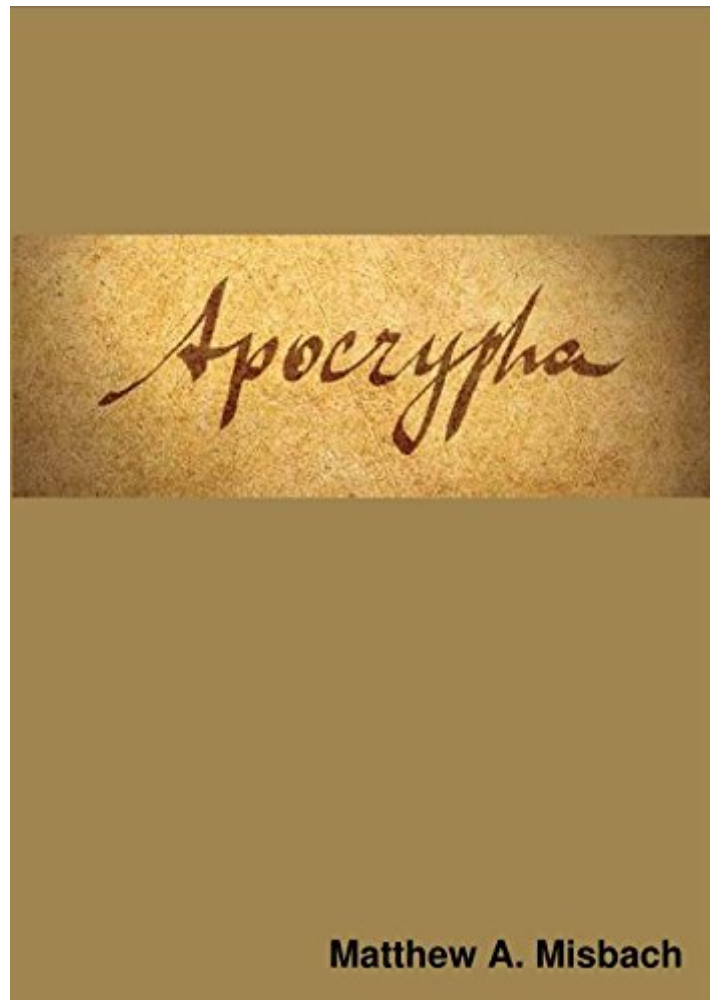




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I bought this for an extended Bible Study class that I am taking. It contains most of the books in my Apocrypha class-list. It does not have Psalm 151 or 3rd and 4th Maccabees, but neither do any of the other Apocryphal collections that I could find. A good value for only 99 cents. The translation is in old English, like the King James Bible version, which is okay by me. Each book includes a small commentary introduction in modern English. It is fairly well indexed. It has a table of contents with links to each book. You can super-page from book to book. At the start of each book there is a link to each chapter in the book. But you cannot super-page from chapter to chapter. You must return to the start of the book and take a link to the desired chapter.

If you have only read the New Testament in the Protestant version of the Holy Bible, these additional books will broaden your perspective. However, several of them are quite dull. I guess my favorite "story" was The History of Susanna. But the one I most looked forward to reading for its historical value was The First Book of the Maccabees because I believe most Christians do not appreciate the cultural influence on Judaism (and thus Christianity) of Persia and Greece from the time of Cyrus the Great to Jesus. This period of over 500 years is almost completely missing in the Bible. Unfortunately, The First Book of the Maccabees was not nearly as impressive as the scholarly piece written by Lee I. Levine, titled The Age of Hellenism: Alexander the Great and the Rise and Fall of the Hasmonean Kingdom, in Hershel Shanks' Ancient Israel. But it did cause me to go back and reread Levine's splendid work.

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