are said to be alike but between JE and P there is a marked difference of style. Hupfeld divided the one Elohist document with the result that the First Elohist became P and the Second Elohist, called E, was said to be so near to J in style that often it was very difficult to tell the two apart. Thus on stylistic grounds the differences between J and E are very difficult to separate out.

Consequently we find Carpenter and Harford give over 65 verses to J which Carpenter and Harford give to E. and Harrelson gives over 98 verses to J which Carpenter and Harford give to E and Driver gives over 52 verses to J which Carpenter and Harford give to E and Driver gives to E over 50 verses which Carpenter and Harford give to J. Likewise Driver gives close to 55 verses to E which Speiser gives to J and Speiser vies 10 verses to E which Driver gave to J. Von Rad gives nearly 35 verses to J which Carpenter and Harford give to E and Von Rad gives about 29 verses to E which Carpenter and Harford give to J.

Fruthermore. Bfeiffer differs from Driver in that Pfeiffer takes J and divides it up between S and J and he puts the first part of Genesis in what he calls S and instead of considering S the earliest document he makes it the latest of all.

VI The division of P and JE is really a division of two types of subject matter.

There is very little disagreement among scholars as to what is P, but there very is/little agreement as to what is J and what is E. Since there seems to be strong agreement as to what makes up P this would seem to be a strong argument for the critical theory at least for the existence of P as a separate document. Consequently, it is vital that we notice this fact, that the difference between P and JE is a difference of subject matter. Difference of style inevitably follows from a difference in subject matter. Law is one of the principal types of material from a literary viewpoint found in the Pentateuch. A characteristic of law is the enumerative and statistical style. It is repetitive, monotonous.

P is dealing with lists, tabulations and statements of precise rules concerned.