

This volume consists of previously published articles by Frances Young, a scholar of early Christianity, well-known for her work *Biblical Exegesis and the Formation of Christian Culture*, together with a few newly composed additions. The studies collected here are concerned with the New Testament, but their approach is often not in the modern historico-critical mode. Rather, they bring new insight through being informed by the author's patristic specialism, by methodological enquiries, by her interest in doctrinal and theological reading, and by exploration of the very nature and function of sacred scriptures. The significance of this volume lies in the way it exemplifies the extraordinarily interesting changes which have taken place in biblical hermeneutics during the last 50–60 years. Many of the essays could be useful, not only to research specialists, but to advanced undergraduates as well as clergy and preachers.