

1. The study of the literary methods and sources discernible in a text, especially as applied to biblical writing.

The role is to investigate the origins of ancient texts in order to understand the world behind the text.

It became enemies of the veracity of scripture only when imbibed with the radical skepticism of negative criticism.

2. Jean was a Professor of medicine at Montpellier and Paris, who wrote a small anonymously published book, played a fundamental part in the origins of critical textual analysis of works of scripture, he was the first to try to demonstrate by using the techniques of textual analysis that were commonplace in studying the secular classics, the theory that Genesis was composed based on several sources or manuscript traditions, and approach now called the documentary hypothesis.

His role was, he placed passages that use the name Elohim in one column (A), those that use Yahweh in another (B), and passages with repetitions (C) and interpolation (D) in a third and a fourth column.

3. He was a German biblical scholar and orientalist, Pentateuchal origins was the Documentary Hypothesis.
4. The JEDP theory stands for J(Yahwist) E (Elohist) D (Deuteronomist) and P (Priestly Code)

The Old Testament is the origin of man and the universe, it provides example of how God holds man accountable to a divine standard, The nature and attributes of God are seen throughout the Old Testament.

5. In Genesis, J refers to God as Yahweh, for according to the hypothesis, people began using the name Yahweh early in antediluvian period. Genesis 4:26

In Genesis, E refers to God as Elohim rather than Yahweh, for according to E, the name Yahweh was not revealed until Exodus period. Exodus 3:15

D was produced at the time of the Josianic reformation (2 Kings 22) and is essentially the book of Deuteronomy.

In Genesis, P refers to God as Elohim since, like E, it assumes that the divine name Yahweh was revealed at the Exodus. Exodus 6:3

6. We should look for sources of a documents to determine who wrote it , when it was written, and in which location.