

what we believe and why it matters

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¹ Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, ² just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word.

³ With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.

Luke 1:1-4

²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

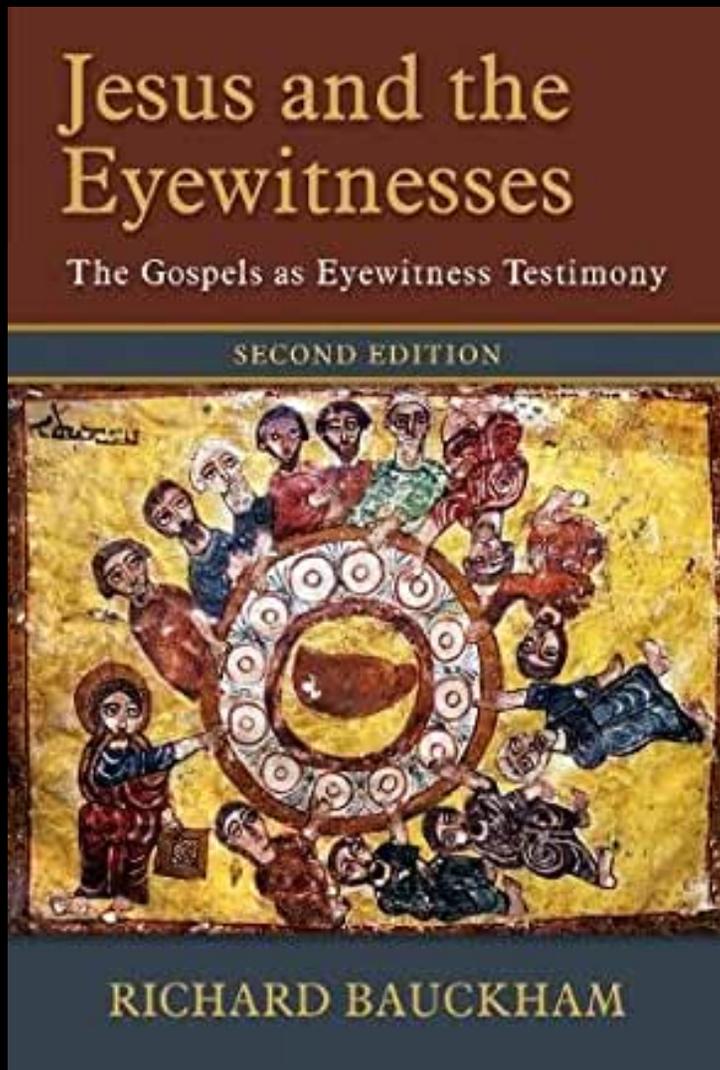
²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. ²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther.

Luke 24:25-28

29 But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" [Luke 24:29-32](#)



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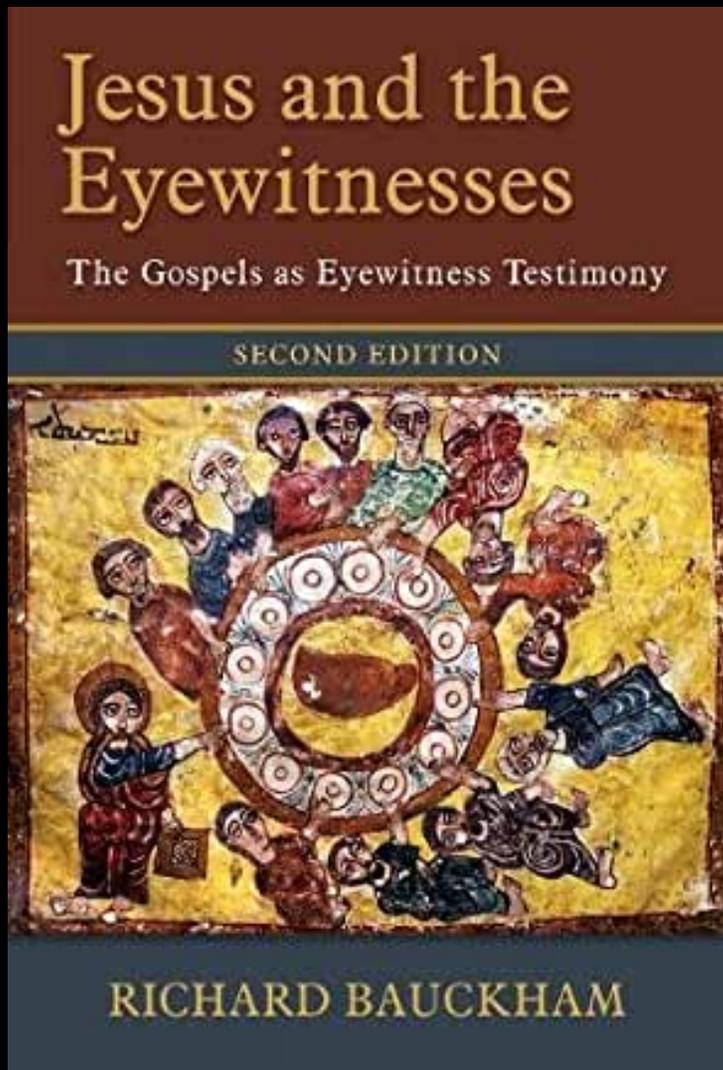


Bauckham points out that in ancient times historians valued eyewitness testimony almost exclusively.

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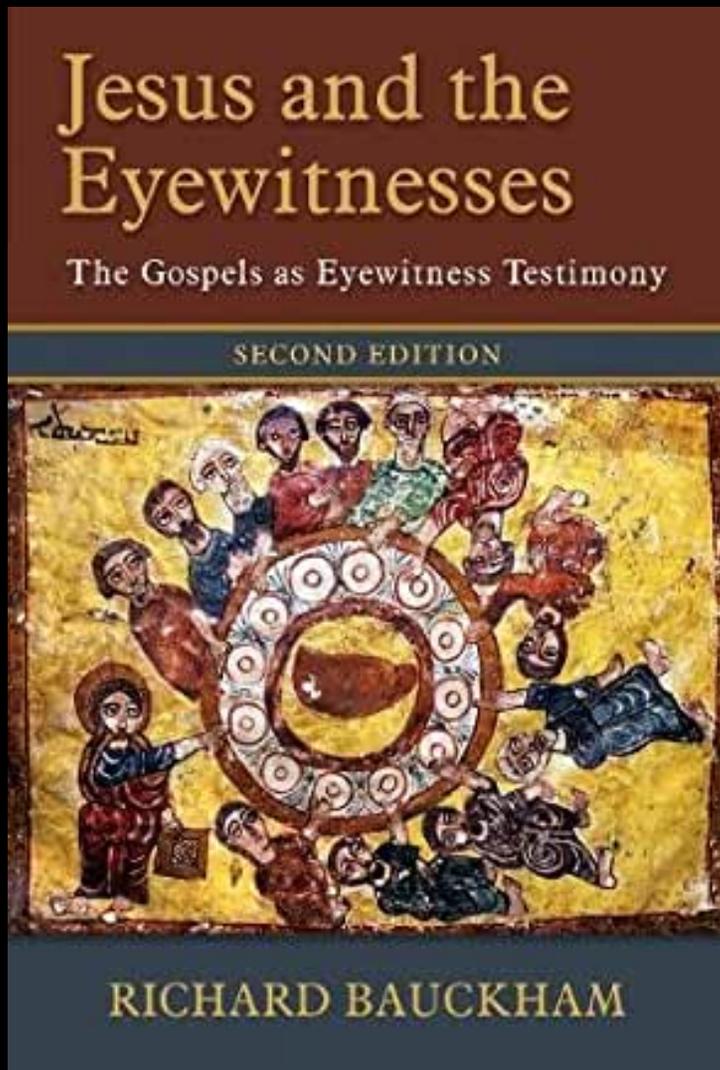
Bauckham says,

“If you read Luke in the ancient Greek, you will notice the first four verses are very different than the rest of the book. It’s Luke's way to say, this is not a legend.”



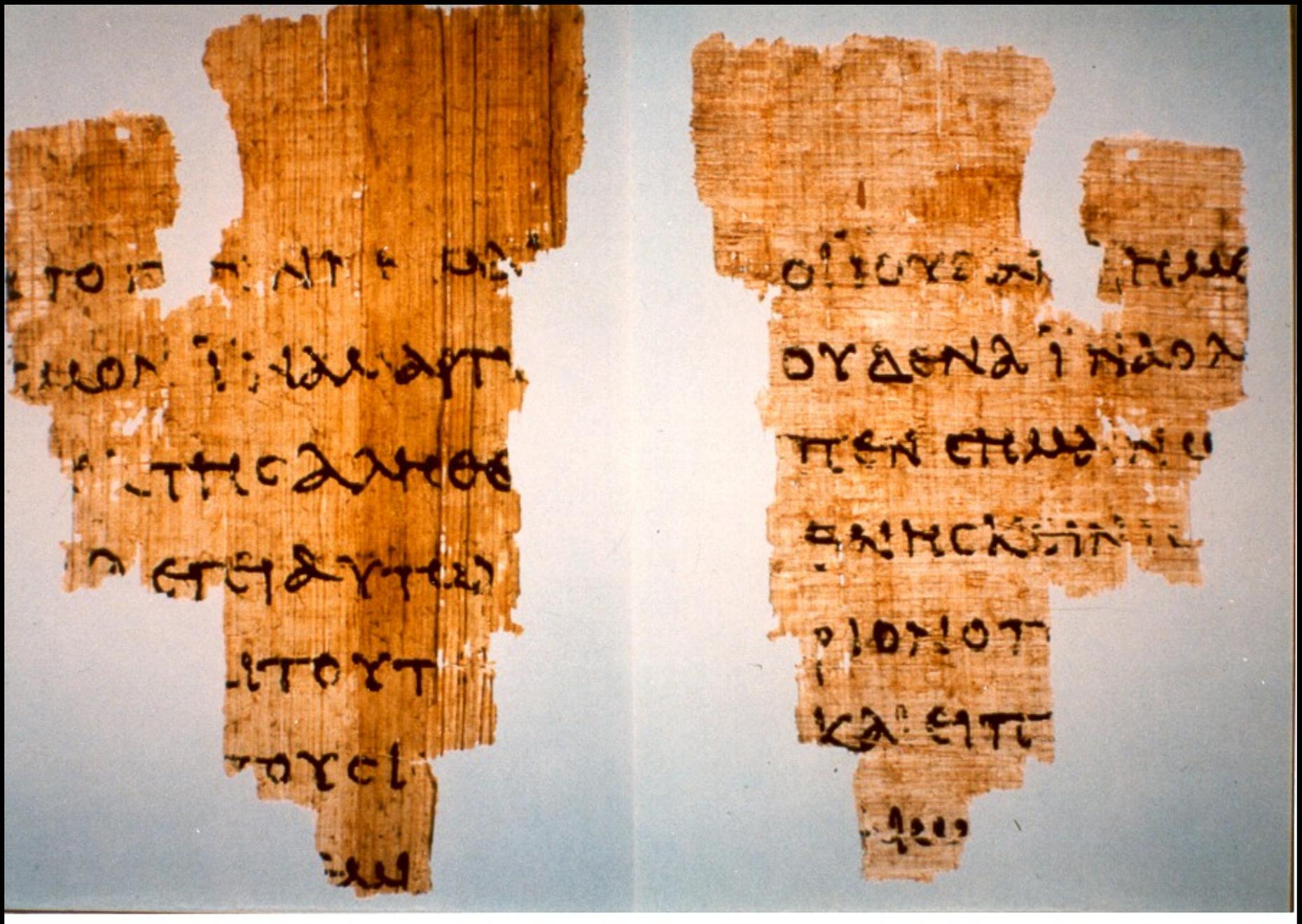


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“If you’re writing fiction, you don’t give one a name and not the other.”





John Rylands Fragment 100-110 AD





Anne Rice

Vampire Chronicles,
Christ Out of Egypt”



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“Their arguments lacked coherence and were full of conjecture. Some books were assumptions piled upon assumptions. Conclusions based upon little or no data.”



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“The whole case for the non-divine Jesus who stumbled into Jerusalem and somehow got crucified had nothing to do with the later founding of Christianity. That whole picture floated in liberal circles I had frequented for thirty years,that case was never made.”



¹⁹ "What things?" he (Jesus) asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel.

Luke 24:19-21

And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus." [Luke 24:21-24](#)

"How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!"

Luke 24:25

“Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” vs.26

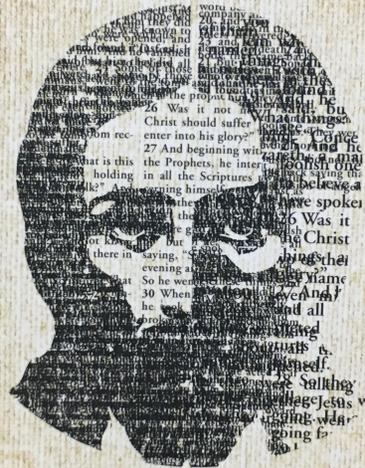
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"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself."

Luke 24:27

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"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself."

Luke 24:27

David Martyn
Lloyd Jones



*"Anybody who has really read the
Sermon on the Mount will close it
and say, "God save me from the
Sermon on the Mount."*



"Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" vs. 32



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new
creation has come: The old has gone,
the new is here! [2 Corinthians 5:17](#)

"You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." [John 8:32](#)

Jesus said, "Very truly I tell you,
everyone who sins is a slave to sin."

John 8:34

Apostle Paul said:

For all have sinned and fall short of the
glory of God, [Romans 3:23](#)

Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever.³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:34,35

This righteousness is given through
faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

Romans 3:22

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