Reprint of papers from First Birmingham Colloquium

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"Studies in the Early Text of the Gospels and Acts", edited by David Taylor, is being reprinted in the **Texts and Studies series (http://www.gorgiaspress.com/bookshop/c-44-texts-and-studies-1935-6927.aspx)** .

The new cover of the volume.

The volume, originally published by the University of Birmingham Press in 1999, contains papers from the First Birmingham Colloquium on the Textual Criticism of the New Testament, held in 1997. (The Eighth Colloquium was held earlier this year.) The contributors include J.L. North, L.W. Hurtado, Jeff Childers, Kent Clarke, Tjitze Baarda, David Parker and Mark Goodacre. The articles consider questions of history and methodology in the discipline as well as investigating individual points of textual interest. Topics related to editorial technique include examinations of aspects of the Textus Receptus, the 'Pre-Johannine Text' of the Gospel, the ratings system in the United Bible Societies' Greek New Testament and the application of probability theory to textual transmission. There are thorough surveys of non-continuous papyrus witnesses to the New Testament and the Dura-Europos Gospel Harmony, alongside studies of variation in the form of the Beatitudes and the location of Emmaus.

This book was also the inaugural volume in *Texts and Studies, Third Series*, founded by D.C. Parker and D.G.K. Taylor. By kind permission of Bloomsbury, which inherited titles from the University of Birmingham Press, this volume is now being republished by Gorgias Press, publishers of the rest of ***Texts and Studies, Third Series* (http://www.gorgiaspress.com/bookshop/c-44-texts-and-studies-1935-6927.aspx)** . The volume has been freshly type-set using David Taylor's original files, maintaining the original pagination. Currently in press, it can now be ordered from **the Gorgias Press website (http://www.gorgiaspress.com/bookshop/pc-60023-44-studies-in-the-early-text-of-the-gospels-and-actsbredited-by-david-gk-taylorbrtexts-and-studies-1.aspx)** .

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