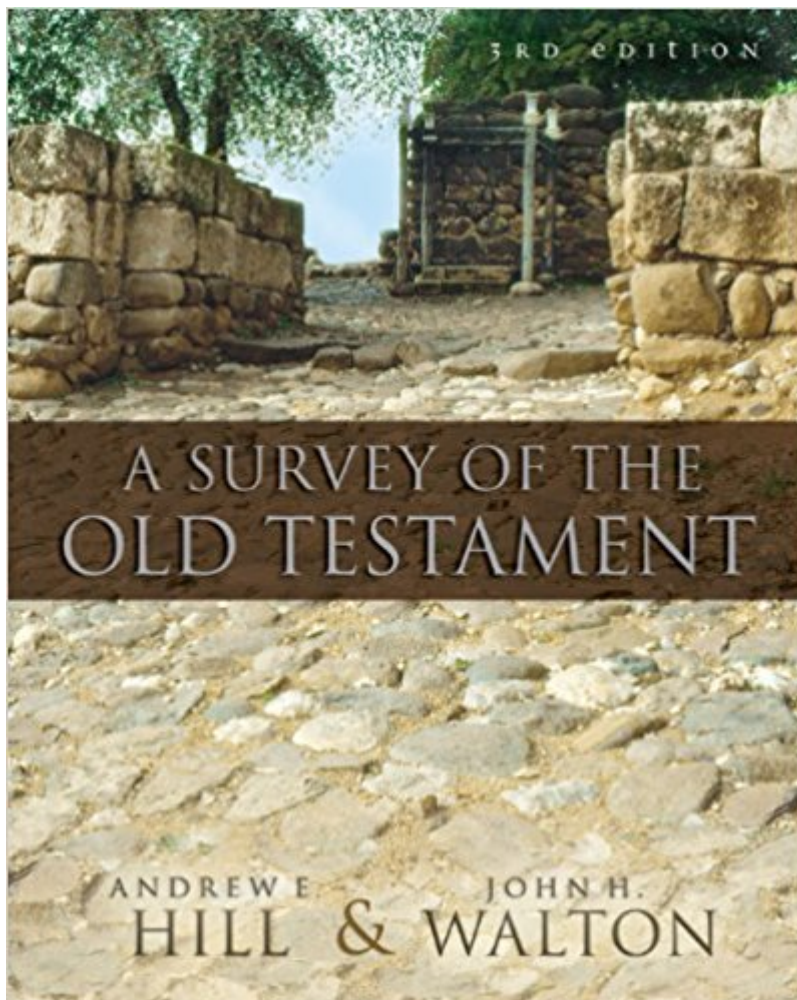


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This book is written well and is very informative!

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