

Lecture No. 2.

time form a part of the history when Babylonia was of transcendent importance. The greatest periods of Egyptian history were already past. The contacts of the Old Testament with Egypt were never after this as important as those which occurred in the beginning of the biblical history. The remaining contacts we will leave and touch on them in connection with our study of the evidences from Mesopotamia.

As we have seen, we have some very striking confirmations of the truth of the biblical narrative in the discovery of the Egyptian background as it has come to light in recent years and has been seen to accord with the descriptions in the Old Testament.

There are some points in this which are open to dispute and there are many things in connection with Egypt upon which we do not as yet have any evidence. It is quite important that we gather the support for the accuracy of the Scriptures that can be taken from the evidences that we have, but it is also important that we carefully refrain from making exaggerated statements or claim evidences which have not as yet been produced. Such statements are certain to do more harm than good.

For this reason, it is very important that everyone who deals with the Old Testament should have something of an accurate knowledge of the present situation in Egyptian study.

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