The Original Maccabees Bible With Psalm 151
Synopsis

This is a classical religious text of which four books have been excommunicated from the standard Biblical text. The four books published here are very descriptive of early Jewish history. It outlines early Jewish heroes in the form of the Maccabean brothers who fought religiously against injustice, and on the side of God's people. This edition also reveals the 151 Psalm, which has also been left out of the Psalms of David, in the BOOK OF PSALMS. A must read, especially since at one time in colonial British societies the possession of the Maccabees Bible was considered seditious. The text for this edition was reset from an original text from the British Museum Library.

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Customer Reviews

I have spent far too much time investigating where the contents of this book come from. It is plagiarized from previous scholarship where I have been able to track back the sources. The publisher did not even have the courtesy to reset the type professionally. They scanned most of the original material and used an extremely crude computer program to reset the type based on their desired page size. The sections on III and IV Maccabees, including the translated text of the documents, the explanatory introductions, and even the attribution of the translator, H. Anderson, are directly lifted from "The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha..., Vol 2" edited by James H. Charlesworth and published in 1983. The sections on I and II Maccabees are attributed to the same translator and are in this book each titled, "A New Translation and Introduction." The explanatory introductions are missing, and the verse numbers omitted. I assume the translation date is circa 1983. This hardly constitutes the promise of "A New Translation..." in the early twenty-first
As to Psalm 151, the translation is credited to J. A. Sanders with no further information provided. The translation from the Hebrew was done by James A. Sanders, Professor emeritus at the Claremont Institute, in 1963. It derives from his first ever translation of the Psalms’ scroll found at Qumran. The translation from the Greek Septuagint is also by Sanders and occurs in parallel with the Hebrew version in his study. This “borrowing” of his work appears in this book without proper attribution. The book’s title, "The Maccabees (sic) Bible" is a misnomer in and of itself.