

## Index

- Abraham 100–1, 108, 140  
 abstinence, from  
   bathing 52  
   beans 28  
   bread and grains 17, 41, 43, 68  
   cheese 16  
   commerce 47  
   cooked food 137, 139  
   eggs 28, 153  
   fish 16, 17, 28, 153  
   fruit 65, 153  
   laughter 122  
   meat 10, 11, 15, 16, 25, 28, 29, 32, 52, 65, 68,  
     71–5, 112, 135, 137, 149, 153  
     *eidolothuta* 73–4  
     goat 16  
     pork 15, 17  
   monetary exchange 47, 48  
   non-kosher (forbidden), foods 35, 40, 44,  
     56–7, 61, 97  
   oil 48, 51, 52  
   pleasure 26, 34, 47–9, 95, 96, 118, 122  
   private property 11, 28, 35, 47–8, 50, 56, 89,  
     118, 120, 126, 146–7  
   sleep 28, 113, 118  
   vegetables 68  
   water 41, 43, 68  
   wine 11, 16, 17, 20, 30, 41, 42, 52, 65, 72–80,  
     111, 112, 149  
 work 52, 141, 143  
 sex  
   by an athlete 9  
   by the pagan philosopher 10, 11, 26, 29–31,  
     33  
   in Christianity 58, 61, 71, 72, 80–94, 98,  
     100, 103, 105–6, 108, 140  
   in Judaism 11, 35, 37–9, 41, 44, 47, 49, 51–7  
   in pagan cult 11, 15–18  
 Acts, apocryphal 76, 78–80, 88–90, 98  
   *Acts of Andrew* 79, 80, 90  
   *Acts of John* 78–81, 90  
   *Acts of Paul* 66–8, 79, 88–90  
   *Acts of Peter* 66  
   *Acts of Peter and the Twelve Apostles* 68  
   *Acts of Thomas* 69, 79, 80, 90  
 Adam and Eve 83  
 Ahab 42  
 Alexander the Sleepless (*Akoimetes*) 142–3  
 Alexandria 25, 37, 60, 80, 110, 112–14, 124, 133,  
   151, 153, 154  
 almsgiving 45, 64, 69–70, 83, 91, 95, 97, 103, 111,  
   113, 136, 138, 140, 142, 145, 154  
 Ambrose, bishop of Milan 107, 109, 150, 151, 157  
 Ammonas 116  
 Amoun 115  
 Ancyra 110  
 anger 101, 102, 116, 123, 125, 126  
 Antioch 110, 131, 136, 139, 141, 142, 152, 154  
 Antisthenes 19  
 Antony of Egypt 113–17, 120, 122, 129–30, 133,  
   150  
   *Letters* 114–15  
   *see also* Athanasius, *Life of Antony*  
 Aphrahat 93, 141  
*Apocalypse of Zephaniah* 53  
 Apollonius of Tyana 11, 24, 29–31  
*Apophthegmata Patrum* 113, 116  
*Apostolic Constitutions* 154  
*Apostolic Tradition* 59, 91  
 Apuleius 16  
 Arcesilaus 27  
 Arianism 107, 117, 129, 151, *see also* Arius  
 Aristides 74  
 Aristotle 13, 28  
 Arius 109, 110  
 Arsinoë 115  
 asceticism, definition of 1, 3–5  
 Asterius 139  
 Athanasius 106–7, 109, 130, 151, 152, 154  
   *Life of Antony* 113, 116–17, 120, 144  
 Athenaeus 25  
 Athenagoras 82, 98

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-68154-4 - Asceticism in the Graeco-Roman World

Richard Finn

Index

[More information](#)

178

Athens 13–15, 17, 20  
 Atonement, Day of, *see* Yom Kippur  
 Augustine of Hippo 4, 6, 107–9, 112, 117, 128, 143–9  
 Aulus Gellius 24  
 authority 109–10, 117, 121, 134, 141–3, 151, 153, 155

baptism 58, 59, 61, 82, 83, 88, 91–3, 98, 141, 145  
 Bardaisan 84, 93  
 Baruch 42  
 basileiados 120  
 Basil of Ancyra 1, 106–9, 111  
 Basil of Caesarea 111, 117–22, 125, 129–30, 151  
 begging 19–20, 24, 25, 33, 138  
 Behr, John 96  
 Bethlehem 54, 125, 146  
 Bible 94, 114, 118, 123, 129, 144, 146  
 Books of  
 Acts 63–4, 147  
 2 Chronicles 42  
 1 Corinthians 73, 81, 85, 88, 89, 114, 136, 138  
 2 Corinthians 85, 89, 147  
 Daniel 44  
 Esther 42, 52  
 Exodus 40, 41, 48, 102  
 Ezra 42, 43  
 Genesis 98, 102  
 Hebrews 136  
 Isaiah 95  
 Jeremiah 42  
 Joel 42, 50  
 John 77  
 Jonah 42, 52  
 Judith 45–6  
 1 Kings 42  
 Leviticus 40, 41, 50, 89  
 Luke 53, 63, 82, 89, 103  
 Mark 70, 102  
 Matthew 69, 77, 82, 85, 88, 100, 101, 103, 138, 142  
 Numbers 38, 41, 105  
 Proverbs 115  
 Psalms 43, 111, 135, 145, 147, 148  
 Romans 73, 74, 89, 127, 138  
 1 Samuel 42, 43  
 2 Samuel 42, 43  
 1 Timothy 73, 74, 81–2, 85, 86, 91, 149  
 Wisdom 44  
 Zechariah 43

Hebrew 39–44  
 meditation on 37, 101, 104, 105, 113, 115, 116, 119, 127, 135  
 Septuagint 40, 41, 44–6, 63  
*see also* Torah

*Index*

bishops 1, 60–2, 64, 81, 92, 104, 107, 130, 141–4, 148–53, 155  
 Bowie, Ewen 29  
 Boyarin, Daniel 54  
 Brown, Peter 2, 36, 61, 90

Caesarea (Cappadocia) 117, 118, 120, 122  
 Caesarea (Palestine) 101  
 Caesarius, bishop of Arles 129, 149  
 Carthage 59, 143, 144, 149  
 Cassian 125–30  
 Cassiodorus 129  
 Castor, bishop of Apta Julia 125  
 castration 80, 81, 88, 100  
 Cercidas 22  
 Chalcedon, Council of 153  
 chastity 81, 103–5, 127  
 Cicero 23  
 circumcellions 144  
 Clark, Elizabeth 85  
 Clark, Gillian 31  
 Cleanthes 25, 26  
 1 Clement 63  
 2 Clement 83  
 Clement of Alexandria 58, 70, 76, 94–8, 104  
*Paedagogus* 68, 78, 79, 85–6, 94–6  
*Quis dives salvetur?* 96, 103  
*Stromata* 70, 82–6, 88, 93, 94  
 clothing 19–20, 24, 26, 29, 44, 119, 120, 125, 133, 140, 146  
 Cohen, Shaye 38  
 Constantinople 118, 125, 141–3, 151–3  
 contemplation 3, 9, 34–9, 94, 105, 112, 119, 123–4, 127–9, 139, 140, 147

cults  
 Egyptian 11, 12  
 Graeco-Roman 5, 7, 14–18  
 Chrysippus 10  
 Crates 14, 19–22, 103  
 Cynicism 7, 14–15, 19–25, 32–3, 35, 36, 47, 96  
 Cyprian, bishop of Carthage 92, 107, 109

Damasus, Pope 107  
 David 42, 43  
 Dead Sea Scrolls 47–50  
*Community Rule (Manual of Discipline)* 48–50  
*Damascus Document* 49–50  
*Temple Scroll* 49

Demetrius 24–5  
 demons 97, 102, 114, 124, 130, 139–41  
 Detienne, Marcel 17  
 Diamond, Eliezer 51, 55  
*Diatessaron* 77, 82  
*Didache* 53, 59, 62, 74, 79

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-68154-4 - Asceticism in the Graeco-Roman World

Richard Finn

Index

[More information](#)

## Index

179

- Didascalía* 94, 154  
 Dio Chrysostom 25  
 Diogenes of Sinope 14, 19–23  
 Diogenes Laertius 20, 26, 29  
 Dionysius, bishop of Alexandria 153  
 Dionysius, bishop of Corinth 85  
 docetism 76, 78  
 Donatism 143–4, 147–8  
 Douglas, Mary 40  
 drought 42, 52, 64  
  
 Easter 59–60, 70, 74, 75, 134, 153–4  
 Ebionites 76  
 Edessa 84, 93, 152  
*Elenchos* 65, 72, 75, 94  
 Elm, Susanna 3, 109, 120  
 encratism 72, 78, 84  
 endurance 123  
     (*hypomone*) 68  
     (*karteria*) 11, 22, 26, 29, 47, 48, 68  
 Ephrem 93, 141  
 Epictetus 21  
 Epicureans 27  
 Epicurus 11, 27  
 Epiphanius 76, 78, 86, 110, 112, 141, 150  
*Epistle of Barnabas* 63, 97  
 Essenes 11, 12, 47–50, 56  
 Eucharist 110, 111, 135  
     without wine 76–80  
 Eucherius of Lyons 128  
 eunuch 82, 91, 98  
 Eusebius of Caesarea 60, 74, 85, 88, 93, 100  
 Eusebius of Emesa 106, 108  
 Eustathius of Sebaste 118, 120, 121  
 Evagrius of Antioch 117  
 Evagrius Ponticus 104, 122–5, 128–30, 132  
 extravagance (*poluteleia*) 27, 35, 37, 96, 97, 102  
 Ezra 42, 43  
  
 Fall, the 4, 83, 98, 123, 138  
 fasting 1, 3, 15–17, 30  
     Christian 53, 58–71, 75, 83, 95–8, 100, 102,  
     111–14, 116, 118, 126, 135–6, 140, 157  
     Egyptian 11  
     Jewish 3, 35, 37, 41–6, 48, 50–3, 55–7  
 Foucault, Michel 26  
 Frankfurter, David 5–6  
 freedom of speech (*parrhesia*) 22–5  
 frugality 7, 10, 11, 13, 20, 22, 26–7, 35, 37, 38, 44,  
     48, 68, 95–8  
 funerals 111  
  
 Galen 81, 90  
 Gangra, Council of 111  
 Gnosticism 6, 68, 70, 71, 75–6, 78, 88, 94  
  
*Gospel of the Ebionites* 74, 76  
*Gospel of the Egyptians* 83, 88  
*Gospel of the Hebrews* 60  
*Gospel of Peter* 59  
*Gospel of Thomas* 4, 69–72, 82–4  
 Gould, Graham 116  
 Goulet-Cazé, Marie-Odile 21, 25  
*Great Letter* 139, 142  
 Gregory the Great, Pope 129  
 Gregory Nazianzen 118, 122, 151  
 Gregory of Nyssa 107, 112, 142  
 Gregory Thaumaturgus 101, 102  
  
 Hannah 43  
 Hegeippus 74  
 Heliopolis 5, 15  
 Hermippus 33  
 Hieracas 112  
 Hipparchia 21  
*History of the Rechabites* 54–5  
 holy man, the 2–3, 13, 31, 35, 101, 131, 142, 151,  
     154  
 holy week 135, 153–4  
 Homer 12, 96  
 homosexual acts 11, 26, 97  
 humility 41–3, 57, 63–5, 68, 108, 112, 114, 116,  
     119, 136, 140, 157  
 Hypatius 142, 152  
  
 Iamblichus 15, 30–2  
 impurity, Jewish ritual 40–1, 50  
 Ignatius 84  
 Irenaeus 60–1, 72, 76, 104  
 Isidore 84  
  
 James 74  
 Januarius 146–7  
 Jerome 78, 107, 108, 111, 124, 125, 130, 135, 148,  
     150  
 Jerusalem 42, 43, 49, 110, 122, 124, 130  
     Temple 38, 39, 41, 45, 46, 51, 53, 57  
 Jesus 71, 77–8, 88, 96, 101, 103, 115, 118, 119, 127,  
     139, 144, 148  
     in apocryphal texts 68, 69, 71, 83, 88  
     influence on pagan writers 31  
     logos 94, 101  
     model for Christian ascetics 82, 94, 102, 122,  
     137, 138, 140  
 John Chrysostom 107, 110, 125, 131–2, 136, 151,  
     152  
*Joseph and Aseneth* 54–5, 84  
 Josephus 11, 45, 47–8  
 Julian, Emperor 152  
 Julius Cassianus 88, 93  
 Justin 59, 73, 77–8, 80–1, 93

## 180

Kellia 115–16, 123, 125, 128

Law, Mosaic, *see* Torah

Lent 153–4

Lérins 128, 151

Levites 38–9

Libanius 131, 152

*Liber Graduum* (*Book of Steps*) 136–8, 140, 141

Lucian 20, 22, 24, 25, 33

lust 102

McGowan, Andrew 72, 74–9

Maamad 53

Macrina 118

Manichaeism 7, 149, 156

Marcion 74–6, 82

Marcionites 73, 75, 93–4, 98

marriage 21, 26, 33, 48, 58, 72, 81–2, 84–6, 88, 90, 93, 94, 103, 105–6, 110, 112  
*see also* remarriage

Marseilles 125, 129, 151

Martin of Tours 128, 151, 152

martyrdom 66, 117, 133

martyrs, shrines of 111, 142

masturbation 15, 24

Megillat Ta'anit (*Scroll of Fasting*) 52

Melania, the Elder 122, 123, 130, 132

Melania, the Younger 149

Menander 20

Menippus 23

Messalianism 141, 143

Methodius 104–6, 108

Metrocles 20

Middle Platonism 35, 96

Milan 145, 151

Minucius Felix 61

Mishnah 40, 45, 51–3

monasticism 2, 4, 8, 104, 110  
 Basilian 119–22  
 Benedictine 119, 129, 130  
 cenobitic 119–22, 133–6, 139–40, 142, 144, 153  
 clerical 8, 145, 147–9, 155  
 Egyptian 4, 8, 113–18, 122–4, 133–6, 147  
 eremitic, *see* solitaries  
 Meletian 133  
 North African 8, 143–9, 152  
 Pachomian 133–6, 150, 154  
 Palestinian 118, 124  
 semi-anchoretic 114–15, 118, 122, 132, 154, 156  
 Syriac 4, 136–43, 149, 154

Montanism 65, 67–8, 75, 86–8

mortification 102, 126, 137

## Index

Moses 34–5, 41, 48, 54, 63, 113, 115, 116

mourning 16–17, 43, 51–2, 59–60, 63, 67, 74, 102, 112

Musonius Rufus 11, 26, 27

Naassenes 94

Nag Hammadi 6, 70, 75

nature 10, 21, 23, 27, 32, 35, 84, 85, 108, 123–4

Nazarite vow 41, 45, 74, 75

Nehemiah 43

Neoplatonism 7–13, 28, 30, 32–3, 58, 74, 106, 156

Nestorius 151

Nicaea, Council of 109, 117

Nikertai 132

Nilus of Ancyra 123, 129, 143

Nitria 115, 123, 124, 128, 132, 150, 153

nocturnal emissions 127

obedience 116, 126–7, 135

*On Virginity* 106–8

oracles, *see* revelation

Origen 8, 12, 62, 69, 75, 91, 100–5, 112–15, 117, 118, 122–3, 129–30, 133, 140, 156  
*Commentary on the Song of Songs* 101, 129

Osiek, Carolyn 86

Oxyrhynchus 69

Pachomius 8, 133–5

Palladius 110, 132–5

Palmas of Amestris 85

passions 48, 94, 96, 101–3, 105–6, 118, 123–4, 128, 139, 140

Paul, Saint 59, 63, 66–8, 73, 79, 88, 143

Paula 146

Paulinus of Nola 148

penitence 3, 17, 42, 44, 48, 50, 52, 53, 57, 63, 69, 70, 86, 96, 102, 112, 114, 119, 122, 153

Peregrinus 24–5, 33

Peter, Saint 66, 68, 79

Petilian 143, 147

Pharisees 46, 53

Philo 4, 7, 34–9, 45, 47–8, 56, 58, 96–8, 156  
*Every Good Man is Free* 47  
*Hypothetica* 47  
*Life of Moses* 34–5, 38, 97  
*On the Contemplative Life* 36–9

Philostratus 11, 16, 24–5, 29–31

Pierius 112, 122

Pinytus, bishop of Knossus 85

Plato 9, 10, 31, 34, 96, 102, 104–6, 118, 122

pleasure 27, 101, *see also* under abstention

Pliny the Elder 47

Plotinus 9, 31, 32

Plutarch 10

- Polycarp 64, 105  
 poor, care for the 108–9, 120, 143,  
 151  
*see also* almsgiving  
 Porphyry, bishop of Gaza 150  
 Porphyry, Neoplatonist philosopher 7, 9–13, 29,  
 32, 156  
*Letter to Marcella* 10, 11  
*Life of Pythagoras* 10, 31  
*On Abstinence* 9–12  
 Possidius 144, 148, 149  
 poverty 27  
 voluntary 19–21, 24–6, 30, 33, 37, 104, 111, 113,  
 116, 120, 137, 140  
*see also* wealth, dispossession of  
 prayer 87, 88, 105, 113, 114, 118, 119, 138, 140,  
 141  
 biblical 42–5, 64  
 continual 136, 142–3, 154  
 fasting as 57, 63–5, 100, 102  
 in apocryphal texts 55, 63, 67, 69, 70  
 in return for alms 91, 103  
 inhibited by sex 85, 104  
 location of 115  
 times of 116, 122, 125, 135, 145  
 type of 111, 125, 145  
 posture in 125, 137  
 virginity as 102, 105  
 virtue of 118  
*see also* vigils  
 pride 102, 108, 114, 116, 124, 125, 127, 146  
 procreation 26, 33, 48, 49, 54, 72, 81, 85, 88, 98,  
 105–6, 108  
 Prophets, Israelite 43, 117, 136  
*Protevangelium of James* 63  
 Pseudo-Clementine *Letters to Virgins* 93  
 Pseudo-Macarian homilies 136–41  
 Ptolemaeus (Ptolemy) 71  
 public affairs, withdrawal from 10, 32, 37, 38,  
 118  
 Purim 52  
 purity 10, 11, 35, 37, 41, 81, 84, 85, 87, 89, 94, 101,  
 103, 104, 114, 126–8, 140  
 ritual 15–16, 18, 28, 31, 33, 39, 41, 46, 48–50,  
 56–7, 156  
 Pythagoras 10, 27–34  
 Pythagoreanism 10, 12, 27–31, 74  
 revelation 44, 56, 63, 64, 66, 67, 75, 86–9, 101,  
 123, 133, 140  
 at pagan oracles 15, 16  
 Rome 13, 17–18, 58–62, 64–7, 71, 73, 74, 111,  
 153  
 Rufinus 115–16, 119, 130  
 Sabbath 49, 52, 70  
 Salome 83, 88  
 Samuel 42  
 Saturninus 72, 81  
 Saul 42, 43  
*Sayings of the Desert Fathers, see Apophthegmata*  
 Scetis 116, 125, 128  
 Scripture, *see* Bible  
 self-control (*enkrateia*) 11, 13, 22, 26, 30, 34, 36,  
 38, 47, 48, 72, 81, 86, 88, 91, 98, 102, 105,  
 118, 123  
 self-knowledge 101, 116, 133–5  
 self-sufficiency (*autarkeia*) 22, 26, 27  
 Seneca 24, 26  
 Serapion, bishop of Thumis 122, 150  
 shamelessness 19, 21–2, 24, 26, 33  
 Shaw, Teresa 4  
*Shepherd of Hermas* 64–5, 157  
 silence 118, 120, 121  
 Simeon Stylites 139–40  
 Simon Magus 66  
 simplicity (*baplotēs*) 86  
*see also* frugality  
 Sinai, Mount 35, 41, 48, 63  
 Siniossoglou, Niketas 4, 12, 30  
 slaves 110, 153  
 sleep 127  
 on the ground 1, 20, 26, 36, 96, 113  
 Smith, Jonathan 61  
 Smyrna 56  
 Socrates, church historian 151, 153  
 Socrates, philosopher 14, 23, 74, 105–6, 152  
 solitaries 70, 84, 113, 119, 127, 130, 131, 133, 137,  
 139–40, 142, 148  
*see also* monasticism, semi-anchoretic  
 solitude 118–19, 137–9, 144  
 Sons and Daughters of the covenant 93  
 stations 62, 64–6, 69, 71  
 Stoicism 3, 10, 11, 25–7, 33, 94, 96  
 syneisaktism 87, 91–2, 109–10, 112, 153,  
 156  
 Syriac churches 54, 78, 92–3, 98, 130, 141  
*Talmud* 36, 51, 53  
 Babylonian 51, 53, 54  
 Palestinian (Jerusalem) 51, 52, 54  
 Tatian 60, 74–5, 77–8, 88  
 temperance 10, 13

- Tertullian 59, 67, 74, 75, 82, 87, 88, 90–1, 98,  
 107  
*Ad Scapulam* 64  
*Against Marcion* 75, 76, 93  
*Apology* 64  
*On Baptism* 68  
*On Fasting* 59, 62, 64–6, 74, 78  
*Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs* 54–5, 84  
*Testimony of Truth* 88  
 Thecla 66, 89  
 Themistius 13  
 Theodoret of Cyrrhus 4, 12, 78, 131, 137–9, 141,  
 151  
 Theodotus 76  
 Theophilus 124  
 Theophrastus 11  
 Therapeutae 36–9, 44, 47, 56  
 Tissot, Yves 68  
 Tobit, Book of 45  
 Torah 34, 35, 37, 40–1, 53, 54, 57, 114  
 Tosefta 51  
 Trier 117  
 Trinity, the 124  
 Ursacius 119  
 Valantasis, Richard 4, 61, 68  
 Valentinians 76  
 Valentinus 93  
 Victor, bishop at Rome 60–2  
 vigils 111, 114, 136  
 virgins  
   Christian 58, 89, 91–2, 98, 108–13, 117, 130,  
   150, 156, 157  
   dress 91, 111  
   order of 87, 91  
   Vestal 18  
 virginity 103, 104  
   consecrated 1, 129  
   in Greek novel 55  
   in Judaism 37, 39, 54  
   symbolic role of 87, 105–6  
   treatises on 105–6, 108, 111–12  
 Vööbus, Arthur 156  
 war 42, 45  
 wealth 47, 111  
   dispossession of 46, 102–3  
 widows 46, 58, 86, 91–2, 98, 105–6  
 work 26, 113, 116, 121, 132, 134–6, 138, 145, 146,  
 154–5  
 Xenophon 23, 74  
 xerophagy 65, 68, 72, 75  
 Yom Kippur 35, 41, 44, 51  
 Zeno of Citium 14, 23, 25–6