

**OFF THE SHELF:
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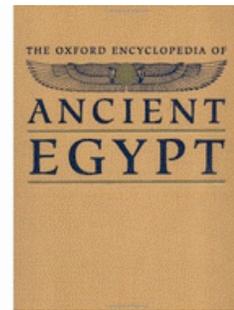
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INTRODUCTION TO EGYPT

1. *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Egypt* – ed. Donald Redford

Comprehensive guide to Ancient Egypt! This set contains over 600 scholarly yet readable articles and also includes valuable bibliographies that assemble sources from all languages and time periods.

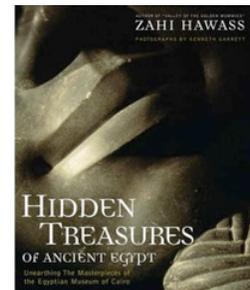
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2. *Hidden Treasures of Ancient Egypt* – Zahi Hawass

In this book, Hawass narrates the past 150 years of excavation in Egypt with the help of Kenneth Garret's stunning photography. This book provides a breathtaking tour of Egypt's archaeological history.

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3. *The Rise and Fall of Ancient Egypt* – Toby Wilkinson

This single-volume history of Egypt spans 3,000 years and draws from archaeological examples to paint a vivid and more realistic view of this ancient civilization.

“I had always presumed, before I read Wilkinson’s book, that it was impossible to write a history of Egypt which combined scholarship, accessibility and a genuine sense of revelation. I was wrong.”

--Tom Holland, *The Observer*

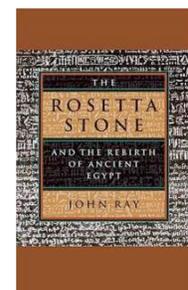
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4. *The Rosetta Stone and the Rebirth of Ancient Egypt* – John Ray

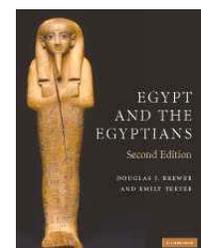
This is a delightful introduction to not only the Rosetta Stone, but also the growth and development of modern Egyptology. Ray begins describing his childhood fascination upon seeing the stone in the British Museum in 1958. He then aptly weaves through both past and present history discussing dead language studies, the linguists who devoted their lives to the field and the ultimate significance of the Rosetta Stone.

Call #: PJ1531.R5 R39



5. *Egypt and the Egyptians* – Douglas J. Brewer and Emily Teeter

This is a comprehensive and visual introduction to Egypt for general readers. It covers every aspect of Egyptian culture and society, including



religion, language, art, archaeology, geography, architecture and mummification.

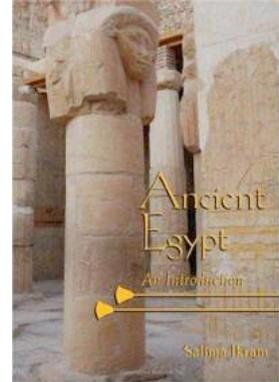
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6. *Ancient Egypt: An Introduction* – Salima Ikram

This book is an excellent starting point for the general reader to gain a better understanding of Ancient Egyptian culture and development.

“Beginning with a geographical overview that explains the development of Egyptian belief systems as well as its subsequent political development, it examines methodology, the history of the discipline of Egyptology, religion, social organization, urban and rural life, and death. It also includes a section on how people of all ranks lived. Lavishly illustrated, with many unusual photographs of rarely seen sites that are seldom illustrated, this volume is suitable for use in introductory-level courses on ancient Egypt. It offers a variety of student-friendly features, including a glossary, a bibliography, and a list of sources for those who wish to further their interest in ancient Egypt.”

Amazon Product Description

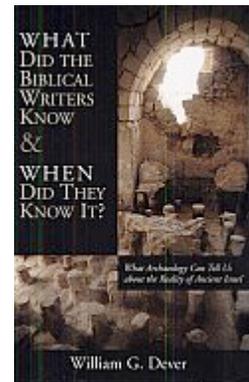


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QUESTIONING THE BIBLE’S HISTORICAL ACCURACY

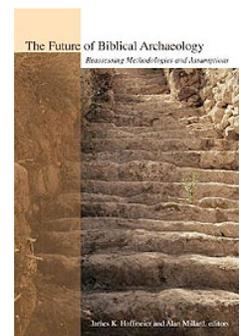
1. *What did the Biblical Writers Know and When Did They Know It?* – William G. Dever

This book acts as both a challenge to revisionists who deny any historical basis for ancient Israel and also as a masterful introduction to the archaeology of the “land of the Bible” during Iron Age. One reviewer describes it as, “Two books in one, this awkwardly titled volume contains (i) the best introduction to the archaeology of Iron Age Palestine (biblical Israel) yet written, and (ii) a devastatingly trenchant critique of the scholarship and methodology of the ‘biblical minimalist’ school.” Know what you are getting into before digging into this controversial read!



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2. *The Future of Biblical Archaeology: Reassessing Methodologies and Assumptions* – Hoffmeier/ Millard



This book offers an optimistic but cautious perspective from Biblical archaeologists about the Bible's historicity. Peter Machinist of Harvard University describes it, saying "It ranges widely over the issues posed by the intersection of biblical studies, archaeology and ancient Near Eastern history, illuminating them with sharply focused case analyses and thoughtful reflections on methodology and the course of past scholarly discussion." The contributors are experts and experience archaeologists and bring a convincing argument against the separation of biblical studies and ancient Near Eastern history and archaeology.

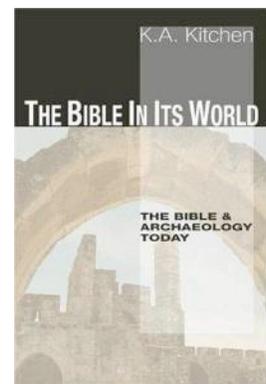
One of the contributors, James Hoffmeier, will give a lecture at the Lanier Theological Library on May 21st, 2011 about the archaeological and geological evidence for the Israelites' exodus from Egypt.

Call #: BS621 .F88 2004

3. *The Bible in its World* – K. A. Kitchen

This book is a solid exposition of the relationship between the ancient near eastern world and ancient Israel. Kitchen evaluates the minimalist position in light of recent developments in ancient near eastern studies. By holding a minimalist point of view, Kitchen explains, one makes Israel the only ancient nation incapable of transmitting its history and having elaborate religious rituals, which we now know were common characteristics of ancient civilizations from even before the time of Moses.

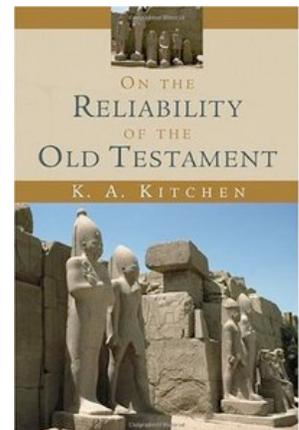
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4. *On the Reliability of the Old Testament* – K. A. Kitchen

Kenneth Kitchen, an emeritus professor of Egyptology and Archaeology from the University of Liverpool, provides a step-by-step review of the evidence for biblical history in its Near Eastern context and simultaneously a systematic refutation of the minimalist interpretation of the Bible.

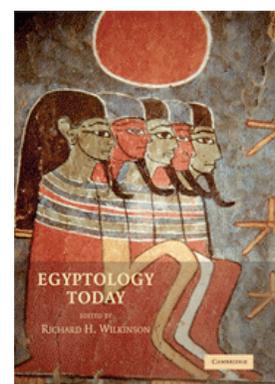
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EGYPTOLOGY

1. *Egyptology Today* – Richard H. Wilkinson

This book is a collection of essays that examine the methods and theories used to study Egypt.



“All aspects of Egyptology are covered from the Egyptian language and medical research to the way archaeologists survey sites and the conservation of artifacts. The book is organized thematically into four parts (approaches, monuments, art and artifacts, and texts), with each part comprising three chapters. Wonderfully illustrated, this book will make excellent reading for students of the ancient world and the interested public.”

- The Bryn Mawr Classical Review

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2. *The Ancient Egyptian State: The Origins of Egyptian Culture* – Robert J. Wenke

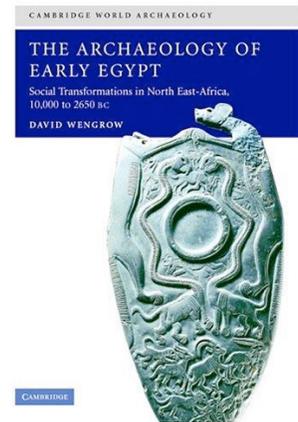
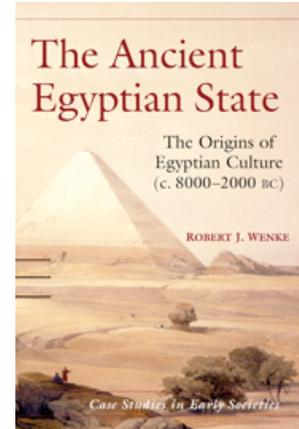
“The strength of the book is that it integrates a highly detailed review of Egypt's archaeological record during a critical period of cultural change, and yet at the same time it integrates this information with current anthropological theory. Wenke also includes beautifully written essays that help one appreciate the beauty of Egypt's monuments, writing system, and the ancient Egyptians' philosophy, i.e. how they made sense of their world. The sections on how archaeological research is done in the field are very instructive and rarely seen in most introductory books on ancient Egypt.” – Review from Amazon.com

Call #: DT61 .W457 2009

3. *The Archaeology of Early Egypt* – David Wengrow

Wengrow gives an authoritative survey of the archaeology of early Egypt and offers a new interpretation of the emerging farm-based economies and the dynastic state. According to the Near East Archaeological Society Bulletin, this is “... a detailed and an insightful look into the formation of early Egyptian civilization. ... essential reading for anyone trying to understand the formation of early Egyptian burial practices, social customs, and cultural traditions and how they impacted later Egyptian history.”

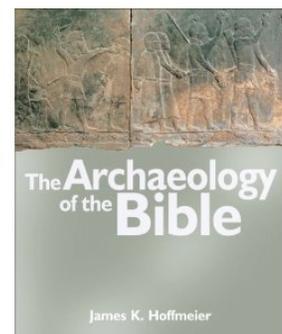
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BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY – BOOKS BY JAMES HOFFMEIER

1. *The Archaeology of the Bible* – James K. Hoffmeier

This book offers the reader a review of Biblical history and examines the role of archaeology in understanding Biblical texts. The book is divided into three sections, two covering the Old Testament and the other covering the New Testament, and

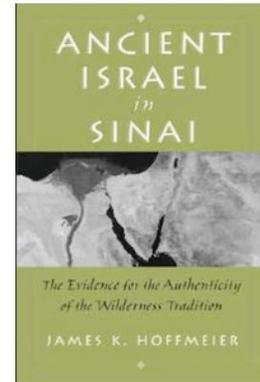


presents a archaeological survey from Genesis to Revelation. By combining visual media (maps, charts, photographs, etc.) with his own personal experience in the field of archaeology, Hoffmeier presents fascinating information about the relationship between Biblical studies and the remains of the Ancient Near East.

Call #: BS621 .H566

2. *Ancient Israel in Sinai* – James K. Hoffmeier

In this book, Hoffmeier focuses on the archaeological evidence for the Israelites' exodus from Egypt. As director of the North Sinia Archaeological Project, Hoffmeier employs his experience with recent archaeological findings to address several important questions, including: the location of Mount Sinai, how the Israelites might have lived in the wilderness and the effects of Egyptian influence in Israelite tradition.



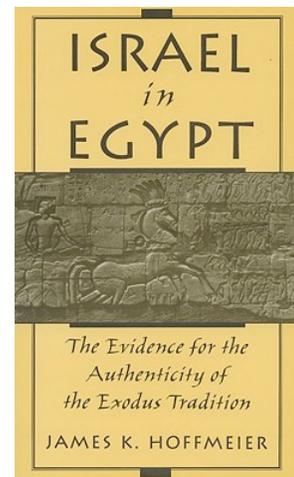
“Hoffmeier furnishes a sophisticated, fresh approach to the biblical Exodus traditions, which is filled with detailed Egyptological background and is indispensable because of its basis in recent, and in many cases as yet unpublished, archaeological data. This is a virtual encyclopedia of the exodus.”

--Barch Halpern, Chaiken Family Chair in Jewish Studies, Penn State University

Call #: BS1245.52 .H64

3. *Israel in Egypt: The Evidence for the Authenticity of the Exodus Tradition* – James K. Hoffmeier

In this book, Hoffmeier examines the most current Egyptological evidences and argues that they support the biblical record concerning Israel in Egypt.



"*Israel in Egypt* is one of those rare works that one cannot read without taking notes on nearly every page. For biblical scholars, who are seriously interested in the Exodus and the issues revolving around the historicity of the Bible, especially regarding the origins of Israel, *Israel in Egypt* could not be more highly recommended."--Near East Archaeological Society Bulletin

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