Rewritten Bible Reconsidered

On August 24-26, 2006, the Department of Biblical Studies, Åbo Akademi University (Finland), held a small conference on Rewritten bible in Karkku (Finland). The aim of this conference was to map different scholarly interests in Rewritten bible and boost research on it. Scholars who took part in this conference were specialists in different fields, for example, biblical studies, Jewish literature of the Second Temple period, rabbinic literature, early Christian literature, and Islamic literature.

The present work is the first volume in a new scholarly series, Studies in Rewritten Bible. The scope of the series is wide, since a whole florilegium of themes and types of afterlife for Jewish and Christian Bibles can be collected under the umbrella of Rewritten Bible. The rewriting, that is, enhancing, modifying, completing, and coloring of the Bible, was done by the generations who received the authoritative texts from their forebears. It had already begun with those hands that created the later strata of the Bible itself, and since that time the process has continued in different forms up until today.

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