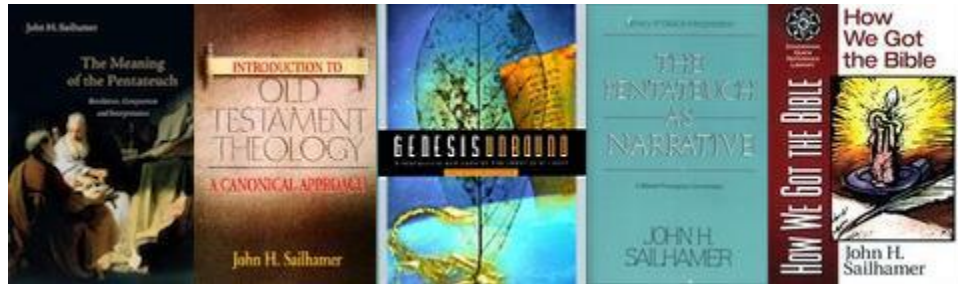


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The following comprehensive bibliography lists books, essays/articles, and reviews that Sailhamer has written. Under each heading the works are numbered and listed in chronological order. This sequence will allow a reader to follow Sailhamer's thinking over the course of his career. Any relevant links are provided after the bibliographic entry.

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