



A COMPARISON OF THE HISTORIOGRAPHY OF EGYPT AND THE ANCIENT NEAR EAST FROM THE THIRD TO FIRST MILLENIUM

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This is a long term research project which seeks to elucidate how the different cultures of Egypt and the Ancient Near East recorded their past. The primary aim of the project is to identify and explain the consistent differences in the framing and content of the various forms of historical writing. The observed differences will be examined in the broader historical, political and religious contexts of the societies and individuals who produced these texts. The focus of

the work will be on Pharaonic Egypt; Sumerian, Akkadian, Assyrian and Babylonian dynasties of Mesopotamia; Hittite and Neo-Hittite cultures; and ancient Israel and other Syro-Palestinian states.

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