:

1QS (Community Rule) I - VI (WAC, "Charter of a Jewish Sectarian Association," pp. 117-26)

4QMMT (Miqsat Ma'ase Ha-Torah) (WAC, "A Sectarian Manifesto," pp. 455-62)

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 10, 12

Schiffman, Chapters 4-7, 25

Florentino García Martínez, "The Origins of the Essene Movement and of the Qumran Group," in *The People of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Their Writings, Beliefs and Practices* (by Florentino García Martínez and Julio Trebolle Barrera; trans. Wilfred G. E. Watson; Leiden: Brill, 1995), 77-96.

Feb. 20 - Introduction to the Qumran Library:

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 8-9

Schiffman, Chapters 11-14, 18

Feb. 27 - Presentation of selected texts

Mar. 5 - Presentation of selected texts

Mar 12 - Ideology and Major Beliefs

Review 1QS III, 13 - IV, 26 (WAC, 120-22)

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 11,13

Schiffman, Chapters 9, 15-18, 23-24

Mar. 19 - Holy Week Break

Mar. 26 - The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Hebrew Scriptures: The Text and Canonization

Review 4QMMT, section 3 (WAC, "A Sectarian Manifesto," 460-62)

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 5-8

Schiffman, Chapter 10

April 2 - Williams Lectures

April 9 - The Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament

VanderKam and Flint, Chapters 14-17

Schiffman, Chapters 19-22

Kampen, John, "Communal Discipline in the Social World of the Matthean Community," in *Communal Life in the Early Church: Essays Honoring Graydon F. Snyder*. Ed., Julian V. Hills. Harrisburg: Trinity Press International, 1998. Pp. 158-74

April 16 - World Religions Lecture

April 23 - Mid Term Recess

April 30 - Research Presentations  
 Place responses on Sharepoint  
 May 7 - Research Presentations  
 Place responses on Sharepoint

May 14 - Summary Session  
 Final copy of paper is due

## 6. Bibliography:

### a. Bibliographies:

Qumran studies is now too large a field to permit a comprehensive bibliography. You will need to look at indexes and use the bibliographies of more recent works such as those provided in the Schiffman and VanderKam and Flint texts in order to get at up-to-date information. The articles in the encyclopedias also frequently provide a good up-to-date basic bibliography. In this dynamic field it is very important to use the most recent literature possible.

The most comprehensive collection of most recent bibliography in a searchable database is found in the Orion Website of the Hebrew University (<http://orion.mscc.huji.ac.il/> - concentrates on publications since 1995). It also contains the entire list of DJD volumes listed below and also the volumes in the Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah (STDJ), a series from Brill Publishers in the Netherlands. Some of the Orion bibliographic material can be found in Avital Pinnick, *The Orion Center Bibliography of the Dead Sea Scrolls (1995-2000)* (STDJ 4; Leiden: Brill, 2001).

Note also the bibliographic compilations of *Revue de Qumran*, a project that was eventually absorbed into the Orion project listed above. Those compilations appear on an annual basis prior to 1995. The bibliography has been collected in the volume by Florentino García Martínez, *A Bibliography of the Finds in the Desert of Judah, 1970-1995: Arranged by Author with Citation and Subject Indexes*. Leiden: Brill, 1996.

Bibliography on most major topics is found in Peter W. Flint and James C. VanderKam, *The Dead Sea Scrolls after Fifty Years: A Comprehensive Assessment*. 2 vols. Leiden/Boston/Köln: Brill, 1998-99

**All of the relevant material is not included in the ATLA database.**

### b. Journals:

*Dead Sea Discoveries*  
*Revue de Qumran*

### c. Concordances:

Abegg, Martin G., Jr. *Dead Sea Scrolls Concordance: The Non-Biblical Texts from Qumran*. 2 vols. Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2003. This is a new comprehensive concordance to the Hebrew texts of all of the non-biblical fragments.

Kuhn, K. G. *Konkordanz zu den Qumrantexten*. Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, Göttingen, 1960  
 ----- "Nachträge zur `Konkordanz zu den Qumrantexten,'" *RevQ* 4 (1963-64): 163-234

These two publications have good coverage of the original texts found.

**d. Encyclopedias:**

Freedman, David Noel, ed. *The Anchor Bible Dictionary*. 6 vols. New York: Doubleday, 1992

Schiffman, Lawrence H. and James C. VanderKam, eds. *Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. 2 vols. New York/Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000.

**e. Other Important Text Editions:**

Abegg, Martin, Jr., Peter Flint and Eugene Ulrich, *The Dead Sea Scrolls Bible: The Oldest Known Bible Translated for the First Time into English*. San Francisco: Harper San Francisco, 1999

Charlesworth, James H. *The Dead Sea Scrolls : Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek texts with English Translations*. Tübingen: Mohr (Paul Siebeck)/Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993-. A series of published texts projected to be about 12 volumes when complete.

Discoveries in the Judaean Desert (DJD). 39 volumes containing the initial publication of the majority of the Qumran texts, published by Clarendon Press, Oxford.. Vol. 39 is the introduction along with a listing of all texts, concordance of proper names and other listings.

Lim, T. in consultation with P. Alexander. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Electronic Reference Library*. Oxford: Oxford University Press/Leiden: Brill, 1997.

Lohse, Eduard. *Die Texte Aus Qumran*. Darmstadt: Wissenschaftlich Buchgesellschaft, 1971

Studel, Annette. *Die Texte Aus Qumran II: Hebräisch/Aramäisch un Deutsch mit Masoretischer Punktation, Übersetzung, Einführung und Anmerkungen*. Darmstadt: Wissenschaftlich Buchgesellschaft, 2001

Tov, E., prepared by the Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies (FARMS). *The Dead Sea Scrolls Database (Non-Biblical Texts)*. The Dead Sea Scrolls Electronic Reference Library, vol. 2; Leiden: Brill, 1999. This includes a searchable database of both the Hebrew text and English translation (Martinez version).

Tov, Emanuel, ed. with S. F. Pfann. *The Dead Sea Scrolls on Microfiche: A Comprehensive Facsimile Edition of the Texts from the Judean Desert*. 3 vols. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 1993.

**f. Other English Translations:**

Burrows, Millar. *The Dead Sea Scrolls*. New York: Viking, 1955

----- *More Light on the Dead Sea Scrolls*. New York: Viking, 1958

Davies, Philip R. *The Damascus Covenant*. JSOTSup 25. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1983

----- *1QM, The War Scroll from Qumran: Its Structure and History*. Rome: Biblical Institute Press, 1977

Dupont-Sommer, Andre. *The Essene Writings from Qumran*. Trans. Geza Vermes. Cleveland: World, 1961

Eisenman, Robert and Michael Wise. *The Dead Sea Scrolls Uncovered*. Shaftesbury/Rockport: Element, 1992

- Gaster, Theodore H. *The Dead Sea Scriptures in English: Translation with Introduction and Notes*. Rev. ed. Anchor A378. Garden City: Doubleday, 1964
- Horgan, Maurya P. *Pesharim: Qumran Interpretation of Biblical Texts*. Washington: Catholic Biblical Association, 1979
- Knibb, Michael A. *The Qumran Community*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1987
- Maier, Johann. *The Temple Scroll: An Introduction, Translation & Commentary*. JSOTSup 34. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1985
- Rabin, Chaim. *The Zadokite Documents*. 2d ed. London: Clarendon, 1958
- Schechter, Solomon. *Documents of Jewish Sectaries*. New York: Ktav, 1970
- Schiffman, Lawrence H. *The Eschatological Community of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. SBLMS 38. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1989
- Yadin, Yigael. *The Scroll of the War of the Sons of Light against the Sons of Darkness*. London: Oxford, 1962
- *The Temple Scroll*. 3 vols. + suppl. Jerusalem: Israel Exploration Society, 1983

#### **g. Selected Series Devoted to Qumran Studies:**

- Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah (Brill, begins in 1956)
- Studies in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Related Literature (Eerdmans)
- The Literature of the Dead Sea Scrolls (Routledge)
- Companions to the Qumran Scrolls (Sheffield Academic Press and T & T Clark International)
- Eerdmans Commentaries on the Dead Sea Scrolls (Eerdmans)

#### **h. Selected Studies and Monographs:**

- Baumgarten, Joseph M. *Studies in Qumran Law*, Brill, Leiden, 1977
- Black, Matthew. *The Scrolls and Christian Origins: Studies in the Jewish Background of the New Testament*. New York: Scribner, 1961. Reprint: Scholars Press, Chico, CA, 1983
- , ed. *The Scrolls and Christianity*, SPCK, London, 1969
- Brooke, George J. *The Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament*. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2005
- , ed. *New Qumran Texts and Studies: Proceedings of the First Meeting of the International Organization of Qumran Studies, Paris 1992*. STDJ 15. Leiden/New York: E. J. Brill, 1994
- *Temple Scroll Studies*. JSPSup 7. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1989
- Charlesworth, James H., ed. *Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls*. New York: Doubleday, 1992
- *John and Qumran*. London: Geoffrey Chapman, 1972
- Collins, John J. *The Scepter and the Star: The Messiahs of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Other Ancient Literature*. New York: Doubleday, 1995
- and Robert A. Kugler, ed. *Religion in the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000
- Cook, Edward M. *Solving the Mysteries of the Dead Sea Scrolls: New Light on the Bible*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994
- Cross, Frank Moore, Jr. *The Ancient Library of Qumran and Modern Biblical Studies*. Rev. ed. Anchor Books. Garden City: Doubleday, 1961
- Cross, Frank Moore and Shemaryahu Talmon, eds. *Qumran and the History of the Biblical Text*.

- Cambridge, MA/London: Cambridge University Press, 1975
- Davies, Philip R. *Qumran*. Cities of the Biblical World. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1983
- Davies, Philip R. and George J. Brooke. *The Complete World of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. New York/London: Thames and Hudson, 2002
- Delcor, M., ed. *Qumran: Sa piété, sa théologie et son milieu*. Paris-Gembloux: Duculot, 1978
- De Troyer, Kristin and Armin Lange, ed. *Reading the Present in the Qumran Library: The Perception of the Contemporary by Means of Scriptural Interpretation*. Symposium 30. Atlanta: SBL, 2005
- De Vaux, Roland. *Archaeology and the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Rev. ed. London: University Press, 1973
- Dimant, Devorah. "Qumran Sectarian Literature." *Jewish Writings of the Second Temple Period: Apocrypha, Pseudepigrapha, Qumran Sectarian Writings, Philo, Josephus*. Ed. Michael E. Stone. *Compendium Rerum Iudaicarum ad Novum Testamentum* 2:2.483-550. Philadelphia: Fortress/Van Gorcum: Assen, 1984
- Dimant, Devorah and Uriel Rappaport, eds. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: Forty Years of Research*. STDJ 10. Leiden/New York: Brill, 1992
- Elledge, C. D. *The Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Archaeology and Biblical Studies 14. Atlanta: SBL, 2005
- Evans, Craig and Peter W. Flint, ed. *Eschatology, Messianism and the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1997
- Fitzmyer, Joseph A., S.J. *A Wandering Aramean: Collected Aramaic Essays*. Chico: Scholars Press, 1979
- . *Essays on the Semitic Background of the New Testament*. London: Geoffrey Chapman, 1971
- Flint, Peter, ed. *The Bible at Qumran: Text, Shape, and Interpretation*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2001
- Galor, Katharina, Jean-Baptiste Humbert and Jürgen Zangenberg, eds. *Qumran: The Site of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Archaeological Interpretations and Debates*. STDJ 57. Leiden: Brill, 2006.
- Ginzberg, Louis. *An Unknown Jewish Sect*. Trans. and rev. New York: Jewish Theological Seminary, 1976 (orig. 1922)
- Goff, Matthew J. *Discerning Wisdom: The Sapiential Literature of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. VTSup 116; Leiden: Brill, 2007.
- Hempel, Charlotte. *The Damascus Texts*. Companion to the Qumran Scrolls 1. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic, 2000
- Hirschfeld, Yizhar. *Qumran in Context: Reassessing the Archaeological Evidence*. Peabody: Eerdmans, 2003
- Humbert, Jean-Baptiste and Alain Chambon. *Fouilles de Khirbet Qumrân et de Aïn Feshka*. Vol. 1. Friburg: Éditions Universitaires/Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1994
- LaSor, W. S. *The Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1972
- Magness, Jodi. *The Archaeology of Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002
- . *Debating Qumran: Collected Essays on its Archaeology*. Leuven: Peeters, 2004
- Mansoor, Menahem. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: A Textbook and Study Guide*. 2d ed. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1983
- Martínez, Florentino García. *The People of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Leiden: Brill, 1995

- . *Qumran and Apocalyptic: Studies on the Aramaic Texts from Qumran*. Leiden: Brill, 1992
- , A. Hilhorst and C. J. Labuschagne, ed. *Scriptures and Scrolls: Studies in Honour of A. S. Van der Woude on the occasion of his 65th birthday*. Leiden: Brill, 1992
- Metso, Sarianna. *The Serekh Texts*. Companion to the Qumran Scrolls 9. New York: T & T Clark, 2007
- Milik, J. T. *Ten Years of Discovery in the Wilderness of Judaea*. Trans. John Strugnell. Naperville: Alec R. Allenson, 1959
- Murphy-O'Connor, Jerome, ed. *Paul and Qumran*. Chicago: Pjory, 1968
- Pfann, Stephen J. Translation and Revision of the text of Humbert and Chambon. 2003 (see above)
- Porter, Stanley E. and Craig A. Evans, ed. *The Scrolls and the Scriptures: Qumran Fifty Years After*. JSPSup 26. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1997
- Ringgren, Helmer. *The Faith of Qumran*. Philadelphia: Fortress, 1963
- Schiffman, Lawrence H., ed. *Archaeology and History in the Dead Sea Scrolls*. JSPSup 8. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1990
- , Emanuel Tov and James C. VanderKam, ed. *The Dead Sea Scrolls Fifty Years After Their Discovery: Proceedings of the Jerusalem Congress, July 20-25, 1997*. Jerusalem: Israel Exploration Society/The Shrine of the Book, 2000
- . *The Halakhah at Qumran*. Leiden: Brill, 1975
- . *Sectarian Law in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Courts, Testimony and the Penal Code*. Chico: Scholars Press, 1983
- Stegemann, Hartmut. "Jesus and the Teacher of Righteousness: Similarities and Differences." *Bible Review* 10,1 (February, 1994) 42-47, 63
- Stendahl, Krister, ed. *The Scrolls and the New Testament*. New York: Harper and Brothers, 1957
- Stone, Michael. *Scriptures, Sects and Visions: A Profile of Judaism from Ezra to the Jewish Revolts*. Philadelphia: Fortress, 1980
- Talmon, Shemaryahu, ed. *Jewish Civilization in the Hellenistic-Roman Period*. JSPSup 10. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1991
- Trebolle Barrera, Julio and Luis Vegas Montaner, eds. *The Madrid Qumran Congress: Proceedings of the International Congress on the Dead Sea Scrolls*. 2 vols. STDJ 11. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 1992
- Ulrich, Eugene and James VanderKam, eds. *The Community of the Renewed Covenant: The Notre Dame Symposium on the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1994
- . *The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Origins of the Bible*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans/Leiden: Brill, 1999
- Vermes, Geza. *Jesus and the World of Judaism*. Philadelphia: Fortress, 1984
- and Martin D. Goodman, eds. *The Essenes: According to the Classical Sources*. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1989
- Wacholder, Ben Zion. *The Dawn of Qumran: The Sectarian Torah and the Teacher of Righteousness*. Cincinnati: HUC Press, 1983
- Wise, Michael, Norman Golb, John J. Collins and Dennis G. Pardee, eds. *Methods of Investigation of the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Khirbet Qumran Site: Present Realities and Future Prospects*. Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences 722. New York: New York Academy of Sciences, 1994

Yadin, Yigael. *The Temple Scroll: The Hidden Law of the Dead Sea Sect*. London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1985

**7. List of Suggested Subjects for Paper Topics (by no means exhaustive and requires greater specificity):**

Papers on specific texts  
 The Origin of the Qumran community  
 The Sadducees and the Qumran Scrolls  
 Essenes at Qumran?  
 Archeological Issues of the Qumran site  
 The Cemeteries and the Bones of Qumran  
 Communal life at Qumran and in the Early Church  
 The Lord's Supper and the communal meal  
 Leadership in the community and the Early Church  
 Paul and Qumran  
 Ephesians and Qumran  
 Messianism (an analysis of specific texts)  
 The Two Messiahs  
 Apocalyptic and Qumran texts  
 Law in Qumran texts and Second Temple Judaism  
 Eschatology  
 Qumran and Apocalyptic  
 Daniel and Qumran  
 The Gospel of John and Qumran  
 Divorce at Qumran and in the New Testament  
 Monasticism at Qumran?  
 Qumran and the Jerusalem Temple  
 The role of the Priesthood  
 Women at Qumran and in various Qumran texts  
 Dualism  
 Predestination and determinism  
 John the Baptist and Qumran  
 Son of God  
 Qumran and the Sermon on the Mount  
 New Covenant  
 Repentance  
 Purity in the Qumran texts  
 Exclusion from the community  
 Light and Darkness at Qumran and in John  
 Dualism in the Qumran texts and Paul  
 The use of temple imagery at Qumran and in the New Testament  
 Oaths in Qumran texts and the NT  
 Communal Reproof at Qumran and in the NT  
 Baptism and/or ritual cleansing  
 Melchizedek and the jubilee year

Works of the Law

Penal Code

mystery

New Jerusalem

Pesher exegesis at Qumran and in the NT

Biblical exegesis

Biblical interpretation

Place and role of angelic figures

Liturgy

Prayer