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W.R. BAKER, *Personal Speech-Ethics in the Epistle of James* (WUNT II/68; Tübingen 1995) 90.

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J.L. KUGEL, *Idea of Biblical Poetry. Parallelism and its History* (New Haven, CT 1981) 87-92.

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R.G. KRATZ, “Israel als Staat und als Volk”, *ZTK* 97 (2000) 1-17.

J.C. VANDERKAM, “The Angel of the Presence in the Book of Jubilees”, *Dead Sea Discoveries* 7 (2000) 378-393, here 390.

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H.G.M. WILLIAMSON, “Isaiah and the Holy One of Israel”, *Biblical Hebrews, Biblical Texts. Essays in Memory of Michael P. Weitzman* (eds. A. RAPOPORT-ALBERT – G. GREENBERG) (JSOTSup 333; Sheffield 2001) 33-55, here 39-40.

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