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Flusser, on the historical Jesus: Interviewing with Roy Blizzard. Flusser David's responses came from one question, "From many years of research into the life and the words of Jesus, what kind of mental image do you have in your mind of Jesus? Flussers responded, "I think that the Jewish philosopher Martin Buber was right when he said that we could hear from the Gospels Jesus' voice when we know how to hear. Yet, Martin Buber claims, "When we read the gospel, then we can hear His "voice" and recognize Jesus "personality." Flusser states, "It is impossible to define Jesus' personality."

According to David Flusser, many scholars, even today, think that Jesus has spoken in Greek. However, "Jesus knew both languages of the land: Aramaic and Hebrew." Yet, Flusser states that when it was time for Jesus to teach, He only taught Hebrew. Flusser says that Jesus is both a Jewish teacher/Leader. Jesus has a particular contact between himself and God and returns as the Savior. Flusser says it makes a big difference to study Jesus' Jewish background; when we see Jesus as a part of the Judaism of his days. Flusser states how important to understand not only Jesus' words but also the message and the meaning of Jesus as a person.

Flusser was trying to imply that there are different versions out there in which he mentions how the Greek Bible would translate it differently but that the outcome would be different. That is why he says how important it is for us to know the origin of both Christianity and Judaism because with that saying, "the poor in spirit," as Flusser explains it, is forbidden as

far as we see in the synoptic Gospel, to make theology from Greek wording when you can not recognize the Hebrew language which is behind it. In Greek, the saying "The Poor in Spirit" (oi ptochoi to pnevmati) or poor hearers (Matthew 5:2). He says it became clear to him from the Dead Sea Scrolls that exists as a self-designation of the Essenes. However, Flusser knew Hebrew and from what verse in Isaiah it was taken. When he saw what it meant, he now needed to understand that it meant "The poor who have the gift of the Holy Spirit." He claims that with the help of the Dead Sea Scrolls, there was no contradiction between Luke, who also speaks about the poor, and the poor in spirit, which means "The poor who have the Holy Spirit."

The most surprising part for me would be Flussers statement: "As far as you depart from the Hebrew background of the Gospels, as far as you go farther from the Jewish origin; of the Gospel, and the Jewishness; of Jesus by this, I would even say, you betray Jesus Himself." This surprised me because I never heard anyone say what Flusser said. Reading or understanding Greek or Hebrew is challenging to learn and understand. As Fusser stated, I never intended to learn it, but now reading this statement is helping me reconsider how important it is to know the whole Judasism of antiquity. Flusser also warned the readers not to read some of the new translations of the Bible, like the New Testament in the New English Bible, which also surprised me. I often read from New English Version or New King James Version, but Flusser pointed out that these men knew Greek but did not know the original language. They translated Greek without knowing what meaning behind it. The video was enlightening, and I was blessed, although I had to listen a few times because I could not understand Flussers speech.

