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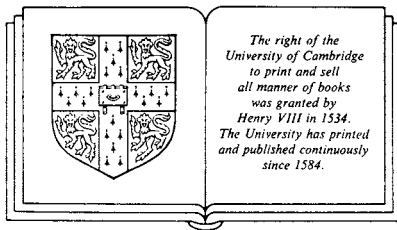
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ABBREVIATIONS

AB	Anchor Bible
ASNU	<i>Acta seminarii neotestamentici upsaliensis</i>
BETL	<i>Bibliotheca ephemeridum theologiarum lovaniensium</i>
BTB	<i>Biblical Theology Bulletin</i>
CBA	Catholic Biblical Association
EvT	<i>Evangelische Theologie</i>
HBT	<i>Horizons in Biblical Theology</i>
HTK	<i>Herders Theologischer Kommentar</i>
ICC	International Critical Commentary
Int	<i>Interpretation</i>
IVP	Inter-Varsity Press
JAAR	<i>Journal of the American Academy of Religion</i>
JBL	<i>Journal of Biblical Literature</i>
JETS	<i>Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society</i>
JSNT	<i>Journal for the Study of the New Testament</i>
JSNTSS	Journal for the Study of the New Testament Supplement Series
JSOT	<i>Journal for the Study of the Old Testament</i>
JTC	<i>Journal for Theology and the Church</i>
JTS	<i>Journal of Theological Studies</i>
LCL	Loeb Classical Library
NCBC	New Century Bible Commentary
NICNT	New International Commentary on the New Testament
NIGTC	New International Greek Testament Commentary
NTS	<i>New Testament Studies</i>
RGG	<i>Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart</i>
SBLDS	Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series
SBLMS	Society of Biblical Literature Monograph Series

Abbreviations

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SBLRBS	Society of Biblical Literature Resources for Biblical Study
SBLSBS	Society of Biblical Literature Sources for Biblical Study
SBT	Studies in Biblical Theology
SCM	Student Christian Movement
<i>SE</i>	<i>Studia Evangelica</i>
SNTS	Society for New Testament Studies
SNTSMS	Society for New Testament Studies Monograph Series
SPCK	Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge
<i>TC</i>	<i>Traditio Christiana</i>
<i>TDNT</i>	<i>Theological Dictionary of the New Testament</i>
TST	Toronto Studies in Theology
<i>TU</i>	<i>Texte und Untersuchungen</i>
<i>TynBul</i>	<i>Tyndale Bulletin</i>
<i>ZNW</i>	<i>Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissen- schaft</i>
<i>ZTK</i>	<i>Zeitschrift für Theologie und Kirche</i>