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### Four Historical Stages of Christian Origins

- 1 What Jesus Christ taught (circa 27-29 AD)  
Crucifixion And Resurrection (around 29 AD)
- 2 What Jerusalem apostles taught led by James, TBOJ,(29-70?AD)
- 3 What Paul taught and wrote (c.32-60 AD)  
Jewish Roman War (66-70 AD) Fall of 2nd Temple (70 AD)
- 4 What the 4 Gospels say (70's -100 AD)

Paul extends the use of revelation in historical stages originating in Hebrew scripture, and extends this to Christ revealed in historically functional stages.

Hebrew Scriptures-Noah>Abraham>Moses (burning bush, constructing Tabernacle>Torah on Mt. Sinai  
Jesus Christ-Pre-existent Logos>Incarnated Logos>Christ as Resurrected Son of God

Paul's basic theology of Jesus Christ encloses the story of Israel in the Flesh with Christ fulfilling and replacing Torah.  
Paul is 'Pre-determinist'..'Dispensationalist'..'Supersessionalist'  
The paradox: Now Salvation is in Christ, but Christ's judgement is under the God of Israel.

Conformance of Gospels to Paul's theological framework with complicating Q source in Matthew and Luke.

- 1) Paul avoids writing about Jesus in the flesh. The Gospels do focus on Jesus in the flesh and face dilemma of how to combine his fleshly history with post-resurrection theology.
- 2) Messianic secret originates in Mark (in conformance to Paul) because Christ can not reveal his full ontological power on earth until his Resurrection (and Ascension)
- 3) The 12 Apostles represent a saved Israel in the flesh, a remnant that will judge the 12 tribes of Israel on 12 thrones (Matt.19:13), a key Q Source Scripture.
- 4) In Acts, Luke elaborates the basic theology of Paul as he portrays the transition from the theology of Peter and James ,TBOJ, to the theology of Paul and the Gospels.
- 5) As documented in Paul's letters and Luke's Acts, the sizable difference between James, TBOJ, theology and Paul's theology results in whether the Christ movement will remain within Judaism. The drama reaches a climax over the impossibility of reaching agreement over the

status of Gentile God-Fearers.

6) Boyarin's ideological commitment to Post-Colonial Deconstruction interferes with accurately reconstructing historical events. Its credo: language creates reality, so write to control how a society uses language or be linguistically ( colonized) by that society.

Note: TBOJ= The Brother Of Jesus