

Historical-Critical Approaches to Biblical Interpretation

Reading List

Essential Readings:

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Further Readings:

Richard J. Evans, *In Defence of History* (London: Granta Books, 1997).

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