

Old Testament and Anthropology: A Preliminary Bibliography

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A research project on "Old Testament and Anthropology" - or more precisely: the Old Testament in the light of anthropology - supported by my local Ministry of Education will draw attention to the fact that ever since the days of W. Robertson SMITH and Sir James FRAZER students of anthropology have made, and are still making, a substantial yet rarely acknowledged contribution to biblical studies. Strangely enough, books and papers dealing with biblical subjects written by anthropologists or from an anthropological point of view have never been put together in a bibliography nor in a collective volume. The following tentative bibliography is topically arranged in order to indicate its scope as well as the main areas in which contributions have been made. Special attention deserves the final section that lists only very few studies which deal with the absorption of biblical into non-biblical mythology.

Anthropologists and biblical scholars interested in the project are asked to supplement and complete the bibliography. Recent work that comes to my attention will be abstracted in the Internationale Zeitschriftenschau für Bibelwissenschaft und Grenzgebiete (International Review of Biblical Studies) which I am editing. An annotated bibliography and a selection of articles and excerpts of books will be published in book form. Unpublished material may be considered for inclusion.

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*Abbreviations*

- AES = Archives européennes de sociologie;  
AOAT = Alter Orient und Altes Testament;  
BA = Biblical Archaeologist;  
BZAW = Beiheft zur ZAW;  
CBQ = Catholic Biblical Quarterly;  
FF = Folklore Fellows;  
IDBS = The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, Supplementary  
Volume, Nashville 1976;  
JAAR = Journal of the American Academy of Religion;  
JBL = Journal of Biblical Literature;  
JNES = Journal of Near Eastern Studies;  
JPOS = Journal of the Palestine Oriental Society;  
JSOT = Journal for the Study of the Old Testament;  
OBO = Orbis biblicus et orientalis;  
SEL = Society of Biblical Literature;  
SDB = Supplément au Dictionnaire de la Bible;  
SUNT = Studien zur Umwelt des Neuen Testaments;  
USQR = Union Seminary Quarterly Review;  
VT = Vetus Testamentum;  
VTS = Supplements to VT;  
WMANT = Wissenschaftliche Monographien zum Alten und Neuen Testament;  
ZAW = Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft.

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