

COLLECTED ESSAYS

Discourse Analysis and the New Testament: Approaches and Results. Edited by Stanley E. Porter and Jeffrey T. Reed. JSNTSup 170. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1999, 425 pp., \$85.00.

The volume begins with an introductory essay: “Discourse Analysis and the New Testament: An Introduction,” by Stanley E. Porter and Jeffrey T. Reed (pp. 15–18). Part I, “Theory and Method in Discourse Analysis,” includes the following essays: “The Role of Context in the Understanding of Discourse,” by Eugene A. Nida (pp. 20–27); “The Cohesiveness of Discourse: Towards a Model of Linguistic Criteria for Analyzing New Testament Discourse,” by Jeffrey T. Reed (pp. 28–46); “Is Critical Discourse Analysis Critical? An Evaluation Using Philemon as a Test Case,” by Stanley E. Porter (pp. 47–70); and “The Use of Annotated Corpora for New Testament Discourse Analysis: A Survey of Current Practice and Future Prospects,” by Matthew Brook O’Donnell (pp. 71–117). Part II, “Discourse Analysis and the Gospels and Acts,” includes the following essays: “The Historic Present in Matthew: Beyond Speech Margins,” by Stephanie L. Black (pp. 120–139); “A Top-Down, Template-Driven Narrative Analysis, Illustrated by Application to Mark’s Gospel,” by Robert E. Longacre (pp. 140–168); “Mark 5:1–43: Generating the Complexity of a Narrative from its Most Basic Elements,” by Robert E. Longacre (pp. 169–196); “The Testamental Disciple-Instruction of the Markan Jesus (Mark 13): Its Levels of Communication and its Rhetorical Structures,” by Wolfgang Schenk (pp. 197–222); “Pronouns of Shame and Disgrace in Luke 22.63–64,” by Jonathan M. Watt (pp. 223–234); “Participant Reference and Foregrounded Syntax in the Stephen Episode,” by Gustavo Martin-Asensio (pp. 235–257); and “Naked and Wounded: Foregrounding, Relevance and Situation in Acts 19:13–20,” by Todd Klutz (pp. 258–279). Part III, “Discourse Analysis and the Pauline Corpus,” includes the following: “The Damned and the Justified in Romans 5:12–21: An Analysis of Semantic Structure,” by Richard J. Erickson (pp. 282–307); “A Discourse Reading of Ephesians 1.3–14,” by Johannes P. Louw (pp. 308–315); “Some Constraints on Discourse Development in the Pastoral Epistles,” by Stephen H. Levinsohn (pp. 316–333); and “‘Let No One Disregard You!’ (Titus 2:15): Church Discipline and the Construction of Discourse in a Personal, ‘Pastoral’ Epistle,” by Ernst R. Wendland (pp. 334–351). Part IV, “Discourse Analysis and the General Epistles,” includes the following: “Hebrews 6:4–6: From a Semiotic Discourse Perspective,” by Andries H. Snyman (pp. 354–368); “First John: Discourse Analyses and Interpretations,” by Birger Olsson (pp. 369–391); and “Where Does 1 John End?” by John Callow (pp. 392–406). The book ends with an index of references (pp. 407–419) and an index of authors (pp. 420–425), followed by a list of the works included in the JSNTSup series.

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Between Two Horizons: Spanning New Testament Studies & Systematic Theology. Edited by Joel B. Green and Max Turner. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000, x + 246 pp., \$18.00 paper.

The essays are as follows: "New Testament Commentary and Systematic Theology: Strangers or Friends?" by Max Turner and Joel B. Green (pp. 1–22); "Scripture and Theology: Uniting the Two So Long Divided," by Joel B. Green (pp. 23–43); "Historical Criticism and Theological Hermeneutics of the New Testament," by Max Turner (pp. 44–70); "The Role of Authorial Intention in the Theological Interpretation of Scripture," by Stephen E. Fowl (pp. 71–87); "Reading the Bible from within Our Traditions: The 'Rule of Faith' in Theological Hermeneutics," by Robert W. Wall (pp. 88–107); "Reading the Bible from within Our Traditions: A Pentecostal Hermeneutic as Test Case," by John Christopher Thomas (pp. 108–122); "Biblical Narrative and Systematic Theology," by John Goldingay (pp. 123–142); "Two Testaments, One Biblical Theology," by Steve Motyer (pp. 143–164); "Canonical Context and Canonical Conversations," by Robert W. Wall (pp. 165–182); "Tradition, Authority, and a Christian Approach to the Bible as Scripture," by Trevor Hart (pp. 183–204); and "The Letter to the Galatians: Exegesis and Theology," by N. T. Wright (pp. 205–236). The book concludes with "Afterword: Rethinking History (and Theology)," by Joel B. Green (pp. 237–242), followed by an index of authors (pp. 243–246).

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The Challenge of Jesus' Parables. Edited by Richard N. Longenecker. McMaster New Testament Studies. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000, xii + 304 pp., \$28.00.

These thirteen essays by as many scholars originated in a colloquium concerning the parables of Jesus as presented in the Synoptic Gospels held at McMaster Divinity College in June 1998.

The essays are arranged into four parts of unequal length. Part I, "History, Genre, and Parallels," contains three essays: "From Allegorizing to Allegorizing: A History of the Interpretation of the Parables of Jesus," by Klyne R. Snodgrass (pp. 3–29); "The Genre of the Parables," by Robert H. Stein (pp. 30–50); and "Parables in Early Judaism," by Craig A. Evans (pp. 51–75).

Part 2, "Parables of the Kingdom," contains the following three essays: "Mark's Parables of the Kingdom (Mark 4:1–34)," by Morna D. Hooker (pp. 79–101); "Matthew's Parables of the Kingdom (Matthew 13:1–52)," by Donald A. Hagner (pp. 102–124); and "Luke's Parables of the Kingdom (Luke 8:4–15; 13:18–21)," by Richard N. Longenecker (pp. 125–147).

Part 3, "Parables of Warning and Preparedness," contains two essays: "'Produce Fruit Worthy of Repentance': Parables of Judgment against the Jewish Religious Leaders and the Nation (Matthew 21:28–22:14 par.; Luke 13:6–9)," by Allan W. Martens (pp. 151–176), and "On Being Ready (Matthew 25:1–46)," by Richard T. France (pp. 177–195).

Part 4, "Parables of the Christian Life," contains the following five essays: "Parables on God's Love and Forgiveness (Luke 15:1–32)," by Stephen C. Barton (pp. 199–216); "Parables on Poverty and Riches (Luke 12:13–21; 16:1–13; 16:19–31)," by Stephen I. Wright (pp. 217–239); "Parables on Prayer (Luke 11:5–13; 18:1–14)," by Walter L. Liefeld (pp. 240–262); "Strange Neighbors and Risky Care (Matthew 18:21–35; Luke 14:7–14; Luke 10:25–37)," by Sylvia C. Keesmaat (pp. 263–285); and

“Everyone Who Hears These Words of Mine’: Parables on Discipleship (Matthew 7:24–27//Luke 6:47–49; Luke 14:28–33; Luke 17:7–10; Matthew 20:1–16),” by Michael P. Knowles (pp. 286–305).

Each essay includes a brief bibliography, and the volume closes with indexes of subjects, of modern authors, and of Scripture and other ancient literature.

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