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Essenes - Wikipedia

The Essenes have gained fame in modern times as a result of the discovery of an extensive group of religious documents known as the Dead Sea Scrolls, which are commonly believed to be the Essenes' library.

Who Are the Essenes? - Bible Study

The Essenes were a New Testament religious sect that existed from the second century B.C. to the first century A.D. Of the three main religious groups mentioned by Josephus (a well known first century Jewish historian), they are the only ones not found directly in Scripture.

Essene | Dead Sea Scrolls, Qumran, Judaism | Britannica

Like the Pharisees, the Essenes meticulously observed the Law of Moses, the sabbath, and ritual purity. They also professed belief in immortality and divine punishment for sin.

Who were the Essenes? - GotQuestions.org

The Essenes were a Jewish mystical sect somewhat resembling the Pharisees. They lived lives of ritual purity and separation. They originated about 100 B.C., and disappeared from history after the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70.

Essenes - World History Encyclopedia

The Essenes were a Jewish sect that emerged in the 2nd century BCE and established the community at Qumran. They emphasized ritual purity, copied books of the Jewish Scriptures, and wrote commentaries on the Books of the Prophets.

Essenes: Beliefs, Significance, Links to Dead Sea Scrolls

Discover who the Essenes were through ancient sources and the Dead Sea Scrolls, explore their beliefs, disappearance, and why this vanished sect remains essential for understanding early Judaism and Christianity.

The Essenes: The Mystery Holy Men Behind the Dead Sea Scrolls?

Some information on the enigmatic Jewish sect known as the Essenes came to light with the Dead Sea Scrolls, but much of their story is still a mystery.

Who Were the Essenes? - Biblical Archaeology Society

Most Dead Sea Scroll scholars agree that Qumran, the settlement near the caves where the scrolls were found, was inhabited by Essenes, an anti-Temple Jewish sect in the years before the Roman destruction of 70 C.E.

ESSENES - JewishEncyclopedia.com

Relation of Essenism to Christianity. A branch of the Pharisees who conformed to the most rigid rules of Levitical purity while aspiring to the highest degree of holiness.

Essenes - Encyclopedia of The Bible - Bible Gateway

ESSENES ěs' enz (Ėσσηνοί, Ėσσαι[οι]). A Jewish religious group which flourished in the 1st cent. b.c. and the 1st cent. a.d., and which formed the third important school of thought in the time of Christ (with the Pharisees and the Sadducees).