

Some of the Key Qumran Scrolls

Common Title	Contents	Sectarian?
1QS (Serek ha-Yahad)	community rule	Y
1QSa (Messianic Rule)		Y
1QHodayot ^a	community hymns	Y
1QMilchamah	guidelines for eschatological war	Y
1QpHabakkuk	Pesher commentary on Habakkuk, reflecting history of Qumran sect	Y
1QIsaiah ^{a-b}	Nearly complete text of Isaiah, almost identical to medieval rabbinic texts	N
1QGenesis Apocryphon ^{ar}	Para-biblical text retelling stories about Noah and Abraham	N(?)
2QBen Sira		N
3QCopper Scroll	Strange scroll listing treasures and giving coded location; inscribed on a sheet of copper	?
4QMMT (6 copies)	Letter from the Teacher of Righteousness to the Jerusalem Temple establishment (High Priest) re. points of conflict in interpreting Torah	Y
4QpNahum	Pesher commentary on Nahum	Y
4QpPsalms	Pesher commentary on the Psalms (!)	Y
4QTohorot	Detailed directions for ritual purity	?
4QDaily Prayers	Daily prayers recited at dawn and dusk	N
4QWords of the Luminaries	Daily prayers recited at dawn, mid-day, and dusk	N
4QSongs of the Sabbath Sacrifice	Sabbath liturgies focused on the angels' worship in the heavenly temple	Y
4QDamascus Document (8 copies)		Y*
4QMessianic Text ^{ar} (4Q534)	Very fragmentary; a physiognomic description of someone called the "Elect of God"; also mentions the Watchers	N?
4QMessianic Apocalypse (4Q521)	Description of a Messiah (anointed one), drawing on Isaiah 61; also mentions resurrection for the righteous and final judgment; very fragmentary	?
4QSon of God ^{ar} (4Q246)	Apocalyptic (?) description of messianic figure called "Son of God" who rules God's people during final eschatological war and the new age. Some controversy over identity of this "Son of God".	N
4QAramaic Levi Document	A pseudepigraphal document closely related to the <i>Testament of Levi</i>	N
4QBook of Enoch (7 copies!)		N
4QBook of Giants (several copies)	A book closely related to the early Enoch materials	N
4QJubilees (9+ copies)		N

4QVisions of Amram (4 copies)	An apocalyptic work attributed to the father of Moses	N
4QCalendrical Document A-H	A series of different documents working out details of solar or harmonized calendars	?
4QHodayot (6 copies)		Y
4QpapTobit ^{ar}	An Aramaic text of Tobit	N
4QJeremiah (?)	A Hebrew copy of Jeremiah with expansions like the LXX version	N
5QDamascus Document		Y*
6QDamascus Document		Y*
11QPsalms ^a	A scrolls containing a mixture of biblical psalms, psalms known from elsewhere in Judaism (e.g., Ps 151 in the LXX) and new psalms.	?