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Assignment 1

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## Higher Criticism

1. Explain higher criticism. What is its role in understanding the Bible? Explain its negative characteristics.

Higher criticism is the term used to contrast the phases low criticism. It is one of the two stages of biblical criticism. While low criticism is designed to investigate the scriptures and manual scripture.

Authorship can be challenges, dates be historical wrong, and scripture can be misinterpreted.

2. Who is Jean Astruc? What was his role in the development of higher criticism?

Physician and founder in modern Pentateuch criticism.

Jean Astruc, who adapted the methods already developed for investing the texts of classical antiquity to his own investigation into the sources of the book of Genesis

3. Who is Julius Wellhausen? What was his role in the development of higher criticism?

Biblical scholar and orientist he moved from the Old Testament research and decided to Islamic studies to new testament scholarship.

Wellhausen accepted the so called "Documentary Hypothesis" that the five book of Moses were not written by Moses but rather consisted of the four different later and anonymous sources which have been designed by scholars with the letters J,E,D,P

4. Explain the tenets of JEDP hypothesis. What positive value, if any, does it offer when interpreting the Old Testament? If no positive value, explain.

J - the Yahwist (J) because it uses and allows humans to use the name before Israel exist.

E - the Elohist, the name is deserved from E's use Elohim rather than YHWH in the initial period.

P - the Priestly, P is especially concerned with stories and laws relevant for priest

D - the book of Deuteronomy it is not mingled with J,E, and P

5. How does the documentary hypothesis explain the names of God? What Scripture is associated with each of His names in the Old Testament?

J means Jahwen (Jehovah)

E means Elohim

D means Deuteronomy

P means Priest

Elohim (Isa.54:5, Jer.32:27, Gen.1:1 Isa.45:18, Deut.8:15 Ps.68:7)

YAHWEH (Gen.4:3 Ex.6:3 Cf.3:14)3:12)

Adonai (Gen.18:2, 40:1, Sam.1:15, Ex.21:6, Josh.5:14)

Theos (John1:1, 18, 20:28, 1 John.5:20 Tit.2:13, Rom.9:5 Heb.1:8, 2 Peter. 1:1)

Kurios (Matt.8:6)

6. What should we look for to determine if Christian books are influenced by views of higher critics?