## **CONTENTS**

Preface	v
List of Abbreviations	xiv
PART I	
THE BACKGROUND	
1 THE BACKGROUND The History The Institutions The Literature	3 4 18 31
PART II THE LANGUAGE OF THE NEW TESTAMENT	
2 THE LANGUAGE OF THE NEW TESTAMENT The Rise of the Koine Sources for the Koine Some Characteristics of the Koine The New Testament Writers The Influence of the Septuagint Quotations from the Old Testament in the New Bibliography	49 50 53 55 56 56 57 58 vii

PART III		Authorship	184
THE TEXTUAL CRITICISM OF THE NEW	Testa-	Purpose Date	185
		Contents	186
MENT			187
3 THE TEXTUAL CRITICISM OF THE NEW		Characteristics	187
TESTAMENT	63	Recent Study	190
The Materials	63	0 THE COSPEL ACCORDING TO LIVE	104
The History of the Study of the Text of the New Testa	10.0	8 THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE	194
The Practice of Textual Criticism	84	Authorship	195
The Tractice of Textual Criticism	0,	The Prologue	200
		Readers	201
PART IV		Date and Place of Writing	202
THE CANON		Accuracy of the Record	203
4 THE CANON	97	Contents	204
History of the Canon	98	Characteristics	204
Principles Governing Canonicity	109	Recent Study	207
New Testament Apocrypha	121	O THE COSDEL ACCORDING TO JOHN	011
Agrapha	130	9 THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN	211
Agrapha	150	Characteristics	211
PART V		Characteristics Date	212
THE LITERATURE OF THE NEW TESTAM	TINTE		215
THE LITERATURE OF THE NEW TESTAM	ENI	Place of Writing	217
5 THE GOSPELS	137	Authorship Purpose and Readers	218
The Word "Gospel"	138		225
The Multiplication of Gospels	138	Principal Concepts Special Study	226
The Value of the Gospel Records	139	Special Study	228
The Gospel Pattern	141	10 THE BOOK OF ACTS	235
The Order of the Gospels	142		
The Synoptic Problem	142	Contents	235
Form Criticism	154	Authorship	236
Redaction Criticism	161	Purpose	238
Aramaic Origins	163	Date	239
_	500 CO.	Characteristics	241
6 THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW	167	Sources	242
Original Form	167	Historical Value of the Book	242
Contents	170	Recent Study	244
Characteristics	170	11 INTRODUCTION TO THE EPISTLES	253
Purpose	173		
Background	174	The Form of the Letters	255
Date	175	Epistle or Letter?  The New Testement Letters and the Christian Didasha	256 258
Authorship	176	The New Testament Letters and the Christian Didache	
Recent Study	178	Classification of the Epistles	259
7 THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK	181	12 THE THESSALONIAN EPISTLES	260
Recognition by the Early Church	181	Establishment of the Church	260

	Contents	Contents	
First Thessalonians	262	The Composition of the Church	302
Background	262	Authenticity	303
Authenticity	263	Date and Place of Writing	304
Outline of Contents	264	Purpose	304
Date	264	Characteristics	305
Second Thessalonians	265	Outline of Contents	307
Authenticity	265	Integrity	307
Background	266	Theological Thought	311
Outline of Contents	267	Theological Thought	311
Relationship to the First Epistle	267		
Date	268	16 THE PRISON EPISTLES	314
Dute	200	Time and Place	315
		Date of the Prison Epistles	321
13 THE EPISTLE TO THE GALATIANS	270	Colossians	322
Authenticity	270	City and Church	322
Background	270	Background	323
Destination	272	Outline of Contents	323
Date and Place of Writing	274	The Nature of the False Teaching	324
Outline of Contents	279	Relationship to Ephesians	326
Characteristics	279	Authenticity	326
Characteristics	219	•	
		Philemon	328
14 THE CORINTHIAN CORRESPONDENCE	EE 282	Background	328
The City of Corinth	282	Value	329
	283	Recent Study	329
Founding of the Church Paul's Relations with the Church	283	Ephesians	331
	287	Readers	331
First Corinthians	287	Authenticity	332
Authenticity Outline of Contents	288	Goodspeed's Theory	337
The Divisions in the Church	289	Outline of Contents	339
	290	Characteristics	339
Characteristics		Philippians	340
Date and Place of Writing	291	Background	340
Second Corinthians	291	Authenticity	341
Authenticity	291	Occasion and Purpose	341
Readers	291	Characteristics	342
Outline of Contents	291		342
Characteristics	293	Recent Study	343
Date and Place of Writing	294		
Recent Study	294	17 THE DACTODAL EDICTIES	347
		17 THE PASTORAL EPISTLES	
15 THE EPISTLE TO THE ROMANS	200	Outline of Contents	347
	299	Background	348
The City of Rome	299	The Nature of the False Teaching	349
Founding of the Church	300	Authenticity	351
x			xi
			424

		Contents	Contents	
	Date and Place of Writing	364	Outline of Contents	431
	Recent Study	364	Characteristics	432
			Authorship	433
18	THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS	367	Date	434
	Recognition by the Early Church	367	Readers	436
	Form	368	Value	437
	Outline of Contents	369	, ****	
	Characteristics	369	23 THE EPISTLES OF JOHN	438
	Readers		First John	438
		370	Recognition by the Early Church	438
	Authorship	374	Background and Purpose	439
	Date	380	Form and Outline of Contents	441
	THE EDICAL E OF THESE			441
[9	THE EPISTLE OF JAMES	382	Characteristics	441
	Recognition by the Early Church	382	Relation to the Gospel According to John	445
	Outline of Contents	383	Authorship	445
	Characteristics	383	Unity	447
	Readers	384	Readers	447
	Authorship	386	Date	446
	Alternative Views on Authorship	389	Second and Third John	449
	Date	391	Recognition by the Early Church	449
	Place of Writing	392	Outline of Contents	450
	Value	393	Background and Purpose Authorship	450
			Readers	452
20	THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PETER	394	Date	453
	Recognition by the Early Church	394	Dete	132
	Outline of Contents	395	24 THE BOOK OF REVELATION	454
	Theological Thought	397		
	Form and Unity	398	Recognition by the Early Church	454
	Readers	401	Form and Outline of Contents	458 460
	Authorship	403	Characteristics	
	Date and Place of Writing	407	Interpretation	462
			Theological Thought	465
21	THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PETER	411	Authorship	467
	Recognition by the Early Church	411	Unity	472
	Outline of Contents	415	Background and Date	472
	Authorship	416	Readers	475
	Date	426	Purpose	475
	Readers	426	Value	475
	Recent Study	427	Selected Bibliography on New Testament Introduction	477
22	THE EPISTLE OF JUDE	429	Indexes	479
	Recognition by the Farly Church	120		