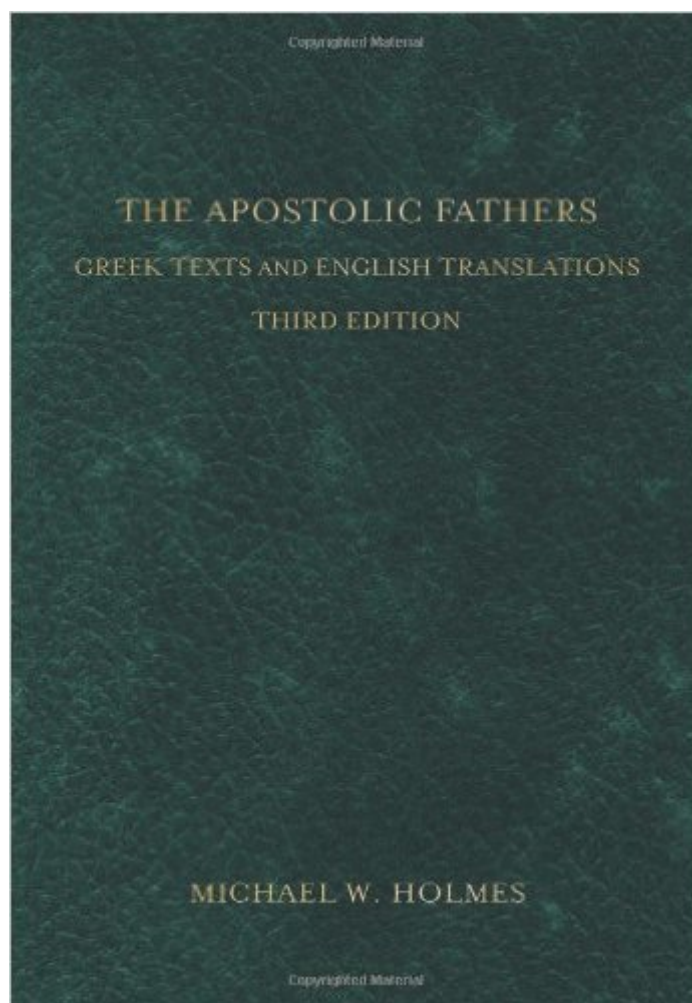


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I have never been familiar with the early church father's writing up to now, and though I bought this volume primarily for the Greek practice, I was also curious to weigh the content of these early writers, especially having heard opinions regarding them having been unfairly excluded from the NT canon. I have just finished the volume for the first time as I write this, and have to give it five stars, as it was well worth the money both for the Greek (which is at times very similar to the NT Koine) and the insight into some of the early prominent church writers. The physical book itself is a sturdy green volume, with attractive Greek font on the left pages, corresponding to the English translation on the right side. Please note there are a very few sections, mostly in the last fifty pages or so, that have no extant Greek, and instead have Latin on the left - or even Arabic, Armenian and Syriac in spots! As stated previously (and by other reviewers), this is great Koine practice for anyone looking for complimentary texts to the GNT and LXX. As far as the content, and whether any of it belongs in the

NT, I offer my two cents based on first perusal, though it does not affect the five stars. I have to believe that it is completely correct for all of these texts to have been excluded from the NT, for two reasons. Firstly, the NT is based on eye witness accounts, or those (Mark, Luke etc) that were evidently close to eye witnesses, and as such, none of these texts would belong, as 'second generation' writings or later. Secondly, to me it appears evident that these various texts are not as inspired as the NT canon.

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