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*Jesus and Israel's Traditions of Judgement and Restoration* examines the eschatology of Jesus by evaluating his appropriation of sacred traditions related to Israel's restoration. It addresses the way in which Jesus' future expectations impinged upon his understanding of key features of Jewish society.

Scholars have long debated the degree to which Jesus' eschatology can be said to have been realized. This book breaks new ground by considering Jesus' expectations regarding key constitutional features of the eschaton: the shape of the people of God, purity, Land and Temple. Steven M. Bryan shows that Jesus' anticipation of coming national judgement led him to use Israel's sacred traditions in ways that differed significantly from their use by his contemporaries. This did not lead Jesus to the conviction that Israel's restoration had been delayed. Instead he employed Israel's traditions to support a different understanding of restoration and a belief that the time of restoration had arrived.

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## ABBREVIATIONS AND CITATION CONVENTIONS

Abbreviations and citation conventions for biblical texts, Apocrypha, Qumran literature, Old Testament pseudepigrapha, Josephus, Philo, New Testament Apocrypha, Rabbinic literature, and the Church Fathers follow standard forms as specified in 'Instructions for Contributors', *Journal of Biblical Literature* 117 (1998), 555–79.

AB	Anchor Bible
ABD	<i>Anchor Bible Dictionary</i>
ABRL	Anchor Bible Reference Library
AGJU	Arbeiten zur Geschichte des antiken Judentums und des Urchristentums
BASORSup	Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research Supplemental Studies
BDF	F. Blass, A. Debrunner and R. W. Funk, <i>A Greek Grammar of the NT</i>
BETL	Bibliotheca ephemeridum theologiarum louvaniensium
BHS	<i>Biblia hebraica stuttgartensia</i>
Bib	<i>Biblica</i>
BJRL	<i>Bulletin of the John Rylands University Library of Manchester</i>
BJS	Brown Judaic Studies
BNTC	Black's New Testament Commentaries
BZ	<i>Biblische Zeitschrift</i>
BZNW	Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für neutestamentliche Wissenschaft
CBQ	<i>Catholic Biblical Quarterly</i>
CBQMS	Catholic Biblical Quarterly Monograph Series
CJA	Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity
ConB	Coniectanea biblica
ConBNT	Coniectanea biblica New Testament Series
CSHJ	Chicago Studies in the History of Judaism

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CSCO	Corpus scriptorum christianorum orientalium
CTSRR	College Theology Society Resources in Religion
CUP	Cambridge University Press
<i>DJG</i>	<i>Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels</i>
<i>DSD</i>	<i>Dead Sea Discoveries</i>
EKKNT	Evangelisch-Katholischer Kommentar zum Neuen Testament
<i>ErIsr</i>	<i>Eretz Israel</i>
FOTL	Forms of the Old Testament Literature
HNT	Handbuch zum Neuen Testament
<i>HS</i>	<i>Hebrew Studies</i>
HSM	Harvard Semitic Monographs
HSS	Harvard Semitic Studies
HTKNT	Herders theologischer Kommentar zum Neuen Testament
<i>HTR</i>	<i>Harvard Theological Review</i>
HTS	Harvard Theological Studies
ICC	International Critical Commentary
<i>IEJ</i>	<i>Israel Exploration Journal</i>
<i>ISBE</i>	<i>International Standard Bible Encyclopedia</i> , ed. G. W. Bromiley
<i>JBL</i>	<i>Journal of Biblical Literature</i>
<i>JJS</i>	<i>Journal of Jewish Studies</i>
<i>JJTP</i>	<i>Journal of Jewish Thought and Philosophy</i>
<i>JPJ</i>	<i>Journal of Progressive Judaism</i>
JPSTC	Jewish Publication Society Torah Commentaries
<i>JSJ</i>	<i>Journal for the Study of Judaism</i>
<i>JSNT</i>	<i>Journal for the Study of the New Testament</i>
JSNTSup	Journal for the Study of the New Testament Supplement Series
JSOTSup	Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement Series
<i>JSP</i>	<i>Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha</i>
JSPSup	Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha Supplement Series
<i>JTS</i>	<i>Journal of Theological Studies</i>
KJV	King James Version
LCL	Loeb Classical Library
<i>LS</i>	<i>Louvain Studies</i>
LSJ	Liddell–Scott–Jones, <i>Greek–English Lexicon</i>
LTPM	Louvain Theological and Pastoral Monographs

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LXX	The Septuagint
MT	Masoretic Text
NA <sup>27</sup>	<i>Novum Testamentum Graece</i> (27th edn.)
NAC	New American Commentary
NICNT	New International Commentary on the New Testament
NICOT	New International Commentary on the Old Testament
NIGTC	New International Greek Testament Commentary
NIV	New International Version
NRSV	New Revised Standard Version
NTAbh	Neutestamentliche Abhandlungen
NTOA	Novum Testamentum et Orbis Antiquus
<i>NTS</i>	<i>New Testament Studies</i>
NTTS	New Testament Tools and Studies
OBO	Orbis biblicus et orientalis
<i>OTP</i>	<i>Old Testament Pseudepigrapha</i> , ed. J. H. Charlesworth
PVTG	Pseudepigrapha Veteris Testamenti graece
<i>RB</i>	<i>Revue biblique</i>
<i>RevQ</i>	<i>Revue de Qumran</i>
RSV	Revised Standard Version
SBB	Stuttgarter biblische Beiträge
SBLDS	Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series
SBLEJL	Society of Biblical Literature Early Judaism and Its Literature
SBLMS	Society of Biblical Literature Monograph Series
SBLTT	Society of Biblical Literature Texts and Translations
SBS	Stuttgarter Bibelstudien
SJSJ	Supplements to the Journal for the Study of Judaism
<i>SJT</i>	<i>Scottish Journal of Theology</i>
SPB	Studia postbiblica
SVTP	Studia in Veteris Testamenti pseudepigrapha
TANZ	Texte und Arbeiten zum neutestamentlichen Zeitalter
<i>TDNT</i>	<i>Theological Dictionary of the New Testament</i> , ed. G. Kittel and G. Friedrich
<i>Them</i>	<i>Themelios</i>
TSAJ	Texte und Studien zum antiken Judentum
<i>TWAT</i>	<i>Theologisches Wörterbuch zum Alten Testament</i> , ed. G. J. Botterweck and H. Ringgren
<i>TynBul</i>	<i>Tyndale Bulletin</i>
VT	<i>Vetus Testamentum</i>
WBC	Word Biblical Commentary

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WMANT	Wissenschaftliche Monographien zum Alten und Neuen Testament
WUNT	Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament
YJS	Yale Judaica Series
ZNW	<i>Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft</i>
ZTK	<i>Zeitschrift für Theologie und Kirche</i>

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Unless indicated otherwise, Old Testament quotations are from BHS or the NRSV; New Testament quotations are from NA<sup>27</sup> or the NRSV; English quotations of the Apocrypha are from the NRSV; Greek quotations of the Septuagint including the Apocrypha are from *Septuaginta: Id Est Vetus Testamentum graece iuxta LXX interpretes*, edited by A. Rahlfs (Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 1935). Unless indicated otherwise, English quotations of the book of Jubilees are taken from the translation of James C. VanderKam, *The Book of Jubilees*, CSCO (Louvain: Aedibus E. Peeters, 1989); all other quotations of the OT pseudepigrapha are from the edition of James H. Charlesworth, *The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha*, 2 vols. (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1983). Also, except where noted, citations of the Dead Sea Scrolls are taken from the translation of Geza Vermes, *The Dead Sea Scrolls in English*, 4th edn (Sheffield Academic Press, 1995). All other translations of primary sources which have been quoted are listed in the bibliography.