

Download Historical Tradition In The Fourth Gospel

The historical reliability of the Gospels refers to the reliability and historic character of the four New Testament gospels as historical documents. The Gospel of John (Greek: *Εὐαγγέλιον κατὰ Ἰωάννην*, translit. *Euangélion katà I?ánn?n*) is the fourth of the canonical gospels. The work is anonymous, although it identifies an unnamed "disciple whom Jesus loved" as the source of its traditions. It is closely related in style and content to the three Johannine ...If we except the heretics mentioned by Irenaeus (*Against Heresies* III.11.9) and Epiphanius (*Haer.*, li, 3), the authenticity of the Fourth Gospel was scarcely ever seriously questioned until the end of the eighteenth century. Evanson (1792) and Bretschneider (1820) were the first to run counter to The Gospels, the first four books of the New Testament, tell the story of the life of Jesus. Yet only one—the Gospel of John—claims to be an eyewitness account, the testimony of the unnamed “disciple whom Jesus loved.” (“This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and wrote these things, and we know that his testimony is ...