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of the works of Cyril of Alexandria,
and the light they shed upon the world of the Syriac
translator**

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‘Every great age is an age of translations’

Ezra Pound

A translator dyes an Author, like an old stuff, into a new colour

Samuel Butler

Summary

It is well known that Syriac translations from the Greek changed a great deal between the fourth and seventh centuries AD. Many Syriac versions of the scriptures, the Greek Fathers and the philosophers were subjected to revision and improvement. This study looks at the Syriac translations of Cyril of Alexandria's Christological works and seeks to place them in the wider context just mentioned. It aims to illuminate their date and background on the basis of a comparative typology of translation technique and method. This also includes the use of biblical citations and parallel citations in other texts as important evidence.

It is shown that the texts come from dates ranging from the middle of the fifth to the middle of the sixth century and can be fittingly compared with other contemporary documents. The findings highlight the importance of the few decades either side of the turn of the sixth century as the key moment when the Syriac translators developed a new vision of their language and its capabilities. This was the time of the most rapid change and pivots around the person of Philoxenus. It is also suggested that Philoxenus' own role resulted from his reading of some of these very translations and the new techniques found therein.

In the first section, it is suggested that these technical developments are related to parallel developments in the church concerning matters of textual authority and systematisation, the rise of patristic exegesis and florilegia. In a final chapter, the study goes on to place this development in a still wider context within late antiquity and argues that this new vision of language use which we see in the Syrian church can be paralleled in a number of other walks of life and, in fact, represents a typical 'late antique' frame of mind.

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Abbreviations

Works of Cyril of Alexandria

AT	Responsiones ad Tiberium Diaconum
CL	Comm. in Lucam
CO	Apologia duodecim capitulorum contra Orientales
CT	Apologia duodecim capitulorum contra Theodoretum
EDC	Explanatio duodecim capitulorum
Epp	Epistulae (numbered as in McEnerney, <i>Letters</i>)
GL	Glaphyra in Pentateuchum
QUX	Quod Unus Sit Christus
RF	De Recta Fide ad Theodosium
SDI	Scholia de Incarnatione Verbi

Wherever these texts are quoted, only page and line numbers will be given (or folio numbers in the case of mss). The following list explains which printed editions/mss these references pertain to for each of the above texts.

	<i>Greek</i>	<i>Syriac</i>
AT (5232)	Wickham, <i>Letters</i>	Ebied and Wickham, <i>Tiberius Deacon</i>
CL (5107)	[not extant]	Chabot and Tonneau, <i>Comm. in Lucam</i>
CO (5221)	ACO I,1,7,33-65	BL Add 12156, f.91r-107v
CT (5222)	ACO I,1,6,107-46	BL Add 12156, f.107v-122r
EDC (5223)	ACO I,1,5,15-25	BL Add 14557, f.14r-21r
Ep39 (5339)	ACO I,1,4,15-20	BL Add 14557, f.149v-152v
Ep40 (5340)	ACO I,1,4,20-31	Ebied & Wickham, <i>Letters</i> , 25-38
Ep44 (5344)	ACO I,1,4,35-7	Ebied & Wickham, <i>Letters</i> , 54-57
Ep45 (5345)	ACO I,1,6,151-7	Ebied & Wickham, <i>Letters</i> , 39-46
Ep46 (5346)	ACO I,1,6,157-62	Ebied & Wickham, <i>Letters</i> , 47-53
Ep50 (5350)	ACO I,1,3,90-101	BL Add 14557, f.140v-147v
Ep55 (5355)	ACO I,1,4,49-61	Ebied & Wickham, <i>Letters</i> , 1-24
GL (5201)	Migne, PG 69,9-678	Guidi, <i>Mose di Aggel</i> , 404-16, 546-7

RF (5218)	ACO I,1,1,42- 72	Pusey, <i>De recta fide...</i> 1-153
QUX (5228)	Durand, <i>Dialogues</i>	BL Add 14557, f.50v-95v
SDI (5225)	ACO I,5,219-231	BL Add 14557, f.21r-50v

Ep101 is a letter from Cyril to Rabbula, unknown in Greek but included in McEnerney, *Letters*. The Syriac is to be found in Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*, 545-7, in the footnotes.

NB:

- Note that the first part of AT is not extant in Greek. Passages from this portion will be referenced as ‘noGk’ with the Syriac reference following.
- EDC is sometimes split into EDC1 and EDC2. These refer to the two alternative Syriac versions which will be more fully discussed in Part 3.iv.a.
- SDI is only fragmentarily preserved in Greek. Occasionally, recourse will be had to the full Latin version, as found in ACO I,5,184-215.

Bible versions

OS (S,C)	Old Syriac Gospels (Sinaitic, Curetonian)
P	Peshitta
X	Philoxenian
H	Harklean
SH	Syro-Hexapla

Other Syriac Texts

AkEph	Acts of Ephesus in Syriac [Flemming, <i>Akten</i>]
AJP	Severus of Antioch. <i>Anti-Julianist Polemic</i> [Hespel, <i>La polemique antijulianiste</i>]
AN	Severus of Antioch. <i>Ad Nephaliium</i> (in its Syriac version by Athanasius of Nisibis) [Lebon, <i>Orationes ac Epistulae</i>]
APL	Fragments of Apollinarius in Syriac [Flemming and Lietzmann, <i>Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch</i>]
Ath	Athanasian corpus in Syriac [Thomson, <i>Athanasiana</i>]

CG	Severus of Antioch. <i>Contra impium grammaticum</i> [Lebon, <i>Contra Impium Grammaticum</i>]
CPJ	Philoxenus. <i>Commentaire du Prologue Johannique</i> [De Halleux, <i>Prologue Johannique</i>]
DD	Philoxenus. <i>Dissertationes Decem contra Habbib</i> [Brière and Graffin, <i>Dissertationes Decem V</i>]
DM	Documenta ad origines monophysitarum [Chabot, <i>Documenta</i>]
Dsc	Philoxenus. <i>Discourses</i> [Budge, <i>Discourses</i>]
FC	Florilegium Cyrillianum [Hespel, <i>Florilège cyrillien</i>]
Fl Ed	Florilegium Edessenum [Rücker, <i>Florilegium Edessenum</i>]
EpS	Philoxenus. <i>Letter to the Monks of Senoun</i> [De Halleux, <i>Moines de Senoun</i>]
EpAdda	Philoxenus. <i>Letter to the Monks of Tel-Adda</i> [Guidi, <i>La lettera di Filosseno</i>]
HG	Anonymous 6 th century Homilies [Graffin, PO 41,4, 393-447]
HOM	Severus of Antioch. <i>Homilies</i> [Brière, Graffin, et al., <i>Homiliae cathedrales</i>]
JP	John Philoponus in Syriac
JR	John Rufus in Syriac
JS	Jacob of Serugh
ML	Philoxenus. <i>Commentary on Matthew/Luke</i> [Watt, <i>Matthew and Luke</i>]
MosEp	Moses of Aggel's Correspondence [ZR I, p.17,18-21,12 and Guidi, <i>Mose di Aggel</i> , 399-404].
PC	Paul of Callinicum as translator of the works of Severus of Antioch. These may appear under the abbreviations such as PC ^{AJP} , PC ^{PHL} etc.]
PHL	Severus of Antioch. <i>Philalethes</i> [Hespel, <i>Philalèthe</i>]
Phx [#]	Various works of Philoxenus
Phx ^{pre-x}	Philoxenus. Works written before 508
Phx ^{post-x}	Philoxenus. Works written after 508
Phx ^{unsure}	Philoxenus. Works of uncertain date
Proc ^{S1}	Proclus of Constantinople. <i>Tomus ad Armenios</i> , from Add 14557
Proc ^{S1b}	id., from ps-Zacharias Rhetor [Brooks, <i>Historia Ecclesiastica</i>]
Proc ^{S2}	id., from BL Add. 12156

SG	Severus of Antioch. <i>Correspondence with Sergius Grammaticus</i> [Lebon, <i>Orationes ac Epistulae</i>]
TA	Timothy Ailuros in Syriac
TT	Philoxenus. <i>Tres Tractatus de Trinitate</i> [Vaschalde, <i>Tractatus tres</i>]
VJT	Vita of John of Tella [Brooks, <i>Vitae Virorum</i>]
ZR	ps-Zacharias Rhetor [Brooks, <i>Historia Ecclesiastica</i>]

Abbreviations of Modern Works and Journals

[following the conventions of *Année Philologique*]

ACO	Schwartz, Eduard, ed., <i>Acta conciliorum oecumenicorum, Tomus Primus</i> . Berlin and Leipzig, 1922-7.
AJPh	American Journal of Philology
BRL	Bulletin of the John Rylands Library
ByzZ	Byzantinische Zeitschrift
C&M	Classica et Mediaevalia
DAP	J. Kerschensteiner. <i>Der altsyrische Paulustext</i> . Leuven, 1970.
ExpT	Expository Times
GRBS	Greek, Roman and Byzantine Studies
JA	Journal Asiatique
JBL	Journal of Biblical Literature
JRS	Journal of Roman Studies
JCSSS	Journal of the Canadian Society for Syriac Studies
JThS	Journal of Theological Studies
NT	Novum Testamentum
NTSU	Aland, Barbara & A. Juckel, eds., <i>Die Neue Testament in syrischer Überlieferung</i> . 4 vols. Berlin, 1986-2002.
OC	Oriens Christianus
OCP	Orientalia Christiana Periodica
PETSE	Papers of the Estonian Theological Society in Exile
POr	Parole de l'Orient
REArm	Revue des études arméniennes
RHE	Revue d'histoire ecclésiastique
RSO	Rivista degli studi orientali
RSR	Recherches de science religieuse

RThPh	Revue de théologie et philosophie
TU	Texte und Untersuchungen
Th&Ph	Théologie und Philosophie
ThLZ	Theologische Literaturzeitung
VChr	Vigiliae Christianae
ZDMG	Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft
ZKG	Zeitschrift für Kirchengeschichte
ZNTW	Zeitschrift für Neutestamentliche Wissenschaft

Part 1
Introductory

1.i

An Introduction and a Way Forward

“Every new exuberance, every new heave is stimulated by translations, every allegedly great age is an age of translations”

Ezra Pound, *Literary Essays*

The importance of translation

The project here undertaken takes as its most fundamental premise the organic interconnection between processes of and approaches to literary translation on the one hand, and on the other the cultural and political trends which form their historical background. It follows that when such translational exercises are themselves part of a large-scale and widely observed cultural and political phenomenon or development, then that interconnection will be all the more pronounced. Further, wherever such a literary process itself forms the launch pad for the emergence of a new cultural identification over against a parent culture, with whom the relationship of the new may involve a mixture both of respect and distancing, the importance of the exercise, as a self-expression of the emerging culture, assumes such proportions that the translator can be said to be no longer a mere ‘mediator’ between cultures, but to be him/herself in a position of power, a force for change, a ‘power-broker’.

This will probably be true at any time and in any place, but all these factors come together particularly well in the emergence in late antiquity of the Syriac-speaking community as a self-assured and self-sufficient literary and artistic culture. Its relationship to the Greek world, most especially in matters religious (for the Syriac culture may be considered to be almost, but not quite, co-terminous with the Syriac church), but in other areas also, is a fluctuating one which involves outwardly contradictory moves towards greater independence in the political and cultural

spheres alongside an increasing devotion to, even mimesis of, Greek literature, both secular and religious.¹

From the point of view of an historical analysis, this subject has the added advantage of being very much a closed one. The processes of, and approaches to, literary translation which we will be discussing did not persist beyond the slide of Syriac culture beneath the wave of Arabism in the middle ages, and there was little direct relationship between Greek and Syriac after the eighth century. At the same time, the beginnings of the relationship and of the processes and phenomena that we will analyse lie back in the 4th century at the latest, and thus over a period of almost four centuries we have the advantage of observing not only changing approaches and attitudes, but also the long-term consequences of the decisions and directions that were taken.

These factors together make this particular historical context a worthy one for study in its own right and also, and most especially, as an example of the more general hypothesis mentioned above. We therefore propose to study Syriac translation-texts in their relationship to the emergence and definition of Syriac Christianity from approximately the fifth to the eighth centuries. Although we can analyse here only a restricted number of texts, both in terms of genre and date, they are presented as being illustrative of more general conclusions.

In Part 1 we shall explore, as prolegomena, certain (largely historical) phenomena which will form the basis for our textual analyses to come and then for any conclusions that we hope to build upon those analyses.

Forays into an historical context

On what grounds, then, can we say that the numerous literary translations made from Greek into Syriac during our time period are indeed closely intertwined with wider developments in the Syriac world?

¹ For a general overview and interpretation, Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*.

Since it was religion that was the predominant means of expression for a distinctively 'Syriac' culture, it is here that we find the connection most obviously expressed. Let us then begin by making three very general observations on the history of Christianity in the Mediterranean world in the fifth to the seventh centuries. The importance of these observations will hopefully soon become apparent and will form the basis for our approach to the Greek/Syriac translation literature.

The first of these is that the divide between the Antiochene and the Alexandrian approaches to the exegesis of Scripture and the understanding of the person of Christ was increasingly a divide not merely along dogmatic lines, but along lines of culture, of geography, of ethnicity, and of language, such that after Chalcedon there is not so much a motivation to *rapprochement* between the opposing sides as towards defensiveness, self-definition and self-identification. The incorporation (partly through literary translation) of the Antiochene/Alexandrian divide into the Syriac church at the very time of its development as a self-conscious institution (5th-6th centuries) is therefore of great significance.

The second observation concerns the growing independence of the Syriac speaking churches, the growth of something approaching a Syrian ethnic awareness, of an indigenous literature and a distinctive form of religion based especially around ascetical practices. From the political point of view, the loss of Nisibis to Persia after the death of Julian alienated or marginalised many Syriac cities from the Byzantine centre and, in the West Syrian lands, the adoption of Severan monophysitism from the early sixth century encouraged this process yet further as a new self-sufficient church hierarchy was put in place through the efforts of Jacob Burd'ana and his colleagues. This is not to say that nationalist aspirations necessarily underlie Christological disputes (which were real enough in themselves) but that over time, there is, as we shall see, an inner logic between theological distancing and cultural/political distancing.¹

¹ For the dangers inherent in making theological positions covers for national movements, see A.H.M. Jones, 'Were ancient heresies national or social movements in disguise?' *JThS* n.s.10 (1959), 280-98; on 'cultural distancing', see especially Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*, 13 n.34, and *Greek and Syriac in Late Antique Syria*, which distinguish carefully between increasing literary dependence and submissiveness on the one hand and the increasing cultural and political self-sufficiency of the Syrians on the other.

The third and final observation is that in the period after 451 there was a sea-change in the form and method of theological argument, especially in Christological matters, a move which may be described as being away from Biblical exegesis towards patristic exegesis. This move is perhaps best exemplified by the rise of both the florilegium as a genre of theological literature at the expense of Biblical commentaries and theological treatises, and the concomitant importance attached to the accuracy of the texts of the Fathers themselves.¹ It was on the back of this development above all that Cyril of Alexandria became the ‘light and eye of Christ’s heavenly body,’² and was extensively studied, excerpted, and (in the Syriac church) translated. For this reason, Cyril has been chosen as the subject of this study.

While the first and second of these observations have been adequately described and discussed elsewhere,³ the third may need a little more elaboration before we can show more conclusively why these three strands should together point us towards the organic link between historical/cultural change and the literary phenomenon of the Syriac translation-texts of the fifth to the seventh centuries.

We shall now, therefore, explore further the matter of the exegesis of the Fathers, firstly through the rise and use of the florilegia; secondly through the development of a translation ‘programme’ within the Syriac church.

¹ See, for instance, Gray, *Through the Tunnel with Leontius of Jerusalem*.

² The description of Cyril as *ܩܘܪܝܢܘܨ ܕܥܝܢܘܨ ܕܡܫܝܚܐ* was accorded him by his correspondent Tiberius the Deacon - Ebied and Wickham, *Tiberius Deacon*, 444.

³ For the first, see e.g. Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, or the brief but perceptive comment in Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Against Chalcedon*, 116 and note; for the second see Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*, or general histories of Syriac literature such as Duval, *Littérature Syriacque*, and Baumstark, *Geschichte*.

To illustrate further the general trend, when Basil of Seleucia replied to the encyclical of the Emperor Leo to explain his support for the Chalcedonian definition, he did so on the basis of Cyril's second letter to Nestorius as being an accurate interpretation of the doctrines of Nicaea.¹ We can take his method of focusing on patristic rather than Biblical authority as typical of his fellow-bishops in the decades following Chalcedon. The point about the importance of *texts* is well encapsulated in the story of the belligerence of the Sleepless Monks (the *Akoimētai*) of Constantinople which "drove them to procure and gather copies of all the documents that were important for ecclesiastical politics, so that their library became nothing short of an arsenal of propaganda, the most important weapon for which at that time was the publication of documents."² We may summarise with Lebon that 'chez les théologiens monophysites aussi bien que chez leurs adversaires...l'argument d'autorité joue un rôle capitale.'³

There are two aspects of post-Chalcedonian literary productivity which arose from these new concerns and aims. The first is the appearance and growth of the patristic *florilegium* as a genre in its own right and as a weapon in theological debate; the second is the importance in that same debate of the *translation* of the Fathers, generally in the direction Greek-Latin and Greek-Syriac (occasionally Latin-Greek and Greek-Coptic).

Florilegium

Can we outline the development and growth of this literary genre such that it will shed light on our wider historical context and on the phenomenon of the Syriac translation-texts?

The idea of collecting together proof-texts for use in argument is hardly new with our period.⁴ Of course, it was quite natural for the church to excerpt scriptural texts, but it could happen elsewhere too. There is plenty of evidence for collections of poetical

¹ Basil's reply constitutes chapter 28 of the Encyclical, ACO II,5,47ff.

² Grillmeier, *Christ 2:2*, 13, n.34.

³ Lebon, *Christologie*, 578.

⁴ On the earlier history of the genre see principally Chadwick, *Florilegium*. Richard, *Les Florilèges*, follows the rise of the diphysite florilegia after Chalcedon. For monophysite examples, the best overview is Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, 51-77, while a more exhaustive discussion of sources will be found in Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, and Schwartz, *Publizistische Sammlungen*.

and philosophical texts being made for school purposes for centuries before our period; there is also clear evidence for a Platonic florilegium in use among the middle-Platonist writers which provided the common stock for Albinus and Celsus as well as for Justin and Clement. It seems that specifically Christian versions of these were also developed. Whether pagan or Christian they were, of course, never just collections of the sayings of the master, but carefully picked-out texts, often grouped thematically, and designed to facilitate argumentation and debate. Seneca once suggested that anthologies of ‘proof-texts’ were sufficient for the common man over and above evidential proof.¹ They would work especially well, it might be added, where one particular strand of the master’s thought had become the foundation of a new tradition, as was the case in Middle-Platonism, and would be also with the Christological controversies over Chalcedon. A most telling example of the (ab)use of the florilegium is found in Irenaeus, *Adv Haer* 1,9,4, in which the writer quotes and refutes an Homeric florilegium used by the Valentinians – the problem with this anthology, Irenaeus points out, is that it consists of a string of unconnected, out-of-context citations which do violence to any meaning the texts might actually hold.² Anthologies of texts held in special reverence, in an environment in which meaning is held to reside in individual words, could easily have such an effect as Irenaeus suggests, and much the same might be said of the *Florilegium Cyrillianum*, as we will see later on.

Although compiling lists of scriptural citations was fairly commonplace amongst the church writers of the first three centuries, there is nothing in the way of a patristic florilegium before the latter part of the fourth century. Basil’s *Philocalia* consists of a set of quotes from Origen, designed not as authoritative theology but to illustrate his exegetical method, and his *De Spiritu Sancto* includes a florilegium of quotes from 3rd century authors. However, there is still at this time some resistance to accepting patristic witnesses as evidence in theological argument.³ It is only really with the Council of Ephesus in 431 that we begin to see a different sort of theological discourse. Because the creed, always tellingly referred to as ‘the opinions of the 318 Fathers’, was seen as the summary of the opinions of all preceding Fathers of the

¹ Chadwick, *Florilegium*, 1139.

² *ibid.*, 1141.

³ Thus, for example, Gregory of Nyssa rejects Eunomius’ appeal to the ‘Fathers’.

Church, the idea of quoting not just the creed but also the works of the Fathers themselves naturally presented itself to Cyril as the most obvious way to proceed during the Nestorian controversy. He evidently felt strongly that this method could be used to advantage “because the creed of Nicaea stresses more strongly than its ancient predecessors the consubstantiality of the Son with the Father and his Godhead, and then goes on to predicate the Incarnation and the whole *oikonomia* of just this Son.”¹ This new perspective on authority is neatly summed up by Cyril himself when he writes: “enough for us are the inspired scriptures, the sober vigilance of the Holy Fathers, and the Creed carved out to meet absolutely every detail of orthodoxy.”² In his letter to Succensus he commends the reading of the Fathers as the means “to introduce no innovation into orthodoxy.”³ The enshrining, in the seventh canon of the Acts of the Council, of the principle by which no other faith than that of Nicaea was ever to be promulgated set the seal on the form of theological argument to be used henceforth and secured the future of the patristic florilegium.

At the same time as excerpting the Fathers’ support for his interpretation of the creed, Cyril also needed to refute the sayings of an opponent, Nestorius, of whom few people had heard and whose works even fewer had read. The need, therefore, to compile a set of quotations from the works of one’s opponents also arose quite naturally from within the situation. Thus Cyril’s *Contra Nestorium* contains a florilegium of citations from Nestorius as well as one of Biblical citations - this does not really amount to a florilegium itself, but is a sort of prototype. There is also a short florilegium in the *De Recta Fide ad Augustas* and another in the *Contra Orientales*.⁴ These are both closely related, in terms of their content, to the citations found in the so-called *Excerpta Ephesena*, a collection attached to the Acts of that council and which was probably the work of Cyril himself.⁵ It was via these early collections, it seems, that the Apollinarian *loci* entered the Christological arena legitimated under orthodox pseudonyms. However, the patristic collection in the *ad Augustas* is followed by a vastly larger scriptural florilegium, an indication that the

¹ Grillmeier, *Christ 1*, 363.

² Ep40, Wickham, *Letters*, 42, 20-2.

³ Ep45, *ibid.*, 71.

⁴ These will be found respectively at ACO I,1,5, 66-68 and ACO I,1,7,37, ll.45,48-9,60,64-5.

⁵ Slightly differing versions to be found at ACO I,1,2,39-45 and ACO I,1,7,89-95.

former type was as yet still far from displacing the latter as a source of proof-texts for Christian dogma.

At about the same time that Cyril and his followers (most notably Theodotus of Ancyra¹) were making good use of the new idea post-Ephesus, Theodoret began to do the same for the Antiochian side.² This may have begun as early as 431 specifically in response to events at Ephesus.³ Just such a document was used, for instance, at the small council at Chalcedon in late 431, called by the Emperor to sort out the dispute between the Cyrillians and the Orientals, at which Theodoret was present. As a result, Theodoret's florilegium was incorporated, c.432, into his *Pentalogus* and later into the *Eranistes*, c.447/8. The latter treatise aimed to show the Nicene orthodoxy of the two natures doctrine, but as a pacifying measure contained no citations from the Antiochian Fathers, Diodore or Theodore, but rather included quotes from Cyril's *Scholia* (a very early instance of Cyril being himself quoted). This original Antiochian florilegium seems also to have influenced the various texts used by the Roman delegation at Chalcedon.⁴ John the Grammarian probably used a later version of the same document, judging by the fragments of his work found in Severus, though by this time it had been much merged with Leo's. Thus, for instance, all four of Theodoret's citations from Cyril's correspondence which are included in the *Eranistes* are found also in the *Florilegium Cyrillianum*, which must have been closely connected to John the Grammarian.

Leo's *Tome* (450) contained another well-known florilegium,⁵ designed as proof that the *Tome* itself contained nothing new but was in fact simply the correct 'patristic' interpretation of the Nicene creed. Although this florilegium was never actually read at Chalcedon, an expanded version was appended to the 2nd edition of the *Tome* (Leo's *Ep.* 165, dated 458) which included elements from Theodoret's work such as

¹ See Van Roey, *Florilège Nestorien dans le Traité contre Nestorius*.

² See especially Richard, *Les Florilèges*.

³ Sellers, *Chalcedon*, 14, n.2; evidence for this comes specifically from a letter of John of Antioch to Acacius of Beroea (*Synodicon* 19) and Theodoret *Ep.* 170. A reconstruction of the florilegium has been attempted, *RHE* 6,513ff. Ettlinger, *History of the Citations*, provides a detailed analysis into the content of the florilegia of the *Eranistes*.

⁴ ACO II,I,3,114,4-116,2 contains the version of the *Eranistes'* Florilegium used at Chalcedon.

⁵ ACO II,I,1,20,7-25,6.

the quotes from Cyril's *Scholia*.¹ This florilegium was much used by the neo-Chalcedonians in later times, especially by Ephraem of Antioch and Leontius of Byzantium; its distinctive Western citations ended up as the stock-in-trade of the Chalcedonians even in the days of the Three Chapters dispute, a full century after its original compilation. In the Syriac world, it entered the tradition of the East Syrian Church and much of the same material is to be found in a well-known collection in a Cambridge manuscript.²

The *Florilegium Cyrillianum* provides another instance of a pro-Chalcedonian collection. A collection of testimonia to prove that Cyril would have backed the two-nature Christology of Chalcedon, this document went to Rome in c.482 with John Talaia, the Chalcedonian candidate for the see of Alexandria after the death of Timothy Salophaciolus in 481. It then returned to Constantinople, to a patrician named Appio, who seems to have shown it to the Emperor who in turn, concerned at Cyril's apparent two-nature Christology, turned to Severus for help. The latter composed his *Philalethes* in response. We shall deal with this florilegium later, but for now we note only that it was unusual in being a collection made from a single author. This gives us a foretaste of the importance of Cyril to the post-Chalcedonian debate.³

The anti-Chalcedonians, of course, were just as keen on producing their own florilegia, beginning with Timothy Ailuros' collections of *loci* made for his refutations of Chalcedon.⁴ The result of the ongoing expansion and conflation of these florilegia is perhaps best exemplified by Vat.Gr.1431, a collection published by Schwartz,⁵ and a closely related Syriac text, to which we shall have recourse again.⁶ This particular tradition of florilegia formed the basis for the patristic exegesis of Severus of Antioch and Philoxenus of Mabbug. The latter's collection of citations

¹ This can be found at both ACO II,4,119,15-131,17 and in Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, 71.4-85.22. See the discussion of these citations in Richard, *Le pape saint Léon*.

² Cam. Or. 1319, published and discussed by Abramowski and Goodman, *Nestorian Collection*.

³ For more on the florilegium see Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, 54, Sellers, *Chalcedon*, 288-91; the florilegium itself was edited by Hespel, *Florilège cyrillien*, and the *Philalethes* similarly will be found in Hespel, *Philalèthe*.

⁴ Most of this material has been published in Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Letters* and *Timothy Aelurus against Chalcedon*.

⁵ Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*.

⁶ BM Add 12156, the subject of a special study, Abramowski, *Zur geplanten Ausgabe*.

appended to his treatise against Habbib has many points of contact with the *Excerpta Ephesena* composed by Cyril for the council of 431¹ and his citations attached to the much later *Letter to the monks of Senoun* are closely related to the *Vat.Gr.1431* collection, via the *Florilegium Edessenum*.² Perhaps from this background also comes one of the most enduring pieces of Christian literature, namely the ‘Sayings of the Desert Fathers’, a series of collections which may well owe their origin to the zeal of the anti-Chalcedonian monasteries. If so, they constitute a vital part of the florilegium-genre and, better than any other example, illustrate how its influence and power in theological debate paralleled the personal power and influence of the holy men of the desert to whom the sayings were attributed.³

The continuing significance of the florilegium in the age of Justinian can be illustrated from the example of the *Florilegium Edessenum*, originally a Greek collection, the contents of which closely relate to those patristic citations found in the acts of the fifth council (553). In order to condemn the likes of Theodore and Ibas, the council needed evidence of Cyril’s disapproval of these men, and this they found in the letters quoted in this florilegium.⁴ The genre continued its rise, through such comprehensive collections as the *Doctrina Patrum*, to reach its ultimate expression in a work such as *De fide orthodoxa* of John Damascene, which could be described as both a florilegium and a full theological treatise in one.

The rise of the florilegium illustrates the growing importance of patristic citation in theological argument, as illustrated in the work of Timothy Ailouros, for whom “the florilegium is the argument.”⁵ Its importance grew in parallel with the matter of the ‘correct and accurate’ citing of both scripture and the texts of the Fathers. This matter of textual accuracy is well illustrated both by Leontius of Byzantium’s uncovering of

¹ This florilegium was appended to his *Decem Dissertationes contra Habbib*, about which see De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 225-38; and for the florilegium in particular, Graffin, *Floriège Patristique*. The text can be found in Brière and Graffin, *Dissertationes Decem V*.

² For which see further below, Part 3.iv.c.

³ For the suggestion, see Derwas Chitty, *The Desert City*. Crestwood, NY, 1995, 74. The Enaton monastery near Alexandria, later to have a number of close connections with Syria, was a key place for the organisation of opposition to Chalcedon and probably also for the organisation of collections of the *apophthegmata*.

⁴ The Syriac form of the florilegium is published in Rucker, *Florilegium Edessenum* and discussed in Abramowski, *Zur geplanten Ausgabe*, 28. Its use at the fifth ecumenical council can be seen in ACO IV,1. Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, 131ff. also describes the same collection on account of its close relationship to Vat.Gr.1431.

⁵ Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Against Chalcedon*, 117.

the monophysite Apollinarist *loci* and by Severus' numerous complaints in the *Philalethes* that the compiler of the *Florilegium Cyrillianum* uses the scissors a little too neatly in his plundering of Cyril's works for references to two natures and thereby does violence to Cyril's meaning.¹ Here the writings of the Fathers find their true purpose in theological method. It has even been said that "patristic theology may be said to aspire to the condition of the florilegium."²

All this explains the very numerous and extensive florilegia found in Syriac manuscripts. These collections have yet to be thoroughly explored and their contexts explained, a task which cannot be accomplished here, although the importance of existing Syriac florilegia will become apparent in some of the arguments (e.g. Part 2.ii). This lengthy discussion upon florilegia also forms a vital backdrop to understanding the issue of translation. Given this background, it is obvious why translations took on such significance, and also why there was a need for continual improvement and revision of existing translation practice. To transmit texts correctly and accurately became one of the key themes of Syriac theological concern. This would involve both a concern for *textual* accuracy and for *translational* accuracy. The latter evidently played on the minds of a good number of Syriac leaders and scribes. We shall now proceed, therefore, to assess the importance of *translation* in particular within the developments traced out in brief above, and most especially how the leaders of the Syriac community themselves perceived and reacted to the changing situation.

¹ See Bardy, *Sévère*.

² Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Against Chalcedon*, 117, with reference to the development towards the purely anthologistic work of John Damascene.

Translation

“The vanity of Celestine was flattered by the appeal [of Cyril]; and the partial version [i.e. translation] of a monk decided the faith of the pope, who with his Latin clergy was ignorant of the language, the arts, and the theology of the Greeks.”

Gibbon, *Decline and Fall*, vol.4

We can now analyse the sources relating to theological translation in late antiquity under three heads. Firstly, what various sources tell us about the importance of translation in these theological debates; secondly, how Syriac writers and church leaders may have perceived and thought about translation as a concept, both in terms of its importance generally and in terms of the different approaches that might be taken towards its execution; thirdly, what we can learn about these different approaches and techniques of translation from Greek into Syriac from analysis of the translation-texts themselves, especially from those that can be dated securely on external grounds.

i. Its significance in the ancient churches

“A translator travaillet not to his own private commodity, but to the benefit and public use of his country”

Nicholas Udall, 1549

Occasionally, our sources show us clearly the importance attached to issues of translation within the ecclesiastical (even political) debates of the day.

Thus when Nestorius sent a letter to Pope Celestine in 428 seeking support in his dispute, the Pope did not reply for about two years seemingly due to a lack of good translators in Rome at this time.¹ Celestine therefore asked Cyril to provide him with more information.² Cyril not only did so but he even sent a deputation to Rome under a deacon Posidonius with a letter which itself refers to another batch of the writings of

¹ See ACO I,2,7,21-8,4.

² Cyril *Ep 19*, the first letter to Nestorius, ACO I,1,1,23-5.

Nestorius which Cyril has already had translated into Latin for the Pope's use.¹ The papal support that Cyril enjoyed during the Nestorian dispute shows how valuable was this little translation exercise, though we need not interpret it in quite such harsh terms as did Gibbon (quoted above).

In 497, Pope Anastasius II tried to heal the Acacian schism on terms which even the Alexandrians were prepared to accept; in writing to Rome, they excused their stance during the schism in the following way:

[the letters of Leo to the council at Chalcedon] “afforded not a few opportunities for those who approved of the blasphemies of the most wicked Nestorius, such that they liberally construed that that same Nestorius believed things that are barely erroneous. On account of this, therefore, our God-loving people took offence and thought that the sense of what was contained in the Greek translation must be similar to that in the Latin words and so cut themselves off from the unity of the Roman church.”² In other words, a bad translation was to blame for theological misunderstanding. The example shows how aware churchmen were of the need of good translation for good communication.

The importance of the translation exercise to the development of Biblical exegesis in the West hardly needs repeating in any detail here. We only need acknowledge it as a key part of the overall theological discourse that developed in the post-Constantinian worldwide church. The work of Jerome and Rufinus brought Western thought not only closer to the Bible but closer to the traditions of Greek theology, while Marius Victorinus brought the Greek philosophers to bear on the developments of Latin theology. Jerome's debates over how exactly one ought to translate both the Scriptures and the Fathers only serve to highlight the significance that these translations were perceived already to have.

¹ Letter at ACO I,1,5,10-12. The translated collection appears to be the same as that found in ACO I,5,55-60.

² O.Günther (ed.), *Epistulae imperatorum pontificum aliorum inde ab a. CCCLXVII usque ad a. DLIII datae Avellana quae dicitur collectio*, CSEL XXXV, Vienna, 1895-8, no.102. The document in question is entitled ‘*Libellus quem dederunt apocrisarii Alexandrinae ecclesiae legatis ab urbe Roma Constantinopolim destinatis*’. There is a summary of the issues and result of this exchange in Frend, *Monophysite Movement*, 198.

On the Syriac side also, the translations of the Fathers were very numerous, covering most of the principal Greek authors.¹ Can we see in the sources any sign of the beginnings of this process and thereby try to understand its inner workings and motivations? The various evidence and historical data concerning the rise and course of the so-called ‘School of the Persians’ at Edessa and Nisibis have been assimilated and sifted by Arthur Vööbus.² He has shown especially the close relationship between the central goal of the school, namely the accurate *ܐܘܘܪܘܫܝܡܐ* (exegesis) of the Bible, and the translation projects which seem to have grown up there from c.430 onwards. The momentum for such a project came from the reforms of Qiiore, who perceived that the exegesis of Diodore of Tarsus and Theodore of Mopsuestia was to be preferred to that of Ephrem, and should become the basis of the future school curriculum. This fundamental shift towards the Antiochene traditions entailed a large scale work of Greek-Syriac translation, which seems to have involved a number of the great scholars of the day. Qiiore’s ideas were put into substantial effect by Narsai, who may have taken over the school c.437. Scholars and translators such as Ma’na, Kumi, and later Probus, were all products of this new drive, which involved also the earliest of many future Syriac versions of Aristotle, whose logic was thought to be fundamental to exegesis of the Antiochene type.³ Jacob of Serug is witness that by c.470 all the works of Diodore were already available in translation in Edessa.

Although this is the first concerted translation ‘programme’ that we can perceive in the Syriac world, there evidently had been earlier translations, given that BL Add 12150, a manuscript which contains translations from Basil, Eusebius and Titus of Bostra, is dated to 411 and comes from Edessa. Although very little, perhaps none, of this massive ‘Antiochene’ programme remains intact, the evidence makes it clear that the task was indeed a huge one and must have had extensive support from the authorities, as we know it certainly did at one time in the form of Bishop Ibas. Ibas’ role in the propagation of this movement is attested by the historical comment

¹ A good summary list is to be found in Brock, *Syriac Background*; the material is treated more thoroughly in Baumstark, *Geschichte*.

² See Vööbus, *Nisibis*, 10-20, for his discussion of the School’s work in translation.

³ Much of the evidence for this period comes from the later East Syrian historical sources, Barhadbesabba of Arbaia and Barhadbesabba of Holwan, as well as from the catalogues of works described by Abd’isho. All this evidence is carefully sifted and weighed by Vööbus, although the fifth century dating of Probus has been convincingly called into question in Brock, *Towards a History*, 12 n.22, and Brock, *The Syriac Commentary Tradition*, 7, and the identification of the extant Syriac Aristotle texts with those made at this time can also not be upheld..

appended by a scribe to the Syriac version of Proclus' *Tomus ad Armenios*, "after Hiba [i.e. Ibas] the heretic had translated the heretical writings of Theodore and had sent them to the Armenians."¹ This, of course, means that Ibas translated only in the same sense that Constantine built the church of the Holy Sepulchre, but his importance to the project as a whole is certain.

When Rabbula, Ibas' predecessor in the episcopate at Edessa, ran up his flag for the Cyrillines in the near schism which followed the council of Ephesus, he requested from Cyril some of his writings, to be translated into Syriac.² For the most part, the clerics and monks of Edessa readily fell behind John of Antioch and the 'Easterns', against Cyril's anathemas. Rabbula was therefore naturally concerned to persuade his countrymen of his own convictions. Although the bishop's biography makes it clear that a number of Cyril's works were translated at this time, none remain to us with the possible exception of Cyril's *De Recta Fide ad Theodosium* (see Part 1.ii for the question of the identity of this translator). Rabbula was doubtless well aware that a number of the works of the Antiochene Fathers had already been through a similar process of translation and assimilation into the Syriac churches. Through Rabbula, a new work of translation can thus be seen to have begun on the opposing side of the Christological divide.

After Rabbula, and until the activity of Philoxenus, which begins about 480 but reaches its point of greatest influence early in the sixth century, there is little direct evidence for what work may have been going on in this area. Philoxenus himself, however, was strongly influenced by the Cyrilline party in Edessa while he was at the school (perhaps in the 450s/60s) and he describes the relationships between the groups.³ Cyril's ideas and arguments pervade Philoxenus' thought, even at a fairly early stage in his writing career, and so we must assume that already in the 480s he had reasonable access to Cyril's works.⁴ Given Philoxenus' limited knowledge of Greek, these were most likely in translation. As we shall see, there is even some direct

¹ From Add 12156, f.67r, cited in Van Rompay, *Proclus*, 433.

² The exchange will be found among Cyril's correspondence, *Ep* 73,74.

³ Evidence comes especially from Philoxenus' first letter to the monks of Beit Gaugal, and from Simeon of Beth-Arsham's *Letter on Nestorianism – De Halleux, Philoxène*, 25-6, 30.

⁴ On the Cyril/Philoxenus relationship, see further below, Part 3.iv.e.

evidence for this proposition now available, which may give us a glimpse into the work of Rabbula's 'Cyrilline' successors in Edessa.

With Philoxenus we enter also into the issue of translational accuracy and revision, and especially the self-reflection of the Syriac world on the issues raised by the translations. This phenomenon constitutes our next layer of evidence, some of which we can now survey.

ii. The evidence of translation practices as known from Syriac sources

Occasionally, the issue of translation technique is itself discussed by translators, either in the form of prefaces to their own work or else in connection with some other issue under discussion. The best known of these is Philoxenus' own comment on the New Testament revision which he undertook. It focuses on the unreliability of older versions which, either through the ignorance of translators or their Nestorian leanings, produced not only inaccurate but even heretical renderings. Those who adapt their wording, he argues, to the exigencies of the receptor language are not only misguided but even impious.¹ Thus

When those of old undertook to translate these passages of scripture they made mistakes in many things, whether intentionally or through ignorance; these mistakes concerned not only what is taught concerning the economy in the flesh, but various other things concerning different matters. It was for this reason that we have now taken the trouble to have the Holy Scriptures translated anew from Greek into Syriac.²

The earlier versions, he argues, accepted words which were in current Syriac usage at the time but which should then have been updated as the Syriac language progressed. He discusses certain NT passages which need revision in this sense.

Another important passage, from the *Letter to the Monks of Senoun*, concerns Ephrem's language of 'mixture'. His principle argument here appears to be that

¹ CPJ 51,30-52,27.

² CPJ 53,11-16; translated in Brock, *Resolution*, 328. On the Philoxenian see Part 3.iii.c.

Nestorianism resulted from a misunderstanding of the traditional language of the Fathers – but that in Syriac it was impossible to translate accurately all these Greek terms. Ephrem’s language may appear to be that of confusing the natures, while it is, in fact, quite orthodox. Thus he comments:

But since in our Syriac language it has not been customary to employ those precise expressions that are used among the Greeks concerning the divine incarnation and the inexpressible union, instead of ‘the natures were united’ [ܘܘܕܝܢܘܢ] – which was not known in Syriac – the blessed Ephrem wrote that they were ‘mixed’ [ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ].¹

It is on this basis of the inadequacy of the Syriac language, coupled with his belief in the perfection of the Greek language of the Fathers, that he goes on to be even more explicit about the neologisms that he has introduced to try to rectify the deficiency, words such as ܘܘܢܝܘܢ, ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ, ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ, ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ, ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ, ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ and ܘܘܡܝܚܘܢ. He does not go into theological details on the distinctions of the first four but simply shows us their etymologies. Like Cicero and Horace before him, Philoxenus understood well that neologisms, while jarring at first, soon gain credence in their new settings if they are well-chosen.² It was this sort of opinion which led to Philoxenus’ concern for up-dating not just the Biblical text, but also that of the creeds.³

Philoxenus was certainly not the only one to consider these issues. Paul of Callinicum prefaced his translation of Severus’ anti-Julianist writings, published around 528, with a variety of comments on content and arrangement and speaks also of his own approach to the task of translation, emphasising that the overall meaning is of greater import than getting things in the right order. Although he is really applying this to the arrangement of his material, he is making a plea for the rights of the translator to work

¹ De Halleux, *Moines de Senoun*, 51/42; cf. also De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 387, and the recent discussion by Van Rompay, *Mallpânâ dilan Suryâyâ*.

² As did Horace, *Ars Poetica*, 60-72 (following Varro, *L.L.*ix.17 and Cicero’s frequent comments on the same point; the thought was applied to language by the Stoics, Diog.Laert. vii.59, and goes back to the truly classical thought about νομός, Plat.*Gorg.*484b). Philoxenus’s comment forms a neat parallel to this: ‘if these other expressions had been translated with the term ܘܘܢܝܘܢ, adopted into Syriac, they would have come into current usage for all,’ De Halleux, *Moines de Senoun*, 54,27-55,1.

³ De Halleux, *Prologue Johannique*, 53-4; and especially the extensive discussion in De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*.

with his material in order to bring its argument to the reader and not to receive criticism from the reader for so doing.¹ When we examine Paul's technique, however, we find it to be very similar to that of the Philoxenian revisions. Paul's discussion of the issues in the preface should be considered alongside the comments of Philoxenus as a sign of the new concern in the sixth century with the difficulties and choices faced by any translator.

Further self-reflection of this type is to be found in Moses of Aggel's well-known comments in his letter prefatory to his own translation of Cyril's *Glaphyra*. The important point for now is simply that here again we see a translator grappling with the potential criticisms of his audience, who may be confused at the apparent discontinuity between the Biblical citations found in the coming text and those to which they are accustomed from their Syriac Bibles.² Another preface with similar concerns is that found in the Syriac version of Gregory of Nyssa's *Song of Songs Commentary*.³

Finally, another comment of the same type is found accompanying the Syriac version of Theodosius of Alexandria's *Theological Discourse*, translated late in the 6th century. The text appears in both recensions of the work and reads as follows:

This treatise is rendered [ܢܦܘܡ] and translated [ܦܥܡ] from the Greek into Syriac, so far as it was possible, word [ܘܚܠܘܠܐ, cf. below] for word without any difference [ܘܥܡܘܠܐܘܪ], in order that it may show the Greek expressions [ܘܚܠܘܠܐ] not only in [their general] meaning [ܘܚܘܫܐ], but in the [Syriac] expressions themselves. As a rule no word [ܘܫܘܪܐ, or perhaps 'sign' meaning *morpheme* rather than *word*] has been added or subtracted, if the necessities [ܘܫܘܪܐ] of the (Syriac) language did not oppose (such translation).⁴

¹ Hespel, *La polemique antijulianiste*, 1-5.

² For the text and further discussion, see below Part 3.iii.c.

³ Edited by Van Den Eynde, *Grégoire de Nysse*; cf. Brock, *Towards a History*, 9.

⁴ For the two recensions of this text, see Chabot, *Documenta*, 40,4-8, and Van Roey and Allen, *Monophysite Texts*, 108.

This is a classic description of the new translation techniques that appear to have grown up in the wake of Philoxenus' reforms of the language of creed and Bible. The development of the Syriac translation techniques in this literalist direction led through the Harklean and Syro-Hexapla and on to the seventh century revisions in which this Hellenised form of Syriac reached its zenith. We can now begin to assess and describe this development with reference to the evidence of the texts themselves.

iii. The evidence of translation practices as known from translation-texts

When placed against the background of translation techniques in antiquity in general, the Greek-Syriac translation program appears as a typical example of a situation in which the source language has higher prestige than the target language and in which the texts themselves have a 'scriptural' status which demands the work not of an *expositor* but that of a *fidus interpres*.¹ This position, however, developed only slowly between the fourth and the seventh centuries. The development has been sketched out, largely with reference to the New Testament revisions, and our purpose is to illuminate the process as far as we can in greater detail.²

Brock has brought together data covering all the datable translation texts that are extant. A brief overview of what has been found in these texts, where they have been the subject of studies, will help to illumine the development of the translation process itself.³ Others that are not mentioned in Brock's list, such as Eusebius' *Ecclesiastical History*, can also be dated approximately enough on external grounds to be of use in developing a typology. A comparison of the Old Syriac and Peshitta gospels, and later of the Peshitta and Harklean New Testaments and the Peshitta Old Testament with the Syro-Hexapla will also, of course, prove vital to any typology of translation styles, even though the Old Syriac and Peshitta cannot be dated with great accuracy.

¹ See especially Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*.

² Most importantly is Brock, *Towards a History*, with other important discussion in his earlier work, such as *Pseudo-Nonnos* and *Resolution*; see also others such as Grotzfeld, *Beiordnern oder Unterordnern*, Wickham, *Translation Techniques*, Lyon, *Syriac Gospel Translations*, Lash, *Techniques*, Joosten, *Language of the Peshitta*.

³ Brock, *Towards a History*.

Discussion of the relative styles of these latter works has been amply covered elsewhere and will not delay us here.¹

We can begin our survey with Basil's *De Spiritu Sancto*, the first Syriac version of which David Taylor has dated to the late fourth century. He describes it as "free and paraphrastic...more interested in the subject matter of Basil's argument...than in the form and expression," and comments that "the translator was not interested in simply producing a calque of the Greek text but in creating a living, vital, work of theology which would mix the best of St Basil's treatise with the insights of his own religious tradition."² Regarding the specific techniques used, he adds that "the unit of translation is usually a sentence or part of a paragraph rather than a phrase, or word.... He has not been inhibited...from making his own expositional additions to the text, and in places this has led to considerable expansion."³ Scriptural citations always follow the canonical text rather than producing new renderings, Peshitta in the Old Testament, Old Syriac for the New. Certain indications of a primitive Syriac theology are present, such as the concept of 'putting on a man'. This is an unusual variation on the better-known Syriac clothing metaphor, which more usually refers to the 'flesh' or the 'body'.⁴ References to a putting on of the man are to be found in Andrew of Samosata's correspondence with Rabbula, and the clothing metaphor in a more general sense is to be found in certain translations of Cyril, as we shall see later. When the same idea was still being used in Philoxenus' day, it caused an anti-Antiochene reaction in language usage, and its appearance in any text is likely for that reason to be pre-Philoxenian, in spirit if not also in date. Other theological indications of an early dating (here in the *De Spiritu Sancto*) include the use of the language of 'mixture' on a much freer level than anything we are likely to see in the sixth century.

Basil's text is unusual in its freedom of expression. Slightly less so, but still very early in date, is the version of Eusebius' *Ecclesiastical History*. Selections from this have been carefully analysed by Lyon.⁵ Only occasionally do we see significant editing of

¹ For instance Lyon, *Syriac Gospel Translations*, Joosten, *Language of the Peshitta*, Wilson, *Old Syriac Gospels*, Williams, *Translation Technique*; for the later versions, little can beat the analysis of Rørdam, *Dissertatio*.

² Taylor, *De Spiritu Sancto*, Textus vol., p. xxi; Versio vol., p. xxxi.

³ *ibid.*, Textus vol., p. xxii.

⁴ Brock, *Clothing Metaphor*.

⁵ Lyon, *Syriac Gospel Translations*.

the text in the form of omissions and paraphrasing – mostly where the content is not so crucial to the overall understanding of the work. This itself is indication of an awareness of the larger units of discourse, from the paragraph and upwards, which we will come across again in Cyril's *De Recta Fide* and his *Letter to Acacius*. For the most part, however, what is most distinctive about this text is its restructuring of Greek hypotaxis – frequently we see participles changed into main verbs, genitive absolutes turned into circumstantial clauses and in general the whole structure greatly simplified. The basic principle of Greek prose style, by which the number of changes of main verb subject is kept to a minimum is overturned in favour of making every significant verb into a main verb, even if this requires frequent changes of subject in a more paratactic discourse unit.

This early period also witnesses the translation of Titus of Bostra's *Contra Manichaeos*. Noting some of the characteristics of this version (made between c.365 and 411) will make for useful comparison with Cyril's *De Recta Fide*, which has usually been dated to 433/4. Poirier and Sensal, who have studied the version, illustrate the translator's tendencies, such as to edit his text where he considered phrases either unimportant or insufficiently clear.¹ Frequently he would use Syriac doublets for explaining difficult Greek terms and in general kept a low level of lexical equivalence. On the other hand, we already see in this version certain methods that would become standardised, such as ܐ ܘܢ for the Greek article + infinitive, as well as a number of other formal correspondences at the syntactical level, and we see a number of cases of clear word-order influence. They are thus loath to call it a *sensus de sensu* version, and to this extent it points in a new direction, being quite different from the style of other works of comparable date, such as those already mentioned, to which we can add Basil's *Homilies*. To this period also perhaps belong the versions of ps-Justin's *Cohortatio ad Graecos* and the *Apology of Aristides*, both of which exhibit some degree of expansion,² and probably also some texts, whose translation techniques have not been studied as yet, such as the Syro-Roman Lawbook,³ the

¹ Poirier and Sensal, *Titus of Bostra*.

² Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*, 19.

³ Edition in Selb and Kaufhold, *Das syrisch-römische Rechtsbuch*; for dating, see Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 83.

Sententiae Syriacae,¹ and the Syriac version of the Life of Anthony.² Further investigation will probably add more to this list.

From the middle of the fifth century (most likely) we have the earlier of the two independent versions of Proclus' *Tome to the Armenians*. These have been surveyed by Van Rompay.³ He shows how the two differ, especially in their treatment of the restructuring of Greek clauses. The earlier version (S1) is comparable in style with that of the Eusebius translation, while the later text (S2) tends to stick to the original's structure and word order far more closely. However, even S2 is not to be categorised along with those re-translations of texts done in the seventh century which take literalism to a new level – these will be discussed shortly. We can be sure of this both from the last possible date of the version (562) and from certain aspects of the style, which still betray the influences of the earlier days of freedom of word-choice.⁴ S2 still uses ܡܘܬܝܢ ܕܝܪܥܝܢ for σαρκώθηναί, rather than the ܡܘܬܝܢ ܕܝܪܥܝܢ that later versions will use, following Philoxenus' revision of the creed, but it does already regularly use ܡܘܬܝܢ ܕܝܪܥܝܢ which was part of the same revision. This sort of pattern will again match with some of the texts we shall be analysing later.⁵ S2 shows the sort of tendency towards equivalence in syntactical form (e.g. adverbs for adverbs) and in lexis (e.g. keeping ܡܘܬܝܢ ܕܝܪܥܝܢ for σῶμα and ܡܘܬܝܢ ܕܝܪܥܝܢ for σάρξ, rather than mixing them up) which we shall again see more of later. These tendencies are typical of the stage in the early sixth century when Philoxenus was revising the New Testament and the creed, as well as possibly the Acts and Canons of the Councils.⁶

Long before that period in the seventh century when techniques moved on to another plane altogether, there is extant a large corpus of approximately datable texts, the analysis of which will be important for comparison with our own texts. These include the works by Severus of Antioch that were translated by Paul of Callinicum (published c.530); the translations of Sergius of Resh'aina, which include the ps-

¹ Selb, *Sententiae Syriacae*

² Discussed by Takeda, *The Syriac Version of the Life of Anthony*.

³ Van Rompay, *Proclus*.

⁴ The *terminus ante quem* is a date (562) mentioned in the ms, Add 12156. The same limitation will apply to two of our texts, taken from the same ms, the *Contra Orientales* and the *Contra Theodoretum*.

⁵ Under the discussion of σάρξ-related words in Part 3.i.

⁶ For which, see De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*.

Dionysiac corpus and Galen;¹ the anonymous Syriac version of Gregory of Nyssa's *Commentary on the Song of Songs*;² perhaps the Syriac version of Hippolytus' *Commentary on Daniel*;³ and finally Moses of Aggel's versions of *Joseph and Asenath* and of Cyril's *Glaphyra*. The very fact that such a non-key Cyrilline work was being translated in its (very considerable) entirety in the middle of the sixth century suggests that Cyril's other works had for the most part been translated already.

This latter work is of interest especially for its well-known discussion of the 'hot potato' issue of Biblical citations.⁴ A similar discussion, which makes essentially the same point, is found also in the Song of Songs commentary. In the preface to this work, the anonymous translator explains to his patron (and the reader) that because the text of the Song of Songs as found in Gregory's commentary differs considerably from that in the Syriac Old Testament (i.e. Peshitta), he must revert to translating the citations in the commentary directly from the Greek. He then provides the Biblical text in Syriac as well, before the start of the commentary. Given this wariness, as well as his tendency to conform some of his citations to the Peshitta anyway, Van den Eynde suggested a much earlier date for this work than did Assemani, who had assumed Jacob of Edessa to be the translator. It is unlikely that by Jacob's day there would have been any question about the use of citations straight from the Greek. On the other hand, we can see in this version already certain monophysitic tendencies, such as the reference to the 'holy body' and the omission of usages of the 'clothing metaphor' as a means of describing the incarnation.⁵ Van den Eynde neatly sums up the technique adopted for this type of translation as "claire et lisible, tout en respectant, dans la mesure du possible, le lettre de l'original – c'est pourquoi il s'est efforcé de donner à ses phrases une tournure bien syriaque, dût-il à cet effet scinder

¹ Perhaps some fragments of his Aristotle translations also remain, although most of those formerly thought to be his should be assigned to a later date and to an anonymous translator. See H. Hugonnard-Roche, 'Sur les versions syriaques des Catégories d'Aristote.' *JAs* 275 (1987), 205-22.

² According to the dating of Van Den Eynde, *Grégoire de Nysse*, 61-4.

³ De Halleux, *Hippolyte*.

⁴ That this issue had already been mentioned in a similar way in Moses of Aggel's preface to his *Glaphyra* has already been pointed out by Brock, *Towards a History*, 9, who also makes mention of Paul of Callinicum's introduction to his translation of Severus, which involves a similar wariness about Biblical citations. The issue is discussed further under Part 3.iii.a and 3.iii.c below.

⁵ A few examples given in Van Den Eynde, *Grégoire de Nysse*, 32

les propositions trop longues ou les construire autrement.”¹ He goes on to warn, however, that the non-polemical/non-dogmatical genre of the work may dispose the translator towards a different style than might be used for other works. This issue of different styles being used simultaneously will concern us again.

The developing techniques of the seventh century found their *locus classicus* in the twin revisions of the Old and New Testaments carried out respectively by Paul of Tella and Thomas of Harkel in 615-617 in the academic and text-critical atmosphere of Alexandria. Their work and style have been described adequately elsewhere, and are well enough known. The work of Rørdam in studying the technique of the Syro-Hexapla was especially thorough and will come in useful as we progress, as an external control for the Cyril texts.² It may be added here for emphasis that the Syro-Hexapla, being based on Origen’s work, and including his ‘apparatus’, should actually be considered as much a work of textual criticism as one of literary translation, and this observation will be of some importance for our interpretation of the translation programme itself.

The period 620-690 saw a glut of revisions of earlier translations of key works. This ‘project’ (if we may use such a term) began with the revision of the Syriac versions of Gregory Nazianzen by Paula of Edessa in 623/4, which included the ps-Nonnos mythological scholia which accompanied the Greek texts of the Homilies,³ and of the Dionysian corpus by a certain Phocas c.685. Aristotle also came in for this sort of treatment, with Bishop George of the Arabs re-translating parts of the *Organon* in the 680s, following Athanasius of Balad’s earlier revision of Porphyry’s *Eisagoge*. There were also some new texts, such as those parts of the Severan corpus translated by Athanasius of Nisibis in 668/9.⁴ The extent of the difference between the techniques of the seventh century and those of the sixth will be one of the subjects to be discussed later.

¹ *ibid.*, 31; this study produces the text only of the prefatory letters and a few other connected texts, and not of the Commentary itself. Van den Eynde’s comments have therefore been adopted without independent investigation into the text itself.

² Rørdam, *Dissertatio*.

³ Brock, *Pseudo-Nonnos*.

⁴ Although it is possible that these were revisions of earlier versions since lost.

Jacob of Edessa naturally forms the apex of this process in his multi-faceted work, which included a revision of Severus' *Homilies*, usefully published in *Patrologia Orientalis*. Lash has produced a useful study comparing this with Paul of Callinicum's original for a few selected homilies.¹ We note many of the same tendencies as are common in the Syro-Hexapla and the Harklean Bibles, including a much higher level of lexical equivalency and a desire to include those parts of Greek syntax previously left unrendered even by the translators of the Philoxenian era.

To illustrate the first of these points, Jacob makes a consistent distinction between ܠܘܡ for γένεσις, and ܠܘܠ for γέννησις, a distinction rarely made consistently before, even by Greek writers. To illustrate the second, we can see that Jacob often tries to render the Greek article with forms of the demonstrative in various combinations depending on the precise function of the article in the Greek. This is directly comparable to a technique used in the Syro-Hexapla and analysed by Rørdam.² The self-conscious systematisation of Jacob's work is evident from his interest not only in simply translating, but in philological analysis also.

The study of Syriac grammar may have begun under Ahoudemmeh, who appears to have written the first Syriac grammar, based on Dionysius Thrax's Greek handbook,³ but it was Jacob who wrote the definitive works in this area, writing extensively on grammar, orthography, and the Syriac lexicon, in which he fixed the Greek/Syriac equivalencies for a large number of technical terms.⁴ However, developments in this direction are not always unilinear. Jacob's own version of the Old Testament to some extent repudiated the work of Paul of Tella and shows a surprising degree of respect for the Peshitta, and contrasts with his style of translation in the Severan Homilies.⁵ Nonetheless, Jacob's work sums up the development that we can see in the texts over the preceding centuries and forms a watershed between the clear development of

¹ Lash, *Techniques*.

² Rørdam, *Dissertatio*; Lash's study is largely carried out for the purposes of text criticism (although he realises that this text is a mine for Syriac lexicographers, p.383) and is therefore less exhaustive on matters of technique than is Rørdam whose excellent work, despite its age, is unsurpassed in its attention to detail.

³ See Merx, *Historia artis grammaticae apud Syros*, 33, and Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 178.

⁴ In his work, ܠܘܠܝܢܝܘܢ (Enchiridion), published by G.Furlani, "L' ΕΓΧΕΙΡΙΔΙΟΝ di Giacomo d'Edessa nel testo siriano." In *Rendiconti della R. Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei* Ser.6, Vol.4, Rome, 1928, 222-49.

⁵ Salvesen, Alison, "Jacob of Edessa's version of Exodus 1 and 28." *Hugoye* 8 (2005).

Syriac translation technique to date and the beginning of the issue of the Arabic translations. The high-point of the development which his own approach evidences, with its deferential attitude to the ‘original’, is best expressed in his own words, “let no one alter this syntax as the ancients have altered it, for I have examined three Greek manuscripts and found that it is thus expressed.”¹

It may at first seem surprising that Cyril seems to find no place in the catalogue of seventh-century revisions. It cannot be argued that the versions in existence were good enough by Jacob of Edessa’s standards, since they are certainly no further developed (and in most cases less developed) than Paul of Callinicum’s original version of the Severan Homilies, which the seventh century scholars evidently considered inadequate to their needs. It may well be that monophysite doctrine in the later seventh century, no longer needing to defend itself with the same zeal as in previous ages, was largely read *through* Severus, while Cyril was gradually reduced to being the subject of citations in florilegia. Thus the older polemical translations of Cyril lay already dormant in the monasteries during an age of philological, rather than theological, extremes. We shall see some further evidence for this fragmentation of the Cyrilline material later, as we also shall see that there was indeed some attempt at revising Cyril’s works to a higher standard.²

The preceding provides some evidence for the development of Syriac attitudes towards the task of translation between the 4th and 8th centuries. Although only scattered examples have been provided as illustrations, this will serve for a framework for the analysis of the Cyrilline texts in the next section. More specific details about translational style at known dates will be entered into at the appropriate time, the better to let them throw light on the background of the Cyrilline texts themselves.

Summary

We have briefly looked over two areas, the rise of the citation-based theological argument and the rise of translation as *the* principal input mechanism for Syriac theology and for the inner development of Syriac religion and culture. The organic

¹ Cited in Lash, *Techniques*, 372.

² See below, Part 3.iv.a.

interconnection between the two is clear. As the need for accurate and exhaustive citation and knowledge of the beliefs of the Fathers increased hand-in-hand with the need to defend that monophysitism which had become the hallmark of this distinctive and increasingly separatist culture, so the approaches to translation tended firstly towards doing *more* of it, and secondly to doing it more *accurately*, whatever that may mean in different contexts. The importance of translated texts for a full appreciation of the literature of a culture has been thus aptly pointed out in reference to the oldest dated Syriac manuscript, “les monuments d’une littérature et d’une culture ne sont pas seulement les oeuvres qu’elles ont produites, ce sont aussi les livres qui les ont transmises.”¹

Some light is therefore thrown upon how the issue of translation relates also to the widening cultural divide between Christological positions and the increasing auto-motivation of the Syrian church.

It is hoped that in the current study, by analysing the Syriac versions of the Christological corpus of Cyril of Alexandria, we may be able to put more flesh onto this picture as well as to illustrate some of its inner workings.

A more specific aim, and a layout

In desiring to ‘put some flesh’ on the above description, we shall deal hereafter with the extant Syriac versions of the Christological works of Cyril of Alexandria. We shall attempt to analyse the variety of techniques used in these texts and to describe them as fully as possible. From this, we then hope to be able to relate them to each other on a typological scale. It may further be possible to calibrate this scale, or spectrum, against the historical background, largely by means of bringing in for comparison other texts of known date and provenance, both other translations from the Greek, and indigenous Syriac writings. The first of these two tasks must be thoroughly completed before the second can be brought in as an external calibration, and it will therefore constitute the bulk of the material presented here.

¹ Poirier and Sensal, *Titus of Bostra*, 318.

Firstly, therefore, before we take leave of Part 1, we shall review the situation with regard to Cyril's works in Syriac, reviewing work already done (Part 1.ii).

Having isolated certain texts upon which we can work more closely, we shall deal firstly with the external evidence that we can glean relating to their provenance and contexts as items of Syriac literary production; firstly the manuscript evidence for the texts (2.i), secondly the evidence of external citations (2.ii).

Following this we can progress to the internal evidence (Part 3), as full as possible a description of the style and techniques actually used in the texts. For this purpose we will devise a typology by which they may be judged and a number of criteria across which we can compare these different texts and thereby place them in relation to one another on a spectrum (3.i). In addition to this, the use of parallel material in other, datable texts, will be found to throw a great deal of light on the relative position on the spectrum of our own texts (3.ii).

A further vital stratum of evidence will be located in the Biblical citations. By analysing these, it is hoped again that we may illuminate how our texts relate to other known fixed points in the history of Syriac literature (3.iii).

The last section of Part 3 will concern other approaches and other parallel texts, which will hopefully assist in bringing out the background to our own still more (3.iv).

Having worked up some results from all the foregoing material (Summary to Parts 2-3) and placed our texts firmly against their background, Part 4 will attempt to look into the whole Syriac translation phenomenon more closely, analysing the motivations inherent in its development, and the models upon which the techniques were based. This enquiry will be largely historical in character and will draw on issues relating to translation, bilingualism and approaches to language from all over the ancient and mediaeval world.

The first appendix is an attempt to suggest and experiment with a method that could be used to put the analysis of translation style on a firmer footing than was possible in Part 3, using statistics to compare different styles.

The second appendix contains the data accumulated from an analysis of Biblical citations, used for the arguments found in Part 3.iii.

The Syriac Versions of Cyril: the State of the Question

“[Cyril] extended round his cell the cobwebs of scholastic theology, and mediated the works of allegory and metaphysics, whose remains, in seven verbose folios, now peaceably slumber by the side of their rivals.”

Gibbon, *Decline and Fall*, vol.4

The Syriac translators evidently felt rather differently than Gibbon about those verbose folios; the following attempts to give some overview of how these translations have been dealt with in the past, dates that have been ascribed to them, etc.

The Syriac of the *De Recta Fide ad Theodosium*¹ (also often known in the florilegia as the ‘Propheticon’) was edited from BL Add 14557, the only exemplar for this text, by both Bedjan and in Pusey’s edition of the Cyrilline corpus.² Its attribution to Rabbula of Edessa goes back to the earliest scholarship on the question and has generally been assumed ever since.³ Thus it became the basis for Vööbus’ argument that the Peshitta was not authored by Rabbula who appears to use Old Syriac text forms in his work.⁴ Although the argument was contested by Matthew Black, the attribution was not. Only recently has Barbara Aland questioned it on a very reasonable basis.⁵ The attribution has always been based on the rubric at the head of the text in Add 14557, f.97r. However, in this manuscript, the *De Recta Fide* is preceded by the letter sent from Cyril to Rabbula (Cyril’s *Ep. 74*)⁶ which contains the crucial information that Cyril sent this treatise to Rabbula, probably soon after the latter’s ‘conversion’ to his cause, to be read to the brethren at Edessa. No mention of translation is made and can only be assumed. Aland points out that the attribution of the following text to Rabbula is probably a reasoned guess by the scribe of the

¹ CPG 5218.

² Bedjan, *Acta*, 5, 628-96; Pusey, *De recta fide...* 1-153.

³ Duval, *Littérature Syriaque*, 340; Wright, *Syriac Literature*, 48; Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 71, attributing Rabbula’s desire to translate the *De Recta Fide* to his equal capacity in Greek and Syriac; Brock, *Towards a History*, 2.

⁴ Vööbus, *Rabbula*.

⁵ Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 98.

⁶ CPG 5374; Syriac published in Overbeck, *Opera Selecta*, 226-9; English in McEnerney, *Letters*.

manuscript (or its prototype) who has himself brought about the juxtaposition of letter and text.

On the other hand, the translation is undoubtedly early. For one thing, the rubric describes how Rabbula translated the text ܠܫܘܢܐ ('into Aramaic'), an expression which typically means 'pagan' rather than 'Syriac' except in the oldest literature.¹ In addition, the style of the translation is itself certainly early,² as we shall see in the ensuing analysis. Finally, it would make sense anyway that Rabbula should have made some sort of translation of it if, according to Cyril's request, he shared it with the clergy in Edessa. The loose, discursive style of the translation might well suggest a context in which the bishop produced a quick copy for public reading in which sometimes only the gist of the original was retained. Therefore, although we cannot be so sure about this attribution as Vööbus was, we can at least be fairly certain that this text must date from a very early stage in the history of the Syriac versions of Cyril's works. At the very least, Aland has suggested that "vielmehr wird die zeitliche Bestimmung dieser Schriftzitate sich nur vorsichtig an einem Vergleich mit der Peschitta und deren Übersetzungsstil orientieren können."³

The above-mentioned letter (*Ep. 74*) also states that Cyril sent to Rabbula the work 'against the blasphemies of Nestorius', which can only really be the work we now know as the *Tomes against Nestorius*. These are extensively quoted in the later florilegia but no discrete Syriac version is known. An analysis of these citations may help to confirm whether or not any such version ever existed.

We can next turn to Cyril's Pentateuch Commentary, his *Glaphyra*.⁴ The attribution of this work to Moses of Aggel is a little firmer than the last. The Syriac text of the first part of the *Glaphyra*, Vat.Syr.107, f.67-72, is preceded by an exchange of letters between Moses and a certain Paphnutius (f.65v-67r), the patron who is requesting Moses to make the translation. Moses is known also from his version of the Joseph and Asenath legend, which was incorporated into the ps-Zacharias Rhetor compilation, probably in the 560s, a text which is again preceded by a similar

¹ Nöldeke, *Die Namen*, 117-8.

² Brock, *Towards a History*, 6,11.

³ Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 98.

⁴ CPG 5201.

exchange of letters. Moses' reference to Polycarp and the Philoxenian Bible revision in the letter to Paphnutius allows us to date his work between 508 and c.560. It is this importance of Moses to the question of the Philoxenian which has attracted interest in the Syriac *Glaphyra*. Guidi published the text of the letters together with what fragments remained of the *Glaphyra* from the same Vatican manuscript.¹ A great deal more of the *Glaphyra* is extant in BL Add 14555, but this ms has barely been noted. A century ago Gwynn claimed that the Isaiah citations in the Syriac *Glaphyra* of the London ms showed signs of the Philoxenian text of the Old Testament, but this result has been seriously and properly contested.² Beside this question of the citations, however, the style of the translation itself has not been analysed. Baumstark wondered whether it may be possible to attribute other texts to Moses on a stylistic basis. He suggested, rather as Aland does for the *De Recta Fide*, that 'ob und welche weitere Werke des Kyrillos gleichfalls durch ihn übersetzt wurden, entzieht sich selbst einer Vermutung, bevor die in Betracht kommenden Texte eine nähere Untersuchung nach Sprachgebrauch und Übersetzungstechnik erfahren haben.'³

Considerably less has been said about the remaining Cyrilline works. The synopses of Syriac literature generally go no further than mentioning their existence. Baumstark notes that one of the manuscripts of the treatise *De Cultu in Spiritu et Veritate*⁴ is dated to before 553 and guesses that perhaps other non-Christological works were being translated around this time – not only *Glaphyra* and *De Cultu*, but also such others as exist in Syriac mss, the *Thesaurus de trinitate* and the *Contra Iulianum*.⁵ Turning to the other, Christological, texts, it has been noted that Bedjan published the Syriac of *De Recta Fide* in *Acta Sanctorum*. He also later edited a number of other texts from the same manuscript, namely the *Explanatio duodecim capitulorum*⁶, *Epistula ad Ioannem Antiochenum*⁷ (Ep39), and *Epistula ad Valerianum Iconii*⁸

¹ Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*. This publication includes also a fragment from Vat Syr 96, f.164.

² Gwynn, *Polycarpus*; refutation in Jenkins, *Old Testament Quotations*, 186-99.

³ Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 161.

⁴ CPG 5200 – the translation of this work preceded that of the *Glaphyra*, as Paphnutius' letter to Moses, which precedes the latter text, mentions the existence of the *De Cultu in Spiritu et Veritate* – Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*, 401.

⁵ CPG 5215 & 5233; Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 161.

⁶ CPG 5223.

⁷ CPG 5339.

⁸ CPG 5350.

(Ep50), together with Paul of Emesa's *Libellus ad Cyrillum*¹ (Ep36 in Cyril's corpus) and John of Antioch's *Epistula ad Cyrillum*² (Cyril's Ep38), together with some non-Cyrrilline texts from the same ms, Athanasius' *Epistula ad Epictetum*, the *Libellus* of the Armenians to Proclus of Constantinople, and Proclus' reply, the *Tomus ad Armenios*. All these were printed, largely without comment, as the Appendix to his edition of the *Liber Heraclidis*.³

Another text from this ms, the *Quod unus sit Christus*⁴ was collated for Durand's edition of the Greek text and its variant readings are noted in his apparatus.⁵ This Syriac text, together with that of the *Scholia de incarnatione unigeniti*⁶ were named by Baumstark amongst the earliest translations of Cyril.⁷ But otherwise neither has received any critical attention.

There are also in this ms two letters of Cyril unknown in any Greek version. The first of these, to Rabbula of Edessa (*Ep74*), has been mentioned already for its relevance to the question of the provenance of the *De Recta Fide*. It was included in Overbeck's collection of materials relating to Rabbula.⁸ The other, an unknown letter to some monks, was published by Ebied and Wickham, who also give in this article a full description of the contents of this important manuscript.⁹

They followed this up with a full edition of the other Cyrrilline letters in the ms, those *ad Acacium Melitenum* (*Ep40*), *ad Succensum Diocaesareae* (*Ep45/46*), *commonitorium ad Eulogium* (*Ep44*) and *ad monachos varios Orientales* [or *De Symbolo*] (*Ep55*).¹⁰ They had earlier also published the *Responsiones ad Tiberium Diaconum* from BL Add 14531 (s.vii/viii),¹¹ which Pusey had made use of in his edition for those portions of this work not extant in Greek.

¹ CPG 5336/6368.

² CPG 5338/6310.

³ Bedjan, *Nestorius: Le livre d'Héraclide de Damas*.

⁴ CPG 5228.

⁵ Durand, *Dialogues*.

⁶ CPG 5225.

⁷ Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 72.

⁸ Overbeck, *Opera Selecta*, 226-9.

⁹ CPG 5400. Ebied and Wickham, *Unknown Letter*

¹⁰ CPG 5340,5345,5346,5344,5355. All published in Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*.

¹¹ CPG 5232, in Ebied and Wickham, *Tiberius Deacon*

Finally in this connection we should mention another letter (numbered as *Ep101* by McEnerney) to Rabbula, found only in Syriac and printed by Guidi in connection with one of the *Glaphyra* fragments found in the same Vatican ms.¹ It does not seem to be connected with the other, better known, letter to Rabbula (*Ep74*), which precedes the *De Recta Fide* and was edited by Overbeck. Unfortunately for the history of Cyril's oeuvre, this letter has been hopelessly mixed up with the just-mentioned *Glaphyra* fragment in McEnerney's English translation, the editor having failed to note the distinction between Guidi's main text and his footnote – no wonder he comments that 'the first two paragraphs [according to his version of the letter]...have nothing to do with the rest'! These first two paragraphs are taken from the *Glaphyra* while the rest of the letter from paragraph 3 onwards contains the middle portion of the Syriac text that Guidi edited. The un-translated parts of the letter make some interesting references to Theodore, which can be compared to the comments found in *Ep74*.²

Ebied and Wickham are the first to make any serious comment on the character and provenance of some of these texts. These still do not go very far, however. On *Ep55*, they comment on the style that it "is fairly, but not intolerably, close. Such deviations as there are designed to provide a fluent and comprehensible version."³ They note the much freer rendering of *Ep40*, which simplifies the original and may even be the work of 'an incompetent translator'. A similar description is given of *Epp 45/46*, in relation to which they also raise the possibility that the translator has made alterations

¹ Vat.Syr.107, f.64-65. Syriac text published in Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*, 545-7.

² The un-translated part reads as follows: "...[the natures?] are placed undivided with the humanity, according to what is written in the gospel that 'no man has ascended to heaven, except the one who has come down from heaven, the son of man, who was in heaven.' Thus also the things of his humanity are to be placed with his divinity because of his commingling....[from here as McEnerney, II,161-3]...since we are contending for the true faith for which the blood of the holy fathers was shed, who all suffer to endure on its behalf. For we remember the word of the blessed apostle who said in the letter of the Galatians, 'even if we or an angel from heaven should preach other than what we preached to you, let them be anathema.' [Gal 1.8] It is right that your holiness should know that Theodore brought forth all this error. But we have gone over all the writings of Theodore concerning the son of God; I anathematised them in the church upon the Episcopal throne, just as the holy synod also anathematised them. But our Lord who has reconciled by his cross things above with things below [cf. Col 1.20], and brought an end by his cross to the restricting deception that is upon the sides of the gentiles and joined the service of his gospel to the nether creation, he in his grace has shed his peace upon his church and nullified the darkness of error from all its doors and returned [it] to the court of his worship, to those who by their own wills walk in the service of his mercy for ever, Amen. The end of the letter of the holy Cyril to bishop Rabbula of Edessa." Assemani (Cat.Vat. III.52) had already noted the importance of this letter and promised to bring it to light, yet failed to do so.

³ Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*, xi.

of a quasi-Eutychian character,¹ but this has since been rejected by De Halleux, who explains the style on quite other grounds.² On Ep44, they note that the translator may be identical with that of the previously mentioned pair.³ On the *Ad Tiberium*, other than being somewhat condescending of the language both of the original and the version, they describe the translation as ‘extremely literal’.⁴ There is no attempt to give an absolute date for any of these texts.

Two final texts require more than a passing mention. These are Cyril’s two lengthy defences of his anathemas, one the *Apologia xii capitulorum contra Orientales* (also known as the work against Andrew of Samosata), the other the *Apologia xii anathematismorum contra Theodoretum*.⁵ These two texts are found in a single Syriac exemplar, towards the end of the well-known BL Add 12156 which, for the most part, contains a number of anti-Chalcedonian florilegia and works by Timothy Ailuros, and includes the important *Florilegium Edessenum*.⁶ It can be dated securely before 562.⁷ Luise Abramowski, while concluding that the set of florilegia was collected already in Greek before their translation as a whole unit, cannot be sure whether *contra Orientales* and *contra Theodoretum* were part of this whole work of translation or if they existed independently in Syriac beforehand.

There is one other important Cyrilline work whose existence in Syriac has never been properly acknowledged. This is the correspondence with Nestorius which constituted the beginning of the controversy that led to Ephesus. We might anyway expect that such texts would have been among the earliest to be translated, and it is certain that Philoxenus had read them in some form.⁸ However, there appears to be no Syriac version known. In their catalogue of the Vatican collection, however, the Assemanis

¹ *ibid.*, xiv.

² De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*, 313-4.

³ Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*, xviii.

⁴ Ebied and Wickham, *Tiberius Deacon*, 434.

⁵ CPG 5221 and 5222.

⁶ For a description and careful analysis, see Abramowski, *Zur geplanten Ausgabe* (although the edition never appeared), the descriptions of the florilegia in Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, 63-5, and above all the careful discussion in Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, who compares this ms in its relationship to the Greek collection. The florilegium was fully edited by Rücker, *Florilegium Edessenum*. Some of the other material from the ms has been published in Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Letters*, and *Timothy Aelurus against Chalcedon*.

⁷ Wright, *Catalogue*, II, 640.

⁸ See the various references in his letter to all the monks of the Orient, Lebon, *Textes inédits de Philoxène de Mabboug*.

note that Vat Syr 107 contains (f.65) a letter of Cyril of which they quote the incipit. This incipit matches with words taken from the middle of Cyril's third letter to Nestorius (*Ep17*).¹ The ms itself would need to be consulted in order to ascertain more precisely the contents of this folio, but it seems that it must contain more than just a fragment taken from a florilegium, especially as it is sandwiched between *Ep101* and the lengthy Glaphyra extract already mentioned above.

Despite the lack of careful research into these texts, the situation today is such that one can say "it is well known that Cyril's works started being translated into Syriac during, or in the aftermath of, the Nestorian controversy,"² an observation which can rest reasonably only upon the attribution of the *De Recta Fide* to Rabbula, and which expresses a generalisation that goes back to Baumstark's, admittedly highly competent, guesswork on the other texts. As we will see in the coming chapters, there is good evidence for a solid dating for at least some of these texts.

¹ 'Vide igitur, quoniam, dum accedimus nunc ad illam sanctificantium sacramentorum, benedictionem, et santificamur, et participes sumus sacri corporis, et pretiosi sanguinis Christi salvatoris nostri.' The Greek (ACO I,1,1,37,25-6) equivalent is 'πρόσιμέν τε οὕτω ταῖς μυστικαῖς εὐλογίαις καὶ ἀγιαζόμεθα μέτοχοι γινόμενοι τῆς τε ἀγίας σαρκὸς καὶ τοῦ τιμίου αἵματος τοῦ πάντων ἡμῶν σωτῆρος Χριστοῦ.'

² Van Rompay, *Mallpânâ dilan Suryâyâ*, §2.

Part 2
Cyril of Alexandria's Christological Texts in Syriac:
The External Evidence for their History

2.i
The Evidence of the Manuscripts

The texts: An overview

The writings which have been taken as the object of this study constitute the complete Christological works of Cyril of Alexandria which are extant in both Greek and Syriac. They will be dealt with in this order throughout the study.

De Recta Fide ad Theodosium (RF)

Quod unus sit Christus (QUX)

Scholia de Incarnatione Unigeniti (SDI)

Explanatio duodecim capitulorum (EDC)

Ep39 ad Ioannem Antiochenum

Ep40 ad Acacium Melitenum¹

Ep44 ad Eulogium

Ep45 ad Succensum

Ep46 ad Succensum

Ep50 ad Valerianum

Ep55 ad monachos de fide

Apologia duodecim capitulorum contra Theodoretum (CT)

Apologia duodecim capitulorum contra Orientales (CO)

Responsiones Ad Tiberium Diaconum (AT)

¹ This text is mistakenly referred to as *Ep41* in the Contents of Wickham, *Letters*, but correctly in the edition of the Syriac version, Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*.

There are a few other texts which are extant only in fragments (e.g. the Hebrews Commentary) and for which the overlap between Greek and Syriac is either zero or else too minimal for useful analysis. The well-known Luke Commentary affords a special case – it has been well edited in Syriac due to its loss in the original, yet the large collection of fragments made by J.Reuss has provided the material for the analysis of this text as well.¹ There is insufficient space in this study, however, to include this difficult text, although we will come across it to some extent in our analysis of Biblical citations, since the Luke Commentary has formed an important part of Barbara Aland's thesis concerning the reconstruction of the Philoxenian New Testament.²

The aims of our analysis of these above-mentioned texts have been described already. In Parts 2 and 3 we shall be carrying out this analysis of the texts, beginning here in Part 2 with an examination of the external evidence for the history of these texts. Part 2.i deals with the ms evidence, 2.ii with the evidence from external citations.

The textual witnesses

Greek

The Greek critical texts are all, with one exception, published with excellent apparatus in the first volume of Schwartz's *Acta Conciliorum Oecumenicorum* (ACO), mostly from the Collectio Vaticana. For the details of the textual basis for this collection, the reader is referred to Schwartz's introductions. In general, Schwartz's text will be taken as our basis, with alternative readings sometimes coming into play where they may be found to underlie our Syriac. Schwartz only notes the Syriac readings where they clearly support one or other of the otherwise attested Greek readings; oddities of the Syriac, which do not reflect Greek readings, are not noted by him. The one extra text not present in Schwartz is the *Responsiones Ad Tiberium*, which has been published both by Pusey and Wickham. We take the latter for our text, based on two mediaeval Greek mss, neither of which is complete, the lacunae being filled in Wickham's edition from the Syriac (for which see below). In the same volume Wickham has reproduced Schwartz's text of some of the letters.

¹ Reuss, *Lukas-Kommentare*.

² See Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, and our discussion below in Part 3.iii.c.

Syriac

The main witnesses for our Syriac texts are two mss from the Nitrian collection in the British Library, Add 12156 and Add 14557 (described as category A mss below). Some of our texts are also extant (partially or fully) in a few other witnesses, which will also be examined here briefly (category B mss), as well as in citations in florilegia (category C mss).

Category A mss:

Add 12156 [Wright dccxxix]

Dated by a note in the colophon to some time before 562, this ms has been the subject of much study and a number of partial editions.¹ Initially the collection of anti-Chalcedonian texts contained in the codex consisted of a selection of the writings of Timothy Aelouros, both treatises and letters.² To this have been added various collections of citations (florilegia), including the well-known *Florilegium Edessenum*.³ This section ends with a colophon referring the foregoing to Aelouros and seems, therefore, to have constituted the collection as formed by the first redactor. This part was already collected together before being translated into Syriac, as Schwartz suggested by the fact that the version of Andrew of Samosata's letter to Rabbula in this ms is different from the stand-alone Syriac version of that document found in Overbeck's collection.⁴ The whole was then further extended by Cyril's two *Apologiae*, one to Theodoret, one to Andrew of Samosata, (the latter known as the *Contra Orientales*) and finally by the *Ad Theopompum*, attributed to Gregory Thaumaturgus, and Epiphanius' *Anacephalaisis*. Abramowski's suggestion that these last texts were added from separate Syriac pre-existing versions at the same time that the earlier part was rendered into Syriac, thus makes greater sense. The relevance of the added texts decreases as the ms proceeds; thus although Cyril's works are indirectly relevant to the anti-Chalcedonian tone of the earlier part, the works of ps-

¹ See especially Abramowski, *Zur geplanten Ausgabe*.

² For critical editions see Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Against Chalcedon and Timothy Aelurus Letters*.

³ Rucker, *Florilegium Edessenum*.

⁴ Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, 131; the other version in Overbeck, *Opera Selecta* and discussed in Blum, *Rabbula*, 155, n15

Gregory or Epiphanius, the latter of whom at least is surely just being added “as a general exclamation mark against heresy!,” indicate a different provenance.¹

Although the only certain date we can give to this work of translation is that it was done before 562, its seeming relevance for the Three Chapters controversy around the time of the fifth ecumenical council in 553 may provide the right context for its genesis. This ms provides the only complete witness to the Syriac version of Cyril’s two apologiae.

Add 14557 [Wright dcclviii]

Dated by Wright to the seventh century, this is a collection of mainly Cyrilline works and is the sole witness to many of our texts. A full description can be found in both Ebied and Wickham, *Unknown Letter*, and Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*. Besides Cyril’s own works (including letters to Cyril from Paul of Emesa and John of Antioch), the ms also contains Athanasius’ *Ad Epictetum*, Proclus of Constantinople’s *Tomus ad Armenios* (together with the Armenians’ original libellus to Proclus) and a short Apollinarian extract attributed to Felix of Rome.² Cyril’s letter to Rabbula of Edessa (f.95v-97r), otherwise unknown, was initially published by Overbeck. The *De Recta Fide* (f.97r-126r) was used by Pusey in his edition of the Greek text and appears as a complete facsimile beneath his edition of the Greek, the same text being later published again in the *Acta Martyrorum*.³ Some others were then published in 1909 by Bedjan as an appendix to his edition of Nestorius’ *Liber Herculidis* (Cyril’s EDC, Ep50, Ep36, Ep38, Ep39; and all the non-Cyrrilline texts just mentioned).⁴ Another previously unknown text, a letter of Cyril *To the Monks on the Faith of the Church* was produced by Ebied and Wickham⁵ before their edition of the rest of the Cyrilline correspondence contained in this ms (namely Ep55, Ep40, Ep45, Ep46, Ep44, all of which were already known from the Greek versions in ACO).⁶ This leaves only the *Scholia* (SDI) and *Quod Unus sit Christus* (QUX) as yet unstudied from this important manuscript.

¹ For a more thorough discussion, see Abramowski, *Ad Theopompum*, 279, and *Zur geplanten Ausgabe*; also Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, 131ff.

² Published in Flemming and Lietzmann, *Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch*, 56.

³ Pusey, *De recta fide...* 1-153; Bedjan, *Acta*, 5, 628-96.

⁴ Bedjan, *Nestorius: Le livre d'Héraclide de Damas*.

⁵ Ebied and Wickham, *Unknown Letter*.

⁶ Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*.

Category B mss:

Add 14531 [Wright dcclxix]

(s.7/8) A selection of complete works of various Greek writers: Cyril's *QUX*, followed by a number of homilies (Basil, Chrysostom, Erechtheus of Tarsus); various letters (of Athanasius, Severus and Jacob of Serug); The Doctrine of the Apostles (an original Syriac document, as published by Cureton); Cyril's *Ad Tiberium*; Athanasius, *On the Trinity and Incarnation*.

Add 14604 [Wright dcclxi]

(s.7), containing Discourses (Chrysostom, Jacob of Serug); Cyril's *Scholia*; two sets of chapters of Philoxenus against Nestorians, monastic writing of Philoxenus; two of the funeral sermons of Gregory Nazianzen; the same's second letter to Cleodion; ps-Dionysius' letter to Gaius; Julius of Rome, *On the Incarnation and the Union*; Rabbula's letter to Andrew of Samosata (printed in Overbeck, *Opera Selecta*); another sermon of Gregory; more chapters of Philoxenus.

Add 14663 [Wright dccli]

(s.6/7) Although many folios have been 'much stained and torn', this ms begins with Cyril's *Explanatio* (EDC), from the 7th anathema onwards; following this are various anti-Chalcedonian and monophysite extracts, including a tract against Julian of Halicarnassus, a selection from the Discourses of Philoxenus; a piece against the writings of Theodoret and Ibas (which latter may suggest a time of composition around the Three Chapter controversy, hence giving also a possible *terminus post quem* for the collection as a whole).

Add 17149 [Wright dccxxxix]

(dated c.550-600), containing three works from Cyril (Ep55 with lacunae, SDI, *QUX* with lacunae); Severus, letters to the people of Emesa, and to John of Bostra.

Add 17150 [Wright dcxxii]

(s.7/8), containing the latter portion of *QUX*, followed by EDC as far as the 6th anathema.

Oxford Marsh 101 [Payne-Smith's Catalogue no.142, item 17]

This contains another text of the EDC, identical to that in Add 14557, which was used in the apparatus of Pusey's edition of the Greek.¹

An index of the main witnesses from Categories A and B to each of our texts is given below:

RF

Add 14557, f.97r-126r

EDC

Add 17150 (s.7/8), f.17r ff.

Add 14663 (s.6/7), f.1r-2v

Add 14557(s.7), f.14r-21r

Oxford Marsh 101, f.62r-69v.

QUX

Add 17150, f.1-17r

Add 17149, f.39r-64r

Add 14557, f.50r-95v

Add 14531, f.1-60r

CO

Add 12156, f.91r-107v

CT

Add 12156, f.107v-122v

AT

Add 14531, f.123v-141r

Ep39

¹ Pusey, *Epistolae tres...*

Add 14557, f.149v-152v

Ep40

Add 14557, f.127r-134r

Ep44

Add 14557, f.152v-154r

Ep45

Add 14557, f.134r-137v

Or 2321, f.58v is a letter to Succensus in Karshuni, which may well be *Ep45*

Ep46

Add 14557, f.137v-140v

Ep50

Add 14557, f.140v-147v

Ep55

Add 17149, f.1v-11v

Add 14557, f.1v-13v

Category C mss:

As well as being extant in their full versions, our texts are also widely cited in the monophysite florilegia. Only those in the British Library collection have been consulted, with the following mss being of significance for our investigation. It will be of some importance to us whether these florilegia were composed by Syriac collectors from pre-existing Syriac texts or were already florilegia in Greek before being translated. If the former could ever be shown to be the case, lost Syriac texts could be posited.

Add 14529 [Wright dccclvi]

(s.7/8) containing, *inter alia*, The Synodicon of Damasus of Rome; a florilegium entitled 'Judgments of the Council of Ephesus' (only Greek authors); another

florilegium directed against Julian of Halicarnassus, this time including citations from Ephrem, Jacob of Serug, Philoxenus (Cyril is quoted from *Ep40, de Recta Fide ad Reginas, de Incarnatione, QUX, Comm. in Cor., Ep17; 12 anathemas*); chapters of Julian with refutations from the Fathers, this time with no Syriac writers (Cyril is cited from *Contra Diodorum; Comm. in Jn; Thesaurus de Trinitate; AT; Letter to Acacius of Scythopolis*); a set of canons of the councils; some writings of Philoxenus (*Letter to Abu Nafir; a tract on heresies; 7 chapters in favour of the Henoticon and the 12 anathemas of Cyril; a confession of faith against Chalcedon; three chapters against heresies; a reply for someone when questioned as to his belief*).

Add 14535 [Wright dcclxxi]

(early s.9) This ms begins with a monophysite anti-Nestorian treatise incorporating numerous patristic citations. Of these, Ephrem and Jacob of Serug represent Syrian theology, the rest are Greek and include Cyril (quotes from *RF, CT, Comm. in 1 Cor; Contra Theodorum, Contra Nestorium*); followed by a series of discourses and homilies (especially from Chrysostom).

Add 14536 [Wright dcclxxi]

(s.8) f.1r-27r contains a florilegium with Ephrem and Jacob of Serug being again cited, as well as many Gk writers (Cyril from *ad Iulianum; solutiones dogmaticae; ܘܘܪܝܢ ܠܘܫܝܬܝܢ ܠܝܘܢܐܝܘܬܝܢ; RF*); a *Lives of the Prophets* ascribed to Epiphanius; a glossary of Hebrew terms from the OT explained with the use of both Greek and Syriac vocabulary.

Add 14613 [Wright dcccvi]

(s.9/10), starting with copious extracts from the *Liber Graduum*; a monastic work of Gregory the monk; some OT citations according to the Peshitta; extracts from Ephrem; and from Cyril (*12 anathemas, Comm. in Heb, de Adoratione in Spiritus et Veritatis*); from Philoxenus (*Letter to the Recluses; On the Tonsure*); Discourses (of Marcianus, Isaac of Antioch, Jacob of Serug); Gregory Nazianzen's Oration *On love of the poor*; many further extracts from homilies and commentaries (including Cyril's *Comm. in Lucam*), much of which is ascetical in character; works of Nilus.

Add 17201, f.1-15 [Wright dccclix]

(s.6/7), the 16th-26th chapters of Didymus against the Arians; Cyril's 12 anathemas; a 'confession of faith' of Cyril; a 'confession of faith' of Philoxenus; an anonymous 'philosophico-theological' treatise; the 12 chapters of Philoxenus.

Add 12155 [Wright dccclvii]

(s.8), a huge monophysite florilegium (268 leaves) with very various extracts from many sources, organised under various heads (I, Chapters on Theology; II On the Incarnation; III no title; IV no title; V against the Phantasiasts/Julianists; VI no title; etc. Some of the sections contain many extracts from Syriac sources (including even Rabbula as well as the usual Ephrem, Jacob of Serug and Philoxenus), although Greek writers predominate massively throughout.

Add 14532 [Wright dccclviii]

(s.8), another florilegium related to the foregoing.

Add 14533 [Wright dccclvix]

(s.8/9), another florilegium related to the foregoing.

Add 12154 [Wright dccclvx]

(s.8/9), another florilegium related to the foregoing.

The mss Add 12155,14532,14533 are closely related in their contents according to Wright (e.g. Add 12155, section IV is identical to Add 14533, f.39v ff.), but he does not include Add 12154 in this group, although many of our citations are indeed shared by this ms along with the other three. Add 14538 (s.10) is considered by Wright to be also related to the former three, although this latter contains fewer citations from Cyril, and none at all from our texts.

Initial conclusions from the evidence of the manuscripts

A few *termini ante quem* can be laid down immediately from the dates of the earliest mss. Thus CO and CT precede 562 (Add 12156), while Ep55, QUX and SDI all precede 600 (Add 17149). The EDC is present in a collection which may precede the ecumenical council of 553, though we cannot be certain of this. However, this version

of the EDC is different from the others and will be considered further shortly.¹ On the ms evidence, the remaining texts can only be said to come from the 7th century at the latest. Without investigating the texts internally, we can also not conclude anything from the citations in the florilegia as these are all of somewhat later dates.

¹ See under 3.iv.a, 'The Two Versions of the EDC'.

2.ii

The Evidence of the Citations

Having looked at the limitations of the manuscript evidence for the history of these translations, we can proceed to look at other items of external data which have a bearing upon their dating.

The letters to Acacius, Succensus and Eulogius (Ep40,45,46,44) were evidently in some sort of circulation amongst the Syrians before 532, the date of their use in the discussions between some Syrian and some Chalcedonian bishops in the presence of the Emperor. The disputants debated these texts extensively, especially that of Ep44 (*ad Eulogium*).¹ We cannot be sure that they knew the texts in the same form in which they appear in our mss, but it would seem likely. However, we do have evidence which takes us somewhat further back still.

Citations in Philoxenus

Philoxenus himself quotes texts from Cyril in two works; firstly in the florilegium appended to the *Dissertationes Decem contra Habbib*, a work produced c.484 near the beginning of his writing career; and secondly, in another florilegium incorporated into the letter to the monks of Senoun, written from exile in 528. Both works also involve quotations from other Greek fathers, as well as from Ephrem.²

How do we account for the presence of Syriac citations of these fathers in the florilegium of 484? There are broadly two options: either Philoxenus (or the original compiler of the florilegium, if different from him) made use of existing Syriac versions of the writers cited, or else the florilegium as a whole (or at least the portions which quote Greek works) was translated from a Greek florilegium, before its use by Philoxenus (such a translation might of course have been ordered specifically by him,

¹ For text and commentary, see Brock, *Conversations with the Syrian Orthodox*.

² On the *Dissertationes* see De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 225-38, esp. 237-8 for the dating of the work before Philoxenus' episcopacy (485), but after the promulgation of the Henoticon (482); on the date of the Letter to the monks of Senoun, see De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 223, as well as in the introduction of his edition, *Moines de Senoun*.

but the principle remains the same).¹ The problem, a priori, with the latter view is that Ephrem (the only non-Greek writer cited) is not consistently placed either before or after the others within each section of the florilegium – i.e. its structure would imply that it always existed in something like its present form which must mean that it was compiled in Syriac (either by Philoxenus himself or by some precursor whose work he used). There is a third possibility, that some writer (probably not Philoxenus, given his supposed lack of Greek) compiled the florilegium, translating from the Greek works as he went along.

However, the second and third options would be quite precluded if it could be shown that the texts used for the Greek fathers in the florilegium were identical with otherwise extant, independent Syriac versions of these works. In fact, this has already been shown for the citations of Athanasius' *Ad Epictetum*.² The following examples will show that the same is true also for at least some of the Cyrilline works quoted. The positing of Syriac versions of many of Cyril's works before 484 would also account for the presence of Cyrilline Christological thought in Philoxenus without having to assume intermediaries such as Severus. Does this imply, then, that *all* the fathers quoted in the florilegium had already been independently translated into Syriac by 484? This would include less likely subjects for translation such as Theophilus of Alexandria and Atticus of Constantinople, and even Eusebius of Emesa (although Grillmeier's suggestion that he was Diodore's teacher, if known by the master of the school of Edessa, may have given them cause to study him as much as his pupils). We shall be dealing later (Part 3.iv.c) with the sources of some of these citations, which are likely to have formed part of the mainstream of anti-Chalcedonian florilegia originally based on the *Excerpta Ephesena*. But in general it seems unlikely that these authors could have been independently translated in the fifth century (if ever).

¹ De Halleux's point that Philoxenus probably found the florilegium already in existence does not fundamentally alter the question, which concerns whether the florilegium was composed originally in Syriac (from works already translated, except in Ephrem's case) or in Greek (with Ephrem then added after translation).

² Van Rompay, *Mallpânâ dilan Suryâyâ*, §13. This is probably also the point being made by Aland and Juckel, *Die Paulinischen Briefe I*, 61, n.5, although this appears only to say that Athanasius must have already existed in Syriac before 484 simply because he is cited in the florilegium, while failing to point out that he is quoted in the same words as we find in the Syriac text published by R.W.Thomson, as Van Rompay *did* clearly point out.

That the translation of Cyril into Syriac was already underway in the fifth century has often been stated, but in fact can rely only on the sort of evidence produced here. Usually, one feels, the only evidence put forward for this claim is Rabbula's authorship of the Syriac of the *de recta fide*, an attribution which itself is somewhat shaky.¹

The following examples are proffered as evidence, then, that Cyril was already being translated into Syriac before 484, and that these translations constituted an important basis for Philoxenus' Christology (the latter issue discussed further in Part 3.iv.e below).

The citations in the Florilegium, appended to the *Dissertationes Decem* (aka the *Memre contra Habbib*)²

There are 17 citations in the florilegium which overlap with our texts (plus a further 3 in the letter to the monks of Senoun, dealt with further below). Of these 17 useful citations, 1 is from Ep40 (*ad Acacium Melitenaë*), 3 from Ep45 (*ad Succensum prima*), 4 from Ep46 (*ad Succensum altera*), and 9 from Ep50 (*ad Valerianum*).³ Since Epp 40, 45 and 46 were all already published in Ebied and Wickham, *Syriac Letters*, Graffin's edition of the florilegium notes the variant readings between the published texts and the citations in his apparatus under siglum 'S' (although he has sometimes used the 'Z' siglum, which ordinarily refers to the CSCO edition of the Athanasian corpus, by mistake). It is odd, therefore, that he nowhere makes explicit the identification of Philoxenus' source and Ebied and Wickham's published text, an identification which is implicit in his use of the siglum in the apparatus to show the minor variants between them.

¹ This attribution was based on the colophon to the text in Add 14557 and the letter to Rabbula from Cyril which precedes it in the same ms (Ep74); however, the attribution to Rabbula may, in fact, have been the deduction of a scribe, given the contents of that same letter, i.e. he (the scribe), interpreting the letter to mean that Rabbula must have translated the *de recta fide*, he naturally attributed the Syriac version in his hands also to Rabbula. This would imply that modern scholars have been arguing about it in circles. See the suggestion concerning this in Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, p.97f.

² Edition by Graffin in Brière and Graffin, *Dissertationes Decem V*.

³ These figures differ slightly from the attributions in Graffin's edition, as one citation from Ep45 was wrongly attributed to Ep50, although the PG reference is correct.

1. ܫܘܚ] add. Flg pr. ܡܘܨܘܢ (1.1)

2. ܡܘܨܘܢ] ܡܘܨܘܢ Flg (1.1)

3. ܘ om. Flg pr. ܡܘܨܘܢ (1.2)

4. ܘܡܘܨܘܢ] ܡܘܨܘܢ Flg (1.3)

To these we should add:

5. ܘܡܘܨܘܢ] ܡܘܨܘܢ Flg (for Gk: δέ) (1.3)

It is quite clear that the compiler of the florilegium (which may have been Philoxenus himself) is using the existing text of Ep40 here. Variants 1-3 are probably due to accidental changes of one sort or another. Variant 5 shows Flg closer to the Greek, but may be purely stylistic and need not be explained by a revision towards the Vorlage. Variant 4 is the noteworthy one – it shows the use of the term, ܘܡܘܨܘܢ, which Philoxenus introduced into the creed sometime after 500.¹ Thus it is not found in the text of Philoxenus (from c.484) but once in the text of Ep40, mixed in with the older terms ܡܘܨܘܢ and ܡܘܨܘܢ ܡܘܨܘܢ (for ἐνανθρωπήσαι). De Halleux suggested that such mixture was evidence of sporadic post-500 revision, very sporadic in this case since ܡܘܨܘܢ is retained in the very next clause.² However, given that the Syriac translation of Ep40 must pre-date the writing of the florilegium (c.484), we have to interpret this in one of two ways: either we do indeed have, in ܘܡܘܨܘܢ, a lexical revision from a later date, but one that has been carried through very incompletely; or else the use of ܘܡܘܨܘܢ by Philoxenus was actually not as new as De Halleux suggested. This latter suggestion, however, would have to answer the objection that the compiler seems to have changed the ܘܡܘܨܘܢ of Ep40 into the ܡܘܨܘܢ of Flg. If the compiler were Philoxenus or someone close to him, this is actually not at all improbable. Before his decision to revise Christological language, Philoxenus seems to have been very conservative in his choice of words and the use of ܘܡܘܨܘܢ-related terms in reference to Christ was considered dangerously Eutychian by some anti-Chalcedonians, hence the frequent use instead of ܡܘܨܘܢ in our earlier texts (see much more on this below, Part 3.i). We can perhaps then conceive of an avant-garde translator before 484 using ܘܡܘܨܘܢ as an experiment in one of the two places in this

¹ As shown by De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*.

² De Halleux (*ibid.*, 314) notes this very line but in reference to ܡܘܨܘܢ ܡܘܨܘܢ for σάρκωσις, rather than to ܡܘܨܘܢ ܘܡܘܨܘܢ, so presumably the reference is an error.

καίτοι μεμενηκώς ὅπερ ἦν, δῆλον δὲ ὅτι θεὸς κατὰ φύσιν, ταύτη τοι καὶ πεινῆσαι λέγεται καὶ καμῆν ἐξ ὁδοιπορίας,

.כְּשֶׁמֶשׁ הָיָה לְבַדּוֹ כִּי כָּיָן כָּעֵן לְמִסַּחֲדוֹ עַל הַיָּדוּעַ הַזֶּה
.כְּשֶׁמֶשׁ הָיָה לְבַדּוֹ כִּי כָּיָן כָּעֵן כִּי עַל מִסַּחֲדוֹ עַל הַיָּדוּעַ הַזֶּה

ἀνασξέσθαι δὲ καὶ ὕπνου καὶ ταραχῆς καὶ λύπης καὶ τῶν ἄλλων ἀνθρωπίνων καὶ ἀδιαβλήτων παθῶν.

.הַכִּיָּיִעַ אִם כְּסִלְכָא כְּעִיב ,סוֹדֵהֲכִי ,סָרַח :סַל רַחֵי רַחֵי לְכַתְּבֵי רַי אִרְחֵי
.כְּסִלְכָא הַכִּיָּיִעַ אִם כְּסִלְכָא עַל כְּעִיב יִבֵּי ,סָרַח אִיבֵהֵי אִרְחֵי

ἵνα δὲ πάλιν πληροφορηῖ τοὺς ὀρώντας αὐτὸν ὅτι μετὰ τοῦ εἶναι ἄνθρωπος καὶ θεὸς ἐστὶν ἀληθινός,

כְּהִיָּוִהוּ...כְּהִוִּהֵךְ כְּסִיב יִבֵּו
כְּהִיָּוִהוּ כְּהִוִּהֵךְ כְּסִיב יִבֵּו

εἰργάζετο τὰς θεοσημείας...καὶ παράδοξα.

The main variant to note is καὶ τῶν ἄλλων...παθῶν where Ep45 seems to be marginally closer to the meaning of the Greek than Flg. If this is so, we can see some evidence in Ep45 of a process of revision to a Greek exemplar. The other option, that Flg is simplifying Ep45, is hard to justify in this case.

Elsewhere the changes are deliberate, either clarifications or simplifications and cannot be taken as witnesses to the original Syriac version.

NO.2:Florilegium item 76

- Ep45** Ebied/Wickham 41,14-15, 17-20, 27-8
- Flg** Graffin 82,18-22
- ACO** 153,1-2, 3-5, 8-9

The two versions are identical apart from the following differences in Flg:

1. אִם] רַי אִם Flg
2. יִרְכַּח לְכֹא אֲלֵהֲכַח הַל] אֲלֵהֲכַח יִרְכַּח הַל Flg (for Gk: ἀπερινοήτως τε καὶ ὡς οὐκ ἔστιν εἰπεῖν)

miraculous' as predicates of Christ's body elsewhere in this text (see E/W p.xiii). Here the opposite tendency is found. Cyril himself wrote τὸ ἱερόν σῶμα, but Flg has omitted the reference to 'holy'. Given their usual close proximity, it may be possible to attribute this omission to a careful avoidance of Eutychianism on the part of the compiler of Flg.

NO.4:Florilegium item 103

Ep45 Ebied/Wickham 40,25-6

Flg Graffin 90,24-5

ACO 152,17-18

1. **Flg** (for Gk: ὀνομάζομεν) [ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ]

The only variant shows Flg actually closer to the Greek term than Ep45 [ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ] usually being for ὁμολογοῦμεν].

Otherwise, we note only that again, as in the previous case, **ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ** and **ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ** are retained in the florilegium.

NO.5:Florilegium item 146

Cyril Ebied/Wickham 42,16-20

Flg Graffin 102,11-14

ACO 153,21-3

(This is incorrectly cited by Philoxenus as being from Ep50, and incorrectly referenced by Graffin's footnote, which should read PG 77,232. The citation is from Ep45 but, not realising this, Graffin adds no apparatus)

1. **Flg** [ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ] om.

2. **Flg** [ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ]

Variant 1 is linked with a change in the sentence structure and meaning. The words in Ep45 (correctly rendering the Greek phrasing) are **ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ** [ܘܢܘܡܐܙܘܡܝܢ]

Variant 3 is clearly for explanatory purposes. Variant 2 is strange, but probably ought to be put down to a similar cause, as no such reading is known in the Greek tradition. Otherwise, the texts are identical and share the typical ܡܥܠܐ translation of the Cyrilline σεσαρκωμένη.

NO.3:Florilegium item 226

Ep46 Ebied/Wickham 51,5

Flg Graffin 122,18-20

ACO 161,6-8

1. τῷ ἐνὶ καὶ κατὰ ἀλήθειαν υἱῷ : ܟܝܘܢ ܡܫܘܒܘܢ ܟܝܘܢܐ ܡܘ ܥܫܘܠ (Ep46); ܟܝܘܢ ܡܘ ܥܫܘܠ ܡܫܘܒܘܢ ܟܝܘܢܐ (Flg)
2. τὸ μὴ πάσχειν : ܡܘ ܟܠܐ (Ep46); ܡܘܢ ܟܠܐ (Flg)
3. ἡ αὐτοῦ γὰρ πέπονθε σὰρξ : ܡܘ ܡܠܝܢ ܝܘܠ ܟܘܨܥܘܠܐ (Ep46); ܡܘܢ ܟܠܐ ܡܘܢ ܡܥܠܐ ܕܝܟܐ (Flg)

Variant 3 is a result of the compiler glossing the previous statement in his own way. In variant 2, the use of the imperfect (Flg) for the infinitive after the article is normal practice for later translation-styles, and Ep46 uses the imperfect for the parallel infinitive in the next clause; thus either an alteration in Flg has come about as a correction, or else Ep46 originally read the imperfect as well. A close grammatical mirror-version of this citation can be found in Paul of Callinicum's translation of the Florilegium Cyrillianum, as part of his version of Severus' *Philalethes*.¹

Summary

The conclusions from this section are nor substantially different from those discerned from Section 2. Only the Isaiah reference brings about a significant question mark over the original reading of the Syriac text.

Section 4: Citations from Cyril, Ep50

¹ Hespel, *Philalèthe*, 31,24-32,2.

NO.1 : Florilegium item 73

Ep50 Add 14557, f.141ra-b

Flg Graffin 82,4-6

ACO 91,19-21

.αδαα ηρε κωλε ηρε ,σοδουε κωοι .κωλε κηλε κωουι ιελ ριουκ
.αδαα ηρε .κωλε ερε ,σοδουε κωοι κηλε κωλε κωουι ιελ ριουκ

φάμεν γάρ ὅτι ὁ μονογενῆς τοῦ θεοῦ λόγος, πνεῦμα ὧν ὡς θεὸς κατὰ τὰς γραφάς,

κωιε κωουα ρελ θικ ριι κωοια ελκω
κωιε κωουα ρελ θικ ριι κωοια ελκω

ἐπι σωτηρίᾳ τῶν ὅλων ἐσαρκώθη τε καὶ ἐνηνθρώπησεν

Differences:

1. Transposition of κηλε κωλε (Flg) (both versions are equally free in not rendering the genitive of τοῦ θεοῦ)
2. Flg ερε, Ep50 ηρε (for Gk ὡς)

In variant 1, Flg may be the original reading as this order is a normal formula found throughout this corpus of letters.

NO.2: Florilegium item 74

Ep50 Add 14557, f.142vb

Flg Graffin 82,7-10

ACO 93,32 – 94,2

ελκω κωοια ιελ ρε .κωικ ιε κωου κελκ .κωουελ ρελ κωουε κωουα ρι κωουε
ελκω κωοια ιελ ρε .κωιε ιε κωουε κωουελ κελκ .ρελ ρελ κωουα ιελ κωουε

τὸ δέ γε πρωτότοκος ὄνομα πῶς ἂν ἀρμόσαι μὴ ἐνανθρωπήσαντι τῷ μονογενεῖ; εἰ γάρ ἐστιν ἀληθὲς ὡς ἐν

.θικαα ,ὸς κηουελ θωου ριουκ .κωουα αδαα κηουε κωικ
.θικαα ,ὸς κηουελ θωου οὐς κωουα αδαα κηουε κωικ

πολλοῖς ἀδελφοῖς νοεῖται πρωτότοκος, τότε κατέβη πρὸς ἀδελφότητα, δηλονότι τὴν πρὸς ἡμᾶς,

כִּי הָיָה אֵלֶיךָ לְיָחִיד וְלֹא לְכָל אֲנָשִׁים . כִּי הָיָה אֵלֶיךָ לְיָחִיד וְלֹא לְכָל אֲנָשִׁים .

ὅτε καθ' ἡμᾶς γέγονεν ἄνθρωπος, ὁμοιωθεὶς κατὰ πάντα δίχα μόνης ἀμαρτίας.

Differences:

- 1. Flg כִּי , Ep50 אֵל [1.1]
- 2. Flg כִּי הָיָה אֵלֶיךָ לְיָחִיד וְלֹא לְכָל אֲנָשִׁים . לְיָחִיד (to whom can one apply [it] other than to the only-begotten who was made man?)
Ep50 כִּי הָיָה אֵלֶיךָ לְיָחִיד וְלֹא לְכָל אֲנָשִׁים (how can one apply [it] to the only-begotten unless he was made man?) [1.1]
- 3. Flg אֵל , Ep50 אֵל [1.2]

Variant no.2 is obviously worth comment, since there is actually a difference of meaning. Ep50 is clearly closer to the Greek in meaning, using אֵלֶיךָ and bringing לְיָחִיד forwards to make clear its close connection with אֵלֶיךָ. Flg, however, has a text very close to the Greek in terms of word order, but the result, with using אֵלֶיךָ, is a divergent meaning. If, as we have generally suggested, Ep50 was the basis for Flg, then again we must postulate an earlier edition of Ep50, an Ur-Ep50, which has, at some stage, been revised to the Vorlage to produce Ep50 as it appears in the 6th century Add 14557, a revision which has left the text of the florilegium untouched.

NO.3: Florilegium item 144

Ep50 Add 14557, f.141va
Flg Graffin 102,1-6
ACO 92, 9-14

ἐκατέρου : אֵל אֵל (Flg); אֵל אֵל (Ep50)
καθὰ φασίν : om (Flg); אֵל אֵל אֵל אֵל (Ep50)
אֵל add Flg pro παραπλησίως

ܠܝܡ ܥܘ add Flg post ܝܘܐ

Flg thus adds a couple of explanatory particles, simply to ease the flow of meaning, as well as omitting a couple of unnecessary superfluities. Substantially, the texts are identical.

The citation of Heb 2.14 contained here also is taken from the text in Ep50, where the Syriac order ‘flesh and blood’ has been kept in defiance of Cyril’s ‘blood and flesh’. In their edition of the Syriac citations, Aland and Juckel omitted to include this citation, either from Cyril’s Ep50 or from the florilegium (see *in.loc.* in Appendix 2).

NO.4: Florilegium item 145

Ep50 Add 14557, f.144rb

Flg Graffin 102,7-10

ACO 96,5-7

αὐτῷ : ܠܝܡ (Flg); om (Ep50)

ἔνοικον : ܝܘܐ ܥܘ (Flg); ܝܘܐ ܥܘܡ (Ep50)

καὶ μόνος, καὶ ὅτε γέγονεν ἄνθρωπος : ܠܝܡ ܠܝܡܐ ܠܝܡܐ (Flg); ܝܘܐ ,ܡܘܨܝܘܠܘܐ ܠܝܡ ܝܘܐܡܝܢ (Ep50)

The ending has clearly been shortened and simplified for the florilegium. The more noticeable difference lies in Ep50’s omission of an equivalent for αὐτῷ; we probably have to assume an original ܠܝܡ or ܡܐ here in order to account for the reading in Flg, given how unlikely it is that Flg has been revised against the Greek for the purposes of the florilegium. If that had been the case, we would expect to see more differences.

NO.5: Florilegium item 148

Ep50 Add 14557, f.146rb

Flg Graffin 102,19-23

ACO 99,6-7, 98,35, 99,2-3

γάρ : ܓܢ (Flg); ܓܢ (Ep50) [cf. Section 1, NO.1]

Including the two brief Johannine citations, the versions are identical

NO.6: Florilegium item 222

Ep50 Add 14557, f.143va

Flg Graffin 122,1-5

ACO 94,33 – 95,4

ἀκαλλές καὶ ἀνάρμοστον : ܟܠܠܘܢ ܠܘܟܟܐ ܠܐ (Flg); ܟܠܠܘܢ ܠܘܟܟܐ ܠܐ (Ep50)

αὐτῷ : ܟܠܠܐ (Flg); ܠܐ (Ep50)

τὴν γέννησιν : ܠܠܕܘܢܐ ,ܟܝܢ (Flg); ܠܠܕܘܢܐ ,ܟܝܢ (Ep50)

γάρ : ܓܢ (Flg); ܓܢ (Ep50) [cf. no.5 above]

ἔστι τῶν ἀπεικικότων αὐτῷ τὸ σαρκὶ λέγεσθαι παθεῖν : ܠܐ ܟܠܠܐ ܠܐ ܝܚܘܒܘܢ ܟܝܢ ,ܟܝܢ (Flg); ܝܚܘܒܘܢ ܟܝܢ ,ܟܝܢ ܝܚܘܒܘܢ ܠܐ ܟܠܠܐ ܠܐ (Ep50)

The variants given omit those alterations the compiler has made both at the start and at the end of the citation in order to adapt it to its new context.

The main variation between Flg and Ep50 (ἔστί...παθεῖν) shows that Flg has somewhat simplified the meaning, as well as altering ܝܚܘܒܘܢ to ܝܚܘܒܘܢ, which, seeing as Flg has used ܝܚܘܒܘܢ for the suffering that is κατὰ σάρκα already in this citation, can hardly be attributed to a significant level of lexical tightening on the part of the compiler. It is, on the other hand, possible that ܝܚܘܒܘܢ was the original reading of Ep50 (given its inconsistency in places), later harmonised to itself during its transmission.

NO.7: Florilegium item 223¹

Ep50 Add 14557, f.143vb

¹ Again, Graffin has misprinted the reference, claiming Ep50 as the letter to Succensus, and then referencing a parallel passage in Ep46 (to Succensus), which is not the one being quoted.

Flg Graffin 122,6-9

ACO 95,14-18

ܐܘܢ ܡܘܨܘܠܐܢܐ (Flg); ܡܘܨܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ (Ep50)

There are no significant differences between Flg and Ep50.

Summary

In conclusion, the Florilegium's use of a pre-existing Syriac version, this time for Ep50, is securely shown. The Florilegium's text can also act as an effective witness to the original text of Ep50 (as it did also in No.1), and Flg can sometimes act as a more exact witness to the original than Ep50 (see No.4), despite the fact that most of the time the compiler is probably responsible for small changes in style or wording.

However, there is also now some evidence that Ep50 may have undergone sporadic revision to some extent (see No.2), although the significance of this can hardly be ascertained given the small number of texts preserved for us here in Flg (as is clear from the difficulty in interpreting the ܡܘܨܘܠܐܢܐ of No.6). If Ep50 has indeed undergone revision, we will need to be especially careful when analysing its translation style and its Biblical citations, which may witness to a period after 484, even if the original must come from some time before that date.

Excursus: the use of the same method to date Athanasian and Apollinarian works

It has been mentioned above that the Athanasian citations in the florilegium have been shown to coincide with those in the Syriac versions edited by R.W.Thomson. This confirms that the date of the translations of at least the *Ad Epictetum* (which is found in the same ms, Add 14557, as most of our texts) and the *De Incarnatione Verbi* is also prior to 484. One of these citations is also to be found in Cyril's *Contra Orientales*. The wording in the Syriac version of that document (Add 12156) is, however, not the same as that found in the florilegium. A comparison of the wording of these versions will therefore be included in the appropriate place (3.iv.c).

Also of significance is a comparison between the Apollinarian citations (given under the name of Athanasius) in Philoxenus' *Letter to the Monks of Senoun* (dated by De Halleux to 521¹) with the same texts in their fuller forms as they are found in various Syriac collections (and edited together in Flemming and Lietzmann, *Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch*). A study of these citations shows again that Philoxenus is making use of already-existing Syriac versions rather than newly translating a Greek one for himself. We can now set out the evidence for this assertion:

There are ten 'Apollinarian' citations to be found in the letter (though it must be remembered that as these are attributed to different people, Philoxenus himself did not treat them as a unit, as we do). The ten are as follows, with textus/versio references from De Halleux's edition of the *Letter to the Monks of Senoun* (abbrev. EpS) and to Flemming and Lietzmann's edition of Apollinarius in Syriac where relevant (abbrev. F/L).

Citations attributed to Athanasius, Ad Iovianum:

- 1) 29,7-11/24,5-8 = F/L 33,13-5 (from Add 12156)
- 2) 39,3-19/32,6-21 = F/L 33,3&5-14 (from Add 12156)
- 3) 56,23-5/46,26-8 = PG28.232A (not in F/L)
- 4) 39,23-40,11/32,24-33,9 = PG28.532A-B (not in F/L)

[Thus only nos. 1 & 2 were included as Apollinarian writings by Lietzmann, even though Philoxenus attributes all to the 'Athanasian' *ad Iovianum*].

Citations attributed to Gregory Thaumaturgus

- 5) 36,19-28/30,3-11 = F/L 10,11-6; 15,6-9&10-15 (from BL Add 14597,12156)

Citations attributed to Julius of Rome

- 6) 37,1-8/30,13-20 = from *de fide et incarnatione* (not in F/L, but the Greek is in Lietzmann, *Apollinaris* 198,23-199,19)
- 7) 37,8-20/30,30-32 = from *Ep thaumazo* (again only the Greek, found in Lietzmann, *Apollinaris* 257,13-6; 258,4-7; 258,15-259,2)

¹ De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 223.

8) 37,21-6/31,1-14 = from *Ep thaumazo*, F/L p.28,8-29,4; 28,22-29,16 (from Add 14604, 18813)

9) 38,7-8/31,14-6 = from *ad Dionysium*, F/L p.36,4-5 (from Add 12156)

10) 38,8-26/31,16-32,2 = from *ad Dionysium*, F/L p.37,5-16 (from Add 12156)

The texts of EpS and F/L at all these places are essentially the same (where they overlap), bar the following variants in each case:

No.1

29,10 ,תובלר EpS; om. F/L

10, רובי EpS; ובי F/L

11 ואת EpS; את ב את F/L

No.2

4 רבדג תוב ,תובלר EpS; רבדג רוב את ב את ,תובלר F/L

4-5 רוב...רובי EpS; רוב...ובי F/L

5 רוב לוב רב EpS; רוב ו רב F/L

7 רוב EpS; רוב F/L [Gk σεσαρκωμένην]

8 רוב EpS; רוב F/L

8 ו EpS; רוב F/L

[Note: the use of רוב in Philoxenus' version here counts as another excellent witness to De Halleux's theory that the term was a Philoxenian revision of the more traditional Christological terminology, such as he evidently found in this text.]

No.3 & 4 not in F/L

No.5

20 רוב רב EpS, F/L (pt); רוב רב F/L (pt) [for ἄσαρκος]

The version רוב רב is found in the complete text of the *Kata meros pistis* as given in BL Add 14597, dated 569, but as רוב רב in BM Add 12156 (as in Philoxenus)

No.6 & 7 not in F/L

No.9

No differences

No.10

There are a few differences here, the main ones being that the F/L version tends to give the fuller forms, e.g. ܡܠܟܐ, ܡܠܟܐ, ܡܠܟܐ (for ܡܠܟܐ), and prefers the emphatic to the absolute, e.g. ܡܠܟܐ vs ܡܠܟܐ (cf. no 2 above)

In summary, we can therefore say that, in addition to certain of Cyril's letters and certain works of Athanasius being extant in Syriac before 484, some also of the Apollinarian corpus existed in Syriac before 521, the date of writing of EpS. These firm dates mean that these texts can be added to the list of datable translations give by Brock in his seminal article on Syriac translation technique.¹

General Conclusions from these results

A Cyrilline corpus, as also an Athanasian one, must have been circulating, therefore, in monophysite circles, prior to 484, having been translated sometime between the controversy itself in the 430s and that later date. The corpus must have included not only the texts discussed above but also, at least, the second and third letters to Nestorius, which are present in the florilegium, although unknown in any Syriac version. This would confirm what we would anyway presume *a priori* to be the case, given the significance of these documents in the Nestorian controversy itself and in the acts of the councils at Ephesus and Chalcedon. It is interesting also that the florilegium only quotes these few documents (a total of only 6 letters) and knows nothing of Cyril's other treatises or letters. Of course, this may be coincidence, but it may also indicate some limit to the number of texts circulating in Philoxenus' early years and points especially to these texts as the ones which brought about the strong Alexandrian influence on Philoxenus' Christology and exegesis.

¹ Brock, *Towards a History*, 2-3.

Part 3

Cyril of Alexandria's Christological Texts in Syriac: The Internal Evidence for their History

3.i

Description of Translation Techniques

Levels of analysis

The spectrum 'literal' to 'free' which is often applied to translation technique is going to be largely inadequate for our task. Degrees of literalism need to be identified at different levels and in different spheres. In his well-known article on the development of translation techniques, Brock has outlined a number of criteria that could be used to build a typology, namely a) the size of text-units taken as a working base by the translator; b) the balance of focus between the *signifiant* and the *signifié*, which includes also noting the distinctions between what Brock calls modulation and transposition as forms of dynamic rendering¹; c) the concern for reproducing syntactical structures.

In another context, James Barr has also laid out a useful typology of techniques discernible in the Greek versions of the Hebrew scriptures. He even hopes that, based upon his system, it might be possible to devise a statistical way of describing the level of literalism of a given text, working sentence by sentence, giving each some sort of percentage mark, or different marks under different headings. Barr identifies the following levels of literalism:

1. *The division into elements or segments, and the sequence in which these elements are represented.* We will refer to this as 'clause structuring' and will discuss it quite extensively.
2. *The quantitative addition or subtraction of elements,* named here 'editing'. This may happen at a very low level of discourse, but involves conscious

¹ Transposition being a change only in the grammatical category of a word or phrase while modulation denotes the use of one culturally-relevant expression wholly in place of another to which it is considered parallel.

choices on the part of the translator and so is vital in understanding his wider approach to his task.

3. *Consistency or non-consistency in the rendering of words*; i.e. what I call lexical equivalency
4. *Accuracy and level of semantic information, especially in cases of metaphor and idiom*. We will deal with this issue under the general heading of lexical equivalence – however, we have adopted Brock’s terminology of contrasting a *transposition*, the attempt to ‘transpose’ an idiom as it stands into the target language by the alteration only of grammatical categories, with a *modulation*, namely the substitution of one cultural idiom for another.
5. *Coded ‘etymological’ indication of formal relationships obtaining in the original language*. This is what we call ‘formal equivalence’ properly speaking; we will be discussing this area largely in terms of how verbal forms are translated.
6. *Level of text and level of analysis*. This refers to the way the original is read and largely refers only to canonical texts, and largely only to consonantal ones at that, and will therefore not be of relevance for our purposes.

The following is the typology and structure that will be used in the analysis of our texts, developed out of these two sets of criteria, those of Brock and of Barr. Neither is, however, used precisely as given but has been reorganised better to suit our particular subject-matter.

The structure of the analysis:

1. Editing techniques

This refers to those places where the translator has decided that his Vorlage is either insufficiently clear or unnecessarily otiose, and as a result has deliberately omitted or added, or simply altered in some direction, the wording. This can happen at any level; sometimes translators will just add a simple word to clarify a perceived obscurity; sometimes it means omitting whole sentences which are seen to be superfluous to the needs of the Syriac audience. Although this category does not include those areas discussed in the following sections, there is unavoidably some overlap.

2. Larger Translation Units

The larger translation unit consists of the sentence and upwards

i. The treatment of larger translation units

This section will deal with the extent to which each translator takes note of these longer units and has attempted to understand the whole sentence or paragraph before making his choices in translation. It deals with ‘awareness’ in general rather than ‘alterations’ in particular. There are many different types of evidence that may appear under this heading, but they are brought together to show that a translator does have a concern for the wider-scale shape of the discourse.¹

ii. The restructuring of larger translation units

This will deal mostly with the alterations made to the larger units in terms of their structure of main and subordinate clauses of different sorts. Translators who have analysed the larger section in general (as described under the previous head) and who are concerned with writing natural Syriac at this higher semantic level, often choose to rephrase the whole sentence, perhaps less hypotactically. This phenomenon in the Peshitta has been carefully analysed by Grotzfeld to show that there the decision often rests on the interpretation of the semantic relationship between the parts of the Greek sentence.² However, as the mirror-technique developed in later versions, this interpretive criterion gave way to a more mechanical one, as we shall see in the texts below.³

3. Smaller Translation Units

This refers to units below the level of the sentence, and usually refers to clauses and phrases, leaving individual lexical units to the next section.

i. Word Order

Sometimes, within the sentence, the translator has made a concerted effort to follow the word order of the original even when a more natural style might push him in another direction. Syriac style allows for a larger degree of freedom of word order than is found in most Semitic languages, and so less emphasis can be placed on this area as a means of assessing overall technique, but it will occasionally be of use.

¹ Roughly corresponding to Brock’s ‘a’ criterion above, which deals with the level of unit analysis adopted by a translator.

² Grotzfeld, *Beiordnern oder Unterordnern?*

³ This point was Brock’s ‘c’ criterion discussed above and was developed also in Brock, *Limitations*.

ii. Formal equivalence of verbal constructions

‘Formal equivalence’ here refers to an equivalence between one morphological or morphosyntactic factor in the source language corresponding consistently (and usually exclusively) with another factor in the target language. This section will deal with the equivalences encountered in all verbal forms.¹

iii. Formal equivalence of other syntactical constructions

As for the previous, but for all non-verbal forms at the level of clause or below.

4. The Lexical Unit

Essentially, this refers to the word alone, including compound words, but may also include such rhetorical figures as the hendiadys.

i. Lexical equivalence

This will be a significant section, discussing the extent to which any translator is consistent in using a unique Syriac term for a unique Greek one, and how and why the chosen equivalences may vary between translators.

ii. Loan-words

This has been identified before as a key area for the dating of anonymous Syriac texts, and the number and nature of these loans will be discussed systematically here, although in many ways overlapping with the issue of lexical equivalence.

iii. Neologisms

As with loans, the use of new terminology has been identified before as a key area for dating. Again there may be some overlap.

The order of the texts to be dealt with

The *De Recta Fide ad Theodosium* is generally thought to have been translated by Rabbula of Edessa between his conversion to the Cyrilline party in 432 and his death a few years later.² Although this is ‘received knowledge’, the only basis for it remains the suggestion of the scribal superscription of Add 14557 (to which may be added the circumstantial evidence of Rabbula’s interest in translation, testified to in his

¹ This roughly corresponds to Brock’s criterion ‘b’ and must take into account the difference between modulation and transposition.

² This is suggested directly by the superscription of Add 14557 and is assumed also by the evidence of Cyril’s letter (Ep74) which mentions the work. On this question, however, see further the brief discussion in Part 3.iii.b.

biography). This superscription states Rabbula to be the translator. However, this may be the scribe's guess based on the information given in Cyril's letter to Rabbula which immediately precedes this superscription in the ms, in which Cyril says he has sent the work to Rabbula to be read to the church in Edessa.¹ The scribe has assumed, therefore, that the version of this work which follows was made by Rabbula himself. His argument is not entirely unlikely, but ought to be treated with caution.² A brief analysis of the style of the work will, however, confirm its very early date in comparison with our other texts, as will become clearer shortly. For this reason, in the earlier sections of this analysis, the discussion mainly focuses around this text, assessing others by their relationship to the technique of the RF rather than in isolation. The other texts will then be dealt with in turn, with the AT, clearly of a later style, usually dealt with last. CO and CT can be treated together, as it will be seen that they clearly function as a pair of texts from the same hand.

1. Editing Techniques

De Recta Fide

The RF, as being the most free among our texts in terms of techniques, unsurprisingly shows the most freedom within this category. A few examples will show the nature of the editing that he sometimes carries out on his original:

Sometimes, whole clauses, sentences, or even sections are omitted:

The whole sentence 44,30-3, from φαίη δ' ἄν οἴμαί τις...τὸν ἐπὶ Χριστῷ λόγον, which refers to the difficulty of the task being undertaken, is omitted. Is there any possibility that the translator might be keen to leave out any suggestion that this work is a difficult one? There is another omitted section covering 49,11-17. These missing parts consist of Cyril's polemic against the idiocy of his opponents' ideas, so the translator is not missing out on any exegesis or theological argument.³ Elsewhere, he omits the reference to Hebrews 2:16-17, for which there appears no obvious motive.⁴

¹ This letter is printed in Overbeck, *Opera Selecta*, 226-9 and is translated in the corpus of Cyril's works, McEnerney, *Letters*, as Ep74 (equivalent to CPG 5374).

² As has been pointed out in the introduction of Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 97-8.

³ The omissions would be located in the Syriac at 10,7 and 34,1 respectively.

⁴ 47,1 [22,4].

To give an example of simplification, Cyril's paraphrastic "is scarcely to be thought of as existing at the time when he assumed the power of begottenness according to flesh" is reduced to the much simpler "that he came into being when he was born in the flesh." This is an instance of this editing at work in a technical Christological passage, whereas we usually come across them in less crucial, and more rhetorical passages. However, this sort of editing merges into being just a form of dynamic equivalence within a larger discourse unit, an area that will be dealt with shortly below.¹

As well as omissions there are plentiful examples of amplifications and elaborations, of very small changes where the translator evidently felt the meaning insufficiently clear, e.g. when he explains the referent of παρ' αὐτοῖς by amplifying it to 'of the Jews'; or again, he adds *ܩܘܪܒܢܐ* to *ܩܘܪܒܐ*, and *ܡܘܪܘܨܐ* to *ܡܘܪܐ*. Elsewhere he completes Cyril's thought by adding the protasis, 'if we worship him as a man' to the expressed apodosis, 'we would be no different'.²

Sometimes these expansions can be rhetorical, e.g. *κεκράτηκε τῆς ὑπ' οὐρανόν* being expanded to *ܕܒܐ ܩܘܪܒܐ ܩܘܪܒܐܪܐ ܩܘܪܒܐ ܕܒܐ*, which seems to be purely an opportunity for increasing the rhetorical force of the expression,³ or the substantial addition of the words 'after meditating upon these things we cross over far away from them, toiling after glory in ideas which are beyond what belongs to them, and thenceforth we hesitate and hold back in wonder as if shocked' onto the front of Cyril's straightforward assertion 'we do not at any point worship two sons, neither do we speak of two Christs'.⁴ Other times, they can seem to be a bit more theological, thus Cyril had 'not sacrilegiously to dishonour him by applying tests to him', and RF has 'not to find fault rashly in whatever things are straightforwardly said by him for our aid' – the latter version trying to be a bit more positive about what we *do* know from God. We can define this as editing rather than dynamic equivalence on the grounds that something extra appears to be being said by the translator who feels that his source text is insufficiently clear as it stands.⁵

¹ 45,13-4 [13,8].

² 43,11 [4,8]; 58,3&4 [77,7&10]; 62,18 [99,2].

³ 42,27 [3,3-4].

⁴ Added before 53,20 [55,5-7].

⁵ 42,27 [3,3-4]; 53,15-6 [54,6-55,1].

Other expansions can be much larger in scale, such as a whole section which does not exist in the Greek text at all – it seems to be designed to make Cyril’s warning from the history of the Kings of Judah a little more transparent.¹

The most interesting of all are those expansions which are designed to buttress Cyril’s Christological arguments, and of these there are a few scattered through the text. For instance, RF adds the words “and the life of whomever has been instructed in this expectation would be broken” seemingly to ram home the significance of the docetic error for human salvation. Again, where Cyril explains Jesus’ statement that ‘the Father is greater than I’ as a concession to the manhood, RF adds “not as being less by nature, but revealing the virtue of his grace perfectly in a humiliation of which he was not in need.” A final example sums up the whole tendency – Cyril concludes “in no way does it [the scripture] err in this matter *because of the conjunction of both of them into a unity*,” but the translator feels he must be more specific about why the scriptures speak interchangeably of the humanity and the divinity; he adds “*because of the union of both the natures, in that it is a hypostasis*.”²

Safe to say there are many further examples we could give, but it is more valuable to compare this style of editing with what we find in some of our other texts. None of the other texts show editing on anything like the scale we see with the RF. Largely, they follow their Vorlagen carefully and try to include all the elements without adding any further. However, where we do note any such editing, it will be noteworthy, and some have more examples than others. The most notable examples from each text are set out below.

Quod Unus sit Christus

At times, the level of editorial meddling in this text comes near to that of the RF, although we do not see whole sentences left out or added as in that text. However, Cyril’s rhetoric is sharply dealt with and not verbally respected by the translator.

To give a simple example:

¹ It should be inserted, as it were, after θρόνους at 43,11 [Syriac at 4,8-11].

² After ἐλίς 47,13 [24,2-3]; after ἀνθρώπινον 60,25 [90,7-9]; 60,28 [91,3-5].

ὔλη μὲν ποιηταῖς τὸ ψεῦδος, ῥυθμοῖς καὶ μέτροις εἰς τὸ ἐπιχαρὶ τε καὶ ἐμμελὲς ἐκτετορευομένον (*the material of the poets is falsehood, fashioned with rhythms and metres into something gracious and harmonious*) becomes $\text{ܘܠܗܘܢ ܡܥܢܘܢ ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ}$ (*the material of the poets among them is of falsehood; they fashion and adorn their words with metres*).¹

Much of the time, this type of editing involves the simplification of Cyril's verbal gymnastics. Such is οὔτε μὴν φυσικῇ καὶ ἀπαραλλάκτῳ ταυτότητι στεφανοῦν ἐθέλοντες (*not wishing to crown [him] with a natural and unequalled sameness*) becoming $\text{ܘܠܗܘܢ ܡܥܢܘܢ ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ}$ (*not wishing to crown him with an equality that is unchanging and equal with his Begotten*); and again ἕτεροι δὲ τοῖς ὠνομασμένοις τὴν αὐτὴν ὥσπερ ἐρχόμενοι τρίβον (*but others, as if travelling the same path as the aforementioned,...*) becoming $\text{ܘܠܗܘܢ ܡܥܢܘܢ ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ}$ (*but others are like them, as it were traveling on their path*); ἀναμορφῶν εἰς τὸ ἐν ἀρχαῖς τὴν ἀνθρώπου φύσιν becomes only $\text{ܘܠܗܘܢ ܡܥܢܘܢ ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ}$.²

Straightforward abbreviation also abounds, thus ‘*they became sick with a dearth of right and useful thought about the one who is by nature and truly existent God*’ becomes ‘*they became sick, far from the true knowledge, that is the knowledge about God who is by nature God.*’ Again, ‘*and God appeared to us as Lord, and this, I deem, the inspired David taught, saying...*’ becomes ‘*and God appeared to us as David says.*’³ This is especially the case with formulaic introductions, hence ‘*just as the most saintly Paul says*’ becomes ‘*just as Paul says*’; ‘*God said concerning them through the voice of Isaiah*’ becomes ‘*God said through Isaiah*’ and ‘*Paul*’ is often reduced to ܩܘܠܘܬܐ alone; θεόπνευστος γραφή is often ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ - this is dynamic modulation; in a more extreme example the whole phrase τὸν φύσει τε καὶ ἀληθῶς υἰὸν καὶ ἐκ τῆς τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ πατρὸς οὐσίας ἀναλάμπαντα λόγον is reduced to ܩܘܠܘܬܐ alone.⁴ Hendiadys, too, very frequently is reduced, e.g. $\text{ܕܘܠܗܘܢ ܡܥܢܘܢ ܩܘܠܘܬܐ ܕܩܘܠܘܬܐ}$ for ἰσχνῶ τε καὶ

¹ 714,15-6 [f.51ra].

² 715,26-7 [f.51va]; 715,27-8 [f.51va]; 764,6-7 [f.84ra].

³ 714,17-19 [f.51ra]; 761,35-6 [f.82va].

⁴ 714,19-20 [f.51ra]; 714,25 [f.51ra]; 717,32 [f.52vb]; 731,30-31 [f.61vb].

ἀκριβεῖ and κλιση alone for σεπτὴν καὶ ἀπόρρητον.¹ The phrase ὁ τῆς οὐσίας χαρακτήρ is once omitted, most likely through error, but possibly also the translator's reaction against a needless repetition of τὸ ἀπαύγασμα τῆς δόξης τῆς ὑποστάσεως.² On another occasion the second half of a citation (Ps 104.15) is missing, possibly through homoioteleuton, but equally likely as a result of the deliberate abbreviation which is reasonably common throughout the text.³

Clarification can also involve supplementations. Thus ellipses are often supplied, e.g. ⲗⲟⲙⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ for τὰ ἐκείνων; ⲙⲁⲛⲧⲁ for τὰ αὐτοῦ; and ⲗⲓⲛ ⲡⲉⲣⲁ ⲗⲉⲟⲩⲁⲓⲛ for τῶν τοιούτων.⁴ Sometimes this can require a good deal of unpacking of the author's meaning, e.g. τάχα που καὶ ἐν τοῖς ἐπέκεινα (*perhaps even beyond what is theirs*), which becomes ⲗⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ ⲛⲟⲩ ⲗⲉⲟⲩⲁⲓⲛ ⲟⲩ ⲓⲛ ⲁⲣ ⲗⲁ ⲗⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ (*perhaps even their blameworthiness is more than that of the heathen*); and ⲙⲁⲛⲧⲁ (*he endured*) is supplied before the phrase 'the limits of the self-emptying'. Sometimes it is just a matter of clearing up an allusion, thus ⲗⲁⲓⲛ ⲗⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ ⲙⲁⲛⲧⲁ ⲙⲁⲛⲧⲁ for φιλόθεος.⁵ One of the most significant is the addition of ⲗⲁⲓⲛ ⲗⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ ⲙⲁⲛⲧⲁ after the expression 'being by nature and truly God'.⁶ This is an entirely voluntary and wilful use of the clothing metaphor for the incarnation and tells strongly against considering this translator coming from any time after Philoxenus, or at least not from any literary circles close to that bishop.

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum

In EDC, the translator will occasionally omit or expand, but this is usually at a much lower unit-level than we saw with RF. For example, for ὁ πρῶτος ἡμῖν ἀναθεματισμὸς he has an extended translation, ⲗⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩ ⲛⲟⲩ ⲗⲉⲟⲩⲁⲓⲛ in order to try to express the possessive dative more fully; this sort of thing is unusual for this translator, but it shows that he is unafraid to do it when required.⁷ Occasionally we

¹ 716,2-3 [f.51vb]; 716,4 [f.51vb].

² 758,42 [f.80ra].

³ 726,31-2 [f.58va], cf. also under OT citations.

⁴ 715,3 [f.51ra]; 715,16 [f.51rb]; 715,22 [f.51va].

⁵ 715,8 [f.51rb]; 715,38 [f.51va]; 756,9 [f.78rb].

⁶ 759,17-8 [f.80va].

⁷ 17,22 [f.15va].

see a more significant ‘expansion’, e.g. οἱ τὰ αὐτοῦ φρονοῦντες becoming ܘܢܝܢ ܘܡܝܢ ܘܡܝܢ ܘܡܝܢ (those who fall into the sickness of his thinking).¹

In the version of the 9th anathema, the translator explains ܡܠܝܢ by the addition of ܘܡܝܢ where Gk has just ἴδιον αὐτοῦ (in the variant which must be the Vorlage here), i.e. the translator has clarified an ambiguity. Elsewhere, we also see natural Syriac formulae being used, such as ܘܢܝܢ ܘܡܝܢ ܘܡܝܢ for υἱός, but in general there is very little of the type of editing that we saw so pervasively in the RF.² Editorial alterations are mostly to be found in the form of omissions of parenthetical or otiose single words, e.g. μόνον οὐχι, τοιγάρτοι or ἀμέλει, or the πατρός in the phrase ἐκ τοῦ θεοῦ πατρός.³ The number of the nouns is altered surprisingly often: δογμάτα becoming singular ܘܢܝܢܐ, προφήτου the plural ܘܢܝܢܐ, and ναός the plural ܘܢܝܢܐ.⁴

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Editing of any sort is noticeably absent from the SDI. One notable exception is the alteration of “David sings from the persona of God” to “as if from the persona of God,” which appears to be an attempt to correct a slightly rash statement on Cyril’s part.⁵

For πασά πως ἀνάγκη συνυφεστάναι τε καὶ συνυπάρχειν αἰδίως αὐτῷ (*it is altogether necessary that he should both co-subsist and co-exist eternally with him*) we have: ܘܢܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ (of necessity he is known to exist hypostatically and with him to exist eternally). Here, ܘܢܝܢܐ has been added in order to make up the sense.⁶

We also see the occasional simple explanatory rendering, e.g. ἐν τῷ προχειρίζεσθαι explained as ܘܢܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ ܘܡܝܢܐ; there is also occasional abbreviation, e.g. πάντων ἡμῶν becoming just ܘܢܝܢܐ. But in all, even these minor changes are rare.⁷

¹ 20,26f. [f.18ra].

² 23,18 [f.19va]; 22,27 [f.19rb].

³ 16,14 [f.14va]; 15,27 [f.14rb]; 18,27 [f.16va]; 19,9 [f.16vb].

⁴ 15,29 [f.14rb]; 16,9 [f.14va]; 21,8 [f.18rb] in citation of 1 Cor 3.16.

⁵ 219,14 [f.21va].

⁶ 224,1-3 [f.40rb-va].

⁷ 219,19 [f.21va], 219,17 [f.21va].

Ep39

An unusual sentence that is taken more freely than is customary in this text:¹

κατ'οικείωσιν οικονομικήν εἰς ἑαυτόν, ὡς ἔφην, τὰ τῆς ἰδίας σαρκὸς ἀναφέρει πάθη
According to the economic indwelling, he lifted up to himself, as I said, the sufferings of his own flesh.

ܘܥܘܠ ܡܘܫܐ ܕܝܘܢܐ ܘܦܪ ܡܕܘܠܐ ܦܝܫܘܐ ܦܥܝܠ ܕܡܝܘܢܝܘܬܐ ܘܥܘܠ ܝܫܘܢ ܡܠܝܐ

According to the economy he made the sufferings of the flesh his own and, as I said, he lifted them up to himself.

The translator has clearly made the one verb into two; but he has also understood *οικονομικήν* as if it were *οικονομικῶς* or *κατ'οικονομικήν*, and treated *τῆς ἰδίας* as if it had some function similar to that of *εἰς ἑαυτόν*. The explanation may be textual, but there is no hint in the Greek tradition to suggest such a thing. The only other explanation is that the translator did not find the Greek quite clear enough or wanted to omit the idea of 'indwelling' in favour of 'appropriation', which would indicate a monophysitic caution.

Ep40

Here we see examples of the translator filling in ellipses in the Greek in order to convey meaning more clearly; for example an understood relative clause such as *τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ πατρός λόγον* is made clearer by the addition of the omitted verb, representing *γεννηθέντα*, hence [ܦܥܝܠ] ܡܠܝܐ ܦܥܝܠ ܦܥܝܠ ܦܥܝܠ. This is done three times within a single section, the last of which, being a quote from the Formula of Reunion, is also quoted in Ep39, where the ellipsis is left unexpressed.²

We see in this text also the tendency to replace formulae such as *ἐκ θεοῦ πατρός λόγος*, as if it read *ἐκ πατρὸς θεὸς λόγος*, with the stand-alone phrase *ܦܥܝܠ ܦܥܝܠ* being common throughout the texts in Add 14557. Other similar variations can also occur, such as *ܦܥܝܠ ܦܥܝܠ* for *ἐκ θεοῦ λόγος*.³ Where Ep40 quotes the fourth anathema, we can make a direct comparison with EDC. The Syriac of the former text

¹ 19,11-12 [f.151vb].
² 25,2 [31,5]; 25,3 [31,5]; 25,7 [31,11];cf Ep39, 17,12 [f.150vb].
³ 28,28 [36,12]; 29,7 [36,25].

has ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܐ for τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ λόγον, while EDC has the more accurate ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܐ ܐܘܠܐ, which neatly illustrates the much greater freedom we find generally in Ep40, itself mirrored in the East Syrian versions of the anathemas which have ܐܘܠܐ ܐܘܠܐ, an order not often found in the West Syrian Add 14557.¹

There are also, as the editors noted, a number of more significant omissions. To take one example, where Cyril explains what he means by a ‘difference in the expressions’ of Christ, the Syriac omits the explanation – thus this sentence (29,23-6 [37,18-20]) is considerably shorter.

However, surely the most significant aspect of this work’s editorial technique is its tendency to severely alter and abbreviate certain passages. It is important here to make a certain distinction. For although Ebied and Wickham, in their introduction to this text, generally accuse the translator of incompetence in these passages, and not without justification, yet they fail to recognise that wherever Cyril is dealing with key pieces of Christological argument, the translation becomes far more accurate in the word-for-word sense, than in those passages that we might term purely rhetorical or polemical. We noted precisely the same distinction in relation to RF’s technique – although there the degree of overall freedom, even in such rhetorical passages, is considerably greater than in Ep40; nevertheless the difference between the two techniques within Ep40 is far more marked than in the RF. As this matter should properly be treated as evidence for this translator’s awareness of the larger units of discourse, we will deal with it in further detail below. As far as editing technique is concerned, it is quite evident from a perusal of the closing sections that he is content to abbreviate substantially where it suits his purpose,² or to add explanatory phrases such as ‘in the city of Nicaea’ when Cyril is referring to that council more obliquely.³

Ep44

Here we see again some of the techniques seen already, such as the editing of formulae, with ܐܘܠܐ ܐܘܠܐ rather than the more correct ܐܘܠܐ ܐܘܠܐ (there is,

¹ 26,17 [33,6] for Ep40, and EDC, 19,19 [f.17rb]; for the East Syrian (Nestorian) version of the anathemas (which will be referred to from time to time) see Abramowski and Goodman, *Nestorian Collection*, nos. I, VI, and XI; and further below, Part 3.iv.b.

² e.g. 28,20-31,3.

³ 24,2-4 [29,25].

The editing can also, again, be a matter of simplification of formulae: even with some that seem like errors such as ܟܠܟ ܥܘ ܟܠܟ ܟܠܟ for τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ πατὴρ λόγον. The name Παυλός is also twice reduced to just ܟܠܟ.¹

Ep46

This text is very similar to Ep45. Again, we can detect a number of omissions of terms and even whole phrases considered unnecessary – not perhaps to the same extent as in Ep40, but still to an extent not found in Ep39 or EDC. Often these omissions concern rhetorical features but sometimes they are part of important formulae, such as the νοεῖται of μία φύσις νοεῖται τοῦ λόγου σεσαρκωμένη, or the phrase οὐκ ἀψύχου μᾶλλον which is also omitted.² We also see additions for explication, such as the understood συνηγμένος being represented by ܥܘܝܬܐ, and ܝܘܪܕ also added in place of a perceived ellipsis.³ We noted earlier⁴ a place where one of Cyril’s OT allusions is expanded on the basis of the Peshitta text of that verse, viz. ܟܠܟ ܟܠܟ ܕܥܘܝܬܐ ܕܥܠܝܐ for παυσάσθωσαν καλαμίνην ῥάβδον ἑαυτοῖς ὑποστήσαντες, where ܟܠܟ has been added from the Peshitta (for notional Gk τεθλασμένην) while ῥάβδον becomes reflected only in the translator’s choice of ܘܪܕ for ὑποστήσαντες.⁵

Ep50

This is perhaps the closest of all the letters to the RF in its editing practices and in its restructuring of sentences (for which see below). The whole text is full of examples of omissions and abbreviations, sometimes just a single word, occasionally a longer clause. These latter are usually subordinate and circumstantial clauses considered unnecessary; for instance, in the following sentence the words in italics are omitted in the Syriac:

¹ 153,8 [41,23]; 154,15 [43,11] and 156,7 [45,10], but other times the name is retained, e.g. 155,12 [44,6].

² 158,8-9; 159,13.

³ 160,3 [49,25]; 159,10 [49,2].

⁴ Part 2.ii, Section 3, No.1.

⁵ 160,23 [50,21].

εοίκασι δέ πως τοῖς τῶν ἀνθρωπίνων σωμάτων ἀκεσταῖς ἤγοῦν ἰατροῖς,
οἱ τοῖς τῶν φαρμάκων οὐχ ἠδέσι τὸ γλυκὺ προσπλέκουσι μέλι, τῇ τοῦ
χρηστοῦ ποιότητι τοῦ πεφυκότος λυπεῖν τὴν αἴσθησιν ὑποκλέπτοντες

They are *somewhat* like the men who are healers of *human* bodies, or
doctors, those who mix in sweet honey with the bitternesses of the
medicines, taking away the sense of disgust *by the quality of what is*
naturally pleasant.

[further simplifications are also made with $\kappa\iota\iota\alpha$ being used for οὐχ ἠδέσι and simply
 $\kappa\alpha\lambda\eta$ for the whole phrase λυπεῖν τὴν αἴσθησιν].¹

Polemical statements are sometimes turned around to produce some more idiomatic
polemic, e.g. ‘they are clearly vomiting out words smelling of idiocy of the very worst
kind’ becomes instead ‘they are vomiting out injury and a foul smell to us in these
words.’ This shows an RF-like freedom of rhetoric.²

He can also reduce over-wordy formulae such as οὐκ ἀψύχου μᾶλλον ἀλλ’
ἐψυχωμένης νοερῶς to a single word $\kappa\alpha\tau\alpha$, and τῆς οὐσιωδῶς ἐνυπαρχούσης
ὑπεροχῆς τὸ ἀξίωμα to a far simpler $\sigma\alpha\sigma\alpha\iota\ \kappa\alpha\theta\alpha\iota\sigma\tau\alpha\iota$.³ The omission of individual
words falling into this category is very common, more especially so in the rhetorical
passages, but discernible everywhere. Most commonly these words are adverbs and
particles, the omission of which does not require syntactical adjustments, but they can
also be terms of theological significance, such as νοεῖται, where this is meant to be
distinct from ἐστί – Cyril is making a distinction between what *is* ‘in reality’ and what
merely ‘in perception’.⁴ Hendiadys is frequently reduced to one word [although there
are occasions on which it is created from a single adjective, e.g. πλήρες being
expanded to $\kappa\alpha\lambda\epsilon\sigma\ \kappa\alpha\lambda\eta$]⁵, even groups of four being reduced to one member, and

¹ 91,8-11 [f.141ra].

² 97,31 [f.145va].

³ 92,1 [f.141va]; 95,20 [f.143vb].

⁴ 95,10 and 95,17 [f.143vb]; also e.g. ἀπλῶς, 94,29 [f.143vb].

⁵ The expansion of a single term into a pair of synonyms is typical also of the translator of Titus of Bostra’s *Contra Manichaeos* – see Pedersen, *Demonstrative proof in defence of God*, 458.

two verbs covering separate clauses might also be reduced to one if thought sufficiently synonymous¹

It is not just a matter of omission, however, as the translator is quite prepared to add explanatory words as well, as in the repeated additions of the word ‘man’ where it is being assumed throughout most of a sentence, or in the supplying of *ἄνθρωπος* where the Greek has only the pronoun *αὐτός* or, as frequently, having *ἄνθρωπος* *ὅτι* *ἰδού* *ἄνθρωπος* for *τὸ ὑπὲρ πάντων ὄνομα*.² This tendency once or twice drifts into a major addition for the purpose of clarification; thus the completely alien phrase, *ἄνθρωπος* *ἀποδοῦναι* *τὴν* *ἐν* *τῷ* *σώματι* *τῆς* *ψυχῆς* (*they make him the place of the soul in the body*) is inserted after *ἐν μείσιν εἶναί φασιν οὐσιωδῶς τοῦ πατρὸς* as if to explain more closely than is immediately apparent from Cyril the link between Arian subordinationism and Arian Christology. In fact, the *οὕτως* at the start of the sentence makes it quite apparent that Cyril does realise the connection, but the translator wants to be more explicit.³

Changing terms such as *ἁγίας παρθένου* to *ἁγίας* *παρθένου* may just be error but is perhaps more likely an editing for stylistic variation. However, he seems to have allowed his editing tendency to produce an error in one place where the omission of *οὐκ* makes a sentence somewhat meaningless.⁴ Similarly, the clause *τὸ δὲ δὴ καὶ ἀποτεθεῶσθαι λέγειν τὸν ἐσχηκότα τὴν ἐνοίκησιν* (*to say that the one who obtained the indwelling also became God*), by becoming *ὅτι* *ἄνθρωπος* *ἁποδοῦναι* *ἄνθρωπος* *ἁποδοῦναι* *ἄνθρωπος* *ἁποδοῦναι* *ἄνθρωπος* *ἁποδοῦναι*, is rendered rather ambiguous, as *ἄνθρωπος* *ἁποδοῦναι* as a unit generally refers rather to God becoming man.⁵

By way of contrast, however, it is to be noted that even highly polemical passages are sometimes very closely translated, in a way that the more haphazard RF, would probably not have done.⁶

¹ 93,22 [f.142va]; 94,13 [f.143ra]; 94,7-8 [f.143ra] – this latter point being closely related to the issue of restructuring (see further below).

² 93,25 [f.142va]; 94,27 [f.143rb]; e.g. 98,16 [f.145vb].

³ 96,30-1 [f.144vb].

⁴ 94,14 [f.143ra]; 99,7-10 [f.146rb].

⁵ 93,3-4 [f.142rb].

⁶ e.g. the sentence 95,29-96,1 [f.144rb].

Plenty more examples could be provided of all these different techniques and it can be seen that the translator's approach is one of trying to make Cyril's meaning as clear as possible to a reader who may not grasp obscure points and for whom terms can be omitted for brevity's sake, and who does not require the same level of Greek rhetorical flourish to appreciate the arguments.

Ep55

Again, although less frequently than in most of the other letters, there are plenty of additions to make life easier for the reader here. Some of these are simply factual, almost glosses to assist the reader who may not already be acquainted with the background and language of Cyril, such as the ὀρθοδόξοις πατράσι μοναχῶν being described as *منسوبة من الشرق*, *from the East*, and specifying the μυσταγωγοί as 'our glorious Fathers'; and again, the slightly obscure καὶ διαπρεπῆ λαχοντάς [sc. ἡμᾶς] τὴν δόξαν ἀποφαίνει (*it endows us with more than ordinary glory*) is expanded by the addition of the 'we' both in the participle and in the added *Δ*.¹ There are a few simplifications of circumlocutory phrases, e.g. τὰ ἴσα φρονοῦντες αὐτῷ (*believing the same things as him*) becomes *منسوبة من الشرق* (*agreeing to his opinion*).²

Moreover, interjections such as πολλοῦ γε καὶ δεῖ are easily passed over, repetitions avoided, as also a series of repetitions of ἐκθέσις, and figures of speech reduced, such as ἡ βολή τῶν ὀμμάτων with *منسوبة*.³ The latter type of editing tends to occur in more rhetorical passages, such that, e.g., ταῖς ἐπιεικείαις τὸν ἑαυτῶν κατασεμνύοντες βίον (*who exalt their lives with virtues*) becomes *منسوبة من الشرق* (*in humility they desire to adorn their lifestyle*).⁴

Again, the phrase τὰ ἴσα...καὶ εἰπεῖν ἢ συγγράψαι τολμήσαντες is meant to refer to an indefinite possibility (i.e. it means *the same [opinions], whether they dare/have dared to say [them] or to write [them]*) but the translator has taken it as a past reference *منسوبة من الشرق* (*his opinion, which they have dared to say or to*

¹ 49,4 [1,5]; 53,6 [8,7]; 49,14 [1,21].

² 51,2 [4,12].

³ 53,13; avoidance of the repetition of ἐκθέσις 51,11-13 [4,28]; 49,22-3 [2,7].

⁴ 49,21 [2,5-6], if the translator read τοῦ βιοῦ, this might better explain the translation.

seem to be sons of his belief); or again simply adding ‘two’ to ‘natures’.¹ However this only seems to apply to single words or short phrases, rarely anything longer than phrases such as λεγέτω παρελθών (*let him go on and say*) becoming ܠܥܘܢܐ ܠܗܘܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܐ ܘܢܘܨܐ ܘܢܘܨܐ (let anyone who speaks thus come out publicly and say...); sometimes, the Greek is evidently considered too hard as it stands and needs a little explanation, so ἀνάγκαις ἀκολουθίας δουλεύουσιν (*enslaved to the constraints of following*) is explained as ܐܘܨܘܠܐ ܡܝܘܢܐ ܠܡܘܨܘܪܐ ܕܡܘܨܘܪܐ ܠܘܨܘܪܐ (as tied, being enslaved to the order of what is obligatory to them).²

Often we see simple additions not at all required by the Greek, which could be attributable to the textual transmission (in either language) but may well originate with the translator himself. Of this type are, for example, ܠܘܘܘܢܐ after υἱός, the addition of ܠܘܘܘܢܐ to explain οὕτω or of ܠܘܘܘܢܐ to explain the pronoun τὰ τοιάδε,³ into this category may also fall parenthetical additions such as ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܨܐ, or ܘܢܘܨܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ which possibly represent such Cyrilline phrases as ὡς φατέ or ὡς οἶομαι respectively.⁴ On a couple of occasions, Cyril’s brief introductory remarks to a citation are significantly expanded; such, for example μάρτυρας δὲ τῶν εἰρημένων τοῦς αὐτῶν ποιήσομαι λόγους (*I shall put down their own words, testimonies of what has been said*) becoming ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܨܐ ܘܢܘܨܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ (I call upon the very own words of the holy fathers as a witness of those things that have been said); or again when he quotes from his own letter with the simple formula ἔχει δὲ οὕτως, the Syriac insists on much more specificity with ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܕܘܢܘܨܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ.⁵ Finally, where Cyril refers to the anathemas we often find in the Syriac the addition of ܠܘܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܘܢܐ (which were set down by us) or just ܠܘܘܘܢܐ (which were from us), a characteristic observable in both CO and CT which confirms the identity of authorship between the versions, a fact which could otherwise probably be assumed on the basis of style alone.⁶

¹ 34,5 [f.91vb]; 33,29 [f.91va]; 39,5 [f.94rb].

² 39,32 [f.94va]; 38,9f. [f.93vc].

³ 37,8 [f.93rc]; 36,12 [f.92vc]; 39,20 [f.94rc].

⁴ 36,18 [f.93ra]; 40,27 [f.95rb].

⁵ 36,31 [f.93rb]; 39,29 [f.94va].

⁶ Thus cf. CO 34,1 [f.91vb] with CT 110,21 and 110,25 [f.107vc].

Particularly characteristic, however, is this translator's method of using a pair of Syriac synonyms or near-synonyms for a single Greek word, presumably in an attempt to capture the meaning more closely – his readiness to use this method testifying to his expansionist approach in general. A few examples will illustrate the technique: πολεμιωτάτους = ܩܘܠܝܡܝܘܬܝܬܝܘܬܝܘܨ; κατακιβδηλεύει = ܩܠܘܨܝܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ; ἀποπηδῶσιν = ܩܘܨܝܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ; σαφῶς = ܫܘܦܝܘܨܝܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ...ܫܘܦܝܘܨܝܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ; παραλύω = ܐܦܫܝܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ.¹

Unlike in some of the other texts, omissions are quite rare here; ἀγίων is twice omitted as an epithet for angels, the reason for which is not obvious. Sometimes the reason is for greater clarity, for example in the sentence κεχωρήκαμεν ἀναγκαίως ἐπὶ τὸ χρῆναι συναθλεῖν τοῖς δόγμασιν (*we necessarily made way to the point of having to compete for the dogmas*), the ἐπὶ τὸ χρῆναι is considered excessive and is omitted.² But these sort of omissions are not common.

Other types of editorial alterations which are not really expansions or omissions include positive for double negative, πῶς οὐ παντὶ τῷ σαφὲς ὡς (*how is it not clear to all that...*) = ...ܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ, and again ἔστιν οὐδενὶ ἀσυμφανές = ܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ; sometimes the reduction of hendiadys as in τῶν καθ' ἡμᾶς καὶ κοῖνον = ܕܫܘܦܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ; the avoidance of finding equivalents for tricky words, thus ἀληθεύει λέγων (*he speaks the truth, saying*) becomes ܘܢܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ (*he is truthful in saying*); and often just a simplification of an over-wordy clause, such as ἐμὲ τοῖς ἑαυτοῦ μάχεσθαι λόγοις (*that I battle against my own arguments*), which becomes just ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ (*that I speak against myself*).³

As with the other texts, a common place for editing is the standard formulae of Christological discourse, most especially the titles describing the Logos in relation to the Father. As we will see later in discussing the lexical equivalences, this text is not at all consistent in its renderings at this level of the discourse. Thus τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ πατὴρ φύντα λόγον often becomes ܕܫܘܦܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ, as though the Greek were τὸν θεὸν ἐκ πατρὸς φύντα λόγον; ܩܠܝܘܬܝܘܨ ܕܘܨܝܘܨܝܘܬܝܘܨ for ὁ ἐκ θεοῦ λόγος is

¹ 33,33 [f.91vb]; 35,6 [f.92rb]; 35,9 [f.92rb]; 35,13 [f.92rc]; 38,30 [f.94ra].

² om. ἀγίων twice 36,4 [f.92vb]; 38,21 [f.94ra]; om. ἐπὶ τὸ χρῆναι 33,23 [f.91va]; such also is the omission of a parenthetical τυχόν at 40,8 [f.94vc].

³ 35,37 [f.92vb.]; 40,5 [f.94vb]; 36,24 [f.93ra]; 36,33 [f.93rb]; 39,24 [f.94va].

frequent, but this is not at all always the case, as we also see ܠܘܪܐ ܠܘܪܐ ܥܘܢ ܠܘܪܐ quite often.¹ There is a great deal of flexibility in the formulaic introductions to citations – for example, where Cyril introduces a quote in an unusual fashion, with the phrase Ἰωάννης διατρανοῖ γεγραφώς the Syriac must add ܐ ܘܪܐܐ ܘܪܐܐ; similarly κατὰ τὰς γραφάς is ordinarily ܠܘܪܐ ܥܘܢܐܐ ܠܘܢ ܘܪܐ but can suddenly be ܠܘܪܐܐ ܘܪܐ ܠܘܪܐ; and τὸ γράμμα ἱερόν is not distinguished from ἡ γραφή θεῖα, being always the formulaic ܠܘܪܐ ܠܘܪܐ.² As is common elsewhere, even in the Peshitta, we frequently see ‘our’ added to ‘Lord’ and ‘Saviour’, and sometimes such changes as ܡܘܘܢܐ for παρθένος.³

One significant piece of editing which may have arisen from a textual error in the Vorlage is as follows: ἀποφοιτώσας μὲν ἀλλήλων εἰς τὸ ἰδίᾳ τε εἶναι καὶ ἀνὰ μέρος (*going away from each other into their own existences separately*) is drastically altered to ܘܠܘܢ ܕܘܠܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢ ܕܘܠܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ ܘܘ ܕܘܠܘܢ ܠܘܘܢܐ ܥܘܢ ܠܘܘܢܐܐܘܢܐ (*going far from each other that each one of them may be separate and known as distant*) – this may be the result of a misreading of εἰς as εἶς, followed by a confusion over the rest. ܕܘܠܘܘܢܐ is evidently meant to be for ἀνὰ μέρος, though it is not a well-known form. The description of Apollinarius as a teacher of τὰ μυθώδη τῆς χιλιονταετηρίδος (*the fables of the millennium*) is expanded to become ܥܘܢܐ ܘܪܐܐ ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ ܥܘܢܐ ܘܘ ܕܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐܐܘܢܐ ([*the one who*] *says that the very same things occur after the millennium*) – the translator apparently having no wish to find a precise Syriac equivalent and wanting to make the allusive Greek clearer to his ordinary readers.⁴

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Here there is very little real ‘editing’ to be found, although we will comment on a few instances. In general, however, most apparent deviations can only realistically be explained by the presence of an alternative reading in the Vorlage, even where no

¹ For examples of the three Syriac formulae, see respectively 34,33 [f.92ra]; 35,18f. [f.92rc]; 36,30 [f.93rb].

² 34,31 [f.92ra]; 35,21 [f.92va] and 44,13 [f.97ra]; 35,37 [f.92vb]

³ 33,19f. [f.91rc] or 33,30 [f.91va]; 40,14 [f.94vc].

⁴ 40,18f. [f.95ra]; 38,11 [f.93vc].

known variant is mentioned in Schwartz's apparatus. These will be dealt with separately as they do not impinge directly on the issue of technique.

However, there remain some editorial additions which *may* be due rather to the translator, although it is hard to be sure. These tend to be small, such as the addition of λόγον after υἰόν (perhaps to make the denotation of the latter clearer) and the substitution of Χριστοῦ for υἰοῦ, perhaps for the same reason. The repetition of a direct object, ܩܘܨܘܬܐ, after the verb as well as at the start of the sentence (where it corresponds in position to its Greek equivalent) is more likely to be a true editorial addition; in another place the omission of any equivalent for the words εἰς τό can render the indirect object of the preceding ἀναμορφῶν meaningless; but these are isolated examples.¹

There is one further such example which may be due to the choice of the translator: Cyril twice denies that the Logos united himself to a deified man (θεοποιεῖν) and on both occasions the Syriac says only that the Logos did not come into (ܩܘܨܘܬܐ) a man, who was united to him. It may be that this is again a textual issue but it seems less likely given that the same rendering is found twice. It may be that the translator was not aware of some of the issues against which Cyril was fighting and thinks instead in the starker terms of battling against a 'Nestorian' Christology of indwelling, but this is hard to prove on this evidence alone.²

2. Larger Translation Units

Closely linked with the issue of the editing of the text in order to make the meaning clearer or to avoid needless over-wordiness, is the issue of the size of translation-unit. This can be defined as the segment of text which is taken, analysed and re-rendered by the translator – it may be any size from paragraphs down to individual morphemes

¹ 150,24 [462,12]; 152,5 [463,3]; 166,14 [473,17-18]; 160,14 [469,8-9].

² 158,24 [468,12] and 162,9 [470,13].

within lexical items. Brock has made the general observation that the size of translation unit decreased over time between the 5th and the 8th centuries, from a situation where the sentence was the normal unit to one where the word was the normal unit and even sometimes subsections of the word.¹ It must be noted that there is always some ambiguity of definition here. For where a translator largely re-writes or even omits a whole sentence, one could simply categorise this as being part of his re-rendering of a larger unit, such as the paragraph, whereas we have generally included such items under the category of ‘editing’ (above). In addition, a translator is by no means required to adhere rigidly to one policy throughout his work. He may translate one sentence in a way that appears to take the word as the basic unit and then the next turns out to be a fairly free re-writing of the meaning of a whole sentence. Sometimes both seem to be going on even within the same sentence. Indeed this is wholly unsurprising as soon as we recognise that the translator has a grasp of his source language and reads in sentences and paragraphs, as he must, rather than word-by-word. Nevertheless, the analysis can be a useful one and shows us different techniques at work, not just between one translator and another, but also within a single text.

2. i The general treatment of larger translation units

Often where larger discourse units are being taken as the translation unit, we can say that dynamic equivalence is being exercised. But this is certainly not always a useful term – for the structure of the clauses within a long periodic sentence may be significantly altered by the translator without much change in the exact representation of each individual clause, and this can hardly be usefully defined as dynamic equivalence. We will not, therefore, use the latter term except where particularly appropriate, and instead here focus on any places where the larger discourse unit seems to be treated as *the* basic unit for translation in some sense.

De Recta Fide

In the RF, the whole sentence (by which we mean a set of clauses dependent upon a single main verb or a series of co-ordinating main verbs with a single subject) is by

¹ Brock, *Towards a History*.



far the most common unit for translation. The translator has read and understood the meaning of the sentence in his own mind and re-casts it in his own way. In each case he seems to make a definite choice about how closely or freely he will render it. Thus the result is a series of ‘blocks’, to each of which is applied a particular technique: for instance a polemical paragraph might consist of a few sentences all treated quite freely, but followed by another set of sentences dealing with a fine point of Christology, for which is chosen a method in which the individual clauses, phrases and words become the translation units. However, even when the whole sentence is the unit, a number of close lexical equivalences can also be found, so that different techniques seem to be applied at once. Examples abound of all these approaches, and a few illustrative ones can be given, moving from what might loosely be described as ‘more free’ towards the ‘less free’:

The Greek of 53,10-16 is as follows:

εἶτα τί τούτοις ἀντεροῦμεν ἡμεῖς; πρῶτον μὲν, ὅτι τῆς πίστεως τὴν οὕτως ἀρχαιοτάτην καὶ ἐξ αὐτῶν τῶν ἁγίων ἀποστολόων διήκουσαν εἰς ἡμᾶς παράδοσιν, οὐ ταῖς ὑπερμέτροις ἀκριβείαις καταλύειν ἄξιον, οὔτε μὴν ταῖς εἰς ἄκρον ἐρεύναις ὑποφέρειν τὰ ὑπὲρ νοῦν, ἄλλ’ οὐδὲ ἥκειν εἰς μέσον οἷαπερ τινὰς ὀριστὰς ῥιψοκινδύνως λέγοντας, ὡς τὸ δεῖνα μὲν ὀρθῶς, τὸ δεῖνα δὲ αὖ ἐτέρως ἔχειν, χρῆν δήπου καὶ ἦν ἄμεινον ἀληθῶς, ἀπονέμειν δὲ μᾶλλον τῷ πανσόφῳ θεῷ τῶν ἰδίων διασκέψεων τὴν ὁδὸν, καὶ μὴ τοῖς εὔ ἔχειν παρ’ αὐτῷ δεδοκιμασμένοις ἀνοσίως ἐπιτιμᾶν.

Then what do we reply to these people? First, that it is not right, by quibbles beyond measure, to get rid of the tradition of the faith, being so ancient and passed down to us from the holy apostles themselves, nor, in searching to the very end, to undertake that which is beyond the mind, nor to go into the midst of certain people who set up boundaries, speaking rashly about what wonders are [to be considered] right and which are otherwise. Rather it is necessary, and altogether better, to assign to the all-wise God the path of his own designs and not to dishonour him sacrilegiously by applying tests to him.

In Syriac this is [53,10-55,1]:

We will provide here a couple of examples which could have been placed above under the heading of editing technique. However, they show that the translator of this text is thinking in sentences and sometimes, when he feels it appropriate, is recasting them in quite a different mould.

The string of three adverbial phrases ἐν ψιλαῖς ἐννοίαις...ἐν ἰσχυαῖς θεωπίαις...νοῦ φαντασίαις are together reduced to ܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ ܘܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ which is probably to be taken as equivalent to ἐν μόνῃ θεωρίᾳ, although ܘܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ itself may be inspired by ψιλαῖς. Again, the rather complex οὔτε διαμπάξ διατομῆς δύναμιν ἐφίεμεν αὐταῖς (with its alliteration!) becomes the far simpler and almost formulaic ܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ ܘܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ ܘܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ.¹

These two sentences show a technique that is reminiscent of RF's and certainly shows how this translator is capable of re-writing whole sentences when he feels that this is necessary. In the same way as we saw in Ep40, though to a different degree and in different ways, this translator too is an exegete who, desiring to bring Cyril's Christology to his audience, does not see that aim as being furthered by slavishly reproducing every rhetorical and polemical thrust found in the source text, nor by the mirroring of lexemes or morphemes. We will see much more of this from these particular texts as we proceed.

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum/Ep39/Ep55

In these texts the translation unit can generally be said to be at clause or word level and there is little evidence for the freer renderings of wider sections such as we saw above. On occasion, we do, however, see the rearrangement of the verbal structures, and this aspect of the analysis of the larger translation units will be dealt with shortly.

We do also find occasional clear evidence that the translator *is* thinking in sections and translating in a cohesive way. Thus in Ep39, ܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ (token, proof, argument) is used for χρῆσις (19,18) apparently under the influence of Prov. 22:28 where, following the Peshitta texts, he has used ܠܘܨܐܘܬܐ for ὄρια (19,24), in its original context meaning 'boundary marker' but being used here by Cyril as if it meant 'a definition of the

¹ 162,6-7 [52,11-12]; 162,7-8 [52,13-14].

faith'. By using the same root for the preceding *χρησις* the translator strengthens the point that the citations of the Fathers, which Cyril intended to include in his arguments, are effectively the same thing as a credal affirmations.¹

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There is really very little evidence that this translator considered units any larger than a sentence. It is, of course, quite impossible to think in units less than a sentence even if the resultant translation works at a sub-sentence level,² and there is clear enough evidence that the former had indeed frequently informed the latter in the case of this text, despite its apparent concern for the word and sub-lexical levels, wherever he has altered the word order to make a more meaningful Syriac sentence; examples can be found below, under '3.1 Word Order'.

2. ii The restructuring of larger translation units

The following examples from our texts show in more detail exactly how the larger translation units, usually the sentence, could be rendered. The issue concerns how the verbal structure, especially the hypotaxis, of the Greek is represented.

De Recta Fide

Cyril's Greek tends to be very Atticistic and he is keen on neat, and sometimes lengthy, periodic sentences. Such an approach is quite alien to Semitic style (although Syriac is perhaps better at this than other Semitic languages) and we often see RF simplifying Cyril at this level. A couple of examples follow:

Cyril has a periodic sentence as follows:

ἐπειδὴ γὰρ ᾤοντο θεὸν μὲν...δὲ...[τε]...ἐποιοῦντό τινες... ὑποτεμνόμενος ... ἀνατιθεὶς
... προσνέμων, ἔφασκεν.³

This consists of a causal clause, containing two main verbs in the imperfect (the first of which is really to be understood twice as it governs a contrasting *μὲν...δέ* pairing), followed by three co-ordinating present participles preceding the main verb itself with

¹ 19,18 [f.151ra]; 19,24 [f.151rb].

² A point made by Barr, *Typology*, 296-7.

³ 64,12-16 [108,1-7].

its object clause after it. This is evidently far too much for the translator, who makes the whole thing much more straightforward for his readers. He introduces the causal clause with ܐܘܢܝܢܐ and then follows with three ptc.+ܐܘܡܐ combinations (effectively reflecting the imperfects) for each of the three sub-parts of the subordinate causal clause (thereby also filling in the ellipsis by means of a synonym for the missed repetition of the first verb, as well as repeating ܐܘܢܝܢܐ again before the third). The main clause follows, but with the first of the preceding participles turned into the main verb (another ptc.+ܐܘܡܐ combination) and the second made subordinate to it by ܘܥܝܢܐ , the third being wholly omitted. The sentence then comes to a close, and ܘܥܝܢܐ then starts a new sentence to represent the main verb of the whole Greek sentence, the ܘܥܝܢܐ thereby being necessarily added to make clear the organic link between the two new sentences.

There is another, and much simpler example, of how he restructures unnecessarily tricky constructions. Cyril starts with a dative phrase before giving us a main verb: $\text{Νικοδήμω μὲν γὰρ οὐ συνιέντι τὸ μυστήριον, ἀνακεκραγότεν δὲ ἀμαθῶς...φησιν [sc. Ἰησοῦς].}^1$

RF simply turns the whole into two separate sentences with different subjects:

$\text{ܘܥܝܢܐ [ܘܥܝܢܐ]...ܐܘܡܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ...ܐܘܡܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ.}$

Thus he does what a good Greek stylist would never choose to do if possible, and restarts his sentence with a new subject, even with no conjunction between them; thus he creates a narrative series in place of the balanced hypotactic construction of contrasts.

These examples are typical of this translator's approach to larger discourse units and show that his unit of analysis can be the whole discourse paragraph as well the smaller units that we saw being rendered so carefully earlier.

Quod Unus sit Christus

This text also shows a great deal of this sort of alteration. In fact, the majority of complex sentences are altered in some way; or, in other words, the whole idiom of expression is altered to fit the target language.¹

¹ 68,9-10 [128,1-3].

A short passage will serve as an example of the kind of alterations of structure that are used here:

ἔχουσι γὰρ ἐν ταύτῳ τὸ θεοπρεπὲς καὶ τὸ ἀνθρώπινον.¹

ἔχουσι γὰρ ἐν ταύτῳ τὸ θεοπρεπὲς καὶ τὸ ἀνθρώπινον

Here the abstract neuter adjectives are turned into plural adjectives acting as attributes of the subject of the sentence (i.e. the words of Christ), making the whole a nominal instead of a verbal sentence.

Again, in the very next sentence:

ἕτερον...τὸ διαίρειν τὰς φύσεις...ἕτερον τὸ φωνῶν εἰδέναι διαφοράν.²

ἕτερον...τὸ διαίρειν τὰς φύσεις...ἕτερον τὸ φωνῶν εἰδέναι διαφοράν

In this case the impersonal article + infinitive construction is bypassed by using *εἶναι* + imperfects, thus greatly simplifying the difficulties present in dealing with Greek syntax.

These sorts of re-structuring are relatively common in this text by comparison with others such as EDC or Ep39, even in the passages in which there is no editing as such, as here where the meaning is in no way impaired.

Ep44

For a few examples that might come under this head, see below under formal equivalence of verbs; strictly speaking, however, there are no examples that fall into this category, rather the translator sticks closely to his word-by-word approach.

Ep45

Similar practices to those of Ep40 occur in this text, though perhaps even more frequently. The following example is typical: a Greek periodic sentence involves two contrasting main verbs each with a subordinate participle giving further details to the main assertions, and the whole preceded by a circumstantial participial phrase; in the

¹ 28,18 [35,27]

² 28,19-21 [35,28-36,2]

Syriac, the same construction is maintained for the first half of the sentence, but this is then brought to a close and the second part is introduced with a ܐܘܢ (despite the absence of δέ at this point) and both main verb and ptc are turned into main verbs; the simile clause tacked on to the end of the sentence, which in the Greek is introduced by ὡςπερ and is linked by another participle also becomes a new sentence.¹ The whole sentence is thus fundamentally restructured in tune with more traditional, or idiomatic Syriac norms.

Genitive absolutes create some problems for this translator's natural Syriac, and he tends to restructure rather than mirror. Sometimes he keeps them in place but uses e.g. relative clauses instead (see below under *Formal equivalence for verbs*) but elsewhere he will restructure the whole sentence to avoid anything too unwieldy. Thus where Cyril has a φαμὲν ὅτι followed by a gen.abs. before the main object clause following the ὅτι, the Syriac instead makes the gen.abs. into the object of the verb of speaking and makes the original object clause into a new sentence entirely.²

Ep46

Given that the translator is clearly (as we saw earlier) reading and understanding whole sentences and rendering them *as wholes* not as compositions of smaller units, we see here some major restructuring of the periodic sentence along dynamic lines.

The following conditional sentence provides a good case study of syntactical technique in one of the generally 'freer' versions. The Greek structure is (the nos. correspond to their lexical equivalents in the Syriac below: εἰ... 1)circumstantial.aor.ptc... 2)main protasis verb in pf ... 3)sub.aor.ptc.... 4)sub.aor.ptc.... 5)main apodosis verb impf.... 6)obj.inf. introducing two indirect questions, together governed by 7)sub.aor. ind.; the Syriac deals with this as follows: ܐܘܢ... 1)main protasis pf verb... 2)coordinating ܐܘ + 2nd pf verb... 3)ܐܘܢ + pf... 4)ܐܘܢ + ptc + ܐܘܢ... 5)main apodosis verb impf....6)ܐܘܢ + sub.ptc. ... 7)ܐܘܢ + sub.ptc. [as part of indir.question]. We can therefore see that there is little formal equivalence of the syntactical variety, and this is the rule throughout the text.³

¹ 151,19-152,3 [39,23-40,5]; there are further examples, e.g. 153,7-10 [41,23-28].

² 155,5-8 [43,25-9].

³ 160,19-22 [50,14-19].

The sort of major restructuring of which we have seen plenty of examples is lacking in this text. The translator, as we have already seen, is working at the level of the phrase and the word and, for the most part, he mirrors the forms that he finds.

However, despite the lack of larger-scale alterations in this text, we do see that the grammatical categories can be altered quite freely at times when such is required, in the translator's opinion, for better communication of meaning. Thus, for instance, the prepositional phrase κατὰ πρόσκλισιν τὴν πρὸς γέ τινας οὐκ ὀρθοδοῦντας περὶ τὴν πίστιν becomes the relative clause *ܕܐܠ ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ ܦܪܫܝܬܐ ܩܠܝ ܦܪܫܝܬܐ ܩܠܝ ܕܐܠ ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ*, a good example of the victory of *signifié* over *signifiant*!¹ The rendering of τὸ ἀκραιφνές τῆς ὀρθῆς πίστεως σύμβολον as *ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ ܩܪܝܝܬܐ ܩܝܘܡܐ ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ* (*the clear and orthodox symbol of the faith*) shows a clear instance of the larger phrase as translation unit, the inner relations of the parts not being accurately mirrored.²

Sometimes, the translator simply feels that a different grammatical category would better suit his purpose: thus γεγραφότα οἶδα τὸν Πέτρον being *ܕܐܕܪܝܬܐ ܩܠܝ ܕܢܝ ܘܨܝܕܐ* (*I know what was written by Peter*), or τὰ ἐν τῷ συμβολῷ, τῶν ἐν αὐτῷ ῥημάτων τὴν δύναμιν...οὐ συνιέντες (*the things in the creed, not understanding the force of the words in it*) being contracted to *ܘܨܝܕܐ ܩܠܝ...ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ ܕܩܠܝ ܩܠܝ ܩܘܨܩܝܘܩ* (*not understanding the force of the words that are in the creed*), with the inner relationships again modified for simplification.³

Contra Orientales/Contra Theodoretum

Just as we saw that editing hard pieces of text was commonplace with this translator, so he also restructures the Greek sentences every now and then, though it is important to stress that this remains the exception and not the rule, for on the whole each type of Greek construction has its Syriac equivalent which is followed consistently (see below under formal equivalence of verbs). As an example of the sorts of changes he makes, we note a sentence with three co-ordinating infinitives, the first two treated, as usual, with *ܐ* + imperfect, but then the third is treated as a separate main verb.⁴ We see

¹ 50,6-7 [2,23-5].

² 51,13 [4,28-5,1].

³ 51,16-7 [5,6]; 50,29 [3,30].

⁴ 34,4f. [f.91vb].

translation of γέγονε μὲν γὰρ κατ' εἰκόνα τὴν πρὸς αὐτὸν ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐν ἀρχαῖς (*man was originally made in the image that was His [sc. God's]*) as ܩܘܕܝܫܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ, which Ebied and Wickham rightly translated as “he was made in the image which was man’s initially” as if τὴν πρὸς αὐτὸν ὁ ἄνθρωπος had been ἦν πρὸς [αὐτὸν] τὸν ἄνθρωπον.¹

Perhaps also we could note the sentence: φασὶ τοίνυν κατὰ τοὺς ἄνωθεν ἔτι καιροὺς ἤτοι χρόνους διηρῆσθαι, τοὺς τε ἀπὸ τοῦ Καῖν γεγονότας φημί καὶ τοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ Ἐνώς, which should properly mean “they say then that during the still earlier epochs or periods, Cain’s descendents (I say) and those of Enosh were distinguished” [i.e. from each other, because the latter were righteous and the former were not], which is how Wickham translates the Greek (although he omits φημί entirely); but the Syriac has it as “*they then say* that Cain’s descendents were distinguished by higher times or periods [i.e. by longevity], *but I say* that Enosh’s descendents also were [sc. distinguished in the same way]”, which requires a reading of φημί which takes it as the introduction of a new clause, whereas its use in Attic idiom is more like a parenthetical ‘i.e.’. As far as technique is concerned the main point is that by following his original on a word-by-word basis, and failing to look at the idiom on a higher level, the translator has (seemingly) misunderstood the Greek, the result being a clear contrast between ...ܐܘܪܫܐܝܡ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ and ...ܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ.²

3.Syntactical variations within the smaller translation unit

Having dealt with the overall approach to the larger translation unit, in terms of how close or how free a translator chooses to be, we can now turn to some more specific techniques that he may use for certain Greek constructions. The Greek verbal system, for example, does not easily transfer into a Semitic one, and so the different approaches adopted to the verbal forms of the Greek sentence may be expected to reveal certain distinctive characteristics in each translator. This is obviously closely related to the foregoing section, but we are here dealing with formal equivalence properly speaking (i.e. how each morphological category of the Greek verb finds its

¹ 160,7-8 [469,2-3]; or perhaps the Syriac is corrupt and originally read ܩܘܕܝܫܐ.

² 176,8-10 [480,14-16].

equivalent in a Syriac translation). We will start with a look at the issue of word order, where this may seem to have an effect upon the translator and then with the formal equivalence of the verbs. We can then deal with other syntactical constructions, such as genitival relationships and prepositional usages.

3. i *Word Order*

This is a particularly difficult matter to deal with. Naturally, it is very hard to decide whether a coincidence of word order between the versions is deliberate or not, Syriac word-order being hardly less flexible than Greek. All our versions (with the possible exceptions of RF and QUX) do seem to try to follow the order of the component parts of the sentence to a greater or lesser degree. Texts such as Ep50 and AT do so more consistently, but even they will not violate their idiom for the sake of word-order. Thus, for instance, the Greek possessive construction ὁ τοῦ θεοῦ λόγος will only ever be ܩܘܠܘܢ ܕܥܡܪܘܢ in Syriac and never ܩܘܠܘܢ ܕܥܡܪܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢ.

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum

There is an intriguing example of the effect of EDC's close following of Greek word order: where Cyril adds a parenthetical ὡς ἔφην between a verb and its object, EDC feels the need to add a pleonastic object marker before the parenthesis, to make the secure link with the expressed object *after* the parenthesis, thus resulting in ܩܘܠܘܢ ܕܥܡܪܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢ. This use of the object marker ܕ is often a way of allowing the translator to follow word order: the clause ἕνα πιστεύομεν υἰὸν εἶναι Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν, the εἶναι separates predicate from the theme and the meaning is clear, while in the Syriac, the infinitive is omitted as unnecessary but the predicate still precedes the theme; the latter is therefore preceded by the object marker ܕ as a way of making the meaning more transparent.¹

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There is quite clearly an attempt to replicate word order as much as possible, but it is not at all binding, thus κέχρισται τοίνυν ἀνθρωπίνως καθ' ἡμᾶς ὁ υἰός becomes ܩܘܠܘܢ ܕܥܡܪܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢ. The translator tries in this way to keep the

¹ 19,13 [f.17ra]; 20,2 [f.17rb], and see Nöldeke §324 for the basic shape of the Syriac idiom.

. However, in the translation of the same words by Paul of Callinicum (quoted in Severus' *Philalethes*) the rendering is: . It can be seen that Paul is set on reproducing the εἶεν, whereas RF allows nominal sentences to exist as such in the natural idiom. Similar concern for equivalence at this level can be seen in the two renderings of παρ' ἑκάστῳ, the non-repetition of the indefinite pronoun and so on. Paul nevertheless, like RF, does not like Cyril's ironic σεμνά and makes it more prosaic with the addition of .¹

We will explore the contrasts between these two versions further at a later stage. The greater formal equivalence that is indicative of Paul's style of the 530s, especially in the rendering of verbs, is, however, more evident in our other texts. Let us, therefore, describe the most common techniques adopted by each translator and the consistency with which he uses them, and thereby attempt to classify the differences between the translators in their approach to this issue of verbal forms.

Quod Unus sit Christus

The constant restructuring of the syntax of the sentence in this text means that we cannot meaningfully describe any consistent technique under this head, i.e. there is no formal correspondence that is carried out systematically, although tense values are obviously roughly retained.

Inconsistency is to be found also in the ways of representing εἶναι. Sometimes its omission in the Greek can be supplied with ,; sometimes a full participle ὄν/όντα can be reduced to the simple οὐ idiom, but in some places , is used for ἔστι in a straightforward manner, or otherwise even for ἦν.²

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum

In this text what we may call 'tense equivalency' is respected quite carefully. The types of formal equivalency described below are typical of a number of our texts, as we shall see as we proceed.

¹ RF 45,3-4 [10,14-15] = FC 135, in Severus' *Philalethes*, Hespel, *Philalèthe*, 79.

² 714,7 [f.50vb]; 715,17 [f.51rb]; 715,40 [f.51va]; 716,33 [f.52ra]; 735,40 [f.64rb].

of meaning can be made: in the following sentence, Cyril refers to the Fathers οἱ...ἐν τῇ τῶν Νικαέων πόλει συναγηγεμένοι καὶ...τὸν τῆς πίστεως ὄρον ἐκτιθεμένοι πιστεύειν ἔφασαν... [*who gathered at Nicaea and, laying down the boundary of the faith, said that they believed...*]. The first participle is perfect while the second is present, broadly indicating that the former precedes while the latter is contemporary with the main verb (in fact, it is effectively synonymous with it). The translator's solution is to create a relative clause with a perfect, ܐܘܘܕܝܢ...ܐ, for the first participle, ܐܘܘܕܝܢ + ptc ܐܘܘܕܝܢ for ἐκτιθεμένοι and another perfect for the main verb. In this way, the meaning is made quite plain.¹

Infinitival objects of verbs are most often expressed with ܐ followed by an impf verb where the infinitive is present, a pf where it is aorist, e.g. τολμῶντες λέγειν = ܐܘܘܕܝܢ ܐܘܘܕܝܢ and κεχρῖσθαι λέγεται = ܐܘܘܕܝܢ ܐܘܘܕܝܢ respectively.² On just six occasions the Syriac infinitive with ܐ is used, e.g. παθεῖν οὐκ ἀνέχεται = ܐܘܘܕܝܢ ܐܘܘܕܝܢ or after θέμις or δεῖ.³ With the article + infinitive construction, a number of variations are used; most commonly ܐܘܘܕܝܢ + pf for aorist infinitives (μετὰ τοῦ μείναι = ܐܘܘܕܝܢ ܐܘܘܕܝܢ) and + impf for present infinitives (τὸ οὕτω φρονεῖν ἢ λέγειν = ܐܘܘܕܝܢ ܐܘܘܕܝܢ); on occasion, however, the ܐܘܘܕܝܢ can be omitted or some other syntax used, such as where τοῦ πλημμελεῖν becomes ܐܘܘܕܝܢ (sic, in the plural).⁴ The infinitives of indirect speech are treated slightly differently from those which are direct objects. ܐܘܘܕܝܢ introduces the indirect speech and the infinitives are then treated as finite indicatives, i.e. presents become verbal participles, perfects and aorists become perfects etc.⁵

Initially, the method for dealing with εἶναι seems straightforward. The future is rendered with the simple imperfect ܐܘܘܕܝܢ, the present with the composite construction of ܐܘܘܕܝܢ + suffix, and the imperfect with ܐܘܘܕܝܢ + suffix + ܐܘܘܕܝܢ.⁶ This leaves the opportunity for using the perfect form ܐܘܘܕܝܢ for past-referencing forms of verbs of 'becoming', usually the aorist and perfect of γίγνομαι, with its perfect participle

¹ 17,1-2 [f.15ra].

² 21,14 [f.18rb]; 22,13 [f.19ra].

³ 17,13 [f.15rb]; 20,8 [f.17va]; 16,11f. [f.14va].

⁴ 20,29 [f.18ra]; 21,27f. [f.18vb]; 22,8 [f.18vb]; 24,21 [f.20va].

⁵ Examples of each respectively: 17,3 [f.15ra]; 19,1 [f.16va] and 18, 15 [f.16rb].

⁶ 15,24 [f.14ra]; 15,27 [f.14ra] et passim; 17,11 [f.15rb] et passim.

turned into ܐܘܢܐ + ܐܘܢܐ.¹ However, no distinction is made between εἰμί and ὑπάρχω, one of Cyril's favourite verbs, the latter being treated in like manner to the former on all occasions.

As with other verbs, the translator fails to make a consistent distinction between circumstantial participles and main finite verbs, since ܕܘܪܐ + suffix is used in both cases, as well as for both ὄν and ὑπάρχων. On occasion, the translator can be bold enough to use older Syriac idiom and omit any sort of expressed copula in a nominal sentence where the Greek will tend to prefer one, thus ἐστὶν τῶν ἀτοπωτάτων = ܐܘܢܐ ܕܐܘܢܐ, and again once in indirect speech.² The infinitive εἶναι is most often rendered with ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ, and τὸ εἶναι with ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ, which successfully maintains the distinction from γίνεσθαι and γένεσθαι, although deviating from the usual pattern of ܐܘܢܐ + finite verbs for present infinitives. Again, however, we can find the occasional inconsistency, for within a single passage the genitive phrase τοῦ εἶναι θεός appears twice and yet is rendered by ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ once and then by ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܐܘܢܐ.³ The use of the perfect of φαίνω is also used by Cyril to express real existence (especially of the incarnation), and this is again treated as if it were the present of εἰμί, i.e. ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ and the same is true again of ἐμπεφυκός, the perfect participle from φύω.⁴ Thus we can see that while the distinction between 'being' and 'becoming' is maintained, the translator does not make any attempt to differentiate different ways of predicating existence. The reduction of forms of ὑπάρχειν to forms of ܕܘܪܐ occurs frequently in our other texts also.

Moving onto modal forms: purpose clauses with ἵνα + subjunctive or optative are consistently rendered with ܐܘܢܐ + impf, though once with ܐܘܢܐ ܕܘܪܐ + impf.⁵ Once, we have a purpose clause with εἰς + article and infinitive, but this is translated as a normal article + inf.⁶ Subjunctives in conditionals are rendered as though they were indicatives; thus present subjunctives become verbal participles, in contrast to the preceding type of construction in which they would be rendered as imperfect verbs.

¹ 16,3 [f.14rb] et passim; 17,21 [f.15va]

² 21,27[f.18vb]; 20,2 [f.17rb].

³ 17,10 [f.15rb] and 17,21 [f.15va].

⁴ 23,9 [f.19va]; 23,22 [f.19vb].

⁵ 17,21 [f.15va] for the subj.; 16,13 [f.14va] for the opt.; 21,2 [f.18ra].

⁶ 19,28 [f.17rb].

The same is true of the apodoses of result clauses.¹ The ἄν of the conditional is never imitated. Genitive absolutes are treated much as if they were subordinating participial clauses of any other type, merely with a different subject from that of the main finite verb, a syntactical device which fits neatly in the Syriac syntax just as it is stylistically unacceptable to the relatively Atticistic Greek of Cyril – thus we almost always see the usual ܐܘܢ + ptc (see 24,10-12 [f.20rb] for an example of both types, a genitive absolute and a subordinate participial clause, of which the subject is identical with the subject of the main verb, placed side-by-side with exactly the same Syriac syntax). On two occasions, the translator chooses the use ܐܘܢ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ as an alternative, as also is used occasionally for normal participles (see above).²

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This text shows just the same set of equivalents as those just described as being standard for EDC. Tenses are treated carefully, with impfs distinguished from aorists/pfs and ܐܘܢ is used consistently for the ptc.³ In the result clause, ܐܘܢ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ + impf is found for ὥστε + infinitive,⁴ but there is some degree of variation in the use of the Syriac infinitive for its Greek equivalent, it being most commonly used where the Greek infinitive is simply the object of a verb, and not usually in places such as the ὥστε clause.

The translator always uses ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ to express the copula in all its forms, adding ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ for the impf, ܐܘܢ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ for the infinitive.⁵ Where this produces a difficulty, periphrasis is the solution, rather than an over-rigid adherence to *signifiant*, thus ὅπερ ἦν καὶ ἔστι καὶ ἔσται has to become ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ ܕܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ ܘܢܘܪܐܘܢܐ.⁶

Ep39

Similar rules are, on the whole, observed in this text as we saw under EDC. These should be considered as the standard equivalencies among translators for whom formal equivalence is the ideal.

¹ 18,14 [f.16ra].

² 16,15f. [f.14va]; 22,17f. [f.19ra].

³ 220,2-3 [f.22ra].

⁴ 219,13 [f.21va].

⁵ For assorted examples of the different forms, see 219,10 [f.21rb]; 220,18 [f.25va]; 219,12 [f.21va]; 221,24 [f.26vb]; 221,25 [f.26vb].

⁶ 222,31 [f.30vb].

translator considers the sense modal (e.g. in the previous examples where [οὐ] φέρεσθαι παραιτούμενοι may be taken as ‘praying that we might not be brought’) and the same frequently happens in unfulfilled conditions; however, where the conditional εἰ μή + impf (protasis)...pf.+ἄν (apodosis) is rendered as ܐܠܐ + ptc. + ܪܥܡܐ (protasis)...ptc. + ܪܥܡܐ (apodosis), he has correctly understood the unfulfilled past time conditional with ἄν and translated this modal nuance by using ܐܠܐ with its idiomatic ptc + ܪܥܡܐ construction.¹ These sorts of approaches allow for a significant influence of natural idiom over against a precise formal equivalence – i.e. the real *force* of the Greek is the major concern for the translator. Thus they do *not* show the sorts of calques used by 7th century versions (starting with Harklean and Syro-Hexapla) to express subjunctives and forms of ἔχω etc. Even here in Ep39, the form ܐܠܐ ܪܥܡܐ is used for ἵνα ἔχωσιν,² a good idiomatic compound tense in a subordinate clause of purpose, where the Harklean would have rendered ܐܠܐ ܕܠܐ ܪܥܡܐ.³ Elsewhere, however, ἵνα + subj. is rendered with ܐܠܐ + impf.⁴ However, the past copula ἦν is usually translated with the calque ܪܥܡܐ ܡܘܕܐܠܐ - it is essentially devised as a way of giving a declinable past conjugation to ܕܠܐ. The use of this method is standard in this text and frequently elsewhere also.⁵

This text (*Ep39*) has a policy of using ܐܠܐ+pf for genitive absolutes, even where the genitive participle is present tense. There is some inconsistency, however, for in the construction Παύλου...προκομίσαντος...καὶ διαβεβαιουμένου, instead of ܐܠܐ + ptc., he uses the construction ܐܠܐ ܡܘܕܐܠܐ + pf...ܐܠܐ + ptc., but with the second element governed by a preceding inserted ܪܥܡܐ ܕܠܐ as a way of making the interconnections more apparent.⁶

Ep40

In those passages (and this includes at least the first eight of twenty-one chapters) where the editing is fairly free (as described earlier) there is too little concern with the

¹ Cf. Nöldeke §375A; the unreal conditional in past time is expressed with a pluperfect in protasis and aorist in apodosis (cf. Smyth, *Greek Grammar*, §2310f.), but the Syriac does not press the tense equivalence here.

² 16,2-3 [f.149vb].

³ E.g. Jn 17.14.

⁴ 16,2-3 [f.149vb] and see Nöldeke §261 for the idiom; 16 9-10 [f.150ra].

⁵ E.g. 18,23 [f.151va]. The construction is discussed in Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 83.

⁶ 15,26-7 [f.149vb]; 16,23-4 [f.150ra].

Ep46

In general, the same level of flexibility of form is true for this text as for the previous. The attitude to ἦν and ἐστίν is similar. There are instances of ὅπερ ἦν rendered as ܘܦܪ ܘܡܕܘܪܐ, as if the original were ὅπερ ἐστίν; but elsewhere ܕܘܡܘܪ ܘܡܕܘܪܐ is used as well. Simply ܘܡܘܪܐ can also be used for εἶναι.¹ Again, we see the tense of circumstantial participles being ignored with ܐܘܢ + pf sometimes used for pres ptc and ܐܘܢ + ptc sometimes used for aorists.² In the former case, the verbs do actually refer to a perfective aspect (given that the main verb is aorist) and hence it makes for quite natural reading that they should be in the perfective in the Syriac too. Elsewhere we can see an awareness of tense still being maintained – where the apodoses of two neighbouring conditionals differ in tense, one being subjunctive, the other perfect, the translation has an imperfect and a present participle respectively.³

Ep50

Again, there is quite a degree of flexibility in verbal forms - ܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ for the aorist ἔμεινε, ܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ for ἔδοξε, and ܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ for an aorist infinitive ἠξιῶσθαι.⁴ There is a general reluctance to over-use the infinitive, and abstracts such as τὸ λογίζεσθαι καὶ νοεῖν ordinarily become ܠܕܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ.⁵ This text also tends to use ܐܘܢ even in its quotations from opponents, instead of finding a more precise equivalent to the various forms of φημί which are used by Cyril.

In the use of ܘܡܕܘܪܐ and ܘܡܘܪܐ, there is some inconsistency. On the one hand we find ܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ for ἦν and ܘܡܕܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܪܐ for τὸ εἶναι, whereas sometimes he has simple ܘܡܘܪܐ. In another place, finding ὃ ἦν τε καὶ ἐστίν, he renders the verb only once, as ܘܡܘܪܐ ܘܡܕܘܪܐ. It seems that the method adopted for the past copula does not really allow for a distinctive expression for an emphasised present copula (as we have here) without the Syriac idiom being too much violated, and this translator has taken the easier route.⁶

¹ 158,18 [48,7]; 160,20 [50,16-17] and 160,25 [48,23]; 158,19 4 [48, 8].
² e.g. 159,2-3 [48,24-5]; 158,8 [47,19].
³ 161,20-5 [51,26-52,2].
⁴ 93,18 [f.142va]; 91,14 [f.141ra]; 95,24 [f.144ra].
⁵ 94,3 [f.142vb2].
⁶ 91,12 [f.141rb]; 98,12 [f.145vb]; 92,8 [f.141va]; 98,17 [f.146rb].

of different methods, e.g. ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ (lit. *is able that it should be*) for εἴη ἄν; elsewhere, he uses an extra verb to try to catch the nuance, so οὐ φαίη τις becomes ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܘܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܘܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ (no-one would be persuaded to say...); but more often the subjunctives/optatives are ignored and treated as indicative.¹

Just as such paraphrastic methods are used for certain modal tenses, so sometimes participial forms find their equivalents in non-equivalent grammatical categories. So a circumstantial participle, φαινόμενος, can become a noun phrase, ܘܥܝܢܐ; or even an adverbial phrase can be substituted: τάξαντος θεοῦ = ܕܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ.² As everywhere, the use of ܘ for circumstantial participial clauses, including genitive absolutes, is most common. However, there are occasional variations, such as the use of ܐ ܕܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ for a genitive absolute, and ...ܐ ܘܥܝܢܐ (a form more commonly used for the infinitive) used, for example, for a circumstantial participial clause following a genitive absolute – the translator evidently wants to distinguish the two with different Syriac constructions;³ in general it is true that the translator often makes subjective judgments on the meaning of such a subordinate clause and moulds his Syriac accordingly, thus, for example, choosing ܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ instead of ܘܥܝܢܐ where he feels that the clause is really time-based.⁴

Substantive participles receive a variety of alternative renderings, usually signified by some sort of preceding demonstrative – such as ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ for νοουμένος; τὸ λεγόμενον = ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ; τὸ εἰρημένον = ܕܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ ܘܥܝܢܐ (as if for added emphasis of the direct object); and such as ܘܥܝܢܐ ܠܥܫܐܝܢܐ for τοὺς πιστεύοντας where the tense has changed.⁵

The translator prefers not to use Syriac infinitives, and renders instead Greek infinitive constructions with ܐ constructions – a straightforward ܐ + impf for infinitives that are direct objects of verbs and ܐ ܘܥܝܢܐ + pf/impf for the article + infinitive.⁶ It is not uncommon, however, for some more dynamic equivalent to be found, such that, for

¹ 39,19 [f.94rc27]; 40,22 [f.95ra]; and for the more usual treatment 40,7 [f.94vc].

² 34,19 [f.91vc]; 38,9 [f.93vc6].

³ 40,20f. [f.95ra]; 38,7 [f.93vb] and 40,18 [f.95ra]; 33,21f. [f.91va].

⁴ 33,17 [f.91rc].

⁵ 34,20 [f.91vc]; 35,13 [f.92rc]; 38,19 [f.93vc]; 36,16 [f.93ra].

⁶ E.g. 33,23 [f.91va], but passim; 34,27 [f.92ra] or 34,36 [f.92rb]

οὐσία; there is an instance of a quite unemphatic ἀνθρωποτήσ αὐτοῦ followed by a highly marked αὐτοῦ ἀνθρώπινον in which *both* are rendered with ܐܢܝܢܐ, which looks like an attempt at formal consistency were it not that αὐτοῦ is more usually translated with the suffix alone.¹ ܐܢܝܢܐ may also be the method of choice where the governing noun, by being compound in Syriac, would have difficulty in taking a suffix (e.g. ܥܝܢܐ ܐܢܝܢܐܢܐܘܢܐ).² ܐܢܝܢܐ is most usually reserved, unsurprisingly, for ἰδίος. Only very occasionally is this rule broken, with a single instance of the reduction of ἰδίος to a simple suffix and one instance of its complete omission – the latter can be more easily put down to oversight, the former is inexplicable given the importance of the term in question (ܥܘܠܐܢܐ) and the consistency elsewhere, although a similar treatment is given to the parallel οἰκεῖος on two occasions.³ These variations on normality are rare enough to ‘prove the rule’ and yet frequent enough to be evidence that the work of translation is not yet entirely dogmatically conceived.

The variety of methods used for relative and assumed relative clauses again shows how formal equivalence prevails while still being subject to the need to convey meaning as accurately as possible. Thus compare how EDC and the Peshitta deal with the difficult oblique relative of Jn 10.35, πρὸς οὓς ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ἐγένετο: EDC has ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܝܘܥܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܝܘܥܐ, which tries to follow each word as it comes, but the Peshitta has ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܝܘܥܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܝܘܥܐ ܕܝܘܥܐ, which is more periphrastic.⁴ Ellipsed relative pronouns are very frequently supplied with ܐܢܝܢܐ, hence the common τῷ ἐκ θεοῦ φύντι λόγῳ = ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ.

Where there is a resumptive article, the rules of formal equivalence require also a demonstrative before the ܐܢܝܢܐ, thus συνάφειαν ...τὴν κατὰ γε μόνην τὴν ἀξίαν is made quite explicit as ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ.⁵ This practise is even more evident in the recapitulation of prepositions, thus εἰς ἄνθρωπον...τὸν ἐκ τῆς ἀγίας παρθένου becomes ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ...ܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܐܘܠܐܢܐ.⁶ While this is very common

¹ 17,14 [f.15rb]; 20,4f. [f.17rb].

² 24,11 [f.20rb].

³ 20,22 [f.17vb]; 25,4 [f.20vb]; 15,30 [f.14rb], where governed by νοῦς, and 18,18 [f.16rb], where governed by δόξα ἢ φύσις.

⁴ 21,10 [f.18rb].

⁵ 24,9 [f.20ra]; 19,6 [f.16vb].

⁶ 20,29-21,1 [f.18ra] and again 23,23 [f.19vb]

there is an instance of apparent omission of the relative particle: τοῦ ζωογονοῦντος λόγου = ܠܘܘܢ ܠܘܠܘܢ not ܠܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܠܘܢ; such also may be the construction of σάρκα τὴν τοῦ θανάτου δεκτικὴν = ܠܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ.¹

Finally, an example of *signifiant* over *signifié*: ἐστὶν ὁ αὐτός is rendered as ܐܘܢ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܠܘ (he is what he is), the true meaning being ‘he is the same’, which in more idiomatic language (as elsewhere in this text and always in the ‘early’ groups) should be ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ. The translator of EDC has made a clear choice based on form rather than meaning.²

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As with the verbs, so throughout the grammar of this text, formal equivalence is the norm. There are exceptions, however, and where necessary the categories will be changed. Thus an adjective for an adverb, ܕܠܘܠܘܢܐ for συμβολικὴν, or an adjective rendered with a prepositional phrase, ܠܘܠܘܢܐ for προφητικῆ, and the singular to a plural, ἐν πάντι κακῶ το ܠܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܠܘܢܐ.³ When we see that ܠܘܠܘܢܐ is used both for τοῖς ἐπὶ γῆς and for γῆνιου, we can see that strict categorisation is not always possible for this translator – he is not sufficiently concerned about the distinction between the terms to force a categorical differentiation upon them.⁴

The resumptive pronoun is almost always included and wherever the article needs to be expressed, such as ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ ܘܡܘܕܘܪܐ for διὰ τὸ κεχρίσθαι. In general, however, the Peshitta’s term ܠܘܠܘܢܐ rather than Harklean’s ܠܘܠܘܢܐ is used for the indefinite pronoun.⁵

Again, the phrase ἀσυγχύτους ἀλλήλαις τηροῦντες αὐτάς is translated as ܠܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܠܘܢܐ ܠܘܠܘܢܐ, where other translators might easily have just written ܠܘܠܘܢܐ. This translator has a care for grammatical categories.⁶

If we look at the whole sentence,

¹ 25,4f. [f.20vb]; 25,20 [f.21ra].

² 21,7 [f.18rb]; 17,13 [f.15rb].

³ 219,18 [f.21va]; 219,18 [f.21va]; 219,27 [f.21vb].

⁴ 219,28-9 [f.21vb] and 219,29 [f.21vb].

⁵ 220,2 [f.22ra]; 220,10 [f.22rb]; 219,23 [f.21vb].

⁶ 222,33 [f.31ra].

ἐνοῦσθαι δέ φαμεν καὶ τὰ ἀλλήλοις κολλώμενα ἢ γούν συνενηνεγμένα καθ' ἑτέρους
τρόπους ἢ κατὰ παράθεσιν ἢ μίξιν ἢ κρᾶσιν.

ⲕⲁⲓⲧⲓ ⲙⲉⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲙⲉⲛⲕ ⲁⲛⲕ .ⲕⲁⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲙⲉⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲙⲉⲛⲕⲁ ⲙⲉⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲙⲉⲛⲕⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲙⲉⲛⲕ ⲁⲛⲕ
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we can see the overall attempt at formal and word-for-word correspondence, even where Cyril is being formulaic and repetitive [note the use of ⲕⲁⲓⲛⲁⲗ for explanation of the compound].¹

Ep39

In general the level of formal equivalence is very high in this text, and elements such as Δ for marking the direct object are reasonably common. There are some places where the idiom is treated a little more freely. Thus the contrastive pair ἀσφαλῆ and ἐξάριετον are understood as adverbs rather than adjectives for πίστιν, although still contrasted with their ⲛⲁ and ⲛⲁ.²

Later, we have an example of the translator’s felt need to communicate sense and meaning overcoming his desire for equivalence of forms. There is in the text διά + accusative twice in one clause followed by twice more in the next sentence.³ However, the first pair are teleological or purposive and therefore translated with ⲁⲛⲕⲁ, while the latter two are the grounds of the belief being expressed and thus are rendered with ⲁ. This shows an awareness of nuances within the Greek that can only be derived from context and a desire to encode these nuances in the wording of the new version.

There are other instances of this sense of meaning and a desire to convey it where the Greek is not as clear as it might be. Thus διαβεβαιουμένοις (*for those who affirm*) is translated as ⲙⲉⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲁ (*because we say*), the preposition being used to show the

¹ 220,15-16 [f.25va].
² 16,1-2 [f.149vb].
³ 17,12 twice [f.151va] and 17,14-16 twice [f.151vb].

datival relationship more clearly and the agent of the action, *we*, also being made apparent, even though the preceding ἡμῖν has already been rendered with 𐤅.¹

Ep40/Ep45/Ep46

Here we may make reference back to a sentence referred to previously, in which we saw how, in the context of restructuring a clause, the translator turned a direct object into an adverb and a substantival clause constructed out of article + inf. into a straightforward noun phrase. These are the sorts of changes made when the semantic content of each word is retained but the grammatical interrelationships between them can often be altered quite significantly.² In these texts, this sort of transformation is reasonably common, and differentiates these texts fundamentally from such as EDC, where a set of carefully worked-out rules are applied and only a potential ambiguity or lack of clarity in meaning would persuade the translator to alter the grammatical forms.

To give some examples from Ep45: in a substantial portion analysed, all 3 instances of the reflexive pronoun were wholly omitted, the conjunctions ἵνα and ὥστε were always (6 instances) translated with simple 𐤓 rather than the 𐤓 𐤇𐤆 or 𐤓 𐤇𐤆𐤏 that we find later; the preposition κατά was rendered with 𐤏 mostly (9 out of 13) but could equally well be with 𐤏𐤏𐤏 or altered altogether; and μετά + gen. could be either 𐤏 or 𐤏.

Small periphrases which result in changes of grammatical form are extremely common, such as 𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤏 for ταῦτα γράψαι.³ This can even involve nouns being turned into their cognate verbal forms, such that λέγεται...ἀνασχέσθαι δὲ καὶ ὕπνου καὶ ταραχῆς καὶ λύπης is 𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤏...𐤏𐤏𐤏.⁴

Ep50

We have already noted how this translator has made such transformations as noun phrases into verb phrases and vice versa and this naturally prevents any consistency of

¹ 18,4 [f.151ra].

² Ep46, 161,13-14 [51,15-16], see above under Sentence Restructuring, Ep46.

³ Ep45, 151,10 [39,8].

⁴ Ep45, 155,21-2 [44,19-20].

formal equivalence. He has little concern for keeping the forms of the Greek constructions if they do not easily move into Syriac (although where they do, there is little problem). Thus a double negative such as οὐκ ἀψύχος is quite naturally turned into a positive statement, although this might be said to detract somewhat from the force of Cyril's argument, which involves the denial of a soul-less Christ. However, this would be tricky in the Syriac since both the οὐκ and the negatory ἀ would have to become ܐܠ.¹ Overall, the technique is comparable to Ep40/45/46 just described.

Ep55

Only occasionally here will meaning overcome form to the extent that verbal phrases will become nominal ones, τοῖς...ἀσκούσι becoming ܐܘܠܡܐ ܚܘܬܝܬܐ, 'those in the labour' rather than 'those who labour', and instead of the apodosis ψευδοεπήσειεν ἄν οὐδαμῶς the version has the noun phrase ܡܠܘܟܐ ܕܥܠܡܐ ܕܥܠܡܐ ܕܥܠܡܐ ܕܥܠܡܐ ܕܥܠܡܐ.²

On occasion the translator's grammatical simplifications can produce a misunderstood rendering, such as for δι' υἰοῦ ἐν πνεύματι, where the different prepositions are ignored and the phrase rendered as ܕܡܘܨܝܐ ܕܥܢ ܒܢܐ, even though the semantic weight of Cyril's statement really relies on the two prepositions having quite different meanings.³

Sometimes the translator gets himself into difficulty, such as when he uses ܐܠܐ for ἀλλά to introduce an apodosis – this can be put down to the odd reading of εἴπερ οὐ at the beginning of the sentence which the translator must have read in his text.⁴ He will sometimes change singulars to plurals, and sometimes vice versa.⁵

Contra Orientales/Contra Theodoretum

We have noted previously regarding this text that, while it generally maintains careful equivalents for the different syntactical constructions, there can still be found a more flexible approach from time to time. Thus, while a Greek noun will almost always be a Syriac noun, we do find exceptions – where Cyril writes ἄρ' οὖν εἰς ἓνα τῶν καθ'

¹ 92,1 [f.141va].

² 49,3 [1,6]; 53,4-5 [8,6].

³ 53,15 [8,22].

⁴ This reading is from PR (Schwartz), 52,11 [6,18-19].

⁵ For the former, 'holy doctrine' 50,4 [2,21]; for the latter 'confessions and opinions' 50,33 [4,6] and 'pious teachings' 51,6 [4,18].

as an equivalent for ὑπόστασις – the one exception being RF, who does use it in this sense (see below, under lexical equivalence for ὑπόστασις).¹ Sometimes, possessive suffixes can appear without any Greek equivalent, e.g. for καρδίας or φύσεως, even ܐܢܝܢܐ can be used where there is no Greek possessive as well as for simple αὐτοῦ, and conversely the Greek ἰδίος can become either ܐܢܝܢܐ or just a suffixed pronoun.² There are plenty of examples of all these types of renderings, showing little consistency or leaning towards any particular method.

Relative and demonstrative pronouns are usually simple enough. He likes to use of feminine ܐܢܝܢܐ for the neuter plural ταῦτα. There is an interesting idiom in ܐܢܝܢܐ ܡܢܐܢܐ which is used for τοιαῦδε, and again, in the plural, τὰ τοιάδε is ܐܢܝܢܐ ܡܢܐܢܐ; this construction is also used for the expression οὕτω τῇ λέξει (*a word such as this*) which is considered as synonymous with τῇ τοιαῦδε λέξει. Another such expression, namely ܕܐܘܠܐܢܐ ܡܢܐܢܐ is used for ὅσος as well – the nuances of these terms are obviously of concern to the translator who does not want to reduce them simply to mere personal or demonstrative pronouns.³

Responsiones ad Tiberium

We have pointed out already how some of AT’s literalist renderings leave the Syriac ambiguous or may even be signs of an erroneous understanding of the Greek. His constant use of the preposition ܐܘܪܝܢܐ to render κατά is sometimes involved in this sort of error. Thus δὲ οἴονται...ἠγνοηκέναι τι Χριστὸν καθ’ ὃ νοεῖται θεός becomes, by means of formally rendering each part according to his own principles, ܐܘܪܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ, which Ebied and Wickham understandably translate as “they suppose that Christ was ignorant of a fact about God” (treating ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ as Ethpael) although the Greek equivalent must really mean “they suppose Christ to have been ignorant of something insofar as he is thought of as God.”⁴ The Syriac could still be taken this way (if ܕܥܘܠܐܢܐ were taken as Ethp’al), but, perhaps ironically, the translator’s attitude to formal equivalence of the syntax actually leads to greater, and not to lesser, ambiguity.

¹ 33,14 [f.91rc] and 34,2 [f.91vb]; 38,15 [f.93vc]; 37 5 [f.93rc]and 38,21 [f.94ra].
² 33,16 [f.91rc] or 35,35 [f.92vb]; 34,6 [f.91vb]; 38,2 [f.93vb]; 36,27 [f.93rb].
³ 34,32 [f.92ra]; 35,6 [f.92rb]; 39,20 [f.94rc]; 40,21 [f.95ra]; 38,3 [f.93vb] and again 39,30 [f.94va].
⁴ 150,12-13 [461,14-15].

4.i Lexical equivalence

We will deal first with a range of key (mostly Christological) terms, noting in each case how each of our translators deals with them, whether with consistent equivalence or with variation. We will then describe more generally levels of lexical equivalence in each text.

4.i (a) Organised by terminology

σάρξ, σῶμα and their derivatives

The significance of these terms lies both in the level of consistent equivalence which we may find, which itself tells us about translation styles, but also in the calibration that we can make with the changing terminology for the credal term σαρκωθῆναι. De Halleux has analysed the evidence for the changing terms.¹ He shows that the older Syriac Christology preferred ܠܒܫܐ ܕܥܡܪܐ. This phrase, the famous ‘clothing metaphor’ of Syriac literature, we come across in various early translations such as those of Basil’s *De spiritu sancto* and Proclus’ *Tomus* as well as, more famously, in the wording of the Eastern creed of 410.² The clothing metaphor is a typically Antiochene expression and was used freely by Theodore. By contrast, in the revised portions of Proclus’ *Tomus*, as found in ps-Zechariah Rhetor’s *Historia Ecclesiastica*, this sort of language is clearly avoided, and the same is true of the 7th century revisions of both these translations. It was developed originally due to a repugnance to the term ܠܒܫܐ, but it too came under severe pressure well before Philoxenus’ day, for it seems to have been replaced by ܕܡܫܚܐ sometime in the fifth century, probably in response to Christological issues. As it is found in Narsai, it cannot be considered a usage of the Cyrillian party only.

¹ De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*. See also De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 371. The work of Gribomont, *La catéchèse*, somewhat anticipated and, though unacknowledged, lay the ground for the De Halleux thesis.

² See Taylor, *De Spiritu Sancto*, and Van Rompay, *Proclus*, for details of these texts. For the creed of 410, Vööbus, *Symbol*, 295 and De Halleux, *Séleucie-Ctésiphon*, 163. In general, see Brock, *Clothing Metaphor*.

Philoxenus started his career, therefore, using the term ܡܫܠܝܢܐ, which he states to have been the standard formula of his day,¹ and which we find in his early work (*Contra Habbib*). De Halleux has further sifted the evidence from the western collections of canons (Add 14528, Add 14525, Vat.Syr.82) and concluded that the subsequent alteration of this term to ܡܫܠܝܢܐ occurred under Philoxenus' own patronage in c.500, on the grounds that such neologisms were clearer and did justice to the Greek philosophical genius.² He uses the new term in his later works (*Letter to Monks of Senoun, Commentary on the Johannine Prologue*). It seems then that Philoxenus ordered not just a new version of the New Testament to make up for the deficiencies of the 'Nestorianising' language of the older translators, but also one of the creed. The influence was immediately felt, as the new terms are found in Paul of Callinicum, especially when translating the credal formulae in Severus' *Cathedral Homilies*.³

On this basis, De Halleux believes we can better elucidate the histories behind otherwise obscure text traditions. He uses his new criteria on the Apollinarian and Athanasian texts and also, albeit briefly, on some of the Cyrilline texts here studied (Ep40,45,46,55).

In the RF, σάρξ is most usually ܡܫܠܝܢܐ. Even without further qualification, this is worthy of note, because ܡܫܠܝܢܐ is the term most commonly found in the Peshitta. Indeed, within the Biblical citations, where ܡܫܠܝܢܐ is used, RF tends to keep the Peshitta's wording.⁴ However, ܡܫܠܝܢܐ is used in the main text as well on occasion. As far as technique is concerned, the most significant fact is that he feels he can use the two as synonyms and mix them up, apparently for stylistic variation alone. Thus ܡܫܠܝܢܐ and ܡܫܠܝܢܐ are used almost alongside each other in one place.⁵ To make the point even clearer, in one passage he will use ܡܫܠܝܢܐ for σάρξ, ܡܫܠܝܢܐ for σῶμα, then

¹ De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*, 303. See, for instance, its common usage in one of Philoxenus' early dogmatical letters, De Halleux, *La Deuxième Lettre de Philoxène aux Monastères du Beit Gaugal*, §21.

² We can, of course, compare the well known 'deficiencies' of the Syriac language deplored by Philoxenus in his discussion of 'mixture' in Ephrem (De Halleux, *Moines de Senoun*, 51). It is here also that he mentions the issue of the language of 'becoming man'.

³ Gribomont, *La catechèse*, 153.

⁴ See further below on Rabbula's relationship to the Peshitta text, as well as the discussion in Vööbus, *Rabbula* and Black, *Rabbula*.

⁵ 57,7&9 [73,2&5] and again 70,9 [138,4].

immediately followed by **ܠܫܘܐ** for **σάρξ** (!), and then in another he uses both **ܠܫܘܐ** and **ܠܫܘܐ** for **σάρξ**, followed by the use of the latter again but this time for **σῶμα**.¹ We also see both **ܠܫܘܐ** and **ܠܫܘܐ** for **ἐνανθρωπήσις** as well as **ܠܫܘܐ** for **σωματικός**.² **ܠܫܘܐ** is also used consistently for **ναός** in reference to the ‘body’ of Christ in preference to the more literal equivalent **ܠܫܘܐ** which we find in the other versions.³ The translator has no fear of the so-called ‘clothing metaphor’ and will even use it to translate solid Cyrilline formulae such as **διὰ τὸ ἡνωῶσθαι τῇ σαρκί**.⁴

QUX has a fairly consistent **σάρξ/ܠܫܘܐ** equivalency (although on occasion the term is omitted entirely) but **ܠܫܘܐ** tends to be found in citations and allusions of **Jn 1.14**;⁵ **κατὰ σάρκα** is thus **ܠܫܘܐ** or **ܠܫܘܐ** most of the time, but can also be **ܠܫܘܐ**.⁶ **σάρκωσις** is undistinguished from this, also as **ܠܫܘܐ**.⁷ Nor is any distinction made for **σῶμα** which is also generally **ܠܫܘܐ**.⁸ When it comes to the language of ‘incarnation’ however, there is a different picture. On occasion, the translator is quite content to use the clothing metaphor **ܠܫܘܐ**, both for the common **γέγονεν σάρξ**, and even where the Greek imagery is quite different, e.g. for **ἀνασχέσθαι σαρκός** (*the taking hold of the flesh*), or it can be omitted altogether, as when the phrase **ἐν καιροῖς καθ’ οὓς ἐσαρκώθη** is dynamically rendered as **ܠܫܘܐ**.⁹ Even the credal **σεσαρκωμένος** can be translated with **ܠܫܘܐ**, and furthermore, after the expression **ὄντα μετὰ φύσει τε καὶ ἀληθείᾳ θεόν** the words **ܠܫܘܐ** are added as an explanatory gloss (see under editing above).¹⁰ However, the straight verb **σεσαρκωμένος** is also found a few times as the ‘neologism’ **ܠܫܘܐ** as well as in the Aphel form **ܠܫܘܐ**.¹¹

¹ 65,2-5 [112,3-7]; 70,27-8 [141,6-8].

² 54,5 [58,3] and 44,26 [9,14]; 64,5 [107,4]; and see below for more on **ἐνανθρωπήσις**.

³ 53,5 [53,3], 53,21 [56,3] etc.

⁴ 62,2 [97,1]; 70,27-8 [141,6], and in several other places.

⁵ **ܠܫܘܐ** 717,16 [f.52va]; 720,19 [f.54va]; 720,40 [f.54vb]; **ܠܫܘܐ** 719,21 [f.54ra]; 720,13 [f.54rb].

⁶ 716,37 [f.52ra]; 773,5 [f.91rb].

⁷ 719,31 [f.54ra]; also 720,30 [f.54va]; 721,40 [f.55rb].

⁸ 723,7 [f.56ra]; 777,39 [f.95ra].

⁹ 767,37 [f.87ra]; 715,38 [f.51va]; 719,29 [f.54ra].

¹⁰ 759,13-4 [f.80va].

¹¹ E.g. 737,3 [f.65rb] and 758,16 [f.79vb]; 715,32&35 [f.51va].

In Ep40 ܠܘܨܐ is most commonly used for σάρξ, ܠܘܨܐ appearing a few times, with ܠܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ also for σάρκωσις.¹ However, in one place the translator uses ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ for σεσαρκωμένος followed almost immediately by ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ for σαρκωθῆναι – the first being the term Philoxenus substituted for the second.² It may be that the translator is distinguishing middle and passive senses of the verb, but that would hardly fit with his techniques elsewhere. If we accept De Halleux’s proposition that ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ is clearly a post-Philoxenian term, then we could conclude that this version is post c.500. We have already seen on other grounds, however, that this is not the case, for we can date the text before 484, and this earlier date matches well with the high degree of freedom with which the translator in general treats his text (see under ‘editing’ above). The use of ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ here may force us soon to revise some of our understandings of Philoxenus’ role in the development of translation techniques.

There is a middle/passive distinction also in Ep44 where σαρκωθείς is rendered as ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ while the middle σεσαρκωμένος is translated with the Pael ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ, the latter being used in the Cyrilline μία φύσις formula. As we have seen, the distinction seems to have been taken into some consideration also in Ep40.³

In Ep45, we see another complex situation: although ܠܘܨܐ is generally used for σάρξ, there is an interesting exception, where ܠܘܨܐ is used in a citation of 2 Cor 5.16 even though ܠܘܨܐ is actually found (contrary to common usage) in the Peshitta at this point.⁴ In total, ܠܘܨܐ is found in 13/15 instances of simple σάρξ. For the phrase κατὰ σάρκα, however, ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ is used; σάρκωσις is ܠܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ and σῶμα is always ܠܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ 15/17 times (ܠܘܨܐ for the other two).

The verbal forms show similar patterns to those mentioned before, the passive σαρκωθῆναι is ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ in the credal phrase θεὸν ἐνανθρωπήσαντα καὶ σαρκωθέντα, but the σεσαρκωμένη of the Cyrilline formula is the Pael ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ; however, the same middle form is rendered as ܘܨܐܘܘܨܐܘܘܨܐ in the very next section, even though this comes

¹ 26,1 [32,10]; 27,1 [33,22].

² 26,9 [32,22].

³ 36,12 [55,28] for the passive; 35,14 [54,20] for the middle.

⁴ 156,7 [45,11].

in another credal ‘quote’ where Cyril uses ἐνανθρωπήσαντα καὶ σεσαρκωμένον.¹ The translator’s distinction between the perfect middle and the aorist passive forms is therefore not carried through consistently; rather, it would appear that the Syriac form used depends on whether the creed or the Cyrilline formula is being quoted rather than on the form actually present in the Greek text.

Ep46 shows some variation from the norms that Ep45 seemed to set itself. Thus there are a couple of instances of ܠܫܡܐ for σάρξ as well as being normally for σῶμα; κατὰ σάρκα is ܕܡܝܘܢܐ in contrast to the normal ܘܥܒܐ of Ep45.² These sort of exceptions are much more common in this text than in Ep45; for example, ܠܘܥܒܐ is used where the Greek has σῶμα in one place, and ܠܘܢܐ can be used as well as the normal ܠܫܡܐ.³ We then note that the less common term σάρκωσις is rendered as ܠܗܘܘܥܒܐܘܫܐ and ܘܥܒܐܘܫܐ is then also found for σεσαρκωμένος although, in line with Ep45, ܘܢܐܘܫܐ is more frequently used for this participle in the Cyrilline formula.⁴ The use of ܘܥܒܐܘܫܐ harks back to the unexpected use of the same term in Ep40 above. Just to indicate finally the uneven nature of these terms in this text, we can note that τὰ σώματα is rendered as ܠܘܥܒܐܘܫܐ ܐܠܘܢ while τῆ ἁοῖκῆ φύσει in the very same sentence in ܠܫܡܐ ܘܥܒܐܘܫܐ despite the fact that the two are meant to be synonymous in the argument.⁵ In general, the renderings in Ep46 are a good deal more varied and unexpected than in Ep45, which may count against Ebied and Wickham’s assumption that they were translated by the same individual.

Ep50 shows a similar variety, although with fewer exceptions to the general rules, such as using ܠܘܢܐ for σάρξ; where we do find ܠܘܥܒܐ, it is usually under the influence of the Peshitta. We do, however, get ܠܫܡܐ for σάρξ on at least two occasions.⁶ For κατὰ σάρκα we saw above in Ep45/46 the use of both ܘܥܒܐ and ܕܡܝܘܢܐ interchangeably, and both appear in close proximity also here, as well as ܘܢܐܘܫܐ.⁷ σῶμα

¹ 152,17 [40,25]; 153,23 [42,20]; 154,3 [42,25]. It is also possible, of course, that the Vorlage of the Syriac had been amended and the second formula had σαρκωθέντα as the result of assimilation to the first, but this cannot be assumed.

² 159,4 [48,27] and 161,8 [51,7]; 161,17 [51,24]; 158,19 [48,8].

³ 161,6 [51, 4]; 162,5-6 [52,11].

⁴ 160,24 [50, 22]; 162,17 [52, 27]; 160,24 [50,22] and 162,17 [52,27].

⁵ 161,6 [51,4-5].

⁶ 91,16 [f.141rb]; 94,30 [f.143rb] and 99,30 [f.146vb].

⁷ 91,27 [f.141rb] and 91,30 [f.141rb]; 95,3 [f.143va].

can be both ܠܘܥܐ (even in defiance of Peshitta 2 Pe 2.24) and ܠܘܥܐ.¹ ܠܘܥܐ ܕܝܪ is again predictably used for the passive σαρκωθήναι.²

In general, Ep55 shows a greater level of one-to-one equivalence of terms, and therefore here we far more commonly have ܠܘܥܐ for σάρξ and ܠܘܥܐ for σῶμα, although there are instances of ܠܘܥܐ for σάρξ as well.³ In this latter instance, ܠܘܥܐ ܠܘܥܐ is used for the ‘clothing’ metaphor ἠμπέσχετο σάρκα, which indicates that, although this translator uses at times Philoxenian terms such as ܠܘܥܐܝܪ, he nevertheless does not shy away from this metaphor as Philoxenus had urged. σαρκωθεῖς in the credal allusions is again ܠܘܥܐ ܕܝܪ (but twinned with the more novel ܠܘܥܐܝܪ), and the active ܠܘܥܐܝܪ for σεσαρκωμένος and ܠܘܥܐܝܪ ܕܘܪܐ for σάρκωσις.⁴ In one quotation of the credal statement, however, it is omitted – perhaps best explained as an error or textual variant rather than a conscious choice.⁵ Oddly, on one occasion ܠܘܥܐܝܪ is used as an equivalent for ἐξ αἵματος.⁶

In CO/CT, we find a set of terms reminiscent of the more flexible texts, Ep40 and 45/46. There is no absolute consistency, but σάρξ is ܠܘܥܐ almost all the time. The exceptions tend to come in the set phrases σάρκα γεγόνως/γενέσθαι, though even here ܠܘܥܐ is found.⁷ Even in citation, ܠܘܥܐ is sometimes preferred to Peshitta’s ܠܘܥܐܝܪ, such as in John 3.6, but *not* in John 1.14, the most crucial text of all.⁸ In other set phrases, ܠܘܥܐ is also used, such that ܠܘܥܐܝܪ is equivalent for both μετὰ σαρκός and for κατὰ σάρκα, while the commonly used σαρκικῶς is always ܕܠܘܥܐܝܪ.⁹ For both the aorist middle/passive σεσαρκωμένος (in the Apollinarian formula) and for the pf passive σαρκωθήναι we have the now common formulaic ܠܘܥܐ ܕܝܪ and for the derived σαρκῶσις we have ܠܘܥܐܝܪ (sic, not ܠܘܥܐܝܪܝܢ),¹⁰ and that despite σαρκικῶς

¹ 95,8 [f.143vb]; 92,1 [f.141vb].

² 91,20 [f.141rb].

³ 54,8 [10,4].

⁴ ܠܘܥܐܝܪ 56,38 [15,12]; ܠܘܥܐܝܪ ܕܘܪܐ 56,37 [15,10]

⁵ 53,29-30 [9,12]; 54,14 [10,13].

⁶ 53,1 [8,1], possibly under the influence of Peshitta 1 Cor 10.18.

⁷ 35,21 [f.92va] and 35,29 [f.92va], but ܠܘܥܐ 37,4 [f.93rc].

⁸ 35,28 [f.92va]; 35,21 [f.92va].

⁹ 34,30 [f.92ra]; 35,22 [f.92va]; passim, e.g. 34,15 [f.91vc].

¹⁰ 38,20 [f.94ra] bis and 45,27 [f.97vc].

being *ⲁⲛⲟⲩⲓⲛⲁ*. *σῶμα* is not distinguished from *σάρξ*, being also rendered *ⲛⲓⲛⲁ*, while *ἄσώματος* is *ⲡⲟⲩⲁⲗ ⲛⲁ*.¹

AT has *ⲛⲓⲛⲁ* consistently for *σάρξ* but changes its policy for *σῶμα* apparently after question number 3 [146,14]; before this the term used is consistently *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ*, but afterwards it becomes *ⲛⲓⲛⲁ*. This may be evidence for a change of translator part way through this text. Even here, though, there are strange instances, such as when *σωματοειδῆ* is rendered as *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲟⲩⲱ*, even though the synonymous expression *σώματος εἶδει* is *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲟⲩⲱ* just a few lines later!² In ch15 he uses *ⲡⲟⲩⲁⲗ ⲛⲁ* for *ἄσώματος* while still rendering *σῶμα* with *ⲛⲓⲛⲁ*.³ It is unfortunate that the verbal forms *σαρκωθῆναι* etc. are not used at all in this work. One would expect to find *ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ* consistently, but we cannot be sure.

These patterns can also be neatly summed up in the variety of equivalents used for the common formula *μετὰ σαρκὸς οἰκονομία*. We get the following results:

De Recta Fide 67,6 [122,5] *ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ*

Quod Unus sit Christus 715,30 [f.51va] *ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum 16,1 [f.14rb] etc. *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ*

Scholia de Incarnatione 222,13 [f.30rb] *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ*

Ep40 29,12 [37,2-3] *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ* [the other instance, 29,26 omitted]

Ep45 153,12-3 [42,10] *ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*

Ep46 159,1 [48,22-3] *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗⲓⲛⲁ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*

Responsiones ad Tiberium 154,10 [464,10] *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ*

Contra Orientales 34,30 [f.92ra] *ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*; 59,34 [f.105rb] *ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*

Contra Theodoretum 123,20 [f.113va] *ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗⲓⲛⲁ ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*; 129,2 [f.115vc] *ⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛⲓⲛⲁ*
ⲓⲛⲁⲃⲏⲛ

The significant point is not so much the *ⲛⲓⲛⲁ*/*ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲗ* divide between RF/CO/CT and the others, but in the gradation from the periphrasis of QUX to the use of the simpler preposition *ⲓ* in RF/Ep40/Ep46/CO/CT, and thence to EDC, SDI, and AT's use of *ⲛⲁ*

¹ 44,12 [f.97ra]; 35,36 [f.92vb] and 37,13 [f.93rc]; 35,37 [f.92vb].

² 164,16 [472,9-10]; 166,10-11 [473,14].

³ 178,5 [482,1].

as a more precise equivalent for μετά. If we look at instances of the simple phrase μετὰ σαρκός in other contexts, the point becomes clearer. For at CO 61,24 [f.106ra] Cyril argues that σαρκὶ and μετὰ σαρκός have the same meaning. In general, the translator of CO would use ܘܨܐ for both, but as the translation of the sentence would then become meaningless he recognises the need to be more precise and uses ܡܪܘܨܐ for μετὰ σαρκός in this context. CO's lack of consistency is thus evident even to himself. It is no surprise in addition that the phrase when used alone is always ܡܪܘܨܐ in Ep55, while in Ep50 it turns up as ܕܡܪܘܨܐ.¹

ἀνθρώπινα, ἀνθρώποτης, ἐνανθρωπήσις

Here we have some further significant variation. Just as for σαρκωθῆναι, so Philoxenus, according to De Halleux, introduced the term ܡܘܨܗܐ into the text of the creed as the best rendering for ἐνανθρωπεῖν, in place of the long-used ܡܘܨܐ ܕܡܪܘܨܐ. Here too the Syriac 'clothing metaphor' comes into play, for, as we shall see, ܡܘܨܐ ܕܡܪܘܨܐ could be used for ἐνανθρωπεῖν as much as for σαρκωθῆναι. However, there can be no doubt that ܡܘܨܗܐ precedes Philoxenus, for the term is found in those of our texts which we know to pre-date his earliest work, and Philoxenus himself goes through a stage in his writings where he uses ܡܘܨܗܐ along with ܡܘܨܐ.²

In the RF we see a similar picture to that described for the earlier translations of Basil and Proclus. Thus in the RF the 'clothing metaphor', ܡܘܨܐ ܕܡܪܘܨܐ, is used for ἐνανθρωπεῖν, even though the term ἀναλαμβάνειν, which is used twice in the former section and might be considered more suited to an equivalent such as ܡܘܨܐ is omitted both times.³ The clothing metaphor for the incarnation is used with other verbs as well, such as ἐνόω and ἐμπλέκω.⁴ The very fact that RF will use this sort of language for such important Alexandrian concepts as ἐνανθρωπεῖν and γίγνεσθαι ἄνθρωπος indicates his lack of a real awareness of the marked differences between Antiochene and Alexandrian Christology which only perhaps became better understood among the Syrians in the time of Philoxenus.

¹ Ep55, 53,33 [9,16]; 57,33 [16,29]; Ep50, 96,5 [f.144rb].

² E.g. in the *Letter to the Monks of Palestine* (De Halleux, *Nouveaux textes I*, 37,115 etc.).

³ 45,17 [14,4], 63,23 [105,4] etc.

⁴ 53,21 [56,3]; 66,4-5 [117,6].

A very different approach marks our other texts. For instance in Ep45 μὴ σῶμα πεφόρηκε τὸν ἀνθρώπινον is ܡܠ ܠܗܘܢ ܠܐ ܠܘܟܠ ܠܘܟܠܐ, which seems deliberately to avoid the suggested clothing metaphor of πεφόρηκε,¹ and in the same letter, as well as in Ep50, we find an ambiguity between ‘man’ and ‘flesh’ which is highly likely to be pre-Severan, at least in theology if not in date – ἐνανθρωπήσις being rendered with the expression ܝܚܪܐ ܡܢܗܘܢܝܘܬܐ, exactly as if it were again the μετὰ σαρκὸς οἰκονομίας of the previous sentence.² Ep 46 uses ܠܗܘܢܝܚܪܐ for both ἐνανθρωπήσις and for κατὰ σάρκα, (instead of the usual ܠܘܟܠܐ or even ܠܝܚܪܐ for the latter), again showing no distinction between two key Christological terms, and Ep50 again does a similar thing.³ QUX even omits the term when used in conjunction with σάρκωσις, the two being covered with ܠܗܘܢܝܚܪܐ.⁴ One might say that these translators show almost no awareness of what the Christological issues really were after Chalcedon.

The most common rendering for ἐνανθρωπεῖν in these letters (i.e. in Epp 45,46,50) is simply the traditional ܠܘܟܠܐ ܠܗܘܢ and not the ܡܢܗܘܢܝܘܬܐ neologism that Philoxenus introduced, despite the anomaly, mentioned above, that Ep46 occasionally has ܠܘܟܠܐ for σεσαρκωμένος.⁵ The texts that show the more developed passive form ܡܢܗܘܢܝܘܬܐ are QUX (rarely), Ep39, Ep55, EDC, SDI, CO, CT and AT;⁶ they also all make use of its derivative, ܠܗܘܢܝܚܪܐ.⁷ These show the clear influence of the Philoxenian revisions, which was lacking at least in the translators of other letters as well as, of course, in the RF. However, at least for Ep39, Ep55 and EDC ܡܢܗܘܢܝܘܬܐ, and not the Philoxenian ܠܘܟܠܐ was used for σαρκωθῆναι (see previous heading). Either we can say that one of the revised terms found faster and more universal acceptance than the other, or that a 6th century revision has been carried out on these texts without being carried through at all completely, or, finally, that this use of ܡܢܗܘܢܝܘܬܐ pre-dates Philoxenus’ revision

¹ 153,16 [42,9].

² Ep45, 153,17 [42,10]; Ep50, 95,4 [f.143va].

³ 158,20-1 [48,10]; 91,3 [f.140rb].

⁴ 721,40-41 [f.55rb].

⁵ e.g. Ep45, 152,17 [40,25]; Ep46, 158,13 [47,25]; Ep50, 91,20 [f.141rb].

⁶ QUX 737,3 [f.65rb]; Ep39, 17,16 [f.150vb]; Ep55, 54,14 [10,13]; EDC 20,2 [f.17rb]; SDI 221,21 [f.26va]; CO 34,34 [f.92ra]; CT 126,26 [f.115ra]; AT 158,3 [467,6]; 162,8 [470,11] *et passim*; for the influence of Philoxenus here, see further above, under *σάρξ and σῶμα and their derivatives*, and especially De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*.

⁷ QUX 737,15 [f.65va]; Ep39, 17,2 [f.150rb]; Ep55, 53,22 [9,2]; EDC 18,5 [f.15vb]; SDI 222,23 [f.30va]; CO 33, 21[f.91va]; AT 162,21 [471,9].

and actually influenced his thought rather than vice versa. The use of *ܡܝܗܘܢ* clearly shows a desire for one-to-one equivalency, for the result of using *ܠܘܘܢ ܠܥܡ* for *ἐνανθρωπεῖν* is that it becomes indistinguishable from *γέγονεν ἄνθρωπος*, as happens in Ep45 and QUX, which despite the occasional use of *ܡܝܗܘܢ* in credal statements, usually have *ܠܘܘܢ ܠܥܡ*.¹ For the abstract *ἐνανθρωπήσις*, the more advanced texts will use *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ*, but older ones a mixture of terms, Ep45 having *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ* and *ܝܗܘܢ ܠܗܘܢܝܗܘܢ* once each.

In general, however, there is a tendency always to use *ܠܘܘܢ ܝܘ* or *ܠܘܘܢ* for ‘man’ even where other translators may have opted for *ܠܝܗܘܢ* - witness the way Ep40 deals with Jn 8.39-40 where he follows the Peshitta exactly *except* that he uses *ܠܘܘܢ ܝܘ* instead of *ܠܝܗܘܢ* for *ἄνθρωπος*.² This lexical commitment extends into the abstract, though in slightly different ways: thus EDC shows a careful distinction between the abstract *ܗܝ ܐܢܬܪܘܗܘܬܝܫ* and the adj. *ܐܢܬܪܘܗܘܝܢܝܘܫ*, the first being *ܠܗܘܘܢ* and the second the adjective *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ*.³ Later, however, while *ܬܐ ܐܢܬܪܘܗܘܝܢܝܘܫܝܢ* is, as expected, the plural *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ*, the singular form in the next clause, *ܬܘܢ ܐܢܬܪܘܗܘܝܢܝܘܫܝܢ* is rendered with the abstract noun *ܠܗܘܘܢ* as if it were *ܗܝ ܐܢܬܪܘܗܘܬܝܫ*, for which *ܠܗܘܘܢ* is one of the most consistent equivalents, not just in this text but everywhere.⁴

οὐσία and derivatives

Cyril seems to have used *οὐσία* in the same sense as *φύσις*, just as the terms were never distinguished in Trinitarian theology. The distinction between these words became an issue later on in the debates leading up to the ecumenical council of 553.⁵ There is thus a development over time in its significance for Christology, but the precise timing of these developments is hard to gauge.

De Halleux’s study on the Philoxenian creed touched also on the translation of *ὁμοούσιος*, especially the move from *ܠܘܘܢ ܝܘ* to *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ ܝܘ* which he brought about, at least within the official version of the creeds, although it does appear earlier, for

¹ In Ep45 compare 153,16 [42,8] with 153,14 [42,6]; in QUX 716,38 [f.52ra] with 715,39 [f.51va].

² 27,30 [35,4].

³ 18,17 [f.16rb] for both terms.

⁴ 20,1[f.17rb]; 20,5 [f.17rb]; for *ܠܗܘܘܢܝܗܘܢ* elsewhere see e.g. CO 44,5 [f.96vc].

⁵ See Lebon, *Christologie*, 454-67.

instance in the Acts of Sharbil and in Isaac of Antioch late in the fifth century. Although its invention cannot be attributed to Philoxenus, its widespread use begins only from him, and even later writers, e.g. Jacob of Serug, are often very attached to the older forms.¹ The loan ܠܘܘܘܬܐ and the concomitant ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ and ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܠܘܘܘܬܐ are not found in Philoxenus, but are used soon afterwards by Paul of Callinicum in his translation of Severus' *Cathedral Homilies*, not as his normal rendering (which remains ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ or ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܠܘܘܘܬܐ) but as an occasional experiment.²

In the RF, ܠܘܘܘܬܐ is almost always used for οὐσία, confirming that for both this text and Cyril, the word was essentially synonymous with φύσις, which is always ܠܘܘܘܬܐ in all our texts. RF even uses ܠܘܘܘܬܐ twice within the same sentence, once for φύσις, once for οὐσία.³ However, in RF, ܠܘܘܘܬܐ is not such a technical term that it cannot also be used in other situations, such as for καθ' ἑαυτόν and for πράγμα, where its use is unexpected because Cyril seems to be deliberately avoiding using φύσις at this point.⁴ RF's use of ܠܘܘܘܬܐ for οὐσία evidences a less advanced stage than the translation of Titus of Bostra's *Contra Manichaeos*, made not after 411, in which ܠܘܘܘܬܐ is found. This marks it out as primitive.⁵

We continue to find ܠܘܘܘܬܐ in this context throughout most of our texts as the standard rendering for οὐσία, along with ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ for ὁμοούσιος.⁶ In addition, the use of ܠܘܘܘܬܐ is generally restricted to οὐσία and φύσις alone. In Ep45, the translator evidently considered them as synonymous because he reduces the hendiadys οὐσίαν ἤτοι φύσιν to just a single ܠܘܘܘܬܐ. In Ep46 the introductory question includes a number of instances

¹ De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*, esp 301-2. For the Acts of Sharbil, see Cureton, *Ancient Syriac Documents*, 43, a text which de Halleux seems to ignore in his survey. It is unusual in that the 'new' ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ is found here alongside ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ for the 'incarnate' of the creed. ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ also seems to appear in the text of the Eastern creed of 410 (Chabot, *Synodicon Orientale*, 22) but the original text was probably ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ (Vööbus, *Symbol*, 295, line 13, and De Halleux, *Séleucie-Ctésiphon*, 163, line 13).

² Gribomont, *La catechèse*, 146-7.

³ 53,27-8 [57,1].

⁴ 71,34 [147,6]; 72,22 [151,2].

⁵ See Pedersen, *Demonstrative proof in defence of God*, 429. This underlines the point that changes in translation methods are not chronologically even, since Titus of Bostra was translated well before the *De Recta Fide* (only written c.430), and yet the latter known nothing of ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ.

⁶ Generally *passim*, but even also in more 'advanced' texts, e.g. in SDI ὁμοούσιος as ܠܘܘܘܬܐ ܘܢܐܘܠܘܬܐ at [223,40/f.40rb] and in Ep44 at 36,6 [55,18].

phrase.¹ SDI also uses ܠܗܘܘܬܐ for οὐσία, while having the older ܠܗܘܐ ܝܘܢ for ὁμοούσιος (see above).²

Only in AT do we find the loan-word, ܠܘܘܪܐ, typical of later versions, and ὁμοούσιος therefore as ܠܘܘܪܐ ܠܘܘܪܐ. This would suggest a considerably later translation style for this text. However, this is not the only way in which the term can be rendered, for in a single sentence ὁμοούσιος can be both ܠܘܘܪܐ ܠܘܘܪܐ and ܠܗܘܐ ܝܘܢ – so there is evidently room for flexibility, perhaps for stylistic reasons.³ It is the loan word, however, that is by far the more common, and even compounds like συνουσίωσις have to be calqued as ܠܘܘܪܐܢܐ ܠܗܘܘܬܐܘܢܐ.⁴ That Ep55 uses ܠܗܘܐ ܝܘܢܐܘܢܐ for συνουσίωσις indicates the difference between these texts, both in their approach to the term οὐσία and also to the use of constructs to represent compounds.⁵ Brock has suggested that the calquing of compounds in this fashion is a 7th century trait, also found in the Armenian Hellenising school.⁶

We can say, with reference to AT, only a later translation *style*, and not a later *date*, because the loan-word ܠܘܘܪܐ is, in fact, already found in the version of Eusebius' *Theophania* found in Add 12150, the earliest dated Syriac manuscript, written in 411, clearly long before any of our texts can have been made.⁷ This is a warning against creating a typology which is closely associated with absolute dating, except in the very broadest terms. We can only create a spectrum which describes different approaches and methods as being more, or less, developed on a linear basis, but not then conclude that that linear basis is necessarily co-terminous with a chronological one – unless we have clear evidence on other grounds for absolute dating. It seems clear that translation style was, at all times, at least as much a matter of context, audience, perhaps geographical location, and personal taste etc. as of date. We can perhaps sometimes say that a particular method is unlikely to be used *before* a

¹ 37,8 [f.93rc] and 44,2 [f.96vc]; 40,13 [f.94vc]; for ταύτότης at 44,1 [f.96vc].

² 187,38 [f.24vb]. It may be that ܠܗܘܐ is sometimes used in SDI for οὐσία, but the Latin *substantia* could stand for either in the lost parts of the original, and we cannot therefore be sure of this – e.g. see 186,23 [f.23vb].

³ 150,15&17 [462,3&5].

⁴ 156,29 [467,4].

⁵ Ep55, 54,27 [11,4].

⁶ Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 85.

⁷ De Halleux, however, finds his first example only in Narsai: De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*, 302.

particular date, but not the opposite, that because that method is *not* used, the date is necessarily earlier. This warning will have to be borne constantly in mind.

ψυχὴ λογικὴ and ψυχὴ νοερά

For these key Apollinarian terms, we observe some unusual patterns, which do not always correspond as expected with those we saw in the last two sections:

ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ is the word of choice for λογικός in RF, QUX, SDI, EDC, Ep39, CO, AT.¹

ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ is also used for νοερός by QUX, Ep40, Ep45, Ep46, Ep 50.²

ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗⲟⲩ used for νοερός in, Ep44, Ep45, Ep46, Ep55, AT;³ and then also as a second term for λογικός in CO.⁴

Note also that in Ep50 νοερά is expanded into a hendiadys using both ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ and ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗⲟⲩ.⁵

It is a significant observation, however, that of those texts in which Cyril uses both terms, namely Ep45, Ep46, Ep50, AT, only the last one maintains the distinction, i.e. follows a consistent lexical equivalence.

The longer Apollinarian formulae, based around the verb ψυχοῦν, produce further variation. RF and QUX use periphrastic expressions to avoid a verbal equivalent for ἐψυχοῦν (e.g. in QUX we have ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ ⲛⲉⲩⲁⲓ ⲙⲁ ⲁⲩⲉ ⲛⲁ for κἄν ἐψυχωμένον νοοῖτο ψυχῆ νοερά)⁶ while the others use formulae of varying precision and succinctness. Thus in Ep46 the phrase ἐψύχωτο ψυχῆ νοερά is simply ⲛⲉⲩⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ ⲛⲉⲩⲁⲓ. Ep 45 deals with this in a rather unwieldy way; for ἐψυχωμένον ψυχῆ νοερά we have ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗⲟⲩ ⲛⲉⲩⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗⲟⲩ, with the similarly wordy phrase ⲛⲉⲩⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗⲟⲩ being used later but there representing ψυχὴν ἐχούση. Ep55 is the most

¹ RF 52,15 [49,8]; SDI 221,4 [f.26rb]; QUX 731,28 [f.61vb]; EDC 17,15 [f.15rb]; Ep39, 17,10 [f.150va]; CO, 34,35 [f.92ra]; AT, 174,20 [480,1].

² QUX 777,40 [f.95ra]; Ep40, 25,1 [31,3]; Ep45, 153,7 [41,6]; Ep46, 158,14 [48,1]; Ep50, 91 23 [f.141rb].

³ Ep44, 36,10 [55,24]; Ep45, 153,3 [41,17]; Ep46, 161,21 [51,27]; Ep55, 54,11-12 [10,10]; AT, 154,29 [465,13]. Cf. also ⲛⲁⲗⲗⲁⲗ for ἐννοῦν in SDI 228,5 [f.38va].

⁴ 44,7 [f.97ra].

⁵ 98, 9 [f.145va].

⁶ 777,40 [f.95ra].

concerned to keep its equivalence both accurate and simple, having ἐψυχωμένην ψυχῇ νοερῶ rendered as ܩܕܫܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ; and CO has a virtually identical expression, except that, in accordance with his expansionist technique, he uses both ܩܕܫܘܬܐ and ܩܕܫܘܬܐ for λογικός.¹

By way of contrast to these verbose renderings, Ep50 reduces the phrase μετὰ σάρκος οὐκ ἀψύχου... ἀλλ' ἐψυχωμένης νοερῶς to the single phrase ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ.² This shows considerable simplification of Cyril's wordiness and willingness to chop off even the vital anti-Apollinarian νοερῶς, largely because it has been said already and here we have simply (as he explicitly says) a summary.

CO also deals with it very simply, having the possessive construction ܩܕܫܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ for σὰρξ ψυχὴν ἔχουσα τὴν λογικὴν (*flesh having a rational soul*).³

The language of 'con-joining':

σύναπτειν, συμβαίνειν, συντρέχειν, συντίθεσθαι etc.

RF has a very wary attitude to this sort of terminology, almost always avoiding giving any precise equivalent. To illustrate this distinctive approach, we see that συγκείσθαι φάμεν ἕκ τε τῆς ἀνθρωπότητος...καὶ ἕκ τοῦ...υἱοῦ becomes ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ; and διαβεβαιούμεθα δὲ σύνοδον μὲν τινα καὶ...τὴν συνδρομὴν εἰς ἔνωσιν...πεπράχθαι φύσεων becomes ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ ܩܘܘܐ.⁴ We see the same again frequently in this text with συγκείσθαι, συνδρομή, ἀνάπτειν, and σύμβασις.⁵ Ep45 too has the habit of omitting the idea of σύνοδος or σύνδρομος.⁶

The general equivalents in this category are usually adhered too through all the other texts, namely ܩܘܘܐ for συνάπτειν, including the common ܩܕܫܘܬܐ for συνάφεια (these are found *passim* in all of our texts); ܩܘܘܐ for συντίθεναι with ܩܕܫܘܬܐ for the important

¹ RF, e.g. 45,18 [14,6-7]; Ep46, 158,14 [47,27-48,1]; Ep45, 153,2-3 [41,16-17] and 153,7 [41,24-5]; Ep55, 54,11-12 [10,9-10]; CO 44,7 [f.97ra].

² 92,1 [f.141va].

³ 34,35 [f.92ra].

⁴ 52,20-3 [50,5-6].

⁵ 57,17 [75,3] and 69,23 [135,6-7]; 58,3 [77,6]; 58,19 [79,10]; 62,1 [96,7].

⁶ E.g. 153,21 [42,16].

There are essentially four Syriac roots used in this connection in the other texts: ܣܠܕ, ܚܘܚ, ܥܠ and ܣܚܒ - but these are used with varying degrees of consistency of equivalence with the various Greek terms that Cyril uses.

These terms often appear in Cyril in groups of two or three and the renderings are always formulaic rather than maintaining a precise equivalence: thus the sequence κρᾶσις, σύγχυσις, φουρμός is rendered as ܣܚܒܘܢ ܥܠܘܬܐ ܚܘܚܐ; and then elsewhere ܚܘܚܐ and ܥܠܘܬܐ are for σύγκρασις and σύγχυσις.¹ The order and particular words chosen in these sorts of formulae are rarely consistent, although in Ep44 Cyril uses the same pairing of terms twice in close proximity but in the opposite order and the translator considers equivalence important enough to follow suit.

We can see this attitude shown clearly from some examples of these words being used singly. Thus Ep40 can use both ܥܠܘܬܐ ܥܠ and ܥܠܘܬܐ ܥܠ for ἀσύγχυτος.² By contrast EDC has ܣܚܒܘܢ for ἀνάχυσις and ܚܘܚܐ for σύγκρασις, while in Ep46 we see ܚܘܚܐ ܥܠܘܬܐ for φουρμός...σύγχυσις and then shortly afterwards ܚܘܚܐ ܣܚܒܘܢ for φουρμός καὶ σύγκρασις which shows how interchangeable these terms are.³ Ep50 uses a slightly different form, ܥܠܘܬܐ ܥܠ for ἀσύγχυτος, similar to SDI's ܥܠܘܬܐ ܥܠ for the same.⁴ Similar mixes of equivalents are found in QUX, such that even a pair of different terms ἀσυγχύτως καὶ ἀτρέπτως can be rendered once correctly and once in the wrong order.⁵

Again, CO shows similar patterns: συγχέω appears as ܣܚܒܘܢ but then as ܥܠܘܬܐ immediately preceding another use of ܣܚܒܘܢ, for ἀναφύρω.⁶ One anomaly is found with the rendering of ἀσυγχύτως as ܥܠܘܬܐ ܥܠ (without change), as if the translator has taken this as synonymous with the preceding ἀτρέπτως, a rendering found twice.⁷

¹ Ep40, 56, 23 [37, 15]; Ep44, 35,19-20 [55,4].

² 25,18 [31,25-6]; 26,11 [32,25].

³ EDC 17,14 [f.15rb]; Ep46, 159,16 [49,12-13] and 160,8 [50,1].

⁴ Ep55 91,24 [f.141rb]; SDI 222,23 [f.31ra].

⁵ QUX 736,7 [f.64va] and 737,2 [f.65ra] respectively.

⁶ 38,6 [f.93vb]; 40,25f. [f.95ra].

⁷ 34,36 [f.92rb]; 36,30 [f.93rb].

In AT the translator uses ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for συνουσίωσις, as though this were a reference to some sort of ‘mixture’ also,¹ though elsewhere he uses ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for σύγχυσις, along with ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for φουρμός, and also the verb ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for συγκεράννυμι.²

Thus in all these texts there is a degree of variety and interchangeability between a number of synonymous alternatives, although not even AT is so fixed on a precise lexical equivalence as to keep each Syriac term for an individual Greek one.

The language of ‘change’:

τρέπειν and ἀλλοιοῦν

As we noted with the ‘mixture’ language, there are some fairly standard equivalences here which we need only note briefly, but some texts stick more closely and exclusively to these than others.

EDC provides a good example of keeping one Syriac word for each Greek term, thus τροπή is ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ, ἀλλοίωσις is ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ and μετάστασις is ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ.³ SDI similarly, with ἀτρέπτως καὶ ἀναλλοιώτως as ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ, followed by μετάστασις ἢ τροπή as ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ, thereby carefully maintaining the ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ root for τροπή-related terms.⁴ Ep39 shows the same distinctions, while Ep40 is typically a little looser, using ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for μεταβολή and διαφορά – in the absence of synonyms, ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ is usually the word of choice, just as the verb ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ tends to be used as the default for any verbs of change.⁵ Ep45/46 show a similar degree of freedom when a pair of ‘change’ words are found together – once we see ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ and ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ used for ἀτρέπτως and μεταβλητῶς, and then ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ and ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ used for μεταβαίνειν and τρέπειν.⁶ Ep45 recognises the slight difference of nuance of the term μεταχωρεῖν, and chooses the less usual Syriac root ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for it.⁷ In Ep50, we see, unusually, the passives ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ and ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ for τροπή and ἀλλοίωσις. QUX, as with most others,

¹ 156,29 [467,4].

² 162,17 [471,4]; 156,3 [465,16].

³ Examples can be found at 17,12 [f.15rb], 18,3 [f.15vb], and 20,22 [f.f.17vb]. ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ, for μετάστασις is also found at 18,3 [f.15vb] where it contrasts directly with τροπή.

⁴ 222,21 [f.30va]; 228,11-12 [f.38vb].

⁵ Ep39, 18,23 [f.151va] where ἄτρεπτος = ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ and ἀναλλοιώτος = ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܚܩܘܢܐ; Ep40, 29,22 [37,16] and 29,25 [37,19].

⁶ Ep45, 153,8 [41,26]; Ep44, 35,20-21 [55,5-6].

⁷ 154,13-14 [43,10].

prefers the ܐܠܘ root above all, using it for both τετράφθαι and μεταχωρήσαι in short succession.¹

RF tends to use the same set of words but is not at all strict in its distribution of them; indeed he once makes the single word τροπή into a hendiadys, ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ, as if he were undecided which form to use.²

We occasionally see an altogether freer usage of this root, thus in Ep39 παραφθείρειν (to ruin, corrupt) is twice rendered with the Shaphel of ܐܠܘ which is quite a dynamic rendering.³ In some of these freer texts, there is a policy of reducing the multiplicity of Greek synonyms to a small number of Syriac alternatives. This example seems at the extremist edge of that policy, perhaps just falling instead into the category of dynamic modulation.

In the other direction is Ep55 where some more developed neologisms are used in the anti-Arian anathema appended to the creed, ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ and ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ being found respectively for τρεπτός and ἀλλοιωτός. However, popular as these may be to the translator of Ep55, they were already in use in 433 since RF also uses ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܠܐ for ἀναλλοιώτος and, without the negative, also for τρεπτός.⁴

Again, CO is fairly set on the ܐܠܘ root for all these terms; thus we see ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܠܐ for ἀτρέπτως; ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ for μεταβολή, ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ for ἀναλλοιώτος, and even the lengthy ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ for τροπή.⁵ However, as always, the latter can also be the simpler ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ and ἀναλλοιώτος can as easily be ܟܠܘܢܐܘܟܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܠܐ.⁶

When faced with ἀτρέπτως καὶ ἀναλλοιώτως, AT does not want to use different forms taken from the same root, ܐܠܘ, and so instead regularly uses ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ for the first term, using a root not found much for this purpose in the other texts.⁷

¹ 91,22 [f.141rb]; 735,39-40 [f.64rb].

² 48,16 [29,7].

³ Ep39, 20,7&10 [f.152va].

⁴ Ep55, 51,28 [5,22-3]; RF 57,8 [73,3]; 48,32 [31,10].

⁵ 34,36 [f.92rb]; 35,35 [f.92vb]; 38,27 [f.94ra]; 36,7 [f.92vc].

⁶ 38,28 [f.94ra]; 35,1 [f.92rb].

⁷ 154,27 [465,10-11].

The language of ‘Division and Distribution’:

δαιρέϊν, διανέμειν, διατέμνειν etc.

Again, there are some fairly standard equivalencies here with a few notable variations used in some texts. ܘܢܐ, in the P'al, tends to be used of less harsh notions of separation, distribution, attribution and distinction, e.g. for προσνέμειν, δαιρέϊν, διϊστᾶναι, διαφέρειν.¹ ܘܢܐ is then used for stronger notions of dividing or splitting, usually used by Cyril in a pejorative sense and attributed to the thinking of his opponents – it usually represents terms such as διορίζειν, διατέμνειν, ἀναμερίζειν.² These are the only two useful Syriac words within this semantic range and, despite there being more than two Greek synonyms to represent them, our translators do not go fishing for others just because the Greek word is different.

However, there are many exceptions to the above guidelines, and there is a distinction to be maintained also between the P'al and the Pael forms of these verbs. There is also a distinction between when Christ himself is the object of the dividing, or it is just his words being ‘divided’ between two separate ‘natures’.

RF uses both terms together in the Pael, as mutual synonyms, in rendering the hendiadys ἀνὰ μέρος τιθεῖσι καὶ διορίζουσι, and the Pael ܘܢܐ generally is used for διορίζειν.³

Similarly, CO prefers the Pael ܘܢܐ for δαιρέω, while keeping the P'al for χωρίζω, with ܘܢܐ ܘܢܐ for ἀχώριστος.⁴

EDC, in fact, only uses a P'al form of either verb on one occasion, where the meaning is quite weak, [Χριστῶ] προσνεμοῦμεν τὰ ἀνθρώπινα. Where Cyril uses a hendiadys of synonymous ‘dividing’ words in relation to the dividing of the natures, EDC will usually use both verbs together in the Pael,⁵ but where there is only one such term ܘܢܐ is perhaps preferred, although ܘܢܐ is also found (both times for δαιροῦν) when the

¹ Ep55, 52,19 [7,2]; EDC 20, 11 [f.17va].

² EDC 18, 10; Ep40, 29,2 [36,18]; CO 39,6 [f.94rb].

³ RF 58,24 [80,6-7]; 57,28 [76,5], citing Jude 19, a key verse in Alexandrian polemic.

⁴ 35,34 [f.92vb]; 38,29 [f.94ra]; 39,11 [f.94rc]; 39,11 [f.94rb].

⁵ 18,10 [f.16ra]; 20,13 [f.17vb].

soul and body of man is what is in view.¹ The same appears to be the case in SDI where ܘܢܐ (Pael) is used even for διορίζειν as in RF.² Meanwhile ܘܢܐ is often used for the distinction of the ‘sayings of Christ’.

Ep40 has a greater liking for the Pael ܘܢܐ, which is used for most terms referring to Christ, even where different Greek terms, μερίζειν and διαίρουv, are used in close proximity.³ When the object is the φωναί, the words of Christ, either can be used, the P'al of ܘܢܐ and the Pael ܘܢܐ both being found for διαίρειv.⁴ Ep44 shows a similar sort of distribution but none of the texts is entirely consistent – this text also in one place using ܘܢܐ for διατέμνειv!⁵ Epp 39,45,46,55 do not have these terms so frequently but where they do largely follow the patterns mentioned earlier.

ἴδιος, ἰδιωμάτα, ἰδικῶς

Cyril uses forms of ἴδιος in a number of crucial and different ways – most importantly for later Christology, it is used to refer to the body of the incarnate Christ as being the ‘own’ of the Logos, and not just attached to him by way of an equality of honour. Similarly, he will distinguish between the nature which is originally ‘our own’ and that which is the ‘own’ of the Godhead. In Severus, the technical importance of the term grows further still, and a large part of Severus’ discussion with the grammarian Sergius revolves around its meaning. The growing awareness of this word and the increasingly careful renderings of it in the Syriac versions are therefore not merely a matter of lexical equivalence, but of theological accuracy.⁶

Nevertheless, RF does not generally make use of the Syriac ܘܢܐ root, as became common at a later stage. Instead, he tends to use more periphrastic but idiomatic Syriac syntax, often reducing ἴδιος to a possessive pronoun, and thus for ἰδιωμάτα ἀνθρώπινα he will have simply ܘܢܐܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܘܢܐ, although the ܘܢܐ root is certainly used on occasion for ἴδιος.⁷

¹ 18,21 [f.16rb]; 20,8 [f.17va].

² 222,31 [f.30vb].

³ 24,26 [30,24]; 25,9 [31,14].

⁴ 30,7 [37,29]; 26,13 [32,28].

⁵ 35,17 [54,25].

⁶ For its importance in Severus, see especially Torrance, *Christology after Chalcedon*, 27-35.

⁷ 58,30 [81,9].

We see more consistent patterns when dealing with the adverbial forms, ἰδικῶς and κατ' ἴδιαν. In most of our texts, including RF, the idiom ܡܠ ܡܘܚܐ is usually reserved especially for Cyril's frequently used ἀνὰ μέρος. RF's translator can vary his terms and will use it for ἰδικῶς instead, and Ep40 goes down the same road with the adverbial ἰδίᾳ.¹ Ep50 is similarly not attached to a one-for-one equivalence and has ܕܡܫܘܠܐ for both ἀνὰ μέρος and ἰδικῶς even when together as a hendiadys. This is a text with a much less consistent lexical equivalence, and ἀνὰ μέρος can be rendered a number of different ways, sometimes being incorporated into other phrases.² EDC has the more orthodox equivalency of ܕܡܫܘܠܐ for ἰδικῶς while leaving ܡܠ ܡܘܚܐ for ἀνὰ μέρος, and this is the more usual equivalent throughout our texts. Ep45 has κατ' ἴδιαν and ἰδικῶς both as ܕܡܫܘܠܐ / ܕܡܫܘܠܐ.³

As we have noted in the section above on syntactical equivalence, CO tends to have a variety of methods as well, and we find instances both of ܡܠܐ where there is no Greek equivalent as well as Greek ἴδιος being rendered only with a possessive suffix, and even the use of ܡܫܘܠܐ for ἴδιος. However, when it comes to the adverbial forms, there are some peculiar results. The phrase ܡܠܐ ܡܘܚܐ seems unknown to the translator of CO; yet we find new terms such as ܕܡܫܘܠܐ and ܡܫܘܠܐ being used apparently as equivalents for ἀνὰ μέρος.⁴ ἰδικῶς tends to be ܕܡܫܘܠܐ, or some similar form, although the translator is generally content to repeat set formulas in Syriac regardless of exactly how the Greek looks, for instance retaining the order of the Syriac formula when the Greek terms are transposed.⁵ There are, in addition, some peculiar uses of words derived from the ܡܫܘܠܐ root for ἴδιος-related terminology. Thus we find both ܡܫܘܠܐ and ܡܫܘܠܐ for ἴδιος.⁶ It is possible that there is a scribal error going on here, as before this point, where Cyril has ἰδικῶς, the Syriac is ܕܡܫܘܠܐ (*clearly*) which looks like an error for ܕܡܫܘܠܐ (*uniquely*), which is the more normal rendering, even in this text; a little later, however, we find ܡܫܘܠܐ ܡܫܘܠܐ for ἴδια φύσις, which may not be an error as the Syriac could be understood as 'private/special nature', and as it is

¹ RF 53,23 [56,6] as against 57,22 [75,10]; Ep40, 27,7 [34,2].

² 92,3 [f.141va1]; 100,2 [f.147ra].

³ EDC 18,29 [f.16va]; Ep45, 151,18&19 [39,20&22].

⁴ 38,30f. [f.94ra-b]; 39,19 [f.94rc].

⁵ As we see, for instance, when comparing 38,30f. [f.94ra-b] with 39,35 [f.94vb].

⁶ 40,9 [f.94vc]; 40,8 [f.94vc].

AT provides the exception, although not consistently. For although we find the existential notion τὰς ὑπαρχούσας rendered simply with ܐܘܬܘܪܐܢ ܐܠܘܢ, which is a natural rendering that we have in other texts, ἐνύπαρχεω is also found as ܘܢܘܦܚܘܘܬܐ, which is perfectly reasonable semantically but indicates a desire to render substantial verbs with equally substantial ones instead of just existential predicates such as ܘܢܘܚܐ.¹ Only in AT, in addition, do we find the noun ܐܘܬܘܪܐ as an abstract notion of existence, for ὑπαρξίς, the sort of equivalent which really sets this text apart from the others.²

φωναί, λόγοι

Many of our texts use the idiomatic phrase ܐܘܬܘܪܐ ܕܩܕܝܫܐ for φωναί where this term refers to the sayings of Christ in the Gospels, usually in the context of Cyril's discussions on the single subject and the *communicatio idiomatum*. What is interesting for an analysis of equivalency is that in some texts there is an awareness of where the term is being used in this technical sense and where not, and to use different Syriac terms accordingly. This is true, for example, in EDC³ and in Ep39 where ܐܘܬܘܪܐ is used for the words of Christ and ܐܘܬܘܪܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ for the words of other people.⁴

It is an indication of a greater degree of equivalence when a translator uses simple ܐܘܬܘܪܐ all the way through for φωναί, as does Ep44, and of a lesser degree of equivalence when ܐܘܬܘܪܐ can be used for the words of one person, ܐܘܬܘܪܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ for the words of Jesus (cf. Ep39 above), and ܐܘܬܘܪܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ elsewhere as well, as in Ep50.⁵

χαρακτήρ, εἰκόν

Here we have some unexpected renderings. For εἰκόν the Syriac translator always has the option of the loan word ܐܘܬܘܪܐ, but this term seems to have become so naturalised by our period that it can be used for other Greek words of a similar meaning.

¹ 140,13 [453,13]; 144,14 [457,1].

² 146, 1 [457, 19].

³ e.g. 20,27 [f.18ra] as against 22,9 [f.18vb].

⁴ compare 17,18 with 17,21 [f.150vb].

⁵ Ep44, 36,23 [56,17] and 37,1 [56,25]; Ep50, 97,10 [f.145ra]; 96,28 [f.144vb]; 94,28 [f.143va].

There is not a great deal of difference between our texts in this matter, but the patterns themselves are instructive. RF has a whole series of variations. Thus εικών και χαρακτήρ is rendered as ܩܘܘܠܐ ܩܠܕܝܬܐ, which would seem to imply that the loan word from εικών is actually being used for χαρακτήρ! It at first appears to be keeping separate Syriac words for each Greek, but then in the latter part of the same section uses ܩܘܘܠܐ definitely to represent χαρακτήρ, and then ܩܘܘܠܐ is used twice more at the end of the section, the first of these for χαρακτήρ and the second for εικών. In a later chapter RF engages in a word-play with these terms: where Cyril's statement ὁ θεῖος ἐνσημαίνεται χαρακτήρ· ἀναμορφούμεθα γὰρ ὡς εἰκόνα τὴν θεῖαν is turned by the translator into a chiasm with ܩܘܘܠܐ being used for both: ܩܘܘܠܐ ܩܠܕܝܬܐ ܩܘܘܠܐ ܩܘܘܠܐ ܩܘܘܠܐ ܩܠܕܝܬܐ. Elsewhere he will use quite different terms for εικών, such as in citing 1 Cor 15.49 where, although RF follows the Peshitta for most of the verse, for εικών he substitutes ܩܠܕܝܬܐ for the Peshitta's ܩܠܕܝܬܐ.¹

CO uses the pair ܩܠܕܝܬܐ ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ for εικών και χαρακτήρ, avoiding the loan-word altogether and similarly in SDI we have εικών και ἀπαύγασμα και χαρακτήρ as ܩܠܕܝܬܐ ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ.²

AT shows just the same pattern as RF, using the loan-word for χαρακτήρ and ܩܠܕܝܬܐ for εικών.³ This pattern we see also in Ep55 and probably in EDC.⁴

μᾶλλον

This word produces some interesting variation. Cyril uses it quite a lot in his stark contrasts between what is and what is not acceptable doctrine. It is the sort of word that RF and QUX quite naturally omit totally most of the time.⁵ Texts with more concern for equivalence such as EDC, SDI, and Ep55 tend to use ܕܘܠܝܘܢܐ, although

¹ For concentrations of these terms, see 51,12-18 [43,9-44,7] and 66,25-39 [120,7-121,5] (for the word-plays especially), and 55,8-10 [63,11-12] for the 1 Cor citation .

² CO 44,2 [f.96vc]; SDI 222,24 [f.30va].

³ Even within a single section; 164,17 [472,10] (χαρακτήρ); 164,11[472,4] (εικών).

⁴ e.g. Ep55,49,22 [2,6] (χαρακτήρ) and 51,32 (εικών) [5,28]. Scwhartz suggests that the ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ of EDC 17,18 [f.15va] represents χαρακτήρ as a variant to the ἀπαύγασμα of his text. However, EDC generally follows the Peshitta and this is a reference to Heb. 1.3 where the Peshitta has ܩܠܕܝܬܐ; in addition ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ is found for ἀπαύγασμα in both in AT (144,10 [456,15]) and twice in RF (59,26 [85,8]; 60,3 [87,5]). It is thus difficult to believe that the EDC would ever use anything other than ܩܠܕܝܬܐ or ܩܘܘܠܝܬܐ for χαρακτήρ.

⁵ RF 51,5 [42,6]; QUX 714,19 [f.51ra].

occasionally will simply have some other contrastive conjunction, ܠܟܘܢ or ܕܢܝܥܘܢ; Ep45 has the same variation but omission is the norm rather than the exception.¹ Ep39, Ep40, Ep46 all omit the term consistently.² Of our texts, only AT uses the loan-word ܡܠܠܘܬܐ.³ However, this loan word is used throughout one of the translations of the anathemas found in the Nestorian collection Cam.Or.1319. Surprisingly perhaps, the other version in this collection, which the editors reckon as a revision of the former one, reverts to ܡܠܠܘܬܐ for μάλλον on every occasion (the word is used frequently throughout the anathemas) just as we find in the EDC.⁴ If the editors' judgment that this is indeed a revision is accurate, then we can no longer be sure that ܡܠܠܘܬܐ is necessarily a later equivalent than ܡܠܠܘܬܐ, however much this may seem common sense in the light of the pattern of usage in our own texts and the general tendency toward an increase in the use of loan words. The pattern of usage of ܡܠܠܘܬܐ discussed above has also warned us against too easy an interpretation of the use of these loan-words.

μὲν

The use of the loan-word ܡܠܠܘܬܐ for μὲν in μὲν...δέ clauses is a key sign of close equivalence, and we see quite a bit of variety within our texts.

We see the use of this loan-word on 80% of instances in AT⁵, and less consistently in certain others. For example, EDC and Ep39 ordinarily have the word only when it is in instances of contrast with a δέ.⁶ The same is approximately true of SDI, where the loan appears to be used about 20-25% of the time, while in Ep55 the usage is exactly 50% (seven out of fourteen instances). Ep44 also, perhaps unexpectedly, has a high count for this word.⁷ QUX, Ep50, and CT each have a single, unexpected, instance.⁸ There are no instances of its use in Ep40, Ep45, Ep46, CO, CT or RF. Its non-use,

¹ ܡܠܠܘܬܐ at Ep55, 51,5 [4,15]; EDC 18,22 [f.16rb]; SDI 219,25 [f.21vb] etc.; Ep45, 152,22 [41,3]; omitted, for example, at EDC 18,4 and 21,27; Ep45, 152,12.

² Ep39, 16,12, 18,16; Ep40, 25,14; Ep46, 159,13; Ep50, 90,26, Ep50, 91,19.

³ 142,32 [456,4], 144,21 [457,7].

⁴ Abramowski and Goodman, *Nestorian Collection*; the two versions appear as items VI and I/XI respectively, the latter two being identical and together forming a revision of the version in item VI.

⁵ e.g. 140,7 [453,6].

⁶ EDC 18,5 [f.15vb] and 20,27 [f.18ra]; in Ep39 rather more commonly, e.g. at 16,1 and 5 [f.149vb], and at 17,19 but, in contrast, not at 17,18 [f.150vb].

⁷ 7 times out of 9 instances, e.g. 35,16 [54,23]; 36,1 [55,9]; 36,16 [56,7].

⁸ In QUX, at the very beginning of the work 714,3 [f.50vb]; Ep50, 92,7 [f.141va]; CT 145,2 [f.121va].

however, can hardly be a sign of early technique, since the word is already found in the translation of Eusebius' *Ecclesiastical History*, which seems to have been made late in the fourth century.¹ It does, however, mark a distinct change in usage and technique among some of our texts.

πνεῦμα ἅγιον

The distinction to be noted here is between the analytic phrase ܠܚܘܢܘܬܐ ܠܘܗܝܐ and the adjectival one ܠܚܘܢܐ ܠܘܗܝܐ; the former is comfortably the more common in our texts and in most the adjectival phrase is never found. Only AT regularly uses the adjectival form. In EDC, however, both are to be found, even in close proximity, although the construct phrase predominates.² There are occasional uses in other texts, e.g. in CT where we have the feminine adjectival form ܠܚܘܢܐ ܠܘܗܝܐ, and once, rather surprisingly, in Ep40. This may be a scribal alteration from a later date, but we have already seen that this text uses a number of other very advanced forms, such as ܠܚܘܢܘܬܐ, despite its early date.³

4. i. (b) *Other unusual equivalents used in individual texts*

De Recta Fide

Plenty of examples have been given in the foregoing categories to illustrate the variety of lexical equivalents found in RF, which does not generally maintain any particular consistency even with regard to technical terms, even less so with non-technical vocabulary. Thus we are just as likely to see an unexpected rendering for a standard word, such as ܠܚܘܢܘܬܐ ܕܠܘܗܝܐ for εὐσέβεια, as also to see novel word-formations where something similar would have sufficed, thus the abstract nouns τὸ μονογενές and τὸ πρωτότοκος (here *the unbegottenness* and *the first-bornness*) become respectively ܠܚܘܢܘܬܐ and ܠܚܘܢܘܬܐ, both of which are used in ways slightly different from their standard meanings in the lexica.⁴

Quod Unus sit Christus

¹ See Brock, *Some Aspects of Greek Words in Syriac*, 89, n.55a.
² Adjectival phrase at 23,22 [f.19vb]; construct phrase at 23,26 [f.20ra].
³ CT 113,13-4 [f.109va]; Ep40 24,4 [29,25].
⁴ 43,15 [5,1]; 61,33 [96,6] & 62,1[96,8].

Much the same can be said of this text as of the RF. While it can show a special concern for rendering compounds such as ἀρτιφρόσι with ܐܪܬܝܦܪܘܫܝܐ ܐܢܝܢܐ ܐܠܘܗܝܐ, there is also an obvious lack of consistent equivalents, with, for example, εἰς νοῦν rendered as ܐܘܪܘܚܐ and then νοῦ as ܐܘܪܘܚܐ within the same passage. Some individual words are dealt with more paraphrastically, e.g. ܐܘܪܘܚܐ ܐܘܪܘܚܐ for διεμερίσαντο. Unusual is also such dynamic modulation as ܐܘܪܘܚܐ ܥܢܐ for ἄνθρωπος κοινός (commonly for καθ' ἡμᾶς).¹ Using ܐܘܪܘܚܐ for ἐν τοῖς μέλεσι is almost an editorial simplification.²

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum

Lexical equivalence is here the norm as we have already seen. However, we see similar approaches taken to some words, so that, for instance, there is often just a single word for a pair of Greek synonyms: both ὀνομάζεσθαι and κεχρῖσθαι are translated with ܐܘܪܘܚܐ in the same sentence;³ ܐܘܪܘܚܐ ܐܘܪܘܚܐ does work for both δόξα and δοξολογία, which are thereby not distinguished.⁴ On the other side, σταυρός can be ܐܘܪܘܚܐ and then ܐܘܪܘܚܐ in the very next sentence! This must surely be deliberate, perhaps even a sign of indecision as to which was better.⁵

He tends to simplify formulaic epithets where possible, being especially keen on ܐܘܪܘܚܐ, both where the Gk is μακάριος and where it is θεσπέσιος. Thus where Cyril, taking his cue from Rom 15.16, describes Paul as ὁ τῶν θείων μυστηρίων ἱερουργός, the Syriac translator perhaps feels this a bit too pagan-sounding and renders with the safer ܐܘܪܘܚܐ.⁶ This tendency towards standardised epithets is found in the Peshitta Old Testament also where they are often added, e.g. Ezra, *the scribe*,⁷ and this tendency lies behind the pervasive ܐܘܪܘܚܐ of Syriac literature generally.

As before, however, we also see a good deal of very close equivalence such that the etymology of the Greek words governs their translation. Such are ܐܘܪܘܚܐ ܐܘܪܘܚܐ for

¹ 714,4 [f.50vb]; 714,5 and 7 [f.50vb]; 715,13 [f.51rb]; 723,5 [f.56ra].

² 722,3 [f.55va].

³ 22,8 [f.18vb].

⁴ 21,24 [f.17vb] (though in citation of Phil 2.11 where P has ܐܘܪܘܚܐ) and 22,25 [f.19rb].

⁵ 25,24 [f.21ra]; 25,27 [f.21vb].

⁶ 22,28 [f.19rb] and 20,21 [f.17vb]; 17,30 [f.15vb].

⁷ Ezr 7.25; this is commented on by Weitzman, *Syriac Version*, 24.

ܠܗܘܢ ܥܘܢ ܕܢܘܨܢܐ (*foreign from sin*).¹ Compounds receive similar treatment, with ἐμφιλοχωρέω appearing as ܠܗܘܢ ܕܢܘܨܢܐ (*dwelling in love*). ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ can be used for both χάρις and ἔλεος.²

Ep39

Lexical equivalence is not so clear a mark of technique in this work as is the formal equivalence described above, especially the equivalence of verbal forms, which is maintained to a high degree throughout this text. The use of vocabulary here shows a reasonable degree of idiomatic and flexible usage, at least for non-Christological vocabulary. The following provides some illustrations of the various approaches this text adopts.

One of the distinctive marks of Ep39's treatment of vocabulary is his tendency to use a fairly limited range, eschewing rarer terms where simple ones will do despite the multiplicity of (to him, at least) synonyms found in his original. Thus ܐܘܢܐ is used within the text to represent βραβεύω, χορηγέω and προσκομίζω. The three all mean roughly the same thing in their contexts, although the first has more the sense of governing or controlling, χορηγέω ministering or furnishing, and προσκομίζω of simply conveying.³ When we move more definitely into a sense of causing movement, this term changes to ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ, but this can be used for both κατακομίζειν and for καταφοιτᾶν, and ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ can be used both for θεῖος and for ἅγιος in the same sentence.⁴ By contrast, he will occasionally use different words for the same Greek one, such as ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ and ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ for εἰρήνη, or ܐܘܢܐ and ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ for συνάπτειν.⁵

Into the same category fall those terms for which complex equivalents could have been found, but this was thought unnecessary, e.g. ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ for εὐσεβεστάτοι, ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ for the adjective προγονικός, ܐܘܢܐ for ἐπιστέλλειν, and also simplified formulae such as ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܗܘܢܐܘܢܐ for θεοπνεύστοις γραφαῖς.⁶

¹ 219,9 [f.21rb] and 222,14 [f.30va]; 219,23 [f.21vb]; 220,5 [f.22ra].

² 220,8 [f.22ra]; 219,18 [f.21va] and 219,27 [f.21vb].

³ 15,26 [f.149vb]; 16,21 [f.150rb]; 16,23 [f.150rb].

⁴ 17,26 [f.151ra]; 18,21 [f.151va]; 17,3[f.150va].

⁵ 16,13 and 16,15 [f.150ra] for both pairs.

⁶ 15,27 [f.149vb]; 15,27 [f.149vb]; 19,29 [f.152rb]; 17,23 [f.151ra].

We sometimes, however, see very close lexical equivalents, etymological calques such as ܪܘܘܡܝܢ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ for τοῦς θεολογοῦς ἄνδρας, expanded translations to avoid ellipsis, such as ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ ܪܘܘܡܐ for ὀλίγα, and Syriac words with a more forceful connotation than the original, such as ܚܠܐ for ἔχω.¹

In addition, we occasionally see what can only be described as dynamic modulation, in which an idiomatic equivalent is being chosen instead of a more direct one that might be available. Especially noticeable is the use of an idiomatic phrase such as ܘܚܠܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ for ἀποκλείοντες τοῖς and then ܦܪܘܘܢܐ again for περί.² ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ for ἑτερόδοξος is again not the most obvious choice – the word is usually contrasted with ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ and not with ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ – but is a good local idiom.

Ep40

The translator of this version tends to have less concern for close equivalence than we have seen in Ep39 and EDC. Although we have seen examples of where those two deviated from more normal patterns, this text mixes up its terms somewhat more freely. Thus phrases such as ἀνὰ μέρος are omitted where they are in hendiadys with a perceived synonym, here ἰδικῶς, and where ἀνὰ μέρος is translated, in common with all the texts as, ܡܠ ܡܘܬܐ, the same can then be used also for further synonyms such as ἰδίᾳ, even within the same clause; and particles like πάλιν can be omitted easily enough, which would be very unusual in some other texts.³ In line with the insignificance given to rhetorical aspects of the text, διαβεβαιοῦν can be translated with ܘܚܠܐ, ܘܚܠܐ, or ܘܚܠܐ at different places.⁴ More idiomatic Syriac is normal and the text has a higher incidence of true construct phrases, such as ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ for κακοδοξία, as against most of the others.⁵

In other places he does some slightly surprising things which makes one feel that he is not being too careful about his choices of words and treating the text, therefore, with quite a bit of freedom. For example, for σύμβασις he uses ܪܘܘܡܝܢܐ, a Syriac term that

¹ 17,18 [f.150vb]; 18,1 [f.151ra]; 17,4 [f.150va].

² 17,8 [f.150va]; 19,5 [f.151vb].

³ 24,27-8 [30,27]; 27,7-8 [34,2-3]; 25,2 [31,5].

⁴ For διαβεβαιοῦν 26,6 [32,16]; 28,28 [36,11]; 27,23 [34,29].

⁵ 27,5 [33,28].

would normally be reserved for the technical ἔνωσις in other versions; his dilemma over this becomes a little more apparent further on when he has to translate εἰς ἔνωσιν and is forced to use a periphrasis by adding an extra verb, ܘܠܗܘܢ ܕܝܗܘܢܐ - he could surely have been spared this had he used a different word for σύμβασις in the first place.¹ He will speak of ἔνωσις either as a ‘coming together’ or as a ‘being one’, according to whim. Again a simple phrase such as ποιότης φυσική can be rendered with ܩܘܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܬܐ and then, apparently unhappy with the vagueness of the phrase, he will use ܩܘܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܬܐ next time around.²

Ep44

Another minimalist translator, who, for example, uses the same term, ܕܝܚܐ, for both ἐπιλαμβάνειν and for μέμφειν within a few lines of each other and uses ܕܝܚܐ for ἀκολουθεῖν as well as σύμφερειν.³

Elsewhere, he can seek very close equivalences, such as ܩܘܘܬܐ for θεωρία, which is more etymologically accurate than idiomatic (compare Ep46’s ܩܘܘܬܐ), but is not yet tied to using the loan word which we see even in native Syriac writing from the middle of the sixth century.⁴ Again ܕܘܠܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܬܐ for ἰσχυρίζεται, shows us a translator who is keen to represent the etymology of the Greek words, which is not a trait particularly noticeable in many of the others, e.g. Ep55, Ep45, Ep46.⁵

As we saw with others, this translator too can vary his terminology. For ܩܘܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܬܐ was used for the first instance of οἱ ἐκ τῆς Ἀνατολῆς while ܩܘܘܬܐ ܩܘܘܬܐ is used for οἱ Ἀνατολικοί – the latter is then used for the fuller οἱ ἐκ τῆς Ἀνατολῆς on its two following occurrences.⁶ Where the phrase ἔχει συνάφειαν comes

¹ 26,2-3 [32,10-12]
² 26,26 [33,19] and 27,14 [34,10].
³ 35,4 [54,5] and 35,7 [54,9]; 35,19 [55,3]and 36,16 [56,6].
⁴ 35,16 [54,23]; the loan word ܩܘܘܬܐ was first used perhaps by Philoxenus under Evagrian influence – see Brock, *Hunanyan's Translation Techniques*, 161, to which could be added an interesting instance found in the correspondence between Moses of Aggel and his petitioner on the subject of the text of Joseph and Asenath, quoted in ps-Zechariah Rhetor: Brooks, *Historia Ecclesiastica*, 1,18,7 and 21,8.
⁵ 36,5 [55,16].
⁶ 35,18 [55,1-2]; 35,4 [54,5]; 36,12 [56,1]and 36,22 [56,16].

There is not much to add for the lexical equivalents found here, other than what has been said above. Note the very unusual idiomatic ܠܘܢܐ ܡܝܪܘܫܐ for ἀνά μέρος, which is unique here for this common Cyrilline expression, and is otherwise always ܡܠܐ ܡܘܨܐ - it is reminiscent of a rendering in Ep44 where ἄνω καὶ κάτω is rendered as ܠܘܢܐ ܡܝܪܘܫܐ ܡܠܐ ܡܘܨܐ. There is another parallel with Ep44 in the use of ܘܢܐܘܢܐ for φιλονεικεῖν.¹

The tendency is towards simplicity, choosing fewer different Syriac words even where a number of Greek ones exist, thus we see in the first few lines alone the ܕܠܐ root used for both σκαμβός and διεστραμμένος, and ܘܢܐܘܢܐ for both εὐθείης and ἀσφαλής.² There is certainly no desire to find more different words than is strictly necessary for the general sense.

Words such as εἰπεῖν and ὁμολογεῖν seem to be able to be ܘܢܐܘܢܐ and ܠܘܢܐ almost indiscriminately, while a complex word such as θεοπάθεια is paraphrastically explained as ܠܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܕܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܢܐܘܢܐ (we should probably understand the last two words to be in parenthesis).³

Ep50

We have noted already the very idiomatic nature of some of the formal and lexical choices of this translator, and here we shall limit ourselves to mentioning a few others of note. Where an exact equivalent would just be too complex, a much simpler word is easily found, e.g. ܕܘܢܐܘܢܐ (*foolishly*) for the rather unusual γραοπρεπῶς, and probably ܕܘܢܐܘܢܐ for μάλα νεανισκῶς; sometimes this involves a certain amount of periphrasis, hence ܠܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܡܝܪܘܫܐ for ἀκεσταῖς; and in yet other places we see that kind of simplification of rhetorical synonyms that is common to many of our texts, such as ܘܢܐܘܢܐ for both διατείνειν and for δισχυρίζειν.⁴

There are other significant tendencies which indicate how this translator thinks about his meanings: he uses cultural modulations for many words, e.g. ܕܘܢܐܘܢܐ for ὁμολογουμένως (where ܠܘܢܐܘܢܐ was found elsewhere), ܠܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܕܘܢܐܘܢܐ for

¹ 162,3 [52,13]; parallels in Ep44, 36,5 [55,16]; 162,1 [52,5]; and again in Ep44, 36,4 [55,14].

² 158,2 [47,11&12]; 158,3&6 [47,14&17].

³ e.g. 158,15 [48,2] and 158,16 [48,4]; 161,9 [51,9].

⁴ 91,2 [f.140vb]; 91,1 [f.140vb]; 91,9 [f.141ra]; 93,4 [f.142rb] and 96,25 [f.144vb].

ἀπότεξιν οἰκειούμενος, ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for συκοφαντία etc., and we also see formulae being simplified, such as ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for θεσπέσιος βαπτιστής.¹ It is typical of him also to use ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ ܕܐ for φωνή when referring to a ‘saying’ of scripture, where other texts would doubtless use ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ ܕܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ or ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ.² But we also see some significant *signifié* renderings, where the real meaning behind a simple word has been grasped and rendered - ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ being used for ἔχειν where the meaning is to ‘take up/receive’ with ἀρχὴν ὑπάρξεως as object.³

Ep55

A glance at the results of the analysis of the translations of Apollinarian language (above, under λογικός and νοερός etc.) confirms that with this letter we have something a little more literal, at the level of lexical equivalence, than in the previous text, and Ebied and Wickham describe it as “fairly, but not intolerably, close.” Without presuming to define what ‘intolerably close’ might really look like in practice, we can note that in general the level of equivalency here is high and somewhat closer to what we saw in Ep39 and EDC, as we might note from equivalences such as μάλλον which is consistently rendered with ܕܘܢܐܠܘܢ, where other translators might have translated it only sporadically or simply incorporated its semantic weight into a ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ or ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ. There is a telling comparison with Ep40 in their respective allusions to Rom 9.4 – for νομοθεσία Ep55 has the full term ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ rather than the shorter ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ which was sufficiently precise for the translator of Ep40.⁴

Despite this we can of course point to numerous places, especially with the less important items, where he does not keep any strict equivalency – so to take examples at random, we have ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for δογμάτα as well as for πίστις, ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for ἱερός and θεοπνεύστος, ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for both ἀκατάσκηπτος and ἀδιαβλήτος.⁵ We also find some thoughtful idiomatic modulations such as ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for πρόξενος, and using ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ for λόγοι where the term refers to a ‘discourse’ and ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ where it means ‘praise,

¹ 94,11 [f.143ra] (95,6 [f.143va] for ܐܘܢܐܠܘܢ); 95,15 [f.143vb]; 94,7 [f.143ra]; 98,30 [f.146rb].

² 94,28 [f.143rb].

³ 91,13 [f.141ra].

⁴ 58,20 [18,6]; Ep40, 28,12 [35,20].

⁵ 49,8 [1,12] and 49,5 [1,7]; 49,26 [2,12] and 50,5 [2,23]; 49,13 [2,19] and 49,15 [2,23].

commendation', in both of which cases *ἁλῶ* is best avoided.¹ There is similar variation for *σαφῶς*, where we find both *ἁρῶ* and *ἁρῶ* (others might have used *ἁρῶ*).² The platonic formula *ὁ τῶν ὄλων γενεσιουργὸς καὶ δεσπότης* becomes the simpler, and quite Semitic, *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ*. The formula is based on Timaeus 28c and Cyril is placing himself within the tradition of Alexandrian (platonic) monotheism, but the translator has no interest in making such allusions evident (if he understood them at all).³ Along the same lines, the translator does not succumb to using *ἁρῶ* for *δόξα* when it means 'opinion' and he will sometimes use a pair of words for one, e.g. *πληθὺς* = *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ*, or *τοῖς ἐπιμεληταῖς* (*those who have a care*) = *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ* (*those who have a burden of care*),⁴ as well as sometimes using fuller verbs in place of existential ones, thus for *τοὺς οἵπερ ἄν γένοιτο περὶ θεοῦ λόγους* (*the words, whichever they may be, concerning God*), *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ* (*the words which are spoken concerning God*).⁵ Finally, in this connection a comment on the usage of the term *μυσταγωγοί*. Here in Ep55, the translator seeks out a number of expressions for it: *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ*, *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ* (the verb *ἁρῶ* also being used for *μυσταγωγέω*; the same is found in Ep39),⁶ and *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ*.⁷ We may compare this with even more 'dynamic' equivalents in RF, where we find *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ*, *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ* (*the apostles who proclaimed the true mystery*) and CO, where *μυσταγωγῆκασιν* is rendered *ἁρῶ ἁρῶ* (*they instructed in the mysterious doctrines*).⁸ Thus within Ep55 we see a variety of terms used depending on context and meaning, but none like in RF or CO, both of which have quite dynamic equivalents.

Sometimes he can come up with quite different words for similar things, which show his 'mixed' approach to equivalency and 'literalness'. We have seen already how both *ἁρῶ* and *ἁρῶ* are used for *οὐσία* in this text; on a less significant level we can find for *ἀπόρητος* the quite idiomatic *ἁρῶ*, yet the more neologistic *ἁρῶ* for the

¹ 49,9 [1,14]; 50,31 [4, 4]; 49,7 [1,8].

² 50,31 [4,4]; 51,16 [5,6]. AT, 170,14 [476,13] and Ep39, 18,3 [f.151ra] both have the closer *ἁρῶ*.

³ 52,5 [6,8]; for the use of the formula in Christian theological writing, see J. Daniélou, *Gospel message and Hellenistic culture*, London 1973, 108-110.

⁴ 51,8 [4,21]; 50,8-9 [2,27]

⁵ 49,28-9 [2,15].

⁶ 19,27 [f.152rb].

⁷ 50,22 [3,19]; 53,6 [8,8] (57,4 [15,20] for *μυσταγωγέω*); 58,2 [23,10-11].

⁸ RF, 46,21 [20,1]; CO, 36,28 [f.93rb].

synonymous term ἄφραστος. The same practice is evident again where Cyril speaks of God ‘calling into existence’ and εἰς τὸ εἶναι becomes ܠܘܘܠ whereas elsewhere the article with infinitive is done with verbal phrases.¹

It is evident that we have to do here with a translator who is finding his way through the problems and difficulties raised by the developments in technique that we witness in the period of the Philoxenian. He often seems more at ease in the older, more liberal, style, not being too careful about lexical consistency or about mirroring Greek syntax; yet we also see a plentiful use of those sorts of simple calques which are typical of the Philoxenian, which do not injure the native idiom but yet do attempt to reflect the original carefully. The word order of the text follows the original wherever it can, but by no means slavishly. His quite varied usage places him in a period of change and uncertainty.

Contra Orientales/Contra Theodoretum

This is characterised both by inconsistency and, by comparison with the texts just dealt with, some unexpected renderings. As an example, we note the terms διάνοια and ἔννοια; the former is found as ܠܘܘܐ, ܠܘܘܝܐ, and as ܠܘܘܐ, with the latter also as ܠܘܘܐ.² It is unusual thus to have a number of Syriac synonyms employed for a single Greek term within a single text. Frequently we see that contextual meaning is more important to the translator than consistency; thus δόξα as ‘opinion’ is never ܠܘܘܐ, as in some texts, but can vary between ܠܘܘܝܐ and ܠܘܘܝܐ, the latter being the more common, and which can also be used for λόγος where the sense is appropriate;³ λόγος itself has a variety of equivalents, including both ܠܘܘܐ and ܠܘܘܐ where appropriate, as well as the obvious ܠܘܘܐ;⁴ ܠܘܘܐ is also used regularly for δόγμα, although ܠܘܘܐ can be used just as well.⁵

Further examples could easily be multiplied; to pick a few, τάσσω is rendered both as ܘܘܘܘ and as ܘܘܘܘܘܘܘ within the same sentence; τρόπος is found as both ܠܘܘܘ and as

¹ 52,31 [7,19-20]; 53,15[8,22] and also e.g. 53,10 [8,15].

² 33,14 [f.91rc]; 34,2 [f.91vb]; 40,6 [f.94vb]; 33,17 [f.91rc].

³ 35,6 [f.92rb]; 35,19 [f.92rc]; 40,29 [f.95rb].

⁴ 40,10 [f.94vc]; 39,22 [f.94rc].

⁵ 40,28 [f.95rb]; 39,22 [f.94rc].

their entirety. Sometimes this simply involves bringing out the compounded preposition as a separate word, as *ⲁⲛⲧⲁⲛⲓⲥⲧⲁⲛⲧⲁⲓ* for ἀντανίστανται. But in more complex compounds we see other, and more periphrastic, methods used; for example, *ἰσογνώμονες* = *ⲛⲓⲥⲟⲩⲛⲟⲩⲛⲟⲩⲥ*, *ἑτεροδιδάσκω* = *ⲉⲗⲉ ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ*, *ἑτεροφυής* = *ⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟⲩⲥ*, *δυσβουλία* = *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ*, and *θειγόροι* (*those who discourse of God*) = *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ*.¹ Sometimes, he uses more ingenious periphrases, such as *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *μυσταγωγέω*; and *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *ἀνόμοιοι*, which in this type of discourse might seem closer to something like *διαιρομένοι* (*separated*), whereas the term *ἀνομοίος* comes from another type of discourse, another set of technical terms. We even have the longer periphrases *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *ὁμόθρονος* and both *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* and *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *προέρχομαι*, where this refers to the incarnation of the Logos – this latter counting almost as editing for clarification.² On occasion he evidently feels the need to express the subtlety of the Greek with a pair of synonyms, e.g. *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *προτάξαντες* or *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* (*those who are censorious and worthless*) for *φιλοσκώμμονας* (*those who are fond of scoffing*), which is really a surrender to untranslatability (see under ‘editing’ above for further discussion of expansionism of this type in this text).³ Finally, we note those very idiomatic phrases that he sometimes uses for especially difficult compound terms – under this we would include *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *ὁμόφρονες* and similarly *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *ὁμοδοξία*, and also such as the idiom *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for *ἀποστρέφω*.⁴

Responsiones ad Tiberium

Perhaps the most important aspect of the vocabulary of this text concerns its manner of dealing with long, difficult or obscure Greek words. The level of consistent equivalency is high, but this does not greatly distinguish this text from the others. Even here we can have the same Syriac word being used for different Greek terms, such as *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* for both *ἔπεσθαι* and for *συνάπτειν*. Words for what is and is not possible are many in Greek, but in this text *ⲁⲛⲁⲓⲛⲟⲩⲥ* tends to be used whether negatively for

¹ 33,18 [f.91rc]; 33,29 [f.91va]; 33,31f. [f.91vb]; 40,16 [f.94vc]; 36,28 [f.93rb]; 38,20 [f.94ra] – this last is an unusual word which turns up e.g. in Heliodorus’ *Aethiopica*, and in the Orphic text, *Argonautica* – but our translator seems to have got the gist of it.

² 36,28 [f.93rb]; 40,27 [f.95rb]; 39,32 [f.94va]; 35,29 [f.92va] and 40,14 [f.94vc].

³ 34,6 [f.91vb]; 34,5 [f.91vb].

⁴ 33,28 [f.91va] and again 40,24 [f.95ra]; 33,29 [f.91va]; 40,30 [f.95rb].

Compound Greek words naturally fall most easily into this type of approach, and we even see such forms as ܕܠܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ for φιληδόνως, a construct phrase with an adverb instead of the second element. This form is a common calque from the Syro-Hexapla and Harklean, though even there the first element is usually a participle rather than a pure noun, as here.¹ Sometimes this can become virtually unintelligible, as when $\mu\eta\ \acute{\alpha}\pi\omicron\delta\iota\omicron\rho\iota\zeta\acute{\epsilon}\tau\omega\sigma\alpha\nu\ \acute{\omega}\varsigma\ \delta\acute{\iota}\psi\upsilon\chi\omicron\iota$ (*let them not divide, as waverers* – the reference is to James 1.8) becomes $\text{ܕܠܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ ܕܠܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ}$. Ebied and Wickham render this as *let them not divide him into two souls*, the error coming about due to the etymological translation of a single idiomatic word, δίψυχοι – the error is purely one of *signifié*, and not of *signifiant*.²

The last point to add indicates how equivalency for this translator extends even to the matter of particles. As was common in 7th century translations such as Paul of Edessa’s revision of Gregory Nazianzus, so in AT ἦγουν and ἦτοι are rendered as ܕܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ , καὶ γοῦν as ܕܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ , and ὡσπερ as ܕܥܘܢ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ . τοίνυν can even become ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ .³ These sort of equivalents are wholly absent from our other texts.

4.ii Loan Words

‘The use of foreign words is dignified’

Aristotle *Poetica* 1458a20

The following is a *selection* of the Greek loan words used in each text, split into two separate categories: A, all those loan words used to translate their precise equivalents in the Greek text; and B, those loan words used where the original term is different. This distinction is important and is not reflected in the indices of Greek loan words in the CSCO volumes which may give, for example, a listing of the instances of ܕܥܘܢܝܘܫ without noting whether the original is τάξις or some other word. Occasionally, a third section, C, is added containing instances where the loan word might have been expected but is not used.

¹ 164,4 [471,18], see the discussion of this form in Nöldeke §207.

² 154,15 [464,15].

³ 150,17 [462,5]; 172,19 [478,10]; 154,15 [464,15].

ܩܘܘܝܘܢܐ, partly to express καταφωράω (715,6); ܘܢܘܠܐ for πάντως (718,2) and also for πασά πως (736,41); ܩܘܘܢܐ is also used to render υπόδειγμα (762,33), even in close proximity to where it is used properly for τύπος.

Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum

A

ἀμώμητος (ܩܘܢܐ ܩܘܢܐ) (18,12); ἀνάγκη (19,28).¹

B

ܘܢܘܠܐ (πόρος with compounded ܠ) for πάντως (19,6). Although Brock states that the direct loan-word for πάντως was used even from the late fifth century,² it is found nowhere in any of our texts, which use either ܘܢܘܠܐ or, more commonly, ܘܢܘܢܐ ܠ ܩܘܢܐ.

Scholia de Incarnatione

A

ἄρα (223,2)³; παράκλητος (195,24 in cit. 1 Jn 2.1); σύνοδος (222,17); τάξις (222,38); τύπος (221,15).

B

ܘܢܘܢܐ for πάντως (225,21).

EP39

A

ἀγών (16,14; 18,4); ἀναπείθων (16,15);⁴ χάρτη (16,23).⁵

B

ܘܢܘܢܐ (τύπος) used for καταξιοῦν (19,2) – this is quite a dynamic choice; the Greek means something like ‘to be worthy’ in the sense of ‘to be seen to be doing (something)’.

EP40

¹ But this loan-word is not used for the same Greek term shortly afterwards (21,15).

² Brock, *Greek Words in Syriac*, 259.

³ Used sometimes, but not at all consistently.

⁴ The verb here is the Aphel form ܘܢܘܢܐ, not a direct loan but a derivative of the noun form ܩܘܢܐ from πείσαι.

⁵ However, the word ܩܘܢܐ more accurately reflects the form χάρτη. The Greek is itself, of course, a loan from Latin.

A

ἄρα (23,29); τάξις (27,23); αίρετικοί (26,3); διαθήκη (28,12);¹ ἐπίσκοπος (20,17 *et passim*);² καθαίρεισις (30,25); καταγορεύειν (23,14); ἀναπείθειν (21,29); σύνοδος (22,1; 24,2; 30,26); τόμος (21,23); τριβοῦνος (21,16); χάρτη (22,20).

B

ܬܘܠܘܬܐ (τάξις) for τρόπος (22,10), for ποιότης (27,14); ܬܘܠܘܬܐ for νομοθεσία (28,12);³ ܬܘܠܘܬܐ is used in a dynamically rendered passage (equivalent of 21,27-8), and again for αἰτία (23,26) but again the passage is simplified and the equivalences not precise – moreover, this is not a true loan-word (see above under loan-words in *De Recta Fide*); ܘܥܘܪ with the meaning of ‘being accustomed’, dynamically for τοῖς εἰδόσι (22,27), and again for ὁμολογουμένως (26,21); ܬܘܠܘܬܐ for προσηκάμην (22,11); ܘܥܘܠܘܬܐ for εἴκειν, with the meaning of ‘to yield’ (22,16).

EP44

A

αίρετικός (35,8); γλωσσόκομον (37,5)⁴; πραιποσίτος (37,6); πάπας (36,4; 37,12); ἐπίσκοπος (35,3; 37,9); ὀρθόδοξος (35,19); σύνοδος (37,7).

B

ܘܘܝܬܐ ܕܥܘܪ for πάντως (36,6)

EP45

A

αἵρεσις (151,17); αίρετικός (156,24);⁵ ἐπίσκοπος (151,7); ὀρθή δόξα (154,10); τάξις (152,1); ὑπομνηστικός (154,12).

B

¹ In citation of Rom 9.4, where the Peshitta does not use the loan.

² On one occasion the fuller form ܬܘܠܘܬܐܘܬܐ is used (38,12).

³ As with διαθήκη in Ep40 (above), this one is from a citation of Rom 9.4, where the Peshitta also has ܬܘܠܘܬܐ.

⁴ Cf. Jn 12.6 (Peshitta).

⁵ On both these instances the loan-word is actually ܬܘܠܘܬܐܘܬܐ (αἵρεσιώτης) but the Greek is αίρετικός, in the first instance as an attributive adjective, in the second οἱ αίρετικοί as a substantive; compare this with the reference to αίρετικός in Ep44 above, and in Ep55, in which the loan-word is the more proper ܬܘܠܘܬܐܘܬܐ.

ܘܥܪ for προτρέπειν (151,9); ܘܘܝܐ ܚܘܢ for πάντως (155,17); ܘܘܠܘ for καταρρυθμίζειν (151,12) – the loan-word is used also for its true equivalent at 152,1 (see above).

EP46

A

εύαγγελιστής (158,16); άπίθανος (160,20).¹

B

ܟܘܘܠܘ ܝܘܡ for έγκαλεῖσθαι (160,25); ܘܘܝܐ ܚܘܢ for πάντως (160,8).

EP50

A

ἄρα (93,20); προσωπεῖον (91,7) (as well as πρόσωπον);² ἄωμος (94,16);³ σοφιστής (98,31);⁴ χριστιανός (95,4).

B

ܟܘܘܘܝܐ is also used where there is no clear equivalent in the original, in a dynamically rendered passage, as part of the expression ܕܠܘܘܐ ܘܘܘܝܐ ܟܘܘܘܝܐ ܟܘܘܠܘܐ (94,10 [f.143ra]).

EP55

A

άμώμητος (50,17);⁵ αίρεσις (50,25); αίρετικός (54,11); ἄρα (59,35);⁶ διαθήκη (58,2); έπίσκοπος (60,13); καθολική (51,29); όρθόδοξος (49,4); στοιχεῖον (51,34); σύνοδος (50,34); σχήμα (54,10); τάξις (53,1);⁷ τύπος (56,10); ύπόμνημα (51,11).

B

ܘܘܝܐ ܚܘܢ for πάντως (61,8); ܟܘܘܘܘܝܐ for νομοθεσία (58,20);¹ ܟܘܘܘܝܐ for χαρακτήρ (49,22);² ܟܘܘܘܝܐ (τάγμα) for χορός (56,8); ܘܘܠܘ (κατηγορεῖν) for καταγράφω

¹ ܟܘܘܘܝܐ, not a direct loan, but derived from the loaned root from πείθειν.

² The former used in a quite non-Christological sense. See also under section B.

³ This is in citation from Heb 9.14 and follows the Peshitta use of this semi-loan word; see under *De Recta Fide*.

⁴ The form is ܟܘܘܘܝܐ.

⁵ Ebied and Wickham omit this from their index. See note on this as a loan word under RF and Ep40 (above).

⁶ Again omitted from the index.

⁷ The same phrase εν χάριτος τάξει is rendered just as in Ep45 (152,1).

(51,7); ܠܘܠܘܘܢ for λόγος (49,7), where the latter means something like a ‘good report’ - ܠܘܠܘܘܢ is a derived noun from the verbal form ܠܘܠܘܢ, itself possibly derived from ܠܘܠܘܢ (although it may be native semitic), so the loan is at one remove, but is nevertheless placed in this category.

C

ܠܘܠܘܢ for ἀμώμητος (49,18) rather than ܠܘܠܘܢ ܠܘܠܘܢ as we find elsewhere; εἰκῶν as ܠܘܠܘܢ (51,32) [but see also the discussion of this term above under *Lexical Equivalence*].

Contra Orientales, Contra Theodoretum

A

αἱρετικοί (33,16); ἀκίνδυνος (33,21); ἄρα (54,9); (ὁμό)θρονος (39,32); μῶμος (40,8); ὄργανον (60,20); πειθόμενοι (33, 25); τάξων (38,9).

B

τρόπος = ܠܘܠܘܢ (33,30); ἀκολουθία = both ܠܘܠܘܢ and then ܠܘܠܘܢ close together (38,9f.); πάντη = ܘܘܘܘܢ ܘܘܘܘܢ (40,24), but this is rare; ἐν κόσμῳ = ܠܘܠܘܢ (112,3).

No use of ܠܘܠܘܢ or ܠܘܠܘܢ etc for ἀναγκαίως.

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A

αἱρετικός (168,13); ἄμωμος (172,21); ἀπίθανος (166,7);³ ἀϋλός (174,10); εἰκῆ (140,5);⁴ γίγαντες (176,26); καθολικός (166,24); κατηγορεῖν (172,14); ὀρθόδοξος (168,1);⁵ οὐσία (140,9 *et passim*); σχῆμα (140,26); τάξις (150,10); τύπος (164,20).

In addition we have ܠܘܠܘܢ for ἐξεικονισμός (174,12), a word derived from the loan ܠܘܠܘܢ, not found in the lexicons but roughly equal to the ܠܘܠܘܢ found in Bar

¹ Ebied and Wickham omit this from their index; see above under *Lexical Equivalence* for discussion of the use of this loan-word in Ep40 and Ep55.

² Again, see above under this specialist term in *Lexical Equivalence*, although here, its only appearance in Ep55, it is being used in a non-Christological context.

³ As usual the Syriac is a derived form from ܠܘܠܘܢ.

⁴ This is said to be found quite rarely, Brock, *Greek Words in Syriac*, 259.

⁵ The *plene* spelling ܘܘܘܘܢܘܘܘܢ; in previous texts we generally have the shorter spelling ܘܘܘܘܢܘܘܘܢ.

For the issue of the neologisms ܘܥܒܪܐ, ܘܥܒܪܐ and their derivatives, see further above, under *σάρξ σῶμα and their derivatives*.

References are made to the location of the Syriac word given, not its Greek equivalent.

De Recta Fide

ܐܘܘܪܐ [21,13], frequently for δόκησις; ܐܘܘܪܐ [13,5 et passim] and derivations, a universal term for οἰκονομία; ܐܘܘܪܐ [31,10] and ܐܘܘܪܐ [64,5]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [31,10] and ܐܘܘܪܐ [32,3 etc.];¹ ܐܘܘܪܐ [33,3], a standard epithet for David; ܐܘܘܪܐ [33,9]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [64,1]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [67,9]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [83,9], following the Peshitta of Heb 5.8; ܐܘܘܪܐ [125,4]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [129,3]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [129,10].

Quod Unus sit Christus

ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.51rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.51rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.51rb et passim]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.51va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.51vb et passim]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.52ra]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53ra] and ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53ra]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.53vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.92ra] and ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.55va], ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.90va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.55va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.56rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.56va] and ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.56va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.57rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.57vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.57vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.59ra; f.70rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.61rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.62va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.72vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.74vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.75va]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.77rb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.77vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.78vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.90vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.95ra].

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ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.15rb, 16vb], fairly common throughout for ἀπορητῶς; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.16vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.15vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.16ra etc.]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.16vb] = ὁρατός; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.16vb]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.18ra] for σαρκωθῆναι; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.19ra]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.19ra]; ܐܘܘܪܐ [f.19ra] = δυναστεία¹ the first instance of this word

¹ A neologism like this is, however, used inconsistently, e.g. for both ἄτρεπτος [41.3] and ἀκιλινές [41.4], but then with ܐܘܘܪܐ also being used for ἄτρεπτος [41.2].

is rendered with **ሥ**, even though the denotation and sense is identical]; **ሥሥሥሥ** [f.19ra, 19vb]; **ሥሥሥ** [f.20va]; **ሥሥሥሥ** [f.21ra].

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ሥሥሥሥሥ [f.21vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.22rb]; **ሥሥሥሥ** [f.23vb], **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.38va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.24rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.24rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.24rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.24ra]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.24va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.25vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.26va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.27ra] and **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.44vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.27va], **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.29ra]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.28vb] (for **συγκαταβάσις**); **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.30va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.33vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.39vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.40ra]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.41rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.44ra]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.48ra].

Ep39

ሥሥሥሥሥ [f.150rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.150rb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.150va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.150va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.151va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.151va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.151va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.151va]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.151va].

Ep40

ሥሥሥሥ [31,2] and the twin forms **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [37,21] and **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [37,12]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [37,13].

Ep44

none

Ep45

ሥሥሥሥሥ [39,9]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [39,13], cf.Ep40 above for this form; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [45,24] and **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [44,15]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [45,19]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [46,6].

Ep46

ሥሥሥሥሥ [50,8] and **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [50,11]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [50,22]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [50,22]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [52,29].

Ep50

ሥሥሥሥሥ [f.140vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.141vb]; **ሥሥሥሥሥ** [f.143va].

Ep55

Ḳḥḥḥḥḥ [4,2]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [4,7]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [4,19]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [5,10]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [5,22]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [5,23]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [5,28], in cit. Rom 1.23 (Peshitta has ḥḥḥḥḥ); ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [7,9]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [7,20]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [9,2]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [9,2]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [10,10].

Contra Orientales/Contra Theodoretum

ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [f.91va]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [f.91vb]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [f.92rb]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [f.92vc]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [f.94ra]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [f.94ra]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [f.94ra]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [leg. for ḥḥḥḥḥḥ] [f.94va]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [f.122rb].

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ḥḥḥḥḥ [457,9]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [457,14]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [458,14]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [459,6]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [456,7]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [461,13]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [463,6]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [464,17]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [465,10]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [465,11]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [465,13]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [466,10] and ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [479,10]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [466,14]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [468,17]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [469,1]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [469,2]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [469,8]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [473,10]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [476,4]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [478,6]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [478,13]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [478,18]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [478,13]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [479,12]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥḥ [479,19]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [481,11]; ḥḥḥḥḥḥ [481,16]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [481,16]; ḥḥḥḥḥ [481,19].

3.ii

Comparison of Translation Techniques in other texts

Having described in as much detail as space allows the various techniques used by our texts across a range of criteria, we are now in a position to develop the observations made in the last section (3.i) by introducing a new method. Cyril is plentifully quoted by subsequent authors, both Syriac and Greek. Where such authors quote from our texts, therefore, we have extant *two* Syriac versions of the same passage, one of which will often be datable. By comparing these passages, we hope to shed further light on the observations made thus far with regard to the techniques of our texts.

The most important author in this connection is Severus of Antioch, whose works are extant only in their Syriac versions. Others will also be mentioned as we proceed, such as the author of the life of John of Tella, Theodosius of Alexandria, and Peter of Callinicum. These are all (reasonably) datable texts.

The Syriac versions of the majority of the works of Severus have traditionally been ascribed to the deposed monophysite bishop Paul of Callinicum.¹ The basis for this attribution rests on the colophon of Vat.Syr.140, the ms which contains the dossier of works written by Severus and Julian of Halicarnassus (the Anti-Julianist Polemic). This colophon (f.145v) attributes the translation to Paul and dates his work to 528. The ms itself is of 6th century date and there is no reason to doubt its testimony in this matter. Can any of the other Syriac versions of Severus be ascribed to Paul? When Lebon first published the *Liber Contra Impium Grammaticum* (CG) in 1929, he ascribed the work again “ad eundem interpretem [sc. the translator of the Anti-Julianist works] probabiliter, haud tamen certo, libri quoque contra impium grammaticum syriacam versionem auctores hodierni communiter referunt,” though he does not tell us who these ‘auctores hodierni’ are.²

The ascription also of the translation of the *Sergius correspondence* to Paul of Callinicum rested with Baumstark and was similarly adopted by Lebon.³ The

¹ Thus Duval, *Littérature Syriaque*, 316.

² Lebon, *Contra Impium Grammaticum*, versio, p.ii.

³ Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 160; Lebon, *Orationes ac Epistulae*, v (versio).

Cathedral Homilies exist in two versions, one known to be by Jacob of Edessa, the other, older version, ascribed again to Paul – thus says Brière, that this deduction was made “de la parenté qui existe entre les traductions précitées [i.e. the three texts mentioned so far] et une version syriaque des 125 homélies cathédrales de Sévère d’Antioche.” He recognises that only the anti-Julianist corpus is actually explicit on this matter and that the others are deductions from this based on similarity (of style).¹ Although we have no reason to doubt these judgments, it is worth keeping in mind that the attribution of this large corpus to Paul of Callinicum in the late 520s rests on only one colophon to one of the works involved.

One other vital work, however, can safely be attributed to Paul, namely the *Philalethes*. For if we compare a long citation which Severus makes from the *Philalethes* in one of his defences against Julian with the parallel text in the *Philalethes* itself, we can observe that the two are identical for a full 51 lines of text.² From this one observation we are able to conclude that the translator of the anti-Julianist work (i.e. Paul of Callinicum) was making use of an already extant translation of the *Philalethes*. Given the short time available for this, together with all the other considerations mentioned, it seems extremely likely that this translator was himself. We can thus firmly attribute the translation of the *Philalethes* to Paul, despite the editor’s own reticence in this matter, and thus expand the corpus of works clearly attributable to this translator.

Severus’ other work, the *Orationes ad Nephaliium* has come down to us in a single ms (Mausiliensis 30), the colophon of which gives the translator as Athanasius of Nisibis, who was also the translator of some of Severus’ correspondence, which he published in 668/9. We can assume that his version of the *Ad Nephaliium* comes from a similar date. His work thus belongs to the ‘highest’ period of Syriac translations, more or less contemporary with those of Jacob of Edessa.³ The use of the credal term $\rho\alpha\zeta$

¹ Brière, *Introduction générale aux homélies de Sévère d’Antioche*, 17; the same ascription was made already by previous scholars, see Wright 94f., Duval 316f., Baumstark, 160.

² Texts: Hespel, *Philalèthe* (Textus) 348,9-350,3, and Hespel, *Sévère: La polemique antijulianiste* (Textus) III,115,22-117,10.

³ This Athanasius is not to be confused with his contemporary namesake of Balad, the translator of and commentator upon Aristotle; see Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 259.

ܠܘܟܝܢ by this translator confirms this late date – Jacob of Edessa being especially noted for its use.¹

Basing ourselves on these reasonably well-fixed points, we are now able to look at the texts where they overlap. The method of comparing parallel texts in patristic citations was used by Van Roey and Allen in their study of the various Syriac versions of the works of Theodosius of Alexandria, although in their case the main purpose of the comparison was rather to ascertain the identity of the translators.² The method used there did not extend beyond comparison of vocabulary. Beyond establishing that the various extant versions were all by different translators and that they were in turn all different from the full Syriac versions of the same works (in this case, Paul of Callinicum's Severus and Paul of Edessa's Gregory Nazianzen), the analysis did not go much further. In this chapter, by contrast, we shall be looking at translation technique across roughly the same range of criteria that we used in the foregoing chapter. For each text a small selection of examples will be given out of the usually very large number available both in Paul's translation work and in the large Syriac florilegia, the mss of which were described in 2.i. Only the shorter passages will be cited in full, in order to provide the proper evidence without overburdening the length; but the relevant parts of all the example passages will be fully discussed.

The abbreviations for the various texts will frequently be used in the following discussions. The reader is referred back to the key on p.1-3.

Citations of the *De Recta Fide*

Example 1

[Greek: 45,8-12]

τὴν ἀπὸ γῆς σάρκα ταῖς ἀνωτάτω δόξαις στεφανοῦν παραιτούμενοι καὶ ἐκ τῆς ἄγαν ἀμαθίας νόθην τινὰ καὶ παρεφθαρμένην νοσοῦντες εὐλάβειαν παρατετράφθαι φασὶ τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ πατρὸς φύντα λόγον εἰς ὀστέων τε καὶ νεύρων καὶ σὰρκος φύσιν, τὴν ἐκ

¹ Gribomont, *La catechèse*, 153, n.67, although Gribomont here seems unaware of the external attribution to Athanasius.

² Van Roey and Allen, *Monophysite Texts*, 119-22.

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ
...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ
...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ
...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2 καὶ ὁμοίως, sed pon. post καὶ ὁμοίως, F

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

διαβεβαιούμεθα δὲ σύνοδον μὲν τινα καὶ τὴν ὑπὲρ λόγον συνδρομὴν

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ ¹καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2; καὶ ὁμοίως sed pon. post καὶ ὁμοίως, F

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

εἰς ἔνωσιν ἀνίσων τε καὶ ἀνομοίων πεπραῆχθαι φύσεων·

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ F pro καὶ ὁμοίως

καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ F

ἓνα δ' οὖν ὅμως Χριστὸν καὶ κύριον καὶ υἱὸν ἐπιγινώσκομεν,

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ

...καὶ ὁμοίως, ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ B2, F

¹ καὶ ὁμοίως leg. Hespel.

έν ταυτῷ καὶ ὑπάρχοντα καὶ νοούμενον θεόν τε ὁμοῦ καὶ ἄνθρωπον.

.κωιβο κωιλε α.ι.δ.α.ο ,σοδωκ οφ ι οφ ι

.κωκ ιβο κωακ κωιλε :κωιδ.α.ο ,σοδωκ κωακ ι

κωιβο κ.ι.ω κ.ι.κ κωιλε α.ι.δ.α.ο ,σοδωκ οβ ι οβ ι

α.ι.δ.α.ο ,σοδωκ] ι.δ.α.α.ο ιο ,σοδωκ ιο F

κ.ι.ω κ.ι.κ] κωακ B2,F

The differences between *De Recta Fide* and Paul of Callinicum are as we would expect. In particular, note the way συγκεῖσθαι is reduced to a copula in *De Recta Fide* but given the status of an indicative in the others; κατὰ τὸν ἴδιον λόγον is virtually ignored in *De Recta Fide*; *De Recta Fide*'s loose use of κω ι for a term other than ὁμοούσιος, and its avoidance of the term συνδρομήν where possible. Many of these traits have been noted previously but are highlighted by the contrasting techniques of the other translators.

All three versions of Theodosius' citation represent a style totally alien to that of *De Recta Fide*, but the comparison with Paul of Callinicum is intriguing. The latter predates the writing of Theodosius' tractate by a generation, yet there is no marked difference between them. In places, in fact, Paul of Callinicum has the edge on H as an exact representation of the original.

B2 and F are a marginal improvement on H (e.g. κωιμι δωαε for συνδρομήν and some alterations in word order), but then κωι δωκ δωκδωαε for κωι δωκ for τελείως ἐχούσης is less idiomatic than B2's ,σοδωκ δωκδωαε. Paul of Callinicum appears to be slightly closer to B2 than to any other version, showing some common idiosyncrasies which must be related, such as δωκδωα κωκ ι ο α ι ο οφ κ ι ο ι ο. Overall, B2 and Paul of Callinicum can easily be seen as the products of very similar translators, brought up in the same schools and using much the same techniques.

We move on now to three examples of citations in the florilegia.

words, his technique is very far from the stage of development witnessed by the other three together, as the following examples indicate:

- the loan ܐܝܢ used in the citations.
- ܐܘܢܐ for ὡς in the citations.
- There is no attempt to render εἶη in the earlier version.
- ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ rather than the idiom ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ (Sy)
- οἶεσθαι becomes just ‘to say’ in the earlier version, but is properly rendered in the citations.
- The earlier version has ‘nature of God the Word’ rather than ‘divine nature of the Word’ (θείαν was probably missing from Vorlagen of AN and PHL).
- Note how difficult syntax such as εἰς ὅπερ οὐκ ἦν is rendered idiomatically in Sy as ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ, but in all the citations as ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ.
- Again Sy uses the same term for τετράφθαι and μεταχώρησθαι, the citations all using ܐܘܢܐ and ܐܘܢܐ respectively.
- Sy omits κατὰ γε τὸν τῆς ἀλλοιώσεως τρόπον entirely, but the citations all use roughly the same formula.
- εἰς τὴν αὐτοῦ τοῦ λόγου is rendered in Sy as ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ, but the citations all have ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ.

This list is given primarily not to show how idiomatic the older translation can be, but rather to illustrate how far technique had advanced already in Paul of Callinicum. It can be seen that most of the techniques for mirroring used by Athanasius have already been developed in Paul’s work. The following extra points might be noted about these two versions:

- The loan ܐܘܢܐ is used only by Athanasius.
- The subjunctive εἶη is ܐܘܢܐ in Paul but ܐܘܢܐ for Athanasius.
- Paul’s ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ for τὴν νοεράν shows his awareness of the resumptive article, and a willingness to mirror it. Athanasius, however, omits the extra pronoun.
- Athanasius has, more correctly, ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ, rather than ܐܘܢܐ, for τὸ ἀνθρώπινον.

ܩܘܡܝ); for ὑπομείνας γέννησιν Sy has the verb ܩܘܡܝܢܐ, Paul's ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ probably reflecting a variant γένεσιν.

However, the most interesting point to emerge from this passage is the older translator's use of the phrase ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ - a usage already mentioned *ad.loc.* in Part 3.i. He uses the clothing metaphor here for both προικειωσάμενος σῶμα and as shorthand for γέγονε σὰρξ, τουτέστιν ἐσαρκώθη. It is interesting that Paul has not found it easy to deal with the first of these either, coming up with ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ in AJP and ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ in SG, both typically monophysite phrases which do not quite match the Greek words, but evidently say what Paul thought Severus wanted Cyril to mean. In another place where the *Quod Unus Sit Christus* is cited in Severus, the phrase σεσαρκωμένου τε καὶ ἐνηθρωπηκότος is rendered in the older version as ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ, and the noun ἐνανθρωπήσας as ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ. At that place, Athanasius of Nisibis represents the former phrase with ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ and the latter with ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ, as also does Paul once, though on another occasion as ܩܘܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ.¹ The implications of all this will be discussed in the conclusions that follow in the next section.

Citations of *Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum*

Example 1

We have just a single citation in the Severan corpus, which is found in AJP, in addition to some citations in the florilegia.

[Greek: 25,17-28]

ἀπαθῆς μὲν καὶ ἀθάνατος ὁ ἐκ θεοῦ πατὴρ ἐστὶ λόγος· ἀνωτέρω γὰρ τοῦ πάσχειν ἢ θεία τε καὶ ἀπόρρητος ἐστὶ φύσις καὶ αὐτὴ τὰ πάντα ζωογονεῖ καὶ φθορᾶς ἀμείνων ἐστὶν καὶ παντὸς τοῦ λυπεῖν εἰωθότος.

[Syriac: f.21ra-b]

¹ 737,3/15 = Sy: f.65rb-va = (in Paul) AJP I 143,15/144,2; PHL 172,16/29; AN 57,19-20/58,3.

[Greek: 17,14] δύο γὰρ φύσεων ἔνωσις γέγονεν

[Syriac: f.150vb] ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ

[Paul: PHL 14,2-3] ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ

Sometimes concern for word order is about the only thing differentiating the texts.

Thus this clause:

[Greek: 19,7-8] ἀπαθῆ δὲ πρὸς τούτῳ τὸν τοῦ θεοῦ λόγον ὑπάρχειν ὁμολογοῦμεν ἅπαντες

[Syriac: f.151vb] ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ

[Paul: PHL 15,13-4] ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܢܘܿܬܐ

c) Lexicon

Ep39's avoidance of the loan for εὐαγγελικός [17,17] is unexpected (ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ is used) and shows his independence to some extent. While Paul is more pedantic about compounds (thus θεοπνεύστοις [17,23] ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ Ep39, ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ, ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ Paul), the use of ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ for θεολόγους [17,18] in both is perhaps more typical of their joint outlook.

διὰ with the accusative, typically ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ in Paul of Callinicum, and later in H, remains as the older ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ in Ep39 [17,14]

We occasionally find places where Paul's choice of word is more accurate, thus φρονουῦντας [17,22] is ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ in Ep39 but accurately ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ in Paul; again, ἔχουσι [17,24], with the sense of possessing, is thus ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ in Ep39 but the expected ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ in Paul.

Sometimes Ep39 can simply paraphrase an unnecessarily tricky term, thus ὑμῖν ὁ ἀγὼν συγκεκρότηται [18,2] (*the contest has been waged by us*) is reduced to ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ in Ep39, while being ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܕܘܿܝܘܿܬܐ in Paul.

σαρκωθῆναι καὶ ἐνανθρωπήσαι [17,16] is rendered generally as ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ in Ep39 and as ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ ܩܘܿܠܘܿܬܐ in Paul. Here we see Ep39 in its half-way role in using the Philoxenian credal revisions, which Paul has taken on fully. When we compare

The example simply serves to highlight how much Ep40 sometimes abbreviates his material, a feature already discussed, and sometimes adds, e.g. the name of Nicaea. However, note that the writer of Ep40 already uses the adjectival phrase ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ whereas the much more accurate version in the citation has the older ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ.

Further examples

The following are some further examples of the differences found in the Paul of Callinicum citations which tend to be carried through the texts consistently. In each example, the text of the Syriac Ep40 is followed by Paul of Callinicum's version.

a) Syntactical structural alterations

οὐ ἐξ ἰδίας λαβόντα φύσεως κατασκευάσαι τὸ σῶμα τὸν λόγον ὑπονοήσομεν [26,3-5]

ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ
ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

b) Alterations of morphological forms

θεότης καὶ ἀνθρωπότης [26,25] ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

θεοπρεπῶς τε ἄμα καὶ ἀνθρωπίνως διαλεγόμενον [30,5]

ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

c) Word for word equivalence

ἡμῶσθαι φαμέν [26,7] ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

ὁμολογίαν ποιούμενοι [26,13] ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

ἀπορρήτως [27,2] ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

ἐνωθέντα [27,3] ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ / ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ ܩܘܪܝܢܘܢܝܘܬܝܢ

τὸ θεοπρεπὲς καὶ τὸ ἀνθρώπινον [28,18]

ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ,ὅσο ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι ,ὅσο

μεταφοίτησις [29,23] omitted as otiose in Ep40 / ῥηθῆναι

εἶναι ὅ ἐστιν [29,23] ,ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ,ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι ὅσο ,ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

τὰ Ἀρείου [30,1] ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

d) Adjectives translated as adjectives

οἰκονομικὴν καὶ ἀπόρητον [26,2]

ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

ἀδιάσπαστον [26,3] ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

e) Reflexives

ἐαυτῷ [26,4] ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ὅσο

f) Infinitive for infinitive

διανέμειν [26,15] ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι

g) Resumptive articles with demonstratives

ὕψι τῷ ἐκ γυναικός [26,21] ῥηθῆναι...ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι ὅσο ῥηθῆναι

h) Copula

ἦν [29,19] ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

i) Word Order

For the most part, Ep40 is quite careful about word order; while observing good Syriac, the translator nevertheless does appear to be taking note of the order of the words in his Vorlage. Yet in Paul's work we naturally see a much stricter adherence in this area, often in quite small matters, such as:

ἐπόμενοι δὲ πανταχῆ [26,5] ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι / ῥηθῆναι ῥηθῆναι

περιεργάζοιτό τις [26,23] حَفَفَ يَحْفَفُ / يَحْفَفُ حَفَفًا

j) Compound words

θεοπνεύστοις [26,5] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

θηγρόρων [26,13] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، حَفَفًا

θεοπρεπεῖς [26,18] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

πολυπραγμονῆται [27,1] حَفَفًا، حَفَفًا / حَفَفًا، حَفَفًا

k) Other key terms

σῶμα [26,4] [29,21] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

ὀνομάσας [28,14] يَمُنُّ / يَمُنُّ

κεφαλαίους [26,16] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

προσάπτω [26,18] يَمُنُّ / يَمُنُّ

ἐσαρκώθη [26,23] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

ἐνανθρώπησεν [26,23] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ، رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

σάρξ [30,1] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

l) Particles/prepositions

ἐπὶ τῷ κυρίῳ [28,17f.] رُوحَانِيَّةٌ / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

μέν [26,16] omitted / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

γούν [26,15] [26,25] [29,22] omitted / رُوحَانِيَّةٌ

ὅταν [27,1] כח / ,הכח

πάντως [27,2] omitted / אלה

μᾶλλον [28,19] omitted / הוהוה

τοιούτων [29,26] אלו א / אלו הנה א

There are also, however, some notable similarities which show that the style of Ep40 was already sufficiently advanced that Paul of Callinicum could come up, quite independently, with exactly the same result.

οἶον [27,22] כה יחכ כחכ הנה / כה יחכ הנה הנה

κρᾶσις ἢ σύγχυσις ἢ φυρμός ἢ μεταβολή [29,21-2]

כחכככ כחככככ כחככככ כח יחכ

כחכככ אכ כחכככ אכ כחכככ אכ כח יחכ

ὤθησαν δὲ πρὸς τούτῳ καὶ ταῖς Ἀρείου με συμφέρεσθαι δυσφημίαις [29,24]

כה כח אהיכ ,תחכא אכ כח כח הנה אהכ

כה כח אהיכ ,תחכא אכ כח כח הנה אהכ

Citations of Ep44

Example 1

[Greek: 35,18-36,2]

ἐπειδὴ δὲ πάντες οἱ ἐκ τῆς Ἀνατολῆς νομίζουσιν ἡμᾶς τοὺς ὀρθοδόξους ταῖς Ἀπολλιναρίου δόξαις ἀκολουθεῖν καὶ φρονεῖν ὅτι σύγκρασις ἐγένετο ἢ σύγχυσις (τοιαύταις γὰρ αὐτοὶ κέχρηται φωναῖς, ὡς τοῦ θεοῦ λόγου μεταβεβηκότος εἰς φύσιν σαρκὸς καὶ τῆς σαρκὸς τραπέισης εἰς φύσιν θειότητος), συγκεχωρήκαμεν αὐτοῖς οὐ διελεῖν δύο τὸν ἕνα υἱόν, μὴ γένοιτο, ἀλλ' ὁμολογῆσαι μόνον ὅτι οὔτε σύγχυσις ἐγένετο οὔτε κρᾶσις, ἀλλ' ἡ μὲν γὰρ σὰρξ σὰρξ ἦν ὡς ἐκ γυναικὸς

ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ
 ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ
 ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ
 ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ

[Citation in Florilegium: Mingana 69, f.12r]

ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ
 ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ
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In the full version of the text, the syntactical structure is quite altered, with subordinate clauses becoming main clauses; the *ἔχω* clause is avoided by circumlocution; other idioms, such as *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ*, are added to smooth the *démarche*; the awkward *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ* for *τοῦτο κάκεινο* suggests a translator struggling to find accurate ways of translating out of a more synonym-rich language than his own.

When we compare the Paul of Callinicum’s version with the florilegium citation, we note that the latter is actually more ‘advanced’ as a mirror of the original. It correctly places *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ* before, rather than after, *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ*, which phrase is itself more carefully rendered as *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ*; the adjectives are treated as such and not (unusually for Paul of Callinicum) analytically.¹ The florilegium text, however, translates *ܘܢܘܩܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܢ* differently on each occasion whereas Paul of Callinicum was consistent in his renderings.

Example 4

[Greek: 155,27-156,5]

μετὰ δέ γε τὴν ἀνάστασιν ἦν μὲν αὐτὸ τὸ σῶμα τὸ πεπονθός, πλὴν οὐκέτι τὰς
 ἀνθρωπίνας ἀσθενείας ἔχον ἐν ἑαυτῷ. οὐ γὰρ ἔτι πείνης ἢ κόπου ἢ ἐτέρου τινὸς τῶν
 τοιούτων δεκτικὸν εἶναι τι φαμέν αὐτό, ἀλλὰ λοιπὸν ἄφθαρτον καὶ οὐχὶ τοῦτο
 μόνον, ἀλλὰ γὰρ καὶ ζωοποιόν· ζωῆς γὰρ σῶμα ἐστί, τουτέστι τοῦ μονογενοῦς,
 κατελαμπρύνθη δὲ καὶ δόξῃ τῇ θεοπρεστάτῃ.

¹ The addition of a fourth adjective in the florilgium citation should probably be put down to a textual variant in the Vorlage or to an overzealous scribe within the Syriac transmission. It is unlikely to be a function of translation technique.

copiously quoted by Severus (because they were so by his opponents), there is an abundance of material for comparison. Here follow, therefore, further general illustrations of the differences, in various categories. In each case, the text of Ep45/46 in its full Syriac version is given first, Paul of Callinicum second.

a) Major structural alterations

κἄν τοῖς τῆς συνθέσεως λόγοις ἐνυπάρχη τὸ διάφορον κατὰ φύσιν τῶν εἰς ἐνότητα συγκεκομισμένων [160,5-7] (*even if the difference by nature of the things that have been brought together into a unity is still present in the concepts of the compound*)

.οἰκ κῆλῶν
 .κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν

ἐνοῦντες ἡμεῖς τῇ σαρκὶ τὸν λόγον [153,7-8]

κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν

ἀναγκαῖον γέγονεν τὸ ἐνανθρωπήσαι τὸν λόγον [155,7-8]

κῆλῶν
 κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν κῆλῶν

ἵνα clause [155,8] ο (treated in apposition with foregoing clause) / ܐܘܢ

ἵνα clause [155,22] ܐ / ܐܘܢ

b) Alterations of morphological forms

μεταβολή [152,28] ܐܘܢ / ܐܘܢ

μεταβολή φύσεως [153,4] ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ / ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ

c) Periphrastic used or avoided

τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ πατρὸς λόγον [153,8]

ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ / ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ

ὑπὲρ νοῦν [153,8] ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ / ܐܘܢ ܐܘܢ

τῶν πατέρων τις τῶν ἀγίων [155,17-18]

כְּעִינֵם לְמִצְדָּק לְךָ יְיָ / כְּעִינֵם לְדִלְיָוִת לְךָ יְיָ

g) Calque on the copula (even when unexpressed)

ἐπειδήπερ ἐστὶν ζωὴ [155,9-10] אִם כִּינֵי אֱלֹהִים / כִּינֵי ,מִסְדֵּק אֱלֹהִים

εἰ μία φύσις τὸ ὄλον [154,10] מֵלֵךְ כִּינֵי אִם יְיָ / מֵלֵךְ ,מִסְדֵּק כִּינֵי יְיָ

ἦν [155,11] אִם / אִם מִסְדֵּק

(sometimes the results are mixed)

μετὰ τοῦ εἶναι ἄνθρωπος καὶ θεὸς ἐστὶν ἀληθινός [155,23]

אֲחֵרִיכֵי אִם כְּמִלְכָּה כְּעִינֵי ,מִסְדֵּקֵי ,וְ כִי
כֵיכֵי ,מִסְדֵּק כְּמִלְכָּה אִם כְּעִינֵי ,מִסְדֵּקֵי ,וְ כִי

h) Word order

βασανίζοντες εὐτεχνῶς [153,12] לָמַד לְכַסֵּף אֲחֵרֵינוּמֵן / אֲחֵרֵינוּמֵן לְכַסֵּף לָמַד

περιαθροῦντες ἰσχνῶς τὸ μυστήριον [153,13]

כֵּיכֵי מִסְדֵּק אֲחֵרֵינוּמֵן / כֵּיכֵי אֲחֵרֵינוּמֵן לָמַד לָמַד

θαλάσσαις ἐπιτιμῶν, νεκροὺς ἐγείρων [155,24]

כֵּלְכֵי מִסְדֵּק כִּינֵי / מִסְדֵּק כֵּלְכֵי :כִּינֵי כִּינֵי

i) Compound words

πεπλαστούργηκε [153,15] אֱלֹהִים / אֲחֵרֵינוּמֵן אֱלֹהִים

συνδρομὴν [153,20] omitted / כֵּיכֵי מִסְדֵּק כֵּלְכֵי

θεοπρεπεστάτη [156,4] כְּמִלְכָּה / כְּמִלְכָּה כִּינֵי

j) Key technical terms

τὸν [ἐκ] τοῦ θεοῦ λόγον [155,8 etc.] אֲחֵלְכֵי כְּמִלְכָּה / כְּמִלְכָּה [כֵּי] אֲחֵלְכֵי

σώμα [152,28] [153,15] ܪܘܡܐ (but ܪܘܡܐ occasionally, e.g. 154,5) / ܪܘܡܐ

ἐσαρκώθη [152,26] [153,14] ܪܘܡܐ ܕܝܗ / ܪܘܡܐ ܕܝܗ

ἐνανθρώπησεν [152,26] [153,14] ܪܘܡܐ ܪܘܡܐ / ܪܘܡܐ ܕܝܗ

σάρξ [153,13] ܪܘܡܐ / ܪܘܡܐ

σωτηρίαν [155,7] ܪܘܡܐ / ¹ܪܘܡܐ

k) Particles

μᾶλλον [153,4] [153,15] omitted in Ep45/ ܕܘܪܝܢܐ

μέν [154,5 etc.] omitted / ܘܢ

ἦτοι [155,7] ܘ / ܕܘܪܝܢܐ

Having decribed the differences between the techniques of Ep45/46 and Paul of Callinicum, we can now move on to some further examples which illustrate the differences and similarities between the styles of Paul of Callinicum and Athanasius of Nisibis, as before.

Example 5

In this case, the various versions are set out in parallel in the following order:

[Greek: 153,17-154,2]

[Syriac: 42,10-23]

[Citation in Paul of Callinicum: PHL 27,22-28,6]

[Citation in Paul of Callinicum: CG I/II,87,29-88,10 & 121,12-17]

[Citation in Athanasius of Nisibis: AN 30,8-31,3]¹

¹ This is a distinction also found between the Peshitta and Philoxenian, and in some of our texts, such as the *Explanatio*.

ἄλλοι δὲ φησὶν ὅτι οὐκ ἔστιν ἕνα φύσις ἀλλ' ἔστιν δύο φύσεις ἑνωμέναις ἐν ἑνῷ ὑποκειμένῳ. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

μετὰ μέντοι τὴν ἔνωσιν οὐ διαιροῦμεν τὰς φύσεις ἀπ' ἀλλήλων οὐδὲ εἰς δύο τέμνομεν υἱοῦς τὸν ἕνα καὶ ἀμέριστον,

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

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ἀλλ' ἕνα φαμέν υἷον καὶ ὡς οἱ πατέρες εἰρήκασιν, μιάν φύσιν τοῦ λόγου σεσαρκωμένην.

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

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οὐκοῦν ὅσον μὲν ἦκεν εἰς ἔννοιαν καὶ εἰς μόνον τὸ ὄραν τοῖς τῆς ψυχῆς ὄμμασιν.

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

τίνα τρόπον ἐνηθρώπησεν ὁ μονογενής, δύο τὰς φύσεις εἶναι φαμέν τὰς ἐνωθείσας,

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

ἕνα δὲ Χριστὸν καὶ υἷον καὶ κύριον, τὸν τοῦ θεοῦ λόγον ἐνανθρωπήσαντα καὶ σεσαρκωμένον

καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν. καὶ οὕτως ἔστιν ἕνα θεῶν καὶ δύο υἱοῦν.

ⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩⲛ ⲛⲟⲩⲛⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲓⲃⲟⲩ

Sometimes Paul of Callinicum is actually a closer ‘mirror’ than Athanasius, e.g.

- His rendering καθ’ ἕνωσιν as ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ, where Athanasius has ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ.
- In the phrase δύο τὰς φύσεις εἶναι φαμέν τὰς ἕνωθειας, Paul adheres more closely to the word order than Athanasius.

There are some areas where Athanasius has certainly achieved a more mirror-like version than Paul, for example:

- Athanasius tends to like to show the direct objects more clearly, e.g. by prefacing ⲙⲁ or ⲛⲟⲩⲛⲁⲓ.
- Paul is sometimes inconsistent, using in CG ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ, but in PHL ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ.
- Athanasius is so careful to render every particle such as the καί in ὁμοίως δὲ καί and εἰ καὶ ἰδίαν, where Paul is more content to be idiomatic.
- Athanasius adds ⲛⲁ before the participial phrase ἐκ δύο φύσεων γεγεννησθαι λέγοντες, where even Paul uses only ⲛⲁ.
- Although Paul and Athanasius both use ⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ for σεσαρκωμένος, Paul is still treating such terms as analytical expressions (ⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ ⲛⲁ) whereas Athanasius has moved on to treating them as proper adjectives (ⲛⲁⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ).

Both translators can be seen to be struggling with the difficult expression τὴν εἰς ἐνότητα συνδρομήν, Paul rendering it once as ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲟⲩⲟⲩ ⲛⲁⲓⲃⲟⲩ ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ, once as ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲛⲁⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ, Athanasius having ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲓⲃⲁⲃⲟⲥ ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ. The older translator found the challenge too much and abbreviated to ⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ alone.

We should probably take Athanasius’ use of ⲁⲛⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁⲓ ⲛⲁ as representing a corruption of ἀδιάσπαστον to ἀδιασπástως, rather than as a failure in his formal equivalence.

(ܟܕܠܐ ܟܥܠܟܐ and ܥܕܝܗܝ ܕܝܘܢ ܩܦܝܐ) for Greek ones (ὁ ἐκ θεοῦ λόγος and κατὰ τὰς γραφάς) is also typical of the full version, where Paul will use formally correct constructions (ܟܥܠܟܝܢܐ ܟܕܠܐ and ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܩܦܝܐ). The full version does use such ‘advanced’ techniques as ܟܥܣܝܢ ܡܥܕܝܗܝܢ for ἦν, and its adherence to ܟܝܘܢܐ for σῶμα indicates its older provenance.

Citations of *Ep55*

Despite its greater length, this work is cited very little. We have just two citations in Severus, once each in PHL and AJP, and none in the florilegia. It was not such a well known text in its original form, even though it was included as the first item in the corpus of Cyril’s works, Add 14557.

Example 1

[Greek: 54,25-33]

[Syriac: 10,29-11,13]

[Citation in Paul of Callinicum: PHL 40,9-24]

ὁ σοφὸς Ἰωάννης σάρκα φησὶ γενέσθαι τὸν λόγον

ܟܥܣܝܢ ܟܝܘܢܐ ܟܕܠܐܝܢ ܝܘܢܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܘܢ
ܟܕܠܐܝܢ ܟܥܣܝܢ ܝܘܢܝܢ ܟܝܘܢܐ ܟܥܥܘܢ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ

γέγονε δὲ σὰρξ οὐ κατὰ μέταστασιν ἢ τροπὴν ἢ ἀλλοίωσιν

ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ
ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ

εἰς τὴν τῆς σαρκὸς φύσιν μεταβαλὼν οὔτε μὴν φερμὸν ἢ σύγκρασιν

ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ
ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ

ἢ τὴν θρυλουμένην παρὰ τισὶ συνουσίωσιν ὑπομείνας ἀμήχανον γὰρ, ἐπεὶ περ ἐστὶ

κατὰ φύσιν

ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܟܥܕܝܗܝܢ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ ܟܥܝܘܢܐ ܕܡܘܠ ܟܥܥܝܢܐ

ܪܠܗ ܠܩܕܫܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ
 ܪܠܗ ܠܩܕܫܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ

Paul of Callinicum shows a text that is closer to the Greek, but the differences are not very great. To give some examples: 1) where Ep55 inserts Jn 1.14 as known from the Syriac versions, Paul is careful to place the words in the order as they are in the text, with ܪܘܫܐ even before ܘܢܗܘܐ in the first line; 2) Paul uses ܐܘܪܘܢܐ for ἐπεὶ where Ep55 does not render it; 3) Ep55 has left some idiomatic suffixes, such as in ܡܫܚܘܢܗ (Paul ܡܫܚܘܢܗ), and also proleptically, as in ܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ (Paul ܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ) for ἀπὸ σαρκός; 4) Paul preserves the Greek word order at ܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܡܫܚܘܢܗ (Ep55 ܡܫܚܘܢܗ ܡܫܚܘܢܗ); 5) Paul has ܕܡܫܚܘܢܗ correctly for μᾶλλον (final line) where Ep55 omits; 6) the article + ptc. combination more accurately rendered in Paul as ܐܘܪܘܢܐ where Ep55 has only ܐܘܪܘܢܐ - the latter the usual Peshitta method; 7) the long subordinate clause with participles is more accurately represented in Paul, where ἔχων + adverbs is represented with ܡܫܚܘܢܗ + adjectives, while Ep55 omits any verb and therefore has to add ܐܘܪܘܢܐ before the next participle.

Occasionally we see the opposite trend, for instance when Ep55 treats σαρκῖν οὐκ ἐψυχωμέναις correctly as plural, though Paul's singular may have been based on an unknown variant.

For much of the time it could not safely be said that Paul is significantly more 'advanced' in technique than the other, however. This becomes especially clear when we bear in mind the gap between Ep40,45,46,50 and *their* citations in Paul of Callinicum. Both Ep55 and Paul have a strong concern for the exact wording of the original, without abandoning Syriac comprehensibility. We shall see later how both these texts reflect in their citations the effects of the Philoxenian revision of the New Testament, and both appear to come from the same general era of translation. Within this framework, however, Paul (probably to be dated to c.530) does represent an even more accurate 'mirror' than Ep55.

Example 2

[Greek: 59,1-4]

[Syriac: 19,10-16]

[Citation in Paul of Callinicum: AJP I, 108,12-16]

εἶτα πῶς γέγονε πρωτότοκος ἐκ νεκρῶν καὶ ἀπαρχὴ τῶν κεκοιμημένων;

.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܕܡܐ ܕܡܘܬܐ ܩܝܡܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ
.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܝܡܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ

ἐπειδὴ γὰρ τὴν τοῦ θανάτου δεκτικὴν ἰδίαν ἐποιήσατο σάρκα,

.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ
.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܕܡܝܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ

χάριτι θεοῦ, καθά φησιν ὁ πάνσοφος Παῦλος,

.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ
.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ

ὕπὲρ παντὸς ἐγεύσατο θανάτου τῇ παθεῖν αὐτὸν δυναμένη σαρκί,

.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ
.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ

οὐκ ἀποβαλὼν αὐτὸς τὸ εἶναι ζῶν.

.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ
.ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ

Even more clearly than in the foregoing example, we can see here two translators at work with a very similar attitude and technique. Ep55 adds an explanatory ,ܩܘܕܝܢܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ ܩܩܘܬܐ where Paul of Callinicum does not, adds an idiomatic ܩܩܘܬܐ for καθά, again explains δυναμένη by adding another ܩܩܘܬܐ, and adds a rather unnecessary ܩܩܘܬܐ in trying to express τὸ εἶναι.

Although Paul does, therefore, reflect the purer mirror, Ep55's paraphrases are quite deliberate clarifications and these do not alter the description of his basic technique, the similarity of which to that of Paul is quite evident in the close similarity between these texts at so many points.

θεωρία [120,13] ܩܘܘܪܝܐ / ܩܘܪܝܐܐ

ἐχούσης [115,21] ܩܘܘܪܝܐ / ܩܘܪܝܐܐ

θεοσημείας [131,6] ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ / ܩܘܪܝܐܐ ܩܘܪܝܐܐ

The loan word ܩܘܘܪܝܐ is found in the expression ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ for δι' ὄργάνου σώματος [131,6] in both texts (also *Contra Theodoretum* 130,16 for the adjective ὀργανικήν). *Contra Orientales* [60,20] also uses the same loan, though the same expression is there more loosely rendered ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ. This latter expression is found also in the *De Recta Fide* for the Greek καθάπερ ὀργάνω [55,17 / 65,3] – thus the loan was evidently in use at an early stage and its occurrence in *Contra Orientales* and *Contra Theodoretum* as well as Paul of Callinicum occasions no surprise.

ἦν [145,4] ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ / ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ

ἢ γοῦν [115,13] ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ / ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ

μέν [145,2] omitted / ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐ

As an example of *Contra Theodoretum* actually having the more accurate equivalent:

εὐτεχνῶς [145,6] ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐܐ / ܩܘܘܪܝܐܐܐܐ

Now that we have attempted to describe the difference between the translator of CO/CT and Paul of Callinicum, we can move on to some examples which allow us further to compare Paul with other translators, as we have done before, against the background of the original version.

Example 3

[Greek: 139,18-24]

ἔκλαυσεν ἀνθρωπίνως, ἵνα τὸ σὸν περιστείλῃ δάκρυον· ἐδειλίασεν οἰκονομικῶς ἐπιεὶς τῇ σαρκὶ καὶ πάσχειν ἔσθ' ὅτε τὰ ἴδια, ἵν' εὐτολμοτάτους ἡμᾶς ἀποφήνη· παρητήσατο τὸ ποτήριον, ἵνα τῆς Ἰουδαίων δυσσεβείας ὁ σταυρὸς κατηγορῇ·

follows the older usage of א alone; Athanasius tends to use Δ to indicate the object (ܘܕܥܘܠܐ); he has rejected ܘܕܥܘܠܐ for ܘܕܥܘܠܐ; Paul has interpreted ἀνέτεινε as imperfect (which is unlikely, but not grammatically incorrect), and translated μὴ νυστάζειν with ܘܕܥܘܠܐ ܘܕܥܘܠܐ in order to express, perhaps, the atemporal sense of the infinitive, whereas Athanasius has the more expected ܘܕܥܘܠܐ; Paul's omission of μάλλον looks like an oversight.

These are, in the main, minor differences and the distance between Paul and Athanasius is not all that great in terms of their use of grammar and formal equivalence. In fact, in most places, all three versions are reasonably similar. We have seen elsewhere how translation techniques appear to have developed rapidly in the decades either side of the turn of the sixth century, and in these texts we see products of these developments in their earlier and more mature stages.

We saw an instance above of a text (Ep50) being cited from its Syriac version in one of the florilegia. The same has been found also for *Contra Theodoretum*, as the extract just described as *example 3* is found also in the florilegium Add 14535, f.2b, in exactly the same version as the normal Syriac version of Add 12156, albeit with a couple of minor variants, viz.:

ܘܕܥܘܠܐ ܘܕܥܘܠܐ] ܘܕܥܘܠܐ ܘܕܥܘܠܐ
 ܘܕܥܘܠܐ] om.

Again this shows how some of these collections were made by Syrians from existing Syriac translations and not merely taken over *in toto* from Greek florilegia.

Example 4

[Greek: 50,5-8]

ὅταν μὲν γὰρ ἐφ' ἑνὸς προσώπου καὶ φύσεως ἢ γούν ὑποστάσεως μιᾶς βασανίζων ὁ λόγος τὰ ἐξ ὧν ἐστὶν ἤτοι σύγχειται φυσικῶς, ἐπιφέρει τὸ σύν ἤτοι τὸ μετὰ, τετήρηκε τῷ σηματομένῳ καὶ οὕτω τὸ ἐν εἶναι κατὰ σύνθεσιν καὶ οὐκ εἰς δύο διηρημένως διοριεῖ.

[Syriac: Add 12156, f.100ra]

The most instructive observations here concern the similarity of the two citations over against the original version:

- For the tricky φωνῆς ἀνθρωπίνης οὐκ ἀνεχόμενοι καὶ τὸ ἐν λόγοις μικροπρεπές, we see the older version struggling and somewhat paraphrasing with its ܩܠܠܐ ܕܘܝܢܘܬܐ ܩܕܘܫܐ ܩܠܐ ܕܘܠ ܩܠܘܠܐ ܩܠܐ ܩܠܐ (in that they are not typifying the human words and the lowly speech), whereas Paul of Callinicum uses ܩܠܐ to signify the type of subordination, gets the word order exactly as the Greek, and has (correctly) ܩܠܘܬܐ ܩܕܘܫܐ ܕܘܝܢܘܬܐ (the lowliness that is in the words). Athanasius has a similar rendering (syntactically) but with less concern for the word order than Paul.
- In the following clause (ὡς ἑτέρω...σπουδάζοντες) Athanasius and Paul are again very close, where the older version has changed the order of the phrases and also their inner relationships (e.g. adding a ܐ).
- Note the similarity between the latter two versions in their translation of the difficult ἀσύνητον δὲ παντελῶς τὸ σκήπτεσθαι μὲν δεδιέναι, whereas the earlier version has paraphrased somewhat.

There are a few matters where they differ in significant ways:

- Paul paraphrases εὐτεχνῆς merely as ܩܠܘܬܐ, whereas both the other two use similar compound forms: ܩܕܘܫܘܬܐ ܕܘܝܢܘܬܐ (Sy) and ܩܕܘܫܘܬܐ ܕܘܝܢܘܬܐ (Athanasius).
- For ἀνοητότατα Athanasius has just ܕܘܠܘܬܐ, Paul using a compound form, ܩܠܘܬܐ ܕܘܠܘܬܐ.
- As we have seen before, Athanasius makes use of the loan ܩܕܘܫܐ, which Paul does not yet have.

Example 6

[Greek: 115,9-15]

Νεστορίου τοιγαροῦν ἀναιροῦντος πανταχοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ λόγου τὴν κατὰ σάρκα γέννησιν καὶ μόνων ἡμῖν ἀξιωμαίων ἐνόητα παρειακρίνοντος ἄνθρωπον τε θεῶ συνήφθαι λέγοντος τῇ τῆς υἰότητος ὁμωνυμίᾳ τετιμημένον, ἀναγκαίως ἡμεῖς τοῖς ἐκείνου μαχόμενοι τὴν καθ' ὑπόστασιν ἔνωσιν γενέσθαι φαμέν, τοῦ καθ' ὑπόστασιν οὐδὲν ἕτερον ὑποφαίνοντος πλὴν ὅτι μόνον ἢ τοῦ λόγου φύσις ἢ γοῦν ὑπόστασις, ὃ

[Citation in Florilegium Edessenum: Rücker p.82 (no.81), from Add 12156, f.79r]

חלילה וגם אלמא ארכא: בן בלגא שבו ונכסיו נטו לך אלמא ארכא ארכא חלקא. וילמ
 מכלל וגלילה ארכא עק ונסא פליא. מלך מוסא נאנא בן ארכא וילסא: ארכא. בן
 עזרא לכו חנוס חלילה. ארכא. ארכא ונולמ וכל ען חן חלילה פליא. ארכא.
 וילסא: ארכא, וילמ. מוכר ארכא, ארכא חלילה. ארכא חלילה, ארכא,
 ארכא חלילה. ארכא חלילה: ארכא חלילה. ארכא חלילה. ארכא חלילה.
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This is an important citation since the ms in which the Florilegium Edessenum is found can be dated before 562. Potentially of far greater import, however, is the fact that an obscure quotation from Alexander of Alexandria is to be found both in the *Florilegium Edessenum* and in Philoxenus' Florilegium appended to his *Memre against Habbib* (= *Decem Dissertationes*), the two quotations conforming verbatim to each other. At least some of the entries in the Florilegium therefore had achieved their current form already before 484. There is therefore a good chance that the citation we have here should also be given the same terminus ante quem, though there are other possibilities, e.g. that the *Florilegium Edessenum* as we have it in Add 12156 had undergone substantial revision and expansion some time after 484 and much closer to 562, which revision would have included the addition of our citation of Cyril's *Contra Orientales* here given. A perusal and comparison of the above texts will also show that it is the cited version that is much the more 'advanced' (in the sense of the word to which we have become accustomed), as the following highlights illustrate:

- The full version has ארכא for κατὰ σάρκα, where the citation has ונכסיו.
- It also uses idioms such as ארכא חלילה (Florilegium: ארכא חלקא)
- The indefinite ἀνθρώπου τινός is idiomatically rendered as ארכא חלילה in the full version, but correctly ארכא חלילה in the citation.
- The citation uses ארכא, a phrase that Paul of Callinicum used frequently but not often found in our texts.
- The citation is more consistent in using ארכא consistently for the passive forms of νοέω – the other mixes use of ארכא with ארכא.
- Th citation uses ארכא 'correctly' for ἐστίν in the final clause, where the full version does not.

This is a significant passage, as it demonstrates, possibly even more clearly than the citation of Ep55 in AJP, the similarity between the translators. A cursory glance at the texts indicates that these translators have been taught and use the very same techniques for almost every grammatical category and there is a very high incidence of agreement in lexical choices as well. As this is a lengthy citation it will not be given in full here, but some points of note are given below. As usual, AT will be given first; the citation in Paul second.

a) Structural

The texts are too close and too respectful of the Greek structure to show any differences at this level. We note only one point from a NT citation.

οἱ θησαυροὶ τῆς σοφίας καὶ γνώσεως ἀπόκρυφοι [150,21-2 (Col 2.3)]

ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ / ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓⲟⲥ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓⲟⲥ :ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ

The use of ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ for ἀπόκρυφοι is found before its use in the Harklean only in the Severan texts and here in *Ad Tiberium*. It shows a probable awareness of the Philoxenian. However, the two texts interpret the structure differently, *Ad Tiberium* reading ἀπόκρυφοι as a separate substantive co-ordinating with θησαυροὶ rather than as an adjectival attribute to it.

b) Syntactical

Here we see signs of both texts attempting more precise ‘mirror’ versions, sometimes in places where the other has not done likewise, thus:

τῶν ἐν τῷ πατρὶ [150,25] ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ / ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲛⲓ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ

This shows again *Ad Tiberium*’s attempts to mirror slightly more perfectly. The use of the full demonstrative in such cases is typical of H (where P would use ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ as Paul of Callinicum does here). The use of ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲓⲟⲥ by Paul of Callinicum, while putting across the meaning with great precision, does not actually ‘mirror’ a Greek word, and so *Ad Tiberium* has nothing.

However, sometimes the boot is on the other foot, with Paul reflecting the genitive properly:

τὴν τῆς συντελείας ἡμέραν [152,1] כַּיּוֹם כְּבוֹל / כְּבֹלֵי כְבוֹל

Paul adds Δ for direct objects, e.g. both τι and Χριστόν [150,12].

He also tends to be more likely to use demonstratives to reflect the article, e.g. with a phrase such as τὸν ἐν οὐρανοῖς πατέρα [150,22-3] becoming כְּבוֹלֵי הַשָּׁמַיִם כְּבֹל; or again πάντα τὰ ἐν αὐτῷ [152,4], simply כְּבוֹלֵי הַכְּבוֹל in *Ad Tiberium*, but כְּבֹלֵי כְּבוֹל in Paul.

c) Word order

Very occasionally, we see an obvious attempt by Paul of Callinicum to get close to the word order, where *Ad Tiberium* has failed to do so, but this is unusual, e.g.

τρέχουσι κατὰ πετρῶν [150,13] אֲרֻרִים כְּבוֹלֵי הַ / כְּבוֹלֵי הַ אֲרֻרִים

d) Lexical

In general, it is similarities rather than differences which stand out, as can be seen in any sentence of the texts; but, to give one example, while the expression τὸ τῆ ἀνθρωπότητι πρέπον is כְּבוֹלֵי הַכְּבוֹל ,הַ in AT and in Paul, a look at the comparisons between Ep40 or Ep45 and Paul of Callinicum will show that those texts would simplify or paraphrase with something like כְּבוֹלֵי.

Often we see small differences of no significance where all the rest of the clause is identical:

νοεῖται [150,13] [152,11] אֲרֻרִים / אֲרֻרִים

φύντα [150,24] אֲרֻרִים / אֲרֻרִים

εἰκότως [152,10] אֲרֻרִים / אֲרֻרִים

While *Ad Tiberium* can sometimes be more conscientious about compounds (thus the formulaic θεσπέσιος [150,22] is ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܥܠܝܐ in *Ad Tiberium*, but only ܩܘܣܕܝܢ in Paul of Callinicum), the opposite is just as likely (ἀτοπίαν [152,6] ܩܘܣܕܝܢ in *Ad Tiberium*, ܩܘܣܕܝܢ in Paul of Callinicum).

On Paul's side, this text has the loan ܩܘܣܕܝܢ for ἄρα where *Ad Tiberium* does not [152,1] (only for the interrogative ἄρα, see Appendix 2).

Ad Tiberium's one use of ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ for ὁ τοῦ θεοῦ λόγος (ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ Paul of Callinicum) [152,8] may be a scribal slip or a brief reversion to older Syriac formulae.

There is one especially interesting rendering:

ὁμοούσιος...ὁμοούσιος [150,15&17] ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ...ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ / ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ...ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ

Ad Tiberium is experimenting with new forms, here using alternatives within the same sentence. ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ still seems to be fairly standard even after Philoxenus, with ܩܘܣܕܝܢ used only sporadically, as we can see in Paul of Callinicum's treatment of the creed in his version of the *Cathedral Homilies*.

With forms of the copula and other difficult verbs, *Ad Tiberium* actually seems to have the edge slightly:

οὕτως ἔχῃ [150,15] ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ / ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ

Here *Ad Tiberium* has attempted to render the word itself, whereas Paul is content with reflecting the simple meaning, 'it were thus'.

ἔσται [150,16] ܩܘܣܕܝܢ / ܩܘܣܕܝܢ

Although *Ad Tiberium* will sometimes have ܩܘܣܕܝܢ as a subject indicator even when there is no expressed copula in the Vorlage, he is less likely to use ܩܘܣܕܝܢ as Paul does here.

τὰ ἐσόμενα [152,11] ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ / ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ ܩܘܣܕܝܢ

Example 3

[Greek: 174,8-24]

[Syriac: 479,8-480,6]

[Citation in florilegium: Add 12155, f.93r-v]

Here we have another instance of identical texts – as we had earlier for Ep50 and for *Contra Theodoretum* (Example 4). The length of the citation makes it quite clear that we have the same Syriac version in both instances. Thus for this portion at least of the large florilegium Add 12155 the compiler is working from Syriac texts. A more exhaustive survey of the citations in the great florilegia could probably turn up more examples of this and discover how widespread it was by comparison with the use of translated Greek anthologies. These direct Syriac quotations are the exception, however, to the more usual findings, in which the compiler always quoted a version in a somewhat more revised form than those found in the full translations. We can only conclude that these were made directly from Greek florilegia at a date somewhat later than that of the ‘full versions’.

Summary to Parts 3.i-ii

These last sections (3.i and 3.ii) have been long and fairly exhaustive. At this point, we shall therefore try to summarise the findings with regard to each of the texts that have been analysed, incorporating the material from 3.i (studying the texts internally and assessing the techniques used in each) with that from 3.ii (where we compared the texts with external fixed points, such as citations in Severus, Philoxenus and elsewhere).

General conclusions for *De Recta Fide*

We have seen how this text has undergone a great deal of basic editing, with examples of whole sentences and even small passages being added by the translator, a process reminiscent of that used, though not on the same scale, in the version of Basil's *De Spiritu Sancto*.¹ Very often the smaller additions and omissions related to sections which could be described as polemical or at least rhetorical, in which not much was lost by the alteration; but there were also some instances of substantial clarification in doctrinal statements as well. Under the 'treatment of larger translation units', we saw that there was really a great deal of variety among the techniques used through this text. It was clear that in general the translator was thinking in terms of large units of at least sentence length. Often, however, the various clauses or sub-units within a longer sentence would retain their order and mutual relations while each was treated with a freer method, or, on other occasions, a whole section could be translated with great word-for-word accuracy. On the whole, however, the inner relations of a Greek periodic sentence are not respected very often and in general the translator restructures the sentences to fit an idiom more natural to the target language, trying to avoid too many subordinations where possible.

It was virtually impossible to make any meaningful analysis along the line of 'formal equivalency', for this text simply does not cohere enough with its *Vorlage* at the narrower unit-level. Whereas with our other texts, we are able to see how certain fixed 'rules' are used with greater or lesser degrees of variation, with the *De Recta Fide* the

¹ See Taylor, *De Spiritu Sancto*.

vagaries are too great for this kind of analysis. However, it has been useful to look at some of the important lexical equivalents that are used in the text, as long as we observe the caveat that no deliberate consistency is aimed for.

In fact, this latter point comes out quite clearly if we analyse the *De Recta Fide*'s renderings of σάρξ, in which we saw that ܠܫܘܬܐ and ܠܫܘܬܐ were used almost side-by-side (and with the latter also for σῶμα) in a way that seems quite deliberate. We noted the appearance of the well-known clothing metaphor for describing the incarnation, even for such technical terms as τὸ ἠνῶσθαι τῇ σαρκί and ἐνανθρωπεῖν, indicating the sort of early creed with which this translator was probably familiar (not to mention Hebrews 5.7 in the Peshitta). Theological concern may well also be behind the very frequent and marked omission of active words to do with 'joining together' (συνδρομή, σύμβασις etc.) – the translator prefers simply to leave expressions such as 'from two'. This would seem to suggest an attempt, even at this (probably) early date to nuance the Cyrilline Christological terminology. Other important aspects of Cyrilline terminology are left unnoticed by the translator, such as the ἴδιος-related language, and we noted a good deal of variation in other word-groups as well. Terms such as ܠܫܘܬܐ and ܠܫܘܬܐ are not used only and always for their (later) technical equivalents, ὑπόστασις and φύσις/οὐσία. While there are some interesting neologisms used, adjectives such as ܠܫܘܬܐܐܘܪܐܘܪܐܘܪܐ developed for Greek compounds, these are far fewer in number than we find in the other texts, and the number of loans used is correspondingly few (thus we noted the use of ܠܫܘܬܐܐܘܪܐܘܪܐܘܪܐ in the text but not as a direct equivalent for εἰκῶν).

The evidence of the citations is very voluminous for this well-cited text. Having described the technique used in the *De Recta Fide* as we have, the comparison with these other texts added more to our knowledge of them rather than of the *De Recta Fide* itself. The latter clearly edited many of the texts which were more accurately rendered in our citations, but we also saw how closely they were mirroring the *signifiant* of the text even when *De Recta Fide* also was translating with a higher degree of accuracy than usual. Barbara Aland has suggested that *De Recta Fide* shares many characteristics of translation style with the Peshitta¹ and this sort of evidence

¹ Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 97-104.

shows that such a judgment can be borne out at least for those passages where the *De Recta Fide* is actually carefully rendering the original (such as is the case in the NT citations which are her main concern), since in these passages there is a technique that is very loose by the standards of the sixth century, and full of dynamic modulation and restructuring, and yet has a great respect for the *signifié* of the original. In other passages, however, we have seen a great deal of editing on a higher level, both in the sense of adding or subtracting clauses and even sentences, and also in the sense of using the whole sentence as the unit of translation, freely restructuring on a large scale. This approach is quite unlike that of the Peshitta.

With regard to Paul of Callinicum, his style can be seen to be not only a huge advance on *De Recta Fide*, but also similar to, if not even more precise, than that used in the Syriac version of Theodosius of Alexandria.

General conclusions for *Quod Unus Sit Christus*

Extensive examples were given from this text of the translator's editorial activity. In general, this never goes so far as to omit or add whole sentences, as is occasionally found in the *De Recta Fide*, but the Syriac is plentifully littered with both amplifications (esp. supplying ellipses) and simplifications (esp. of rhetorically extravagant passages). The translator is without doubt reader-oriented, trying to make the text as transparent as possible but without consciously adding anything that could not be said to be implicit already in the original.

When we looked more closely at the translator's actual approach to the sentences of his Vorlage, we noted that, most of the time, complex periodic sentences are simplified, parataxis being substituted for the subordinations. It is important to stress that this technique is the norm in the *Quod unus sit Christus* and not at all exceptional, as was found to be the case for some others. There is very little attempt to replicate the Greek word order, and we can safely say that the unit of translation for the *Quod unus sit Christus* is the sentence as a whole (whereas for the *De Recta Fide* it was often larger than the sentence).

There was found to be little precise formal equivalence among the verbs – tense values were generally retained but not according to any strict rules. This can be seen especially in the inconsistent pattern of usage of ܐܡ and of ܡܘܕܐܪܥܐ for forms of εἶναι. The same was again true amongst pronouns and adjectives where formal equivalence became possible in some places. In *Quod unus sit Christus*, however, some of these techniques are foreshadowed, e.g. the representation of the resumptive article, but only very inconsistently, and plenty of Syriac idioms (such as proleptic pronouns) are frequently retained.

Moving onto the matter of lexical equivalence. The all-important σάρξ group shows an interesting pattern. We saw that in many ways the translator shows himself of the ‘old school’, using loose terminology, the term ܪܝܘܬܐ for flesh, and the clothing metaphor appearing frequently even where this does not precisely reflect the Greek wording. Yet he is also aware of the Philoxenian neologism ܝܘܒܐܪܥܐ and Paul of Callinicum’s ܝܘܒܐܪܥܐ, both of which he uses on occasion. The twin neologisms ܡܝܒܐܪܥܐ and ܪܝܘܬܐܝܘܒܐܪܥܐ are also known, though again used only rarely. Other notable lexical matters include the avoidance of a verbal equivalent for ψυχοῦν (as also *De Recta Fide*), and no recognition of the different terms Cyril uses for con-joining, mixture and change. A similar lack of direct equivalence was found for most of the word groups studied. The loan for μέν was found only once, being omitted in the vast majority of cases. Only a very few loan words are used in the text (especially given its length) and these reveal nothing beyond what we would expect in fairly early (5th century) texts. There are, however, a perhaps surprising number of neologistic formations of the ‘-ana’ and ‘-anutha’ types, built onto Pael and Aphel participles. Although these formations are by no means absent from early texts, their proliferation is a clear sign of the later translational style, as witnessed by the significant increase in their numbers in those texts that underwent translational revision.¹

In most of these areas *Quod unus sit Christus* can be placed alongside the *De Recta Fide* in terms of the techniques used. However, the occasional use of a much more advanced form, as well as the lack of the sort of large-scale editing found in the other

¹ See Brock, *Diachronic Aspects*, 323-4.

texts, conclusively shows that they are not from the same hand and do not reflect quite the same attitude towards the task of translating Greek into Syriac.

All these techniques are thrown into relief by the comparison between *Quod unus sit Christus* and Paul of Callinicum's citations. Here we saw how approaches to editing, to the structure of sentences, to formal and lexical equivalences differ considerably between these translators.

One issue that the comparison between the *Quod unus* and the later citations threw up was the free, and quite frequent, use of the clothing metaphor, which places the translator of the former text in the pre-Philoxenian tradition, and as such he should probably be dated. However, his occasional use of the neologisms which Philoxenus introduced into the creed seem to prefigure the bishop's work of revision. Unless, that is, we accept De Halleux's proposal that such readings as this should be taken as signs of the later revision of an earlier text. But if this is so, the revision has taken on a very haphazard form indeed, so infrequently is it applied. Would it not be more satisfactory to assume rather that the translator was experimenting with new possibilities at the same time as using the traditional formulae, which he was slowly beginning to recognise as unfit for Cyrillian Christology. By Paul of Callinicum's day there was no longer any doubt that the new forms should be used consistently – the only question remained about the distribution of active and passive forms, depending on the reading of the middle forms in Greek – and we still see some of that stage of experimentation in Paul's citation in the *Anti-Julianist Corpus*. By the time of Athanasius of Nisibis, all such matters had been settled, with the middle forms receiving Aphels and the passives Ettaphals.

General conclusions for *Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum*

The editing in this text was of a fairly minor nature, involving generally the omission of otiose rhetorical flourishes and the occasional simplification or clarification. But these are few and far between in a text which has a high degree of respect for the structure and wording of the *Vorlage*. The unit of translation is at a fairly low level and generally there is an attempt to mirror the wording as it proceeds, the demarche, and to maintain the periodic structure of each sentence. We saw, however, that there

consistently to introduce subordinating participles, and the calques for εἶναι based around ܐܘܢܐ are found passim. Only amongst infinitives was there a degree of variation, with Syriac infinitives mixing equally with imperfects. The same care for distinct grammatical categories was found among pronouns and adjectives, and the resumptive pronoun is almost always represented (unlike in *De Recta Fide* or *Quod Unus sit Christus*).

The *Scholia* uses ܐܘܢܐ and its cognates for the σάρξ group and tends to differentiate different forms carefully, though it uses ܐܘܢܐ rather than ܐܘܢܐܐ. We noted the careful and deliberate exclusion of the clothing metaphor. The use of the phrase ܐܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐܐܐܐ for μετὰ σαρκὸς οἰκονομία was especially noted, while ܐܘܢܐܐܐ was the normal form for ἐνανθρωπεῖν.

There was a good example of verbal equivalence in the careful retention of the ܐܠܐ root for τροπή related words. μᾶλλον, as in *Explanatio*, was always rendered with ܐܠܐܐܐܐܐ, and the loan for μὲν found in about a quarter of all instances. On the other hand, there was a degree of inconsistency with regard to particles and similar unusual practices such as ܐܠܐ for ἔχει, instead of some form of ܐܠܐܐܐܐ.

The number of neologistic formations was quite large overall given the small size of the available text and shows a preference for new extended forms rather than the use of construct phrases to express compound Greek forms. There were no especially surprising loan words.

The three examples we saw of citations from the *Scholia* in Severus were illuminating. They showed how close in style the translator was to Paul of Callinicum. In some minor matters, the latter showed a greater ability to mirror the Greek grammar but in all essentials the techniques were the same. This places the *Scholia* in a tradition very similar to what we have seen for the *Explanatio*, and very different from *De Recta Fide* or *Quod Unus sit Christus*.

General conclusions for *Ep39*

Overall, this translation has proved conspicuous for its close adherence to its *Vorlage*. We saw very little in the way of ‘editing’ – only a single marked instance which may well have been theologically motivated. Although the translator is aware of larger units (as we saw in the case of a lexical echo that he uses) his basic unit of translation is clearly the individual word, and he attempts to make each word have its precise equivalent in the Syriac version. Under ‘restructuring’, however, we noticed that there were exceptions to this at times and we described two examples where the structure of the Greek sentence had been altered – but these two formed exceptions rather than the norm.

In the matter of the formal equivalence of verbs and verbals, we used this text as a basis for describing the ‘standard’ set of equivalents which seem to be accepted by all our texts and deviations from which can be used as a criterion of inconsistency. There is very little such inconsistency in *this* text, although among participles a couple of instances were found. The calques on ἔχω and the subjunctives of εἰμί and ἔχω are, however, not included in the set as they are not generally found in any of our texts, the one exception being the pervasive use of ܩܘܡ ܡܘܕܝܩ for the past copula, the non-use of which is a mark of our ‘earlier’ texts. In the area of non-verbal forms too there was a high degree of consistency, with again some marked divergences from the norm in places where the translator evidently felt the need to make the real *meaning* of the original more apparent than a formal translation could achieve.

Ep39 is one of those texts with the formulaic pattern ܡܘܕܝܩܐ ܡܘܕܝܩܐ, representing a position half-way to the full Philoxenian credal revision. We do not find the loan ܩܘܡܐܩܐ. It keeps a consistent set of equivalents among the words for changing, altering etc, while there is a certain amount of flexibility with the use of ἴδιος. Again, under φωναί, we noted that *Ep39* is keen to maintain one word per word equivalency and yet does sometimes distinguish between different meanings of the same Greek term. When it comes to smaller items the same sort of mix of literalness with an admixture of liberality is found: thus while μᾶλλον is often omitted, μέν is usually translated with the loan and while it will always and only use ܝܢܐ and ܩܘܢܐ for γὰρ and

δε̅, the postpositive position of these terms is not always maintained. Overall, we noted this text's tendency to use a limited range of vocabulary and occasional dynamic modulations, balanced by its frequent attempts to render compound terms with etymological rather than dynamic equivalents. For a short text, there are quite a few of the longer neologistic word formations.

A look at the Severan citations discussed above confirms this general impression, of a translator feeling for his way towards a strict and formal 'technique' which he has not yet mastered. He knows already most of the systems of equivalences used by Paul of Callinicum, but does not himself apply them as consistently – indeed on occasion we can see him using quite marked dynamic modulations. He has certainly not yet given up on the *signifié* but neither is he prepared to take the sort of liberties with the text that we see in the case of either *De Recta Fide* or *Quod Unus sit Christus*. Paul of Callinicum's versions strike the reader as more assured and consistent in method.

General conclusions for *Ep40*

The style of *Ep40* is immediately noticeable by the free manner in which it treats much of the Greek text. We have noted its tendency to edit and clarify the meaning on a number of occasions, as well as often abbreviating it. However, there was found to be an important distinction between those passages which were more freely treated, which tended to be rhetorical or polemical in character, and those for which the translator felt a greater respect, which tended to be the passages of theological argument. In these latter the translator shows himself a capable reader and takes care to render more precisely, although he is even here tempted to abbreviate. The restructuring of clauses is common, usually with an aim to simplification, shortening sentences with too many subordinations.

This extensive restructuring means that there is also no system as such for representing the morphological forms of the verbs – i.e. when the translator has a main verb for a participle, this is not because he is being inconsistent to a set of rules for formal equivalence but because he has restructured the whole paragraph for the sake of simplicity. Where we can more easily analyse his formal equivalence we saw that he does indeed hold to a roughly similar system to that described for *Ep39*,

though unsurprisingly not so consistently as that text does. In all, however, this version deals with its text much less freely than does *De Recta Fide*.

What this sort of approach may indicate is that the period during which Cyril's epistolary purpose was important is long passed. Cyril was trying to prove that the Eastern bishops are orthodox despite their use of language which may appear to some to imply division in the one Christ. This urgent polemical requirement is no longer a concern for the translator or his audience. His purpose (unlike that of a modern editor serving the needs of historians of church and dogma) is not to bring us into the historical world of Cyril and his battles, but rather to present for our use the Christological conclusions of the great authority himself, so that we also might be orthodox in our dogmatical formulations. For *his* purpose, therefore, there is no point in translating in detail or with precision those passages, or even sentences and clauses, which do not contribute to the overall purpose. It would be harsh to censure any translator for such a transparently 'sensible' approach.

When we move on to lexical matters, we noted *Ep40*'s generally vague use of terms which sometimes force him even into periphrasis as a means of avoiding confusion. Perhaps the most significant, however, is his unexpected use of ܝܘܨܬܝܢ and ܡܘܨܝܢ within the same sentence. If it were only for the former, we might reasonably raise the possibility that the text has undergone some revision in the light of the Philoxenian credal revisions. However, were this the case, the reviser has done a very haphazard job, leaving many inexact expressions all over the text (not just the obvious example of the ܡܘܨܝܢ in the same sentence, but also such as ܠܝܢܐ sometimes for σάρξ, as well as all the abbreviations and alterations that we have noted already). The alternative possibility with which we shall have to deal is that such terms were actually already being developed at the coalface of translation work before Philoxenus, that the latter introduced and systematised such revisions *after*, and as a result of, having been exposed to texts such as this.

In a similar vein, we note the unexpectedly large number of loan words used in this text, especially the unusual ܠܝܢܐ. When we compare with *Ep39*, for instance, which generally has a more rigorous approach, this becomes quite marked and surprising.

Again, we are perhaps looking at a translator experimenting with new forms at an early stage.

When we compare *Ep40* with the citations elsewhere we find the large gap we would expect. The florilegium citation showed just how much *Ep40* can abbreviate his material; with regard to Paul of Callinicum's method, we have listed a series of cases which highlight where the latter shows a more 'advanced' style than is found in *Ep40*. The gap between the two is fairly similar to that between Peshitta and Philoxenian NT. Yet there are a couple of important qualifications here. The first is that *Ep40* is still capable of some extremely close renderings and is clearly trying at times to find a more precise way of representing Greek than we would ever find in the Peshitta – hence his use of ܘܡܕܝܢܐ as well as certain other syntactical traits. Secondly, the gap between Paul of Callinicum and Athanasius of Nisibis did not appear to be as great as we might expect.

When we compare all these texts together we may suggest that *Ep40* belongs to a period (which we know to be before 484) when translators were already on the search for better techniques of the type we see in the Philoxenian revisions, and furthermore that great advances in this direction had been made by Paul of Callinicum's time (c.530), such that even Athanasius of Nisibis over a century later did not use a system significantly different from Paul's. The focused period of change therefore seems to lie between, say, 450 and 530, rather than later in the sixth century. We shall return to this suggestion later.

General conclusions for *Ep44*

Although this is our shortest text, we can still see some distinctive aspects of its style. There was found to be one or two instances of simplification, although the extent of this may appear exaggerated due to some underlying textual variants. Since in this letter Cyril himself quotes the beginning of his *Ep40*, we were able to compare how the two translators dealt with the same material and saw how much more careful *Ep44* was to render each word – while *Ep40* had taken the whole sentence as his unit of translation.

General conclusions for *Ep45/46*

Certain specific renderings and terms confirmed the editors' conclusion that these two texts form a unit and were translated by the same hand. Further evidence of this is forthcoming under Part 3.iii, the analysis of the Biblical citations.

Under the heading of 'editing' we saw that they are quite free in their treatment of some types of clause and phrase, occasionally omitting whole phrases as unnecessary, although not as frequently or completely as *Ep40* sometimes does, and certainly not to the degree found in *De Recta Fide*. Under 'larger translation units' we showed examples of completely rewritten sentences, indicating how this translator is thinking in terms of whole sentences – he appears as an exegete of his material rather than a slave to it; in other words his focus is still on the *signifié*, though not the extent that we saw in *Ep40*. When we looked at his treatment of structure, we noted also how this translator extensively restructures the Greek periodic sentences, especially when dealing with difficult subordinations such as genitive absolutes. It was commented that this sort of approach is one which has a high regard for the terminological content of Christological discussion but has little time for the niceties of Greek grammar.

When we got down to the level of the word we saw that in fact, there could sometimes be a very close and consistent correspondence of word order; in addition, the tense equivalencies are broadly maintained, although exceptions are frequently to be found, especially within subordinate clauses and with participles.

On the level of word choice, these impressions are reinforced. $\kappa\iota\sigma\alpha\varsigma$ is used for $\sigma\acute{\alpha}\rho\chi$, but again inconsistently and $\sigma\alpha\rho\kappa\omega\theta\eta\gamma\alpha\iota/\sigma\epsilon\sigma\alpha\rho\kappa\omega\mu\acute{\epsilon}\nu\omicron\varsigma$ do appear to be distinguished but by no means consistently. There were even some differences between *Ep45* and *Ep46* in this matter, with the latter being even less consistent than the former; in *Ep46* we also find the 'revised' form $\iota\omega\sigma\delta\alpha\iota\kappa$, despite the early date given it on external grounds. These differences may count against identity of authorship, but are more likely just to indicate a loose technique in general. This point does throw up, however, an important issue with regard to De Halleux's conclusions

concerning the credal language, which have been discussed already at various points.¹ Having concluded that Philoxenus himself authorised the use of the new credal neologisms in c.500, he goes on to suggest that the occasional use of *ܘܥܒܕܝܢ* in these Cyrilline texts (such as Ep40) is a sign of later revision and not, as the editors suggested, an Apollinarist or Eutychian alteration. However, if they are revisions, they are very sporadic indeed, and we have noted the wide-scale use, in *Quod Unus sit Christus* for example, of the clothing metaphor alongside the neologisms. In the light of our wider perspective on the style and usage in all these texts, therefore, it may be that the reason for these words being present in these ‘early’ texts may simply be that they were invented by these translators themselves in their search for better ways of translating Christological language. De Halleux himself concedes, after all, that Philoxenus probably did not first come across the difficulty himself and probably that the neologisms for these terms ‘aient déjà été créés et employés sporadiquement auparavant...il n’ait fait que les appuyer de son autorité.’²

Similar patterns were noted for other groups of words, and roots such as *ܡܠܟ* do multiple duty for forms of *τρέπω, μεταβάλλω, μεταχωρέω* and *διαφέρω*, to give just one example. Both *οὐσία* and *φύσις* are rendered with *ܡܘܨܝܐ*. The loan for *μέν* is not used. Under lexical equivalences in general we noted many examples of free renderings and varieties of possible equivalences. Similarly, there is a relative dearth of loans and new word formations in these two texts.

All these factors can be seen at work again where we have comparisons from Paul of Callinicum, Athanasius of Nisibis or the florilegia. Throughout, we saw examples of restructuring and paraphrasing and of non-formal equivalence at the morphological level. These are the characteristics of the version. The total level of freedom is certainly not that of the *De Recta Fide*, which is quite different in style, and yet fully matches the early date that we can give to these two texts on external grounds. The methods found in the citations were of the advanced variety that we have come to expect, and again we noted that Paul and Athanasius do not differ very greatly.

¹ De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*. See above under *σάρξ* and *ἄνθρωπος* in Part 3.i.

² *ibid.*, 307.

General conclusions for *Ep50*

This is one of the texts dated externally as being prior to 484 on the basis that the same version is quoted by Philoxenus in his early work against Habbib.

When we came to the text itself, we noted the extensive editing practices used by this translator, of which a number of examples were given of both omissions and additions, sometimes for clarification, sometimes for the abbreviation of unnecessarily verbose polemic. Given both this tendency to edit and more especially the tendency to restructure the Greek periods, sometimes extensively over a long sentence, it is quite clear that the basic unit being used by the translator is the whole sentence, although within this basic principle he is quite capable of attempting a close word-for-word rendering as well – these approaches are not mutually exclusive. With regard to formal equivalence, we again found that there was no great consistency, no distinctions being made between imperfects and aorists, and no consistent method for the copula, although the use of ܐܘܢ ܡܘܕܝܐ for the past copula *is* used in this text.

In the matter of lexical equivalents, there is an expected lack of real consistency with, e.g., σάρξ turning up as ܪܝܫܐ , ܪܝܟܐ or ܪܝܟܝܐ . We found the signs typical of an early version, not too much concerned with technical terminology, being prepared to use an idiom such as ܪܝܫܐ ܝܢ for terms other than ὁμοούσιος . Parallel to the other early texts, ܪܝܟܝܐ could represent νοερός just as easily as λογικός . Again we noted great inconsistency among the group of terms related to ἴδιος , ἀνά μέρος etc. The term φωναί is found with three different equivalents, roughly according to purpose and context, a clear indication of a translator whose primary concern is with the *signifié* of the text. We found a single instance of the loan for μέν , as also for ἄρα , which was unexpected but only highlighted the general inconsistency of equivalents. In all, we found a number of instances of lexical simplifications (such as ܕܘܪܡܘܫܐ (*foolishly*) for γραοπρεπῶς) and formulaic equivalents.

The citations confirmed these observations, especially the citation from the florilegium which highlighted the types of abbreviations found in *Ep50*. The

circulation of the full Syriac version was evidently sufficient to be itself quoted in some florilegia, as we found a direct citation in a Mingana ms.

The text of *Ep50* lives up to the expectations resulting from its known early date. It conforms very closely with the style of *Ep40*, being capable of very close and accurate translation of a reasonably ‘advanced’ style when the translator chooses to do so, but more often taking whole clauses and sentences as the basic unit and using dynamic transposition and modulation liberally. *Ep45/46*, which fall into the same category as regards date, do not appear to be quite so freely treated as *Ep40/50*. Although this may merely be coincidental and there is no bar in principle to concluding that all four are from the same hand, nevertheless the differences between the two sub-groups are marked enough for us to assign them to slightly different applications of the same general technique.

General conclusions for *Ep55*

The analysis of the textual particularities of *Ep55* showed some distinct differences from the ‘early’ group. Although there were numerous instances of ‘editing’ these were almost always confined to individual words or clauses, used as a way of clarifying grammatical obscurities. They do not reach the sort of extensive editing of sentences that we find in *Ep50*, for instance, or of whole passages in *De Recta Fide*.

Although the text does not really contain sentence restructuring of the type that we have seen in the past few texts, there are instances of changes in morphological categories, deviations from what appear to be the norms of formal equivalence, though even these are not common – we saw some examples of the alteration of the inner relationships within a phrase aiming at simplification.

When it comes to the equivalence of tense forms, we noted that in general these are very rigidly maintained. Certain difficulties remained, however, for this translator; he is quite inconsistent in his technique for rendering infinitives, especially when attached to the article; again, although his rendering of the copula shows a keen awareness of how exactly to reflect the Greek form, the older idiom is also found not

infrequently. Similarly in non-verbal forms, we saw the odd instance where a lack of rigour in his system led to an ambiguity, but these instances are rare.

Ep55 is one of those ‘middle’ texts which uses $\pi\iota\upsilon\delta\iota\kappa\omicron\ \pi\epsilon\lambda\ \delta\iota\kappa$ as its credal formula (half way to the fully revised version), developing both terms into the neologisms $\kappa\delta\iota\alpha\pi\epsilon\lambda\ \delta\iota\kappa$ and $\kappa\delta\iota\alpha\pi\epsilon\iota\upsilon\delta\iota\kappa$, which are not found in the early group; similarly, it has arrived at the almost entirely consistent equivalency of $\sigma\acute{\alpha}\rho\chi$ and $\kappa\iota\omicron\sigma$. Again, a middle position is taken with regard to using $\kappa\delta\iota\omicron\delta\iota\kappa$ $\iota\delta$ for $\delta\acute{\omicron}\mu\omicron\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\omicron\varsigma$, since $\kappa\iota\omicron\sigma$ $\iota\delta$ is also found often. The use of developed forms such as $\kappa\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\upsilon\delta\iota\kappa$ and $\kappa\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\lambda\ \delta\iota\kappa$, accurately reflecting $\tau\text{ρεπτός}$ and $\acute{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\omicron\iota\omega\tau\acute{\omicron}\varsigma$, indicates the sort of approach to lexical equivalents which is most typical of this version, and is seen also in the more careful approach to the ἴδιος group of words. The loan for $\mu\acute{\epsilon}\nu$ was found in exactly 50% of instances which, while it looks like inconsistency, rather shows the onward progress towards a developed technique which is in evidence here, for the early texts barely use the loan at all while the more developed ones (such as *Ad Tiberium* or Paul of Callinicum) use it almost all the time. In overviewing the text’s approach to lexical equivalency, we noted that while the degree of consistency and formal precision was high, there was a marked respect for the *signifié* as well, evident for example in his use of multiple terms for $\lambda\acute{\omicron}\gamma\omicron\varsigma$ where the contexts differed, in not falling into the later practice of always using $\kappa\iota\omicron\sigma$ for $\delta\acute{\omicron}\xi\alpha$, and in his variety of renderings for $\mu\omicron\sigma\tau\alpha\gamma\omega\gamma\omicron\acute{\iota}$. There are a significant number of loan words found overall in the text, most noticeably perhaps the frequent use of $\kappa\iota\iota\kappa$ for the interrogative particle.

It is evident that we have to do here with a translator who is finding his way through the problems and difficulties raised by the developments in technique that we witness in the period of the Philoxenian NT. He often seems more at ease in the older, more liberal, style, not being too careful about lexical consistency or about mirroring Greek syntax; yet we also see a plentiful use of those sorts of simple calques which are typical of the Philoxenian, which do not injure the native idiom but yet do attempt to reflect the *signifiant*. The word order of the text follows the original wherever it can, but by no means slavishly. His quite varied usage places him in a period of change and uncertainty.

The evidence of the two significant citations found in Paul of Callinicum confirm this perspective. They show that the translator of *Ep55* is not far from the levels of consistency and purity of technique found in Paul. We did observe a certain degree of variation in *Ep55*, e.g. a few loose renderings of difficult grammatical forms and a few clarifications, as well as other idiomatic touches such as proleptic possessive suffixes; but on the whole the two versions (*Ep55* and Paul of Callinicum) are very much closer than was found to be the case with *Ep40,45/46,50*.

General conclusions for *Contra Orientales* / *Contra Theodoretum*

We described quite a wide variety of editorial alterations in these texts (which have been confirmed as belonging to the same translator – for which further evidence in 3.iii below). These usually involved additions of some sort for purposes of clarification. While omissions are rare, the text is generally expansionist in its approach to individual terms and sometimes whole clauses, though never the kind of additions that we occasionally see in *De Recta Fide*. Some of these alterations were due to obscurities in the Greek, others to formulae, but usually there was good reason for them and we cannot attribute sloppiness to this translator. Again, we noted a number of instances of restructuring Greek periods but saw that this was in general the exception rather than the rule – the majority of sentences having their structures closely mirrored.

The same sort of pattern can be seen when we turn to the formal equivalence of the verbs. In general, the standards are maintained to a high degree, but there are enough exceptions and inconsistencies to be noticeable. There is also a sense here of a translator finding his way forward towards a consistent technique for those difficult constructions for which to find equivalents, the infinitive clauses, the subjunctives, genitive absolutes etc. It is here that we find the greatest inconsistencies, with ‘mirror’ versions (calques on the Greek forms) alternating with more idiomatic Syriac. The same holds also for non-verbal forms, that although there is a generally high level of consistency in keeping to a set of mirroring rules, there are a number of exceptions as well. This is especially true in the area of prepositions and pronouns. Here it is the inner meaning of the clause or phrase, rather than a special concern for one-for-one equivalence, that is uppermost in the translator’s mind. This tendency leads even to

Finally, we can look at the conclusions gained from the very numerous citations of these two works, both in Severus and in the florilegia. One of the florilegia was actually found to have the same version as our text of *Contra Theodoretum* which indicates that the latter was continuing to be used and read in an unrevised form a long time after it must have been translated. Otherwise, we see that Paul of Callinicum's version shows some strong advances on *Contra Orientales / Contra Theodoretum*, although the difference is not nearly so great as we found, e.g., for *De Recta Fide*. However, Paul clearly has a far greater concern for the *signifiant* of the text, a concern which shows itself in his grammatical calques, his word order, his use of adjectival phrases in order to achieve one word per word consistency etc. The various versions found in the florilegia were not vastly different, though even here, where the quotes overlapped also with Paul of Callinicum, the latter was seen to have the more 'advanced' technique for grammatical mirroring.

It was especially important to note the quotation in Philoxenus' *Ep Senoun*, where a version of *Contra Orientales* very similar to that in Paul of Callinicum was found. In other words, while in his earlier florilegium (in *Memre contra Habbib*, dated c.484) the texts were copied directly from an already-translated version, we have here, in all probability, a newer version, made according to the standards to which Philoxenus was more accustomed by 521. It may be that he is quoting from a florilegium again, but if so that florilegium must itself be of relatively recent origin and is very comparable in style to Paul of Callinicum, while being a good deal more advanced than *Contra Orientales / Contra Theodoretum*. On this basis we ought to date the latter well before 520 and perhaps place it closer to the others of the early group, i.e. in the late 5th century, in which case the search for a perfect translation technique which we can see going on in these two texts could be described as a forerunner and not a result of Philoxenus' revisions. We have had other pointers towards such a conclusion already.

General conclusions for *Ad Tiberium*

We noted a few isolated instances of 'editing' in this text, one notable case where the concept of 'coming into' a man is substituted for θεοποεῖν, but in general these

editorial alterations are very minor and rare. Again, instances of syntactical restructuring are quite absent – we gave a couple of examples where the meaning has been apparently altered in the Syriac but these appear to be due either to error or, paradoxically, to the over-use of this very technique of precise equivalency. This technique was especially evident in the matter of word order where we saw a very high degree of deliberate coincidence. The word order will only be altered for the sake of clarity or idiom very occasionally, usually for reasons such as keeping subjects before objects.

When we turn to the formal equivalence of the verbs, again we noted that there are almost no exceptions to the general rules of equivalency – it is doubtless the *signifiant* which is of most concern to this translator and he takes the morpheme as his unit to be rendered. The rendering of the copula too is always carried out using some method to show the tense and mood being used, such that, e.g., ܡܘܕܝܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܡܝܢ is used for τὸ εἶναι. However, the seventh century calques designed to reflect subjunctives and in particular for the forms of ἔχω are not used here.

Turning to specific lexical matters, we noted the strange split between the use of ܡܘܡܝܢܐ for σῶμα before Question 3 and ܡܘܡܝܢܐ after that point, an oddity matched by confusion over certain σῶμα-related compounds, evidence of a certain lack of sureness in technique at this point at least. Similarly, there was some lack of certainty over ὁμοούσιος, which was still ܡܘܡܝܢܐ ܡܝܢ ܡܘܡܝܢܐ on one occasion, although the loan word is used in all other cases. Only the *Ad Tiberium* and *Explanatio* translate the phrase μετὰ σαρκὸς οἰκονομία precisely as ܡܘܡܝܢܐ ܡܝܢ ܡܘܡܝܢܐ. We noted the use of the neologism ܡܘܡܝܢܐ, although unfortunately σαρκωθῆναι is not used in this text. There is a consistent distinction between λογικός (ܡܘܡܝܢܐ) and νοερός (ܡܘܡܝܢܐ) which most texts do not make. Among the word groups relating to change, division etc. we saw a similar concern for keeping different Syriac roots for separate Greek ones as far as this was possible. ܡܘܡܝܢܐ, rather than ܡܘܡܝܢܐ + suffix, is used for ἴδιος to maintain the adjective for adjective equivalency. The use of the adjectival ܡܘܡܝܢܐ ܡܘܡܝܢܐ similarly sets this text apart – we saw its use even in an early text, *Ep40*, but that was an exception to normal usage, whereas in *Ad Tiberium* it is found consistently. Although in general we noted a number of places where the same Syriac term was used for

multiple Greek ones, and vice versa, what was most striking was the very great concern for root-equivalency, translating all parts of compound terms, even when the result made little sense in Syriac, and sometimes led to misunderstanding entirely. There was also a significantly higher incidence of loans and neologisms in *Ad Tiberium* than in our other texts. Thus the use of the loans ܪܫܘܢܐ and ܥܠܡܐ sets this text apart from the others, as also does the use of the loan for μέν in 80% of instances, a record probably comparable to that of Paul of Callinicum. The insistence on translating many of the particles, e.g. using ܕܡܢ, also marks this text off from all our others and places it closer to known 6th century techniques. The same is true of uses such as ܪܘܢܐ for ὑπαρξίς, unparalleled in the other texts. The number of neologistic word formations is extremely high (relative to text length) when compared with our other texts.

When we compared the *Ad Tiberium* with the citations in Paul of Callinicum we saw an especially close resemblance. In fact, on occasion, *Ad Tiberium* appeared to be using the more ‘advanced’ mirror technique. On other occasions, such as in the renderings for ὁμοούσιος, there was evidence that Paul of Callinicum had the more settled technique. It is the similarities above all, however, which we should note. Both the *Ad Tiberium* and Paul of Callinicum appear to come from much the same ‘school’, using the same range of calques and formal equivalences, including the non-use of those more extreme mirror readings which will appear only in the 7th century. Finally, our text was obviously considered of good enough quality to be used directly in the florilegia rather than retranslated from Greek originals, as was the case with most of the texts.

The advanced technique used by *Ad Tiberium*, sometimes more of a mirror even than Paul of Callinicum’s version, confirms what we suggested earlier when analysing *Ad Tiberium* by itself, that the technique used was markedly different from that of most of the other texts. These two translators are evidently related in their methods, sometimes paralleling each other closely. We can perhaps envisage the schools of Syriac translation becoming increasingly homogeneous in their methods and rules as the sixth century progressed, each new translator struggling for ever greater correctness in his work. The translator of *Ad Tiberium* has come close to where

struggling to mirror the original exactly, and Paul sometimes manages the word order even better than Athanasius does.¹

We must not overestimate Paul's 'achievement', however. For there can be no doubt that Athanasius has achieved overall the more 'perfect' style – as we can see in a number of places in Example 7 under *Ep45/46*, where, for instance, he uses 𐌹𐌳𐌰𐌹𐌸𐌰 for δόξα (in the sense of *opinion*), which Paul never does, and further loans such as 𐌹𐌳𐌰𐌹𐌸𐌰 and 𐌹𐌳𐌰𐌹𐌸𐌰, which Paul does not use.

We shall draw some more general conclusions from these points at the close of Part 3.

¹ See also Example 3 under *Ep40*; Example 2 under *Ep44*; Examples 3 and 5 under *Contra Orientales / Theodoretum*.

3.iii

Translation Techniques in the Scriptural Citations

3.iii.a

A Method for assessing Scriptural Citations and the Question of their Origin

Before proceeding to make use of the citations in our texts for any light these may shed either on the background to these texts or on the textual history of the Syriac versions, we must deal further with an issue already raised on more than one occasion, namely whether we can rightly use citations from translation literature as evidence for an underlying Syriac text of the scriptures. How can we be sure that an author is inserting citations from a pre-existing version rather than merely making his own new renderings from his Vorlage?

Albert Schweitzer once made the observation that a bilingual Alsatian preacher (including himself) will “never give his own version of Biblical passages, but will without exception keep to the traditional form in the language which he is using, and this even where he would be capable of giving a more exact rendering...[and] will even perhaps use an argument which goes against the sense of the original, which he is supposed to be acquainted with.”¹

In outlining developments in translation technique, Brock suggests that in general earlier translators inserted citations from their familiar texts and later ones copied the Vorlagen even when the two did not agree, and points to this change in practice as a symptom of Hellenisation.² Baumstark has shown, for instance, that the translator of Titus of Bostra’s *Contra Manichaeos* inserted Peshitta quotations into his work rather than making his own new renderings; in fact, he did the same for the quotations from the Manichaean scriptures as well.³ When he analysed the OT citations in the Syriac

¹ Albert Schweitzer, *Paul and his Interpreters* (tr. W. Montgomery). New York, 1956, 89, n.1. The context is Paul’s use of Septuagintal citations, even where he perhaps knew the Hebrew to be significantly different.

² Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*, 18 and *Greek into Syriac*, 3.

³ Baumstark, *Titus von Bostra and Der Text der Mani-Zitaten*; see also Pedersen, *Demonstrative proof in defence of God*, 83.

Didascalia, he came to the broad conclusion that the Peshitta was being used by the translator except where the Greek original clearly had a widely differing text.¹

In the early sixth century, both Moses of Aggel and the anonymous translator of Gregory Nyssa's Song of Songs Commentary include in their prefaces a brief discussion of this issue, both making it clear that they prefer to copy the citations as found in their Vorlagen, even when these are in discord with the Peshitta. Since both these works are OT commentaries, the discord is often all the greater, the Peshitta being a Hebrew-based version while their Vorlagen obviously quote from LXX.

In discussing this question as it relates to the reconstruction of Syriac Bible versions from translation literature, Vööbus argues that such citations in translation literature *can* be used where one is locating older readings creeping in *against* the Greek Vorlage of the text, and this assumption is shown to have some substance in his analysis of the Old Syriac influence on the Syriac version of Cyril's *De Recta Fide*.² However, where we are looking for a *revised* version, such as the Philoxenian, the same can hardly be true, for we can never be sure whether we are looking at such a revised version or just the translator's own *ad hoc* translation of his Vorlage.³ Vööbus speaks of the citations in the ps-Clementine *Recognitions* (Add 12150) as being contrary to "the usual method of inserting Biblical quotations taken from his [the translator's] familiar text of scripture," and from this text concludes that the translator used the Peshitta.⁴

Barbara Aland's use of the translation literature, in concert with Philoxenus' citations, to reconstruct the Philoxenian are clearly based on the assumption that translators are not simply re-rendering their Vorlagen at every opportunity. She points out instances where textual differences between the texts indicate that this assumption is well-founded.⁵ It stands to reason, she argues, that a newly circulating version, claiming to be philologically accurate and anti-heretical (as the Philoxenian was) would be well

¹ Baumstark, *Bibelzitate* deals with both these texts, and his *Titus von Bostra* has some further details, with examples given on 258-62.

² See Vööbus, *Rabbula*, 10-4.

³ Vööbus, *Early Versions*, 110, n.3.

⁴ *ibid.*, 96; but also see the disagreement of Kerschensteiner, *Paulustext*, 190.

⁵ Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, 324f. Cf. especially Lk 2.14 in her appendix of texts.

used in such situations; she does not, however, deal with the objection that our only witness to the use of the Philoxenian, Moses of Aggel, precisely does *not* use that version in his own translation work, preferring to make his own renderings from Cyril's own text. The proof, however, lies in Aland's results, carefully laid out in this article, in which she concludes that many readings from the Philoxenian can indeed be reconstructed, especially by using the criterion of agreement between a late writing of Philoxenus (usually CPJ or EpS) and at least one other piece of 6th century translation literature (usually Paul of Callinicum's version of Severus, Cyril's Luke Commentary, the Apollinarian corpus, or Timothy Ailuros). We shall discuss Aland's attempts to reconstruct the Philoxenian further below; for now, we simply note her argument that citations in translation literature *can* be used to this end, but that 'style' is, in many ways, more important than precise wording. The 6th century translators 'use' the Philoxenian in a slightly plastic way, rather as Jacob of Edessa will 'use' the Harklean. The relationship between Rabbula's style and the Peshitta has been interpreted by Aland in a like manner.¹ She shows in this later work how much less optimistic she is about reconstructing earlier versions from citations (such as using the *De Recta Fide* for the Old Syriac text) due to the more flexible approach taken to translation generally at that time.

We here add an example from one of our texts, which seems to suggest that citations were inserted for the most part, rather than re-rendered: where Paul of Callinicum's *Philalethes* translation and the Syriac of the *Contra Theodoretum* overlap, the former generally shows a much closer approximation to the Greek in many small matters (see Part 3.ii for details). However, where the scriptures are being cited within these longer citations, the difference between them is much less marked. Thus, for example, where a passage of the *Contra Theodoretum* is cited in the 64th chapter of the *Florilegium Cyrillianum* the Syriac versions of the two texts diverge at many points until we reach the citation of Heb 2.9, at which point they become identical, until the end of the citation, whence they again diverge somewhat. This sort of evidence can be used to show that these translators are very often taking their scriptural citations from a common source, a pre-existing Syriac version, perhaps sometimes from memory, and perhaps sometimes with a greater or lesser accuracy; but the general point

¹ Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 100f..

nevertheless is that these citations are not brand new attempts but reflect, whether verbatim or not, older versions which we may be able to trace across different texts.

Finally, we can add to this discussion the question of the possibility that translators also inserted citations from existing texts in the case of patristic, as well as Biblical, loci. The possibility is raised, for example, by the editors of Peter of Callinicum's *Contra Damianum*, which includes such a wealth of citations.¹ They briefly compared the citations of Basil's *Adversus Eunomium* and found good evidence that the translator of Peter's work may well have been using pre-existing versions of Basil for those passages; however, the same was found not to be the case for the citations of Gregory Nazianzen. In general, it would seem unlikely that translators would go to this trouble and would rather just make a new rendering of their own (as was certainly done by Paul of Callinicum with the numerous Cyrilline citations in Severus' works, as we shall see); yet we shall bear in mind the possibility of such influences as well.

3.iii.b

The De Recta Fide Citations: a special case

A brief word needs to be added about the debate over the New Testament citations in the *De Recta Fide* which have been the subject of extensive debate. This is due to the attribution of the work to Rabbula of Edessa, an attribution which, as we have shown, is open to question in the first place.² Given the attribution, however, Vööbus claimed to have found very significant remains of the Old Syriac text form used by Rabbula in this work, and he used this evidence against Burkitt's previously dominant theory that Rabbula was the author of the Peshitta.³ Thus these citations concern the authorship of the Peshitta itself and have as a result attracted much interest. Matthew Black took up the task of defending Burkitt, or at least of defending Rabbula's *use* of the Peshitta in this translation. One of his most important points from our perspective is that many of Vööbus' so-called OS readings often hinge on very small differences and are more easily explicable on the basis that Rabbula was using his own renderings. It will be

¹ Ebied, Roey and Wickham, *Contra Damianum*, I, xxiv-xxxvi.

² See above, Part 2.ii, p.55.

³ Vööbus, *Rabbula*.

important to bear this sort of observation in mind when we come to deal with the citations in our text, and to be similarly cautious.

The bi-polar debate went on for some time, with neither side making much alteration to the original conclusions.¹ Vööbus extended his ‘discovery’ of the 5th century use of the Old Syriac into a number of other texts, even as far as Philoxenus and Jacob of Serug.² Vööbus’ theories received a strong negative reaction from Kerschensteiner’s collection of Old Syriac remains of the Pauline letters. He showed that numerous citations which Vööbus took for Peshitta readings in fact go back to older versions. He believed that Vööbus’ arguments against Rabbula’s authorship of the Peshitta were, as a result, void.³ Barbara Aland has added further arguments against Vööbus’ original propositions, focusing on how Rabbula’s own translation style is simply similar to that of the Peshitta, sometimes sticking close to the Greek, sometimes treating it more freely (thus explaining many of the odd readings), and on the otherwise doubtful attribution of the Syriac *Recta Fide* to Rabbula in the first place.⁴

There is no need here to enter into the details of the arguments on each side of this debate. It concerns us partially because it raises the issue of the use of citations in translation texts, whether such can be used to make deductions about Syriac Bible versions, and also because it obviously concerns one of the texts itself here under discussion. For the study of the style in the rest of the text must be of some importance in answering questions about the citations. Thus, “allerdings müsste zur genauen Klärung dieser Frage nun unbedingt eine eindringliche Untersuchung des gesamten syrischen Textes von *De recta fide* folgen,”⁵ which, we hope, will be our task!

¹ Black’s original riposte, which contains the details of the argument, is contained in Black, *Rabbula* and in *The Peshitta and Its Predecessors*, along with later summaries and additions in *Zur Geschichte des syrischen Evangelientextes* and *The Syriac Versional Tradition*. Vööbus’ later additions are to be found in *Gospel Text I*, 61-71 (especially 65,n.2) and *Early Versions*, 92ff. .

² Vööbus, *Circulation of the Peshitta*, with a reply in Black, *Jacob of Serug*.

³ Kerschensteiner, *Paulustext*, 185f.

⁴ Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*, 94-107, and our discussions above.

⁵ *ibid.*, 102.

Because of the careful analysis of the gospel citations of the *Recta Fide* by Matthew Black, of the Pauline citations by Kerschensteiner, and of the Catholics by the Münster team, we do not consider it necessary, in the following analysis of citations, to deal with these over again. The results can be found in the publications of these scholars.¹ When we come, however, to the Old Testament citations, it will prove of value to return again to the *De Recta Fide*.

3.iii.c

The Philoxenian Translation of the Bible

The following is a brief overview of the point modern research has reached in the matters surrounding the lost Philoxenian translation of the scriptures (X, in our designation).

Much energy has been expended in debating the identity of the text published by Joseph White in 1778-1799, whether it should be identified as essentially the version produced under Philoxenus' supervision in 507/8, about which we are informed both by the colophons and Moses of Aggel's testimony (thus reducing Thomas of Harkel's contribution to the famous Harklean margin), or else a more fully revised text produced by Thomas – a proper 'Harklean' version. This has now long since been resolved in favour of the latter.² The Philoxenian being lost, the matter therefore remains of trying to describe its character and, where possible, to reconstruct it. The following outline attempts to clarify the possibilities in this area that have so far been explored.

Assemani first drew attention to the significance of the letter written by Moses of Aggel, sometime in the middle of the sixth century, to his patron/client Paphnutius, as a preface to his Syriac version of Cyril's *Glaphyra*, his Pentateuch commentary:

I ask the reader to consider attentively the words of this text, for they are profound. When he should find quotations from the sacred Scriptures

¹ i.e. in Black, *Rabbula*; Kerschensteiner, *Paulustext*, and Aland and Juckel, *Die Katholischen Briefe*.

² Brock, *Resolution*, a 'resolution' which has not since been questioned.

which have been set down in this translation, let him not be worried that they do not conform with the Syriac exemplars, because there is indeed quite a difference between the versions and traditions of the scriptures. If he wants to discover the truth, then when he takes a look at the translation of the New Testament and Psalms that the chorepiscopus Polycarp (may his soul be at rest) made into Syriac for the faithful and learned Xenaias of Mabbog (worthy of blessed memory), he will wonder at the differences that there are in the translation of the Syriac from the Greek.¹

Interpretations have been somewhat mixed. Budge commented on the basis of this text that the Philoxenian version was the standard work of Moses' day. However, the text has generally been taken to mean something rather different. In fact, Moses is translating the Biblical text from Cyril as he sees it and is now warning the reader lest he note the discrepancies between his Syriac renderings and the accustomed text of the Peshitta. If the reader is concerned, he is referred to the Philoxenian version better to appreciate the gap between the Greek text and the Peshitta in many places. We should not, therefore, necessarily seek to find the Philoxenian in Moses' writings. Although Gwynn did suggest that the Old Testament Philoxenian is indeed to be found in this text, Jenkins has shown this not to be the case.² Even as far back as Lebon, it has been suggested that the reading *et Davidis* in the letter was a corruption and that no Old Testament Philoxenian ever existed.³ The issue of the Philoxenian Old Testament will be taken up further below under Part 3.iii.d in its appropriate place.

Remains of the Philoxenian New Testament

The first attempt to find remains of Philoxenus' version of the New Testament in his own writings was made by Guidi. He claimed to have found it in the Biblical citations in the *Letter to the monks of Teleda*.⁴ Despite the fact that this text can be dated to Philoxenus' exile many years after the production of the Philoxenian, Zuntz has refuted Guidi's evidence on this point.⁵ Shortly afterwards, in his edition of the *Discourses* of Philoxenus, Budge laid out many of the citations in another attempt to

¹ My translation - Syriac in Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*, 404. Also quoted in *Bibliotheca Orientalis* II,82-3.

² Jenkins, *Old Testament Quotations*, 199.

³ Lebon, *La Version Philoxénienne*, 414f.

⁴ Guidi, *La lettera di Filosseno*

⁵ Zuntz, *Ancestry*, 41.

pin down this lost version, but found no such readings in his text, which was almost certainly written well before 508 in any case.

Meanwhile Gwynn had made a couple of important suggestions, firstly that the Philoxenian Old Testament was traceable in Moses of Aggel's text of the *Glaphyra* (this has been mentioned already) and second that the so-called Pococke Epistles and Crawford Apocalypse, the Syriac versions of the Minor Catholic Epistles and the Book of Revelation that are generally included in modern editions of the Peshitta, in fact represent Philoxenus' text. His argument was largely based on the grounds that these texts seem to precede in style and date the Harklean version of these books.¹

Lebon's 1911 contribution has already been mentioned. He cast doubt on the existence of any Old Testament Philoxenian. He also doubted the presence of the Minor Catholics and the Apocalypse in the Philoxenian canon on the grounds that Philoxenus never quotes these books and is more likely to be following the Antiochian canon used by Theodore (and presumably by the school at Edessa in the fifth century) which also lacked them.² More recently, Siker has upheld this position with regard to the Philoxenian canon.³ Lebon himself seriously doubted whether any remains of the Philoxenian could be recovered, although his investigations focused largely on the Syriac massora as a possible source of such remains. He even doubted the identification of White's text with the Harklean and would allow to the Pococke and Crawford texts no more than that they were unknown versions whose terminus *ante quem* could be established only by the date of the earliest ms (i.e. late 9th century).⁴ Finally, Lebon criticised Budge's attempt to find the Philoxenian by using Philoxenus' own citations, on the basis that that the chronology of his texts first needed to be fixed by other methods.⁵ Although he doubted there was any profit in such an approach, this small footnote in fact pointed the true way forwards.

¹ Gwynn, *Apocalypse and Later Syriac Versions*. The arguments are contained in the introductions to these editions.

² Lebon, *La Version Philoxénienne*, 415-6. The argument from silence with regard to Philoxenus never citing the books in question only holds if that silence extends all the way to the early seventh century (the date of the Harklean) among Syriac writers.

³ Siker, *Catholic Epistles*.

⁴ Lebon, *La Version Philoxénienne*, 424-35.

⁵ *ibid.*, 436, n1.

The next major contribution to the actual reconstruction of Philoxenus' New Testament was that of Zuntz in 1945. After discussing at length the evidence of the Harklean colophons, Zuntz identifies X as a product of the 6th century 'school' of translation which eventually leads to the Harklean (H). It is thus that he describes it as a 'half-way house' to H, a term used frequently ever since.¹ He determines to find the Philoxenian in a wide range of texts, starting with Philoxenus' own *Tractatus Tres*.² After dealing with eleven citations in this text, Zuntz concludes that, since P still dominates the citations, X was only being interwoven sporadically into his text. This does not deter him, however, from affirming that X is indeed to be found in some of these citations. Many of the examples are indeed quite convincing on this count, showing close affinities to H. On the basis of his theory of the 'school of translation', Zuntz goes on to suggest that the citations in the translation literature of the 6th century are not identical with X, but rather that, as a product of the 'rules of the school', show the tendency of moving from P to H which is typical also of X.³ He is not especially confident, therefore, of reconstructing X itself on the basis of these texts, although he does find further evidence in a number of other 6th century texts.

A few years later, Arthur Vööbus turned his attention, thus far directed mainly on the Old Syriac, to the Philoxenian question.⁴ While praising Zuntz for having at least looked for a solution in the 6th century texts, he points to flaws in his solution; firstly, he claims, the *Tractatus Tres* shows signs of an OS text (i.e. according to his own claims in *Circulation of the Peshitta*, but some may consider the arguments here tendentious) and thus what Zuntz saw as apparent X-readings may in fact be *ad hoc* revisions of OS readings (in fact if we look at Zuntz's actual examples, this becomes most doubtful; for his point is made not by the fact that the readings are revised *per se* but by the fact that they agree with H in many respects); secondly, he claims that much of Zuntz's thesis is based on the translation literature, where citations could be used to detect versions where older readings, against the Greek, are preserved, but hardly for a revised version where one could not distinguish such a version from *ad*

¹ Zuntz, *Ancestry*, 41

² Vaschalde, *Tractatus tres*. Other important texts, such as the Commentary to the Johannine Prologue and the Commentary on Matthew and Luke, had not yet been published when Zuntz wrote; but he was aware of their potential.

³ Zuntz, *Ancestry*, 62-4.

⁴ In Vööbus, *New Data and Early Versions*.

hoc translations made for the purpose of the text itself. This is an important point, and one which we discussed already above (Part 3.iii.a).

Vööbus finds the best solution in the citations found in the *Commentary on the Johannine Prologue*. However, it is strange that while he gives two reasons for this, first that as a commentary its citations are less likely to be made from memory, second that the ms is especially old, he does not mention what seems to us the supreme fact, that it is in this very text that Philoxenus discusses X and comments directly on some of its readings. Any study should make its beginning with these references (as does Brock, *Resolution*). The result is that Vööbus comes to exactly the same conclusions as Zuntz did – “we have before us, then, the true solution of this old problem.”¹ It is odd that at this point the accusation levelled at Zuntz, viz. that the *Tractatus Tres* contains Old Syriac elements and therefore cannot accurately represent X, is brushed aside when he recognises that there are also OS elements in the *Commentary on the Johannine Prologue* by simply claiming that the latter has ‘a quite different text of distinct character,’ which is rather what Zuntz had claimed for his text too.² The work, however, is important in confirming Zuntz’s approach. This is especially so in Vööbus’ argument that the Pococke Epistles and Crawford Apocalypse do, in fact, represent Philoxenus’ version, given the similarity of style between these and the text reconstructed from the citations.

The combined work of Zuntz and Vööbus was acknowledged by Brock when he laid out in a straightforward and methodical way the solution of the problem of the identity of White’s text and showed how X can be partially reconstructed from the *Commentary on the Johannine Prologue*, starting with Philoxenus’ explicit references to the revision of four particular verses. The nature of Zuntz’s ‘half-way house’ is thus more carefully described.

Both Zuntz and Vööbus suggested that ML (Philoxenus’ Commentary on Matthew and Luke) would also be a valuable repository of X-readings. The remains of this work became the subject of a doctoral dissertation, which found that, on the contrary,

¹ Vööbus, *Early Versions*, 116.

² *ibid.*, 111. In fact, much of Vööbus seems simply to repeat Zuntz – thus the mention of βασιτάζειν at p.117, n.4 is almost certainly taken from Zuntz p.51 unacknowledged. The same arguments are repeated in Vööbus, *Circulation of the Peshitta*.

there were a number of places where ML follows P against a revision found in either CPJ, EpSenoun, or TT.¹ However, it had been noted already by Zuntz that Philoxenus sometimes quotes P and only interwove X on occasion, and indeed 25 citations are located in which there does appear to be some level of revision: “these readings are too numerous and too striking to be put down to chance. What they show is...a text standing between the Peshitta and the Harklean which it is most natural to identify with the Philoxenian.”² However, far from suggesting that ML therefore postdates 507/8, Watt continues to date the text to before X, on the counts that a) the historical context fits better the time around 506, and b) ML is likely to predate CPJ and therefore also X which is discussed only in CPJ.

Thus, perhaps, these ‘X’ readings actually belong to a ‘pre-Philoxenian’, on which Philoxenus was already working before Polycarp undertook the greater task in 507/8. In support of this suggestion he gives a couple of examples of places where the reading is almost, but not quite, X. The final conclusion on this text is that “the majority of the NT quotations in this commentary are cited according to the Peshitta, but there are a small number of Old Syriac, and a greater number of Philoxenian, readings.”³

De Halleux’s famous monograph on Philoxenus was naturally a watershed in our understanding of the great man’s writings, and the Philoxenian New Testament has an important place in his study.⁴ While approving in general terms of the idea of locating the Philoxenian in the citations, De Halleux demanded that some key criteria should be met; namely, that the texts used should be firmly authentic, that they should be dated on other grounds to the period after 508 (Vööbus and Zuntz both receive criticism on this point), that care should be taken to recognise that Philoxenus’ vulgate is as likely to have been OS as P,⁵ and finally that care be taken with Philoxenus’ free treatment of citations. De Halleux then brings into the debate Philoxenus’ own discussion of his version in the CPJ. Here, the bishop claims that followers of

¹ Watt, *Fragments*, 49-60.

² *ibid.*, 57.

³ *ibid.*, 59.

⁴ De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 117-25.

⁵ This warning is based, of course, on Vööbus’ well-known assertions regarding the extent of Old Syriac influence even in the school of Edessa in the 5th century, for which see Vööbus, *Circulation of the Peshitta*.

Theodore and Nestorius have falsified parts of the text. He blames the failure of the vulgate to represent accurately the Greek wording on the ignorance of the translators.¹ There are a couple of important conclusions drawn. The first is that the Minor Catholics were probably *not* included, since Philoxenus nowhere mentions this issue – *contra* the opinions of Vööbus and Zuntz; secondly, he argues that the version was ‘theological’ rather than ‘philological’ in motivation, i.e. it was caused by concerns over dogma rather than with a concern for textual accuracy *per se*. We might question whether such a distinction would have made any sense to the exegete for whom the true translator ‘ne doit pas choisir les paroles [les mieux] adaptées à chaque langue, mais bien chercher les mots et les noms prononcés par Dieu ou son Esprit.’²

Finally, he mentions the four verses which Philoxenus discusses in this connection (Mt 1.1 & 18, Rom 1.3, Heb 5.7, Heb 10.5), the only places for which we therefore have an absolutely certain Philoxenian reading.³ This is significant because, De Halleux notes, Philoxenus uses the old ‘nestorianised’ versions in his earlier texts and seems to have been drawn towards questioning their accuracy only when he began his exegetical work, itself designed to counter the influence of the Antiochian masters. This observation will be of importance for us later on.

The next important landmark is to be found in Brock’s study of the so-called Euthalian material and its supposed link to the Philoxenian NT.⁴ The significance of this study lies especially in the fact that, since there is insufficient overlapping material to show the close relationship between the Euthalian prefaces and X, the study had to be based on an analysis of style and translation technique. Brock’s conclusions show the value of this kind of approach, a fact which will be of importance for us as we proceed. Vööbus had already used such an argument when discussing the ‘Philoxenian’ of the Minor Catholics, but Brock does so here with far greater precision and depth. This was followed up by the article in which Brock

¹ One of the verses discussed by Philoxenus in this connection is Hebrews 5.7 where Philoxenus discards the Peshitta’s use of the clothing metaphor. This he obviously found in his vulgate. We know from Kerschensteiner’s study that the Old Syriac tradition did know of the correct reading. It was the distinctive Peshitta tradition which gave Philoxenus his ‘vulgate’ text at this point.

² De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 121, n.20.

³ *ibid.*, 124.

⁴ Brock, *Euthalian Material*. It is built on earlier studies, Dobschütz, *Euthaliusstudien*, and Zuntz, *Ancestry*.

proved the identity between White's text and the Harklean and gave further evidence for the characterisation of the Philoxenian, describing some of the translation techniques adopted. We will come across many of these later.

Meanwhile, the reconstruction of X continued apace, above all with Barbara Aland's 1981 article on what she dubbed the 'philoxenianisch-harklensische Übersetzungstradition'.¹ The importance of this article lies in the extensive use made of the 6th century translation literature (in defiance of Vööbus' warnings) as a check on the citations in Philoxenus. She claims to have found something surprising: "Denn, wie ich vor einiger Zeit zu meinem Erstaunen feststellte, findet sich in einer bestimmten syrischen Literaturgattung, nämlich den monophysitischen Übersetzungen griechischer Väter, durchweg ein neutestamentlicher Text zitiert, auf den das einzige Definitionsmerkmal für die Philoxeniana, das wir besitzen, vollkommen zutrifft : es ist ein Text «mid-way» zwischen Peshitta und Harklensis."² In general, her criteria for reconstructing X lies in any close agreement between a Philoxenian citation from one of his late texts (usually CPJ) with at least one other 6th century patristic translation. Although it might be expected that citations in translation literature would be a bad witness for a revised version of the actual scripture (since revision-minded translators would use their own 'new' renderings rather than imitate the Peshitta), she actually finds that there are instances where the citations show variants which are only explicable from a pre-existing Syriac revision.³

Initially, her findings are based on a study of the citations in Severus of Antioch's Anti-Julianist polemical works (AJP), translated as a corpus by Paul of Callinicum in 528 and copied into the earliest extant manuscript within half a century. She deals with the objection (raised by Brock) that similarities between this and CPJ are due only to a common background of technique by the suggestion that it is precisely in Bible translation that we would be most likely to see pioneer work in this field, and that if a number of individuals were all citing in such a manner (i.e. revising P in the direction of H), this is most likely due to the actual existence and use (if not

¹ Aland, *Philoxenianisch*.

² *ibid.*, 324.

³ e.g. see example 12 in the Appendix.

consistently) of 'X'.¹ Having shown how AJP thus fits into the picture, she casts her net wider to other translated texts, such as those of Timothy Ailuros, Cyril's Luke Commentary, Zacharias Rhetor and the Apollinarian corpus. In these again she finds the techniques of what is becoming known as the X/H tradition, where texts that are close in style but not necessarily in wording are found.² Although Aland's arguments about deriving data from such citations are open to exactly the same objections as were Zuntz's, anyone actually reading the numerous examples given in the Appendix cannot but be impressed by the way in which 6th century monophysite texts show a seismic shift in their citations, away from P and towards H. Without being too forward on the possibilities of actually reconstructing X, Aland is very strong on the existence of the X/H tradition and its influence on the methods of Thomas of Harkel himself.

In a later article, Aland sums up how she views the Philoxenian revision.³ It is Philoxenus' internal theological motivation which leads naturally to the desire for a better version of the New Testament. The Peshitta satisfied the Antiochene schools and they felt no need for a change, whereas Philoxenus' increasing dependence on exact Biblical wording for the development of his theology in the first ever monophysite commentaries required something philologically more accurate. In fact, only a strong theological motivation would probably have been sufficient to allow a new version into the church.

When the volumes of the *Das Neue Testament in syrischer Überlieferung* first came out of the Münster Institut für Neutestamentliche Textforschung soon after those articles, the value of the citations in the translation literature became even more apparent. Indeed their value is part of the very grounds for the edition itself. The importance attached by Aland to this method was such that the full text of Paul of Callinicum's translation of Severus' Homilies was collated from the unedited mss for the purpose of including their evidence in the volumes of the Pauline Epistles. The introductions to the volumes are of great value in elucidating the textual history of the

¹ We may add that Aland finds support for her postulated 'free usage' of X by Philoxenus and Paul in the equally 'free' manner in which Jacob of Edessa 'uses' the Harklean in his revised version of Severus' Homilies.

² See esp. p.330ff.

³ Aland, *Monophysitismus*.

various versions and revisions, although nothing new is added in principle to what was already shown in the 1981 article. Because neither the Minor Catholics nor Revelation have yet been produced, there has as yet been no further light shed on the question of whether these were in the Philoxenian New Testament. The material is now present for studies such as those proposed by Brock, “it would be good to have a series of monographs, on the lines of those under way for the Greek Fathers, providing the full evidence for the Biblical text quoted by individual Syriac writers, accompanied by a textual (and perhaps, exegetical) commentary.”¹ This would begin to reap the harvest from the evidence that is now available.

One of these blocks of newly-available evidence may be of especial interest for the issue of the Philoxenian revision. When Paul of Callinicum translated Severus’ anti-Julianist corpus he prefixed an introduction which itself contains a number of NT citations, which he has *not* always taken direct from the Peshitta. There are few people, other than Philoxenus himself, who would be better placed than Paul, both in terms of date and of literary context, to use to the Philoxenian revision in his own writings. Did he in fact do so?

Firstly, we must note that many of the citations contained in this preface, mainly concerning corruptibility, are in fact taken from later points in Severus’ text – these are therefore Paul’s translations of Severus rather than pristine quotes from his own version of scripture. A few, however, are not taken from Severus and might therefore throw some light on Paul’s Bible version. These citations can therefore be firmly attributed to Paul himself.² They are as follows, showing Paul of Callinicum’s differences from the Peshitta.

Gen 6.12 [AJP 3,5-6]

Text as Peshitta, save only in reading ‘Lord God’ for MT’s ‘God’. This is a ‘plus’ in the LXX.

¹ Brock, *The Use of the Syriac Fathers for New Testament Textual Criticism*, 233.

² NTSU makes something of a hash of referencing these citations. It distinguishes only some of them as being Paul of Callinicum’s own words from his preface (rather than part of his translation), while some of those that are thus distinguished have in fact been hoisted from later in his translation (e.g. 2 Cor 11.23).

Acts 2.31 [AJP 5,1]

ܡܢܝܢ] ܡܢܝܢ PC

ܚܘܒܪܐ] ܚܘܒܪܐܘܢ PC

Paul has adopted some interesting revisions to the Peshitta text in these citations. In the Old Testament, it is evident that the LXX has already influenced him strongly, not just in the case of small LXX-plususes like that of Gen 6.12, but also in a whole series of readings in Ezek 28. In Acts he has substituted ܚܘܒܪܐ for ܚܘܒܪܐ, and in 2 Cor. he has added ܐܘܢ for the relative pronoun, both highly typical of sixth-century revision techniques, respectively in the lexical and syntactic fields, of the sort that we have seen aplenty in some of our texts and in the Severan citations. Perhaps the most notable, however, is his use of the neologistic, more ‘technically accurate’ term ܚܘܒܪܐܘܢ in place of its simpler Peshitta equivalents at Ps 55.24, Dan 6.23, Dan 10.8, and Acts 2.31. At Dan 6.23 he has taken over the Peshitta text verbatim except for this one change. What we are surely witnessing is the revision of fifth century Biblical language in favour of the technical discourse of sixth century philosophical theology, a revision which Paul is here applying to the Biblical text, in the light of the subject he is treating (i.e. corruptibility), despite still following the Peshitta in most essentials. We do not need to assume here that Paul is copying a whole revision of the OT already made before his time (a Philoxenian OT), but rather the far more significant fact that he is himself revising the Peshitta text on an *ad hoc* basis to the needs of the new context.

The remaining citations made by Paul of Callinicum in his preface are all, in reality, taken from points later in Severus’ text, and should therefore be considered as new translations made directly by Paul rather than as witnesses to his own text (pace NTSU). Here they are given with their locations in the text of Severus’ Anti-Julianist corpus.

2 Cor 11.3: AJP 3,7-9/264,13-15; Ex 18.18: AJP 3,13-15/175,6-8; Dt 34.7: AJP 3,16-18/177,18-20; Dan 3.92: AJP 3,19-21/18,15-7; 2 Cor 11.23,6: AJP 3,27-4,1/183,7-8; Jer 13.7: AJP 4,19-21/245,22-4; Jer 15.3: AJP 4,21-4/245,24-246,2; 1 Pet 2.22: AJP 4,28-5,1/225,14.

3.iii.d

The Results of the Analysis of the Scriptural Citations

Introduction and method

It remains for us now to analyse the scriptural citations in our texts to see whether in fact it may be possible to attach to any of them a clear preference for one particular version over another. For the Pauline and Catholic letters, the groundwork for such an analysis has already been to some extent brought together in the Münster edition of the Syriac New Testament, at least for those of our (Cyrilline) texts which had already been previously edited. However, while the data has been set out in this work, no interpretation of these citations has yet been given.

In addition to our normal set of texts, there is included in this data citations from the Glaphyra fragments edited by Guidi (GL), Cyril's Ep101 (Syriac only) from the same ms, and the correspondence of Moses of Aggel (the latter consisting of four letters, two in Brooks' edition of ps-Zechariah Rhetor, two in Guidi's 1881 article). This correspondence is included especially because of the light it may shed on the relationship between Moses and the Philoxenian.

The study of the so-called 'philoxenianisch-harklensischen Übersetzungstradition' is one of the key aims of the 'Das Neue Testament in syrischer Überlieferung' series which has come out of the Münster Institute for NT Textual Criticism. In their parallel edition of the Pauline corpus, the editors have pointed out that "Seine Dokumentation muß daher die Hauptaufgabe sein, um die Erforschung dieser philoxenianisch-harklensischen Übersetzungstradition umfassend zu ermöglichen."¹ In their edition, between the Peshitta and Harklean are laid out the citations from the Syriac authors and translators whose dates fall between that of the rise of the Peshitta (taken as c.450) and the Harklean (early 7th century). Within this overarching category they have not attempted to distinguish a chronological order, although they warily suggest an early (pre 6th century) date for the translations of Cyril (though without any particular reasoning). Considered also of particular importance in this connection by

¹ Aland and Juckel, *Die Paulinischen Briefe 1*, 61. The term 'philoxenian-harklean tradition,' however, was coined earlier in Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, 330.

the editors are the translations of the texts in Chabot, *Documenta*, and the earlier versions of Severus and Athanasius (they note that the *Ad Epicteteum* of the latter is quoted by the non-Greek-literate Philoxenus before the end of the 5th century). Since the development of the 'revision-tradition' is not linear, the exact dating of these texts is not crucial to the elucidation of that tradition itself.¹

The following analysis works on the premise that all the texts contained in our survey (and this excludes *De Recta Fide*, as discussed above) lie between P and H in date. The aim is to show clearly both the extent of the influence of P on our translators as well as the influence they had on the H tradition, whether directly or indirectly. A further third aim may be for us to perceive, where we can, the remains of the Philoxenian version. In general, however, rather than refer directly to this as if it were a canonical text being followed, we will speak in more general terms of a 'philoxenian' revision-style which may be found to a greater or lesser extent in many of our texts.

In the interests of brevity, a few pertinent examples are given for each of our texts to illustrate the main conclusions. The full evidence, including all the verses only referenced here, can be seen laid out in Appendix 2.

1. Gospels

QUX

While there are many verses where P is simply followed verbatim or almost verbatim (e.g. Mt 13.55, 25.40, Jn 1.13,16,18,29,10.18,17.5 etc.) these tend to be short and simple citations. QUX is overall rather more noticeable for the independence of its citations, often using different words or constructions to those of P (e.g. Mt 16.27, Jn 13.31-2), sometimes even departing significantly from his Vorlage (Jn 5.21). It also often improves upon P according to its own canons of translation, and of course also whenever the wording of Cyril's text required some alteration of substance to be made to the wording of the Peshitta. This can be illustrated in terms of, e.g., word order and syntax at Jn 8.58 and Jn 3.12, or word order again at Jn 3.13.

¹ Aland and Juckel, *Die Paulinischen Briefe I*, 62.

P/EDC

ܣܘܚܪܐ ܕܢܗ ܠܫܘܚܪܐ ܕܢܗ ܘܢܒܐ

H

ܣܘܚܪܐ ܕܢܗ ܣܘܚܪܐ ܕܢܗ ܘܢܒܐ

SDI

In SDI we appear to have a text that takes P consistently as its starting point. Indeed in many texts, the Peshitta is simply repeated verbatim (Mt 1.23, Lk 2.40, 2.52, Jn 1.30, 3.13). This is even done against the normal usage of the translator, witness Mt 14.33 where the copula is translated using the Peshitta, and then when the same expression is found shortly afterwards in the run of the text ,ܣܘܚܪܐ is used in accordance with this translator’s more ordinary usage. Something similar happens in one out of two instances of the copula in the citation of Jn 9.35-7, where SDI’s reading is as Ep55’s.

However, there are places where revisions have taken place which are specifically found elsewhere, e.g. Lk 3.6 (as EDC above), Jn 8.58, Jn 10.33, Jn 14.2, and sometimes SDI has simply made its own minor corrections (e.g. to word order at Jn 7.15). In other places where we might expect to see the revised text, we find none (Jn 1.30). There is one possible OS reading at Jn 4.22, where ܠܗ (as S) is read against ܠܗܘܐ (P), but this is doubtful.

Ep39

At Mt 1.23, the text shows revisions of P that are both lexical and syntactical, although not showing the full revision found in CPJ, which probably reflects X, itself not quite yet reaching H’s rendering.

Mt 1.23

P

ܘܚܘܕܐ ܕܗ ܥܢ ܕܠܡܐ

Ep39

ܘܚܘܕܐ ܕܗ ܥܢ ܕܠܡܐ

H

ܘܚܘܕܐ ܕܗ ܥܢ ܕܠܡܐ, ܘܚܘܕܐ ܕܗ ܥܢ ܕܠܡܐ

At Lk 1.31, we find exactly the same pattern, with the citation in CPJ drawing quite close to H while Ep39 is on the same path but not quite to the same level. This is especially notable when CPJ clearly still knows of the old P rendering.

Lk 1.31

ደረጃ ጠገን ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ ነቲ ገብሎ

P

ደረጃ ጠገን ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ ገብሎ ነቲ ገብሎ ገብሎ

Ep39

ደረጃ ጠገን ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ

CPJ

ደረጃ ጠገን ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ

H

ደረጃ ጠገን ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ .ኣብ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ ገብሎ

The other citations follow P.

Ep40

Ep40 clearly sides with P against OS. This is important since Vööbus has suggested that OS was the standard text in the fifth century, and yet here we have a text datable to the period 433-484 which quotes P distinctively, often against OS (e.g. see Jn 8.39b-40 where ገብሎ is used for ἦτε against its omission in S). This point will be extended further in the comments on Ep45,46,50 below.

As far as X is concerned, the three simple gospel citations do not suggest much, save that the translator is following P. The H reading ገብሎ at Jn 8.40 may be a P variant or could be explained along other lines. The sample, however, is insufficient for conclusions given the simplicity of the verses concerned.

Ep44

No citations from the gospels.

Ep45

Twice we see advances towards H's specific vocabulary, firstly with the term for πρόβατα at Mt 7.15 (ገብሎ for ገብሎ), and secondly for λυπός at Mt 26.38 (ገብሎ for ገብሎ). The reading at Jn 4.6 is the clearest sign that already in Ep45 we can see a translator using a text that has been revised from P to become closer to the Greek. Since CT and H are identical for this verse, we can probably assume that X was the same (CT must substantially precede H in date). If this were the case, then Ep45 shows a text half-way from P to X, revision being well underway long before the Philoxenian.

While there are, therefore, signs of OS readings in a 7th century ms of what must be a mid-5th century text, as Vööbus would have expected, P nevertheless predominates, sometimes being clearly *against* OS. We have also seen a few tentative, though not greatly significant, revisions of P's style towards something a little more 'exact'.

Ep55

Again, P is well-known to this translator, and is often the pure basis for his text (see e.g. Mt 29.29b; Mk 8.38; Jn 1.1^{x2}; Jn 1.3; Jn 10.30). However, there are clearer signs than we have seen so far of the revision of P towards what will become H's precision. Such signs include the following marks of technique:

- the masculine treatment of **אֲנִי** (Mt 10.20, though not the adjectival **אֲנִי**, cf. Jn 20.22).
- the attempt to represent the subjunctive (Mt 18.20; Lk 22.67).
- the equivalent of **ἀπ' ἀρχῆς** (Lk 1.2, being exactly as H, cf. Ep50).
- using the demonstrative as H does (Jn 1.30; Jn 14.9^{x2}; Jn 17.3; 17.5).
- respecting Gk word order (Jn 1.30, closely with H; Jn 17.3; but sometimes not revising this where it might be expected, Jn 8.58).
- **אֲנִי** for **אֲנִי** (Jn 6.53).
- **אֲנִי** for **πρῖν** (exactly as H, Jn 8.58).
- **אֲנִי** for **אֲנִי** (Jn 20.22).
- sometimes just a careful avoidance of P's unnecessary paraphrastic expressions (esp. Jn 16.28).

The use of **אֲנִי** + suffixes for the parts of **ἐστίν** is an important part of the developing techniques for the rendering of Greek syntax. In Ep55, this is not found quite as consistently as in H, but is still common – being found at Mt 12.50, Jn 9.37, Jn 14.6, Jn 14.10, but not at Mt 18.20 (pl.), Jn 3.31 (where CPJ has it, but CL does not), Jn 17.3; we see both its use and non-use once even within a single verse (Jn 8.23b).

At Mt 28.19, we see an interesting agreement between Ep55 and ML, which may well, therefore, witness to the text of X; however, they both show different forms of revision in v19b – Ep55 anticipating some of H's forms, ML others. It may be that X

already had the full revision but that both these texts are still somewhat conservative (a fact already established with regard to ML¹).

Mt 28.19

P	וּלְמַעַן תִּשְׁמְרוּ אֵת כָּל אֲשֶׁר אָמַרְתִּי לָכֵן... וְלֹא מִחַיִל הַלְבָבוֹת.
Ep55	וְלֹא מִחַיִל הַלְבָבוֹת... כִּי אֵין מִחַיִל מִכֹּחַ הַמִּלִּיכָה וְהַמִּלִּיכָה וְהַמִּלִּיכָה.
ML	וְלֹא מִחַיִל הַלְבָבוֹת... כִּי אֵין מִחַיִל מִכֹּחַ הַמִּלִּיכָה וְהַמִּלִּיכָה וְהַמִּלִּיכָה.
H	וּלְמַעַן תִּשְׁמְרוּ אֵת כָּל אֲשֶׁר אָמַרְתִּי לָכֵן... וְלֹא מִחַיִל הַלְבָבוֹת.

Again, at Jn 16.28, Ep55 and Ep39 agree in a rendering against all other versions, which, if not a sign of X, may at least imply a common technique if it is not to be assigned to chance.

Ep101

In its very few citations, this seems to show a clear P text, and one interesting reading which may well be Diatessaronic [Jn 3.13b].

CO

CO, more than any of our other texts, tends sometimes to have quite singular renderings, independent from any existing version (see Mt 7.4-5; Lk 2.14; 2.52; Jn 1.3; Jn 3.6; Jn 8.39-40; Jn 14.10b).

There are indications of OS readings on three occasions (two in Vööbus, *Gospel Text 1*: Mt 18.16 and Jn 3.13b, and one other to note, Jn 10.32). Although the evidence suggests that this may be misleading (see details in Appendix 2), there is no reason in theory why the OS might not have exerted its influence here, as Vööbus has insisted so strongly.

Agreements with P specifically against the sort of revisions we might expect are not found very frequently (see the word order in Lk 1.35, also Lk 2.52; Jn 2.19).

Of examples of revisionistic tendencies, we have noted especially:

¹ See Watt, *Fragments*, 49-60.

Jn 6.51: here the phrase ܠܗܘܢ ܗܘܐ ܗܘܐ ܕܗܘܐ for ὑπὲρ τῆς τοῦ κόσμου ζωῆς quite clearly reflects X, since H has taken over this reading, which is quite different from P's (which CT, interestingly, follows).

Jn 6.62: the term ܡܘܨܘܒܐ must have been X's, since CPJ shares it, although H has returned to P's ܡܘܨܘܒܐ. The use of ܡܘܨܘܒܐ may show a revision even beyond X, since it agrees with H against CPJ.

Jn 10.33: except for the reflexive pronoun (for which, see below), there are here again a series of H's revisions anticipated, some of which are also found in the Syriac version of Cyril's Luke Commentary, and probably again reflect X.

Mt 11.27: here there is a suggestive mixture, ἐπιγινώσκει being rendered once in accordance with P, once with H: the technique is in process of development and is applied without consistency.

Other signs of revision show only mixed results; thus the ܡܘܨܘܒܐ + suffix = εἶναι equivalency is used twice (Jn 3.6; Jn 6.63) and avoided twice (Mt 16.16; Jn 6.51); ܡܘܨܘܒܐ remains feminine grammatically (Jn 6.63), and ܡܘܨܘܒܐ is used for the reflexive pronoun rather than H's ܡܘܨܘܒܐ calque (Jn 8.28, Jn 10.33) which itself probably goes back to X (see CPJ citation of Phil 2.7).¹

On the other hand, the use of the demonstrative + ܐ for the relative pronoun or resumptive article is found consistently and frequently (Mt 11.27; Jn 3.6; 6.51; 6.56; 6.63; 14.9, and also Jn 10.36, where the agreement with EDC at this point points to X). In addition, we find all sorts of other indications of the revisionistic style, such as in matters of word order (Lk 1.35; Jn 3.13a; 8.28; 8.58; 10.33b; 10.35), the use of grammatically masculine forms against the natural gender of the noun (Jn 6.51), and careful equivalents for prepositions and conjunctions which become standard in H (διά, Jn 1.2; ὅτι, Jn 10.35; Δ used appropriately, Jn 10.32), other various lexical equivalencies (Jn 10.32, 10.33, 10.35) and avoidance of superfluous words with no Gk parallel (Jn 8.28).

¹ Discussed in Brock, *Resolution*, 334f.

CO tends to remain close to P where the differences in H are anyway very minor (e.g. Mt 5.28a; 10.8b; 12.28; Lk 1.28b; 5.21; 6.33; 6.56; 6.57; 6.62; 6.63)

CT

As with CO, the signs of revision are clear but very inconsistent and the influence of P over against any tendency to revise the text is still very strong.

On the matter of citation method, we note first that at Jn 17.5, CT has assimilated the wording of Jn 17.24, without any warrant from the Vorlage, further indication that the translator is making use of a pre-existing version and not making his own translations. In addition, an agreement in citation between CO and CT against P and H may imply a common translator (see Jn 8.39-40). As with CO, so in CT, there are also a number of fairly singular readings (Mt 3.15b; Mt 26.39b; Lk 2.52; 4.18,21).

As with CO, there are some hints of an OS influence, but, again as with CO, these could be interpreted differently. The two discussed by Vööbus (Mt 24.36 and Mt 26.39) are both also found in H and could therefore be ascribed to X's revision rather than OS's antiquity, an odd state of affairs also found on three occasions in ML.¹ There are further hints at Mt 12.28 and Mt 16.22-3.

The presence of a large number of citations of very simple or short verses makes the evaluation of the degree of revision in this text quite difficult. However, as with CO, the influence of P is still very strong, even where revision might be expected, or even occurs in other writings (e.g. Mt 1.18b; 20.18-19; Lk 1.35; Jn 6.51; Jn 15.15; 16.15).

However, there are certain developments which we do see quite clearly, such as revision of word-order anticipating H (Mt 1.20b, where CPJ agrees; Jn 12.27); places where each word is being represented by another single word against P's idiom (Mt 16.22; 26.39; Jn 15.26); H's prepositional equivalents, such as $\Delta\text{ϰ}$ for περί (Mt 24.36); the use of $\alpha\ \text{ὅτι}$ for the relative/resumptive article (Jn 1.33; 6.56; 15.26 17.5). Above all there are some very notable lexical revisions, present in CT, which H has picked up and used, e.g. δαίμονια for τὰ δαιμόνια (Mt 12.24), φθάνω for φθάνω (Mt 12.28),

¹ Watt, *Fragments*, 47. Vööbus' discussion of these two verses in Vööbus, *Gospel Text 1*, 186.

ܠܘܘܐ for σκάνδαλον (Mt 16.23, known as an X word from CPJ), ܠܘܘܐ for λύω (Jn 2.19), ܠܘܘܐܐܢ ܠܘܘܐܢܐ for ὁδοιπορίας (Jn 4.6), and various others (Mt 3.15b, Lk 4.21; Lk 10.17). The opportunity for these sorts of revisions are only rarely spurned, e.g. for the relative pronoun and word-order (Jn 16.14), for εἶναι (Jn 16.15), the retention of ܠܘܘܐ for H's ܠܘܘܐ (Jn 6.56) and of ܠܘܘܐ for ܘܢܐܘܐ (Jn 12.27). Harklean calques, such as ܐܢ ܠܘܘܐ always for ὥστε (Mt 10.1b), and ܐܢ ܠܘܐ for the present ptc of ἔχω (Mt 1.18b) are not taken up in CT.

Mt 27.46 provides an important example of revision towards the Greek; here OS and P did not translate the second part of the verse, while H does so precisely. It is true that CT is merely following Cyril's Greek, but the attitude towards his Vorlage shown by this translator is thereby, in this case especially, shown to be substantially different from most of his predecessors.

AT

Given the more developed nature of the style of this text in general, the citations are surprisingly conservative in places. For instance, keeping P's ܡܘܠܘܢܐ for πώποτε (Jn 5.37) and the avoidance of ܠܘܐ for εἰμί indicate a conservative streak (the absence of H's calque on ἔχωσιν at Jn 10.10 should not be included, however, as this seems to be always absent in texts before H).

Signs of the X-revision are, however, certainly present. This is evidently the case in the choice of certain terms, such as ܠܘܘܐ for ἠψατο at both Mt 9.29 and Lk 7.14, and ܠܘܘܐ for περί at Mt 24.36 and Jn 8.46 (for other examples see Mt 7.15, Jn 4.6, Jn 8.46, Jn 10.10, and perhaps Jn 14.10b). The ܠܘܘܐ for ἐστίν at the end of Jn 14.10, found here in AT and also in Ep50 and Ep55, but not in Ep40 (or CPJ!), must witness an X-reading, taken over into H. Moreover, the avoidance of the idiomatic Syriac possessive suffixes on ܠܘܐ is quite a telling indication of a desire to keep close to the Greek wording (Jn 14.10), and is not found in our other texts.

From our analysis of AT's translation style, for example with regard to the copula, it would appear that he is more conservative in his citations than in the rest of his text.

GL

There is one clear indication, namely Mk 14.21, that a P text is being used, against both the possibility of OS elements, or of any significant revision towards H.

Moses' Letters

There is a clear Old Syriac citation at Mt 7.7 (ܘܠܗܘܢ ܠܗܘܢ ܠܗܘܢ), indicating OS's continuing influence on the personal writings of this mid-6th century translator.

2. Acts, Catholic and Pauline citations (including Revelation)

QUX

The picture among the Pauline citations shows much the same pattern as the gospel citations. The translator of QUX is, more than anything else, an independent worker, making his citations fit the Greek according to his own canons of translation. Occasionally he makes significant omissions from citations (e.g. Rom 8.3, Eph 3.14) or alterations of different kinds (1 Tim 3.16), though these may be accidental. He clearly knows the P text perfectly well and very often, especially in simple phrases, will repeat it exactly (e.g. 1 Cor 1.18; 15.10; 15.22; Gal 3.13; Heb 2.12), occasionally even following it against the meaning of his own Vorlage (1 Pet 4.1; Heb 10.28-9). Frequently the QUX renderings are simply quite independent of P or any other parallel citation (1 Jn 4.14-5; Rom 6.5; 15.15-6; 1 Cor 4.7; Gal 6.14; 1 Tim 3.16; Heb 2.16-7), sometimes in a manner even looser than P (Heb 9.23-6, 2 Pet 2.19; Rom 1.21-3; Rom 8.3-4; Eph 1.19-21; Heb 1.3 etc.). Most often, however, we see a citation which is based on P's text, but brought closer into line with his own manner and style of translation, which generally constitutes an improvement on P in some manner such as syntax or word order (e.g. Acts 3.22; 13.41 where the tenses are corrected; 1 Pet 3.18; 2 Pet 4.2-3; 1 Cor 3.11; 5.7; Eph 1.21; Heb 2.11-2; 10.14 etc.). Sometimes it becomes clear that these 'advances' or revisions on P's text anticipate the Harklean and/or are so closely paralleled in other texts that a possible X-reading is lying before us. We have extracted these possible readings using the same sort of criteria as previously. Some of them are only tentative possibilities (1 Cor 1.22-5; 2 Cor 5.15;

10.4-5; 13.3-4; Gal 1.11-2; 2.19-20; Phil 2.9-11; Heb 2.14¹; 13.8; 13.12), while a few others show clearer signs of actually being X-readings (Rom 8.32; 9.5; 10.6-9; Titus 2.11-3).

EDC

As in the gospels, we find that EDC has a pattern very similar to that of Ep55. There is very close agreement with the X/H tradition in certain places (Eph 2.3, Phil 2.6, 10-11) as well as other scattered lexical revisions of this type (Rom 1.4, Heb 1.6). The agreement of the Harklean margin with EDC has aided the reconstruction of X in one place as well (1 Tim 3.16). The evidence tends to make it quite probable that the translator of EDC, as that of Ep55 (if they were not one and the same) both made use of Philoxenus' revision, without completely abandoning P readings, although it is not impossible that this conservatism in some places should rather be attributed to X itself. The unrevised form EDC1 had some distinctly older readings, some of which even belong to a technique earlier than P (see 1 Pet 1.4) and which were updated, either according to P or according to the newer techniques, by EDC2.

SDI

Among the gospels we saw few signs of revision. Here, however, with the benefit of comparisons with other relevant citations, we can indeed see a number of revised readings being used which may owe something to X. This is especially the case at Rom 1.25, 1 Cor 1.23 and Phil 3.14, where we see striking correspondences between SDI and those citations that we might expect to represent the X-tradition. Where P is followed, it is usually in simple places where X is anyway unlikely to have differed from P (e.g. Rom 10.14, 1 Cor 15.47, 2 Cor 8.9b). Sometimes, SDI goes its own way, sometimes in very small ways (2 Cor 4.16), or rather more significantly (Col 2.8-9, Gal 1.16; supported in the latter by Jacob of Edessa), but overall it is hard not to admit some influence from the X-tradition upon SDI, a suggestion which matches with the style as described in part 3.i.

Ep39

¹ But note here the preserved reading which follows Syriac traditions against the Greek.

The evidence of the Pauline citations confirms what we found for the gospels in this text, that there are some clear signs of the revision of the Peshitta text in the same sort of direction as was taken by X. Some of the readings are very clearly of an X-type (e.g. Phil 2.7) and probably show a level of dependence in this text on the Philoxenian version.

Ep40

The P-leanings of Ep40 are without doubt very strong. The distinctive reading of 1 Pet 3.15 provides an excellent example. In addition, where there are potential OS readings available which differ from P (e.g. Rom 9.3), Ep40 follows P. This is especially obvious for P's very distinctive rendering of Rom 9.5. This confirms our suggestion made regarding the gospel citations in this text.

Ep45/46

In the two lengthy citations from Romans and Hebrews, the nature of Ep45's citations can be discerned to some extent. To start with, there are no distinctive OS readings in the Paulines, as also in the gospels, in this pre-484 text. While following P the bulk of the time, we are seeing more revisionary readings here than we did in Ep40, especially with regard to simple syntactical points, such as the use of the demonstrative pronoun + *ⲁ* for relative clauses, and the renderings of certain prepositions. Ep46 also has an important and early X-reading at Rom 9.5.

Ep50

Again, we have a very mixed text. In the gospels, P was very clearly the base text, and this is continued into the Paulines, as can be seen from, e.g., Phil. 2.5-7, where Philoxenus' revisions are altogether absent. In other places, such as Rom 1.25, there is some evidence of revision. We found the most significant example, however, in Heb 10.5; for here we have one of the very few absolutely certain Philoxenian readings, and Ep50 conforms to it despite its pre-Philoxenian date. This is a key piece of evidence for the genesis of the revisionistic style and shows clearly how the revisions of the Philoxenian were responding to an already growing tendency and did not constitute a complete break with past traditions.

Ep55

As we saw for the gospels, so here in the Paulines, this text shows much clearer and more consistent signs of revision than the group Ep40,45,46,50. For instance, we noted the way that different translators struggled to represent the resumptive pronoun (Rom 9.5; Heb 8.1), adjectival forms being preferred to analytical structures with α , and some clear lexical revisions (Heb 1.3); there are besides plenty of other strong agreements with the H-tradition against P (Rom 10.6-9). The X-readings in Phil. 2.6-8 contrast strongly with the lack of such readings in Ep50 and on its own this suggests that different NT versions lie behind these two texts.

Ep74

This translator follows P in essentials, though there is one difference where he appears to use his own vocabulary (Rom 8.35).

Ep101

This follows P throughout, as before, even where revisionistic readings were open to the translator.

CO/CT

Although CT shows some clearer signs of revision than CO, the identity of authorship is pretty certain, and the two should be treated as one. As in the gospels, the indications are very mixed. P is still clearly the base text and X-type revisions are limited mostly to grammatical niceties which are easily attributable to the schools of translation style where these points were being increasingly recognised. However, there are also some significant lexical revisions, and a number of places where the influence of the X/H-tradition is quite clear. In all, the writer is conservative in his citations and uses P where possible, but wherever he feels that X has understood or represented the text significantly better, he seems to have followed the latter. It has also to be noted, however, that there are a relatively large number of distinctive renderings, where the translator's concern over P's text has led him to make his own version as against any others he may have known. This observation is corroborated especially when we see CO and CT sharing just such unique readings on a number of occasions. On this evidence it is hard to tell whether the translator in fact knew X at first hand, or whether he was part of the attempts at revision which seem to have sporadically preceded X. On the whole, we would tend towards the former view,

given the number of close agreements with X/H on occasion, but the latter view is still plausible.

AT

As with Ep55/EDC, a whole series of readings present themselves which can be attributed either to X specifically, or at least to the X/H tradition (e.g. Rom 8.3-4, 1 Cor 2.10, Eph 1.21, Phil 2.5, Heb 13.7), and again the Harklean margin has been of some assistance (Rom 7.22-5); some of these readings, in fact, even seem to show developments in this tradition beyond X (Rom 8.29-30, Gal 4.19). However, there is some conservative tendency (e.g. 1 Cor 2.10), which was also noted in the gospels. There is also a degree of independence in this text which is not so evident elsewhere and which results in quite singular readings apparently quite independent of any versions (e.g. Rom 7.22-5) – this probably reflects the same technique as we see whenever Cyril's text varies noticeably from the Syriac versions, in which cases most of our texts, even those closely allied to P, will prefer to follow their Vorlage ahead of their received version(s).

GL

The evidence here is a good deal more extensive than in the gospels, and we can begin to get a good look at Moses of Aggel's method for Biblical citations. We found that GL agrees with H in individual lexical choices quite often. However, although P clearly exerts a fairly strong influence, the readings tend to be quite individualistic and are still far from being of the H-type. It is fairly clear that Moses is making his own new renderings from his Vorlage and is doing so using a method certainly more concerned with the precise wording of the original than is P. We can see what Moses meant when he warned his readers that they might find discrepancies between their 'vulgate' and what they would read in his translation.

Moses' Letters

These have shown a clear P text, both in the correspondence contained in Zechariah Rhetor, and in that in Vat Syr 107 (Guidi, *Mose di Aggel*), where it precedes GL. In the gospels, we even saw that there was an Old Syriac remnant. The fact that the Peshitta is Moses' Bible itself is instructive, since he is clearly so steeped in the 'modern' schools of translation. As is well known, he discusses the Philoxenian and

directs his readers towards it. In his letters, he uses Greek terminology, discussing terms such as ἱστορία, θεωρία, ἀρετή etc., and he had read Evagrius (see ZR 19,19). In his translation of the Glaphyra, he does not insert a Peshitta text (at least for NT citations) but makes his own direct renderings from Cyril's text. Yet in his own Syriac compositions, it is the Peshitta (with perhaps OS remnants) that he prefers to use. This usage highlights well the difference in purpose between the versions, and why it is that we find our best evidence for the X/H-tradition not in the native Syriac literature but in the translation literature.

3. Old Testament

The aim of this part of our enquiry is somewhat different to that for the NT citations. There, we were especially looking for signs of the influence of the Philoxenian version, or at least of the same types of revision as must have been contained in that version. When we turn to the Old Testament citations, we are looking rather for signs of different translators' approaches to the texts in front of them and their relationships to the received text of the scriptures. In other words, our translators have a choice before them, between inserting Peshitta citations or making their own new versions. Sometimes they are carrying out the latter procedure but are still influenced by the Peshitta. The extent of this influence, especially where Peshitta and LXX differ, will be a mark of their translation style.

However, from a methodological point of view, we will have to take especial care of how we interpret the texts. The Peshitta itself was revised towards the Greek on a number of occasions, and a 'Philoxenian' of the Old Testament may even have existed (more on this below). We will thus have to distinguish between a translator's own new rendering and a rendering known to him from an already-revised Peshitta. It should, in general, however, be possible to assess the extent to which the Peshitta influences a particular text and to order our different texts accordingly by this means.

Remains of the 'Philoxenian' Old Testament

Since the publication of Moses of Aggel's letter in *Bibliotheca Orientalis*, the question of the apparent reference there to a Philoxenian version of 'David' (i.e. Psalms) has occasionally raised some debate over the possibility of recovering some portion of this lost text.

When Ceriani published the Isaiah fragments from Add 17106 (Ceriani, *Esaiæ Fragmenta*) he made the suggestion that his otherwise unidentified fragments were from this lost version.¹ Gwynn also assumed the existence of such a version (in the sense of a Peshitta text revised in accordance with a Greek text) from the evidence of Moses of Aggel and claimed to have found evidence for this in the Isaiah citations within Moses' translation of Cyril's *Glaphyra*. In 1911, Lebon published his extensive article on the whole question of the Philoxenian revisions and deconstructed Moses of Aggel's evidence for an OT aspect to that revision, showing the apparent reference to 'David' as a scribal error.² This at least dispensed with any argument for the existence of a Philoxenian Psalter. Ceriani and Gwynn's arguments about Isaiah were also queried by Lebon – Gwynn had misunderstood Moses' approach to scriptural citation, and Ceriani's text could not be confidently identified.³ With these bases gone, the only evidence for the version could be the discovery of citations in the mss themselves.

R.G. Jenkins began this search with an article on the Isaiah quotations in Philoxenus, in which a very close connection was found between Philoxenus' version of Isa 45.9 and the same verse in the so-called 'syl' text, namely Ceriani's abovementioned fragments, now identified as being from a Lucianic recension.⁴ He extended the similarity to other verses also, concluding that here he had re-discovered the Philoxenian of Isaiah, a translation that was, unsurprisingly perhaps, described as a 'half-way house' to the Syro-Hexapla. Following on from Fox's work on the Matthew/Luke Commentary fragments, Jenkins assessed the OT citations in Philoxenus more systematically.⁵ He finds that in the earlier works, Philoxenus quotes straight from P, but in his later works we find a distinctively different text, which is

¹ He wrote 'si tamen conjecturis aliquid dandum, versionis cura Philoxeni Mabugensis factae reliquias in his foliis servatas esse putarem.' (p.5, cited in Jenkins, *Isaiah*, 33, n5).

² Lebon, *La Version Philoxénienne*, 414-5.

³ *ibid.*, 420-4.

⁴ Jenkins, *Isaiah*.

⁵ Fox, *Matthew-Luke commentary*, Jenkins, *Old Testament Quotations*.

related to 'syl' and has been carefully revised to the Greek (it is noteworthy, too, that this change is absent in the Psalms, where we would naturally expect an older, liturgically-functioning, version to persist). He claims to have thus 'demonstrated [as] probable' that this is the Philoxenian OT.¹ As to external evidence, he partly resurrects claims that the Syro-Hexaplaric scholion to Isa 9.5 preserves a Philoxenian reading, but finds Gwynn's hypothesis of Moses of Aggel's use of the revised version in the *Glaphyra* to be unsustainable. The texts themselves are thus the real basis for his conclusions.

One of the greatest difficulties with the identification of the Philoxenian OT is the question of how this posited version might relate to the various revisions that P appears to have undergone. How would one really be able to distinguish a haphazard or one-off revision of P towards LXX from 'Philoxenian OT'? If Philoxenus does indeed show a distinctive, non-P, Lucianic, text, what right have we to suggest that this version was in some sense 'his' or commissioned by him. Could he not simply have been making use of a revised P-text, making the shift at about the same time as he began to appreciate the need for revised texts more generally (i.e. c.505)?² The only way in which we can be sure that he was an originator of such a revision would be some external references, such as we have for the New Testament revision. However, whether or not we describe this version as 'Philoxenian' does not affect the more general and important question of what position our translators have taken on the question of the Peshitta text and its influence and authority vis à vis the Greek Vorlagen that they are translating. And to this question we now turn, dealing with each text separately.

We can proceed, then, to look at the citations in our texts.

RF

There were some verses in which RF made his own translation quite separate and different from that found in the Peshitta, e.g. Is 61.10, Ps 74.6, Ex 3.14, Bar 3.3. However, there are a similar number of others where P seems to be the version of

¹ Jenkins, *Old Testament Quotations*, 129.

² Jenkins does indeed concede this point (p.204) but if we concede it seriously, we probably should drop the title 'Philoxenian' from this version as misleading (implying that he may have been its originator) and call it instead by the abbreviation 'syl' to denote its Lucianic text-type.

choice, in cases where there are no great divergences between it and LXX, e.g. at Is 7.14, Is 37.6, Ps 2.7; and even where the Vorlage takes over, P hovers in the background (Is 62.2). A few isolated examples, however, show that P was ultimately of greater importance than the Vorlage to this translator, most notably at Ps 88.7, Micah 5.2 and Prov 8.11.

QUX

14 out of the 33 Old Testament citations can be reasonably described as having a largely independent character (i.e. quite distinct from P), and this description sums up QUX's approach to the Biblical text. In a number of cases, however, it is clear that P's phrasing and expressions are used in lieu of anything new, where these are taken to express adequately the Greek that the translator is trying to render (e.g. Ws 1.13-4, Zeph 2.1-2, Isa 60.1-2). Sometimes P is clearly the basis of the whole citation, either completely where P=LXX (e.g. Num 16.11, Ps 89.1, 135.12, Ws 2.24, Joel 3.1) or altered only where LXX and P differ (Ps 44.7-8, Amos 7.14-5, Hab 3.13). Sometimes, but not often, QUX is extremely loose with his citing method, as most clearly seen at Ps 104.15, where a large part is omitted (see also 1Sa 8.7, 1Ki 19.10, Ps 49.2-3). Finally, there are a couple of important places where the P text has actually taken precedence over the Vorlage/LXX (Ps 21.8, 21.19) – less surprising in a messianic psalm.

In all, the QUX translator clearly knew and used the P text where he could, or where it influenced him unintentionally, but his renderings are not slavish, and he departs from it considerably, both where his Vorlage demands it, and even where it does not he usually shows his strong independence.

EDC

At Ps 44.8, P is followed in both EDC1 and EDC2 where there appears no need to change it due to its closeness to LXX. Elsewhere, however, EDC is quite independent of P, and much closer to LXX both in technique and readings (Pr 8.9, Amos 3.12-13, Is 62.10).

SDI

Here we see a number of instances where P is clearly being cited, in default of any variance from LXX, e.g. Ps 44.8, 68.22, 104.15. Often also we see P being used as the basis for the citation but with small alterations designed to bring it into line with the translator's Vorlage, e.g. at Isa 7.14 (tenses altered), Hab 3.13, Is 6.6-7, 50.6, Cant 2.1. As expected, where the two differ more substantially, SDI is quite independent of P (Ps 21.17-8, Job 4.19, Is 26.9, 32.6, 53.5). At Dt 10.22, SDI follows an unusual variant in Cyril and has a further variant of his own unattested elsewhere, probably indicating only his own independence and occasional freedom from a fixed text-form.

Ep39

Here, by contrast, we clearly have a text which has very little concern to reproduce P. In one verse, Is 50.6, P appeared to have some influence over the choice of wording and phrasing, but not at the expense of being a close rendering of the Greek. Elsewhere, the Greek clearly predominates at the expense of P (especially Is 7.14, Is 26.12, Ps 95.11).

Ep40

Here P predominates overall (Zeph 2.1-2), but there is clearly some tension, as the translator attempts to keep to his Vorlage at the same time (Is 32.6, Jer 4.3).

Ep45/46

At Is 36.6, Ep46 appears to be strongly under the influence of P, but this is the only significant OT citation in these letters.

Ep50

Close parallels to P can be found at Ps 10.2 and Is 50.11. There is, however, a good instance of concern for Vorlage at Hab 2.15, where LXX's extra word has been etymologically translated, although P is used as the base text for the rest of the verse.

Ep55

Most of the time Ep55 quite clearly has his own renderings without concern for the wording of P, the most significant example being at Gen 32.25ff. (also at e.g. Ex 28.30, Dt 18.13, Ps 17.45f., Pr 4.25, Dan 7.13f. etc.). However, we can sometimes see that, where P and LXX are sufficiently close, there is a clear knowledge and imitation

of P in this text (Is 1.2, Ps 12.4). Often it is clear that P is indeed the base text being used by the translator until he finds a discrepancy sufficient to warrant his own rendering, a technique especially in evidence at Ps 77.15ff. and Is 53.7-8 as well as elsewhere on a smaller scale, e.g. Job 12.22 (only word order making the change necessary) and Ps 49.2-3. He evidently has a great deal of respect for P and a desire to use it, but never at the expense of his Vorlage (see Ps 77.15ff. for a possible exception).

Ep74

Follows the Greek only where this differs from P.

Ep101

Two simple citations, following P exactly, but not in defiance of the Greek.

CO/CT

As we noted that these texts show very mixed methods generally in their translation techniques, so here also we can discern an ambivalent attitude towards the Peshitta text. Occasionally this translator adopts a P text rather than respecting his Vorlage (1Ki 18.21, Is 53.3), while on the other hand there are numerous places where P is strongly rejected in favour of LXX, where the readings differ substantially (e.g. Is 40.15, Job 4.19) or a new rendering is simply given even where P and LXX are similar in their readings (e.g. Ps 23.10, Ps 146.6, Sus 42). At the majority of places, however, some P influence can be detected. Sometimes, this means that P is used and only altered where strictly necessary to ensure the meaning of the Greek text is being properly conveyed (e.g. Ps 51.3-4, Ps 76.4, Ps 199.2, Pr 19.5, Amos 7.14f., Jer 9.1); elsewhere, the version is properly speaking independent of P but the translator's knowledge of P still shows through in his choice of words or phrasing (e.g. Pr 9.9, Is 11.1-3, possibly Isa 49.3-6). In one place (Is 9.6) he may be using an already revised version of P which is found in some mss. Ultimately, the *signifié* of the LXX is the motivating factor in all his renderings, but P cannot be set aside as it has still a significant hold on how this translator composes his citations.

AT

At a few places there is some suggestion that P has influenced the wording of AT, (e.g. Ex 12.46, Zech 4.10, Is 8.18, Wis 1.7) but we cannot be certain about this as these verses are often very simple anyway. In the majority of citations, AT is quite independent of P, using his own quite divergent techniques (Gen 4.26, Ps 18.10, Is 40.5, Ezek 34.14 etc.)

GL

P is generally followed to the letter (e.g. Dan 7.10), sometimes even for long periods (Dt 17.2-6), although where LXX is substantially different, there is no doubt that Moses follows the latter instead, a fact that can be seen to some degree in a majority of the citations, e.g. at Ps 118.105, Pr 2.4 and Dt 17.2-6, Isa. 55.8-9.

Moses' Letters

Paphnutius and Moses clearly use a Peshitta text throughout, varying it only for fitting the context. If they were aware of divergent LXX readings, they do not show it in these citations (e.g. Eccl 7.11). At one place we can even see an earlier form of the P-text than we have in our mss (Eccl 10.1-2). The same is true of Moses' correspondence as contained in Zacharias Rhetor.

3.iv

Further Light from Other Texts

3.i-ii dealt systematically with the texts from various angles in an attempt to describe as fully as possible the differences between the various translation techniques found therein. Part 3.iv aims, as it were, to ‘pick up the pieces’ by dealing with a number of other issues, all of which help to throw some further light on our texts, their histories and contexts. The first of these concerns the posited revision of the *Explanatio*. We then move on to look at the various versions of the 12 anathemas current in Syriac texts, the usefulness of studying patristic citations in the *Contra Orientales*, the text of Zeno’s *Henotikon* in Syriac, and finally the general question of the relationship between Cyril’s writings and the theological language of Philoxenus.

3.iv.a

The Two Versions of the *Explanatio Duodecim Capitulorum*

“Why after so many and so distinguished translators do you imagine that you have something original to say?” Augustine¹

The text of the EDC contained in Add 14663 (s.6/7), f.1r-2v, differs from that found printed by Bedjan from Add 14557(s.7), f.14r-21r (of which further copies exist in Add 17150 (s.7/8), f.17r ff., and in Oxford Marsh 101, f.62r-69v).

Here we will aim to show that the published version (EDC2 here) which we have been dealing with so far is, in fact, a revised form of an earlier version (EDC1), which is partially extant in Add 14663. On the whole the wording of the versions is very close and the revision has only focused upon specific items and grammatical issues in its attempt to bring it up to date with more ‘current’ trends in translation technique. Some of the principle differences will be illustrated in what follows:

¹ As quoted by Jerome, *Ep. 112*, CSEL 55, 390,13-14.

...¹ ...

οὐκ ἑνὸς τῶν καθ' ἡμᾶς καὶ ἀνθρώπου κοινοῦ σῶμα πιστεύοντες εἶναι τὸ προκείμενον,

...
...
...

ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τὸ τίμιον αἷμα, δεχόμενοι δὲ μᾶλλον ὡς ἴδιον σῶμα γενονὸς καὶ μέντοι καὶ αἷμα τοῦ τὰ πάντα ζωογονοῦντος λόγου.

...
...
...

κοινή γὰρ σὰρξ ζωοποιεῖν οὐ δύναται, καὶ τούτου μάρτυς αὐτὸς ὁ σωτὴρ λέγων·

...
...

While EDC2 corrects small textual errors (omitting ... after ...) it can also retain some of EDC1's imprecisions (... for ζωοποιὸν, and also its position in front of ...). Other important differences include changing ... to ... (σῶμα) and to ... (σὰρξ); ... for ὁμοίως (EDC has simply ...), ... rather than ... for ζωογονοῦντος; for ζωοποιεῖν οὐ δύναται improving ... to ...

These examples suffice to show the general nature of the revision process, very much comparable to similar examples which we have already had cause to mention (such as the two versions of Proclus' *Tomus ad Armenios*, see above Part1).

Finally, we list here also a few important lexical differences which ought to be mentioned (folio numbers for EDC1 are given before those for EDC2):

¹ ... Marsh 101; 'blameless' rather than 'bloodless'.

For σεσαρκωμένον καὶ ἐνανθρωπήσαντα, EDC1 has ܠܘܘܢ ܠܘܘܢܐ ܡܠܟܐ ܕܝܪ where in EDC2 the latter half becomes ܡܠܟܐ [23,5/f.19rb/f.1va]. This is a vital piece of evidence for corroborating the general thesis of De Halleux regarding the credal revisions brought about by Philoxenus (as already discussed variously above), a process which developed apparently over a number of stages, of which the formula in EDC2 represents the penultimate, predating the advance to ܡܠܟܐ ܘܘܠܐܘܠܐܘܢܐ. This piece of evidence would appear to make the revision of post-Philoxenian provenance, a conclusion at which we arrived independently in our earlier examination of EDC.

οὐσιωδῶς, EDC2 ܕܠܘܘܢܐ, EDC1 ܠܘܘܢ ܘܘܠܐܘܠܐܘܢܐ [23,22/f.19vb/f.1vb]. The unrevised version belongs to a period when even the ὁμοούσιος was not given exclusive equivalence, but would have to share the idiom ܠܘܘܢ ܘܘܠܐܘܠܐܘܢܐ with other terms. EDC2 represents the period of tighter control.

πνεῦμα ἅγιον, EDC2 ܠܘܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ, EDC1 ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐ [23,22/f.19vb/f.1vb]. This is a well-known alteration which seems to have begun in earnest with the Philoxenian NT, and which was not limited to this particular phrase but to adjectival phrases in general.

τῶν τῆς ἀνθρωπότητος μετρῶν EDC2 ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ, EDC1 ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܘܢܐܘܢܐ [24,12/f.20rb/f.2ra]. Again, a matter of formal accuracy – the converse of the previous example.

σῶμα EDC1 ܠܘܘܢܐ, EDC2 ܠܘܘܢܐ [25,3/f.2rb/f.20va],
 σάρκα EDC1 ܠܘܘܢܐ, EDC2 ܠܘܘܢܐ [25,20/f.2vb/f.21ra]
 σαρκί, EDC1 ܘܘܠܐܘܠܐܘܢܐ, EDC2 ܠܘܘܢܐ [25,25/f.2vb/f.21rb]

EDC1's inconsistency is just what we encountered in RF (and occasionally in Ep45/46 and Ep50). The revision of this language again falls under De Halleux's reconstruction of the Philoxenian credal revisions and dates our revision after it.

Further important findings can be made from the New Testament citations found in EDC1. These will be covered under the appropriate heading.

3.iv.b

The Twelve Chapters – Some Different Versions

Cyril's 12 chapters/anathemas are to be found frequently in Syriac texts, both as a discrete unit, in florilegia etc., and also as part of the Syriac versions of his various works which include the text of the chapters (Ep17, if it existed in Syriac, EDC, CO, CT and occasionally in a few others). This section is a comparison of the Syriac translations of the chapters in all instances of them that could be found either in British Library florilegia or in the larger texts, as these throw up some interesting observations regarding their relationships and perhaps also on the reception and use of these 'chapters' in the Syriac literature more generally.

The following sigla will be used here only:

E1 = version of EDC from Add.14557, the version used as our main text elsewhere

E2 = another copy (in Add.17150) of the same version of EDC [anathemas 1-4 only]

E3 = the unrevised version of EDC found in Add.14663 [anathemas 7-12 only]

B1 = 12chs from Add.14613, s.ix/x [essentially same as in E1]

B2 = 12chs from Add.17201, s.vi/vii [essentially same as in E3]

CO = Contra Orientales (Add.12156)

CT = Contra Theodoretum (Add.12156)

N1 = from CamOr1319, no.VI.¹

N2 = from CamOr 1319, no.I/XI (N2a and N2b respectively where different).

The order of the texts given below is:

E1

B2

CO

CT

N1

¹ Text edited in Abramowski and Goodman, *Nestorian Collection*, with collation of the 12 chapters given in the accompanying volume, p.xx-xxv.

[E2/B1's variants from EDC in first apparatus]

[E3's variants from B2 in second apparatus (anathemas 7-12 only)¹]*1st Anathema*

εἴ τις οὐχ ὁμολογεῖ θεὸν εἶναι κατὰ ἀλήθειαν τὸν Ἐμμανουήλ

:Δκαυα ² κίικα ,μοδουκ κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

:Δκαυα ,μοδουκ κίικα κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

:Δκαυα δυκίικα ,μοδουκ κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

.Δκαυα κίικα ,μοδουκ κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

:Δκαυα κίικα οση κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

:Δκαυα κίικα οση κολικα κιαυα κλι κζ

καὶ διὰ τοῦτο θεοτόκον τὴν ἀγίαν παρθένον

³ :κθικαυο κθιλοθολ κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

:κθικαυο κθιλοθολ ,ση κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

.κθιλοθολ κθικαυο κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

.κθικαυο κθιλοθολ κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

:κθικαυο κθιλοθολ ,ση κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

⁴ :κθικαυο κθιλοθολ ,ση κολικα θικλι κιαυα κλι κζ

κιαυα κλι κζ] κιαυα κλι κζ E2 B1

(γεγέννηκεν γὰρ σαρκικῶς σάρκα γεγονότα τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ λόγον), ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

.κασυ κριω κίικα κασυ κολικα κζ κθιλοθολ δυκίικα ικθ θικλι

.ριω κασυ κίικα κασυ κθιλοθολ οση δυκίικα ικθ θικλι

.ριω κασυ κίικα κασυ κθιλοθολ κολικα δυκίικα ικθ θικλι

¹ B2 must have been excerpted from E3, which is thus the earlier form of this version; however, because the latter is extant only for anathemas 8-12, the text printed is that of B2 with the variants of E3 noted in the second apparatus.² Δκαυα leg. ms.; κίικα Marsh 101.³ κθικαυο leg. ms.; κθικαυο Marsh 101.⁴ om N2b.

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

[Ep40 Gk om.]

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ B1

ἢ ἐπὶ Χριστῶ παρὰ τῶν ἀγίων λεγομένας, ἢ παρ' αὐτοῦ περὶ ἑαυτοῦ·

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
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ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

[Ep40 Gk om.]

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ add post ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ B1

καὶ τὰς μὲν ὡς ἀνθρώπῳ παρὰ τὸν ἐκ θεοῦ λόγον ἰδικῶς νοουμένῳ προσάπτει,

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ
ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ

¹ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ Marsh 101.

² ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ ⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛⲟ Marsh 101.

τάς δὲ ὡς θεοπρεπεῖς μόνῳ τῷ ἐκ θεοῦ πατρὸς λόγῳ, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

κσιω .κικ κσικ ρσι κθικλ ,σσιαιικλ σλ κσικλ ρκκσι¹ ρθι κσι ρι ρσιικθ
*κσσι

σσι κσικ ρσι κθικλ σθι ,σσιαιικλ σλ :κσικλ ρκκσι ρικ κσι ρι ρσιικθ
.ρσι κσσι

κσικ ρσι σθι .σθι ,σσιαιικλ κθικλ .κσικλ ρκκσι κθικκσι κσι κσι ρι ρσιικθ
.ρσι κσσι κικ

.ρσι κσσι κσικ ρσι σθι :σσιαιικλ κθικλ κθικκσι κσι ρι ρσιικθ

.ρσι κσσι θικκθ κσικ ρσι κθικλ .κθικκσι ρκκσι κθι θικκθ κσι ρι ρσιικθ

.ρσι κσσι κικ κσικ ρσι κθικλ :κθικκσι ρκκσι κθι θικκθ κσι ρσιικθ

[.κθικκθ] κσσι κσι :σσιαιικλ κθικλ κικ ρσι κσικλ κσι ρσιικθ

5th anathema

εἴ τις τολμᾷ λέγειν θεοφόρον ἄνθρωπον τὸν Χριστὸν

:κσιικθ κσικ σθι ιθικλ κσι ιθικλ κσιικθ ρθι

:κσικ κθι σθι κσιικθ κσιικθ ιθικλ κσιικθ ρθι

CO om.

:κσιικθ κσικλ κθι κσι ιθικλ κσιικθ κσιικθ ρθι

.κσικ κθι σθι κσιικθ .κσιικθ ιθικλ κσιικθ ρθι

:κσικλ κθι σθι κσιικθ κσιικθ ιθικλ ρθι

καὶ οὐχὶ δὴ μᾶλλον θεὸν εἶναι κατὰ ἀλήθειαν ὡς υἱὸν ἓνα καὶ φύσει,

κσι σθι ιθικλ κσι :κσιικθ ,σθικ κσικλ θικκθ κθι

:κσι σθι ιθικλ κσι κσιικθ σθι κσικλ θικκθ κθι

CO om.

:κσι κθι σθι κθι ιθικλ ,σθικ κσικλ θικκθ ρθι κσσι κθι

¹ om. Marsh 101.

καὶ οὐχὶ δὴ μᾶλλον τὸν αὐτὸν ὁμολογεῖ θεὸν τε ὁμοῦ καὶ ἄνθρωπον,

:κεικ ιω κωακ κωλκ:κωακ ωλ ιω ωλ δυκ'ιθω κωω κωω

:κεικ ιω αρω κωακ κωλκ ωλ κωακ ωλ ιω ωλ δυκ'ιθω κωω

CO om.

.κωιω κωακ κωλκ κωακ ωλ ιω ωλ δυκ'ιθω ρι κωω κωω

κωιω κωλκ κωακ αωωι ρωω κωακ κωω

κωιω κωακ κωλκ αωωι κωακ δυκ'ιθω κωω κωω

κεικ ιω] κωιω B1

ὡς γεγονότος σαρκὸς τοῦ λόγου κατὰ τὰς γραφάς, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

.κωω κωιω αωωι κωκ κωω κωω κωωι ρι κωκ

.ριω κωω κωω αωωι κωκ κωω ωρ κωω κωωι κωω

CO om.

.ριω κωω κωω κωκ κωω κωω κωωι, ωρ κωω

.ριω κωω αωωι κωκ κωω κωω κωωιω

.ριω κωω αωωι κωκ κωω κωω κωωι, ωρ

7th anathema

εἴ τίς φησιν ὡς ἄνθρωπον ἐνηργῆσθαι παρὰ τοῦ θεοῦ λόγου τὸν Ἰησοῦν

αωω κωω κωλκ ιωκ κεικ ιωωι κωκ ιωωι ρι

:κωλκ ιωωι κωω ωρ αωω ωω ιωω κωωιω κωκ ιωωι ρι

.κωω κωλκ ρι αωω ωω ιωω κωωιω κωκ ιωωι ρι

κωω κωλκ ρι αωω ιωω κωωιω κωκ ιωωι ρι

.κωω κωλκ ρι ιωωω αωω αωωιω κωωιω κωκ ιωωι ρι

.κωω κωλκ ρι αωω ιωω κωωιω κωκ ιωωι ρι

κεικ ιω] κωιω B1

καὶ τὴν τοῦ μονογενοῦς εὐδοξίαν περιῆφθαι,

:ml dōk kīmuī kthamaseo

:ml dōk kīmuī kthamaseo

ml dōk kīmuī mthamaseho

:ml dōk kīmuī mthamaseho

afadik kīmuī kīaseo

,mala maseoi iōk kīmuī kīaseo

ὡς ἑτέρῳ παρ' αὐτὸν ὑπάρχοντι, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

kasu kōiō .mas iab ,mōduk kīiōk: oō huk

riō kasu kīō .mas iab oō kīiō: oō huk

riō kasu .mas iab ,mōduk: kīiōl: huk

riō kasu .mas iab ,mōduk riōk oō huk

riō kasu .mas iab oō kīiōk: oō huk

riō kasu .mas iab oō kīiōk: oō huk

kīiō] kīiōk E3

oō] ,mōduk E3

8th anathema

εἴ τις τολμᾷ λέγειν τὸν ἀναληφθέντα ἄνθρωπον συμπροσκυνεῖσθαι δεῖν τῷ θεῷ

λόγῳ

:i dōmē klō kthō kōlōk ka: .masdik: kēiō iab iōkōi: wīkōi: kō

.i dōmē klō kōlōk kthō: mas: .masdik: kēiō: iōkōi: wīkōi: kō

i dōmē .ōi kōlōk ka: .masdik: kēiō iab iōkōi: wīkōi: kō

kthō kōlōk ka i dōmē .ōi .masdik: kēiō: iōkōi: wīkōi: kō

o.i dōmē ml .ōi kthō kōlōk ka .masdik: oō kēiōl: iōkōl: wīkōi: kō

o.i dōmē ml .ōi kthō kōlōk ka: .masdik: ¹kēiōl: iōkōl: wīkōi: kō

¹ oō add. N2a.

καὶ μίαν αὐτῷ τὴν δοξολογίαν ἀνάπτει καθὸ γέγονεν σὰρξ ὁ λόγος, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

κασυ κωιω κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ
.ριω κασυ κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ
.ριω κασυ κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ
.ριω κασυ κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ
.ριω κασυ κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ
.ριω κασυ κίωσ κήλο κροσι ρο υρκ :ολ είωσ κήλωσσεθ κίωσ

κωσ om. E3

9th anathema

εἴ τίς φησιν τὸν ἕνα κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν δεδοξάσθαι παρὰ τοῦ πνεύματος

:αθηκ κωοί ροι κωεσ ελε κίωσ ιω ε ιωκρ ρο
:κασ αθηκ κωοί ροι :κωεσ ελε κίωσ ιω οή ε ιωκρ ρο
:κωοί ρο αθηκρ κωεσ ελε κίωσ ιω οή ε ιωκρ ρο
.κωοι κωοί ρο αθηκρ κωεσ ελε κίωσ ιω ε ιωκρ ρο
.αθηκ κωοί ροι ελε κίωσ ιω ε ιωκρ ρο
:αθηκ κωοί ροι κωεσ ελε ρίω ιω ε ιωκρ ρο

αθηκρ] αθηκρ B1

ὡς ἀλλοτρία δυνάμει τῇ δι' αὐτοῦ χρώμενον

.κασ μενθ κωοί σλε κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ
:κασ μενθ κωοί σλε κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ
:κασ μενθ σλε κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ
.κασ κασ μενθ κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ

κωοί σλε κωμενθ κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ
:κωοί σλε ιω¹ μενθ κίωσ κωεσ οή υρκ

¹ μενθρ N2a

καὶ παρ' αὐτοῦ λαβόντα τὸ ἐνεργεῖν δύνασθαι κατὰ πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων

: κηϛϛ κωοῖ λωολ ο:ωωωλ κϛϛϛϛϛ ϛ, ϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛϛ
: κηϛϛ κωοῖ ¹λωολ ιωωωω ωωωω κωωω ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ
: κηϛϛ κωοῖ λωολ ωωω, ϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ
: κηϛϛ κωοῖ κωωω κωωω κωωω ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ

κηϛϛ κωοῖ λωολ ϛ κωωω ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ
κηϛϛ κωοῖ λωολ κωωω ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ ϛϛϛ

ϛϛϛ] ϛϛϛ B1

καὶ τὸ πληροῦν εἰς ἀνθρώπους τὰς θεοσημείας

: κωωω κηωωω κωωωω κωωωω
: κωωω κηωωω κωωω κωωω κωωωω
: κωωω κωωω κωωω κωωω κωωωω
: κωωω κωωω κωωω κωωω κωωωω

: κωωωω κηωωωω ιωωωω
: κωωωω κηωωωω ιωωωω

καὶ οὐχὶ δὴ μᾶλλον ἴδιον αὐτοῦ τὸ πνεῦμά φησιν

: ιωωω κωοῖ ωωω ωωωω ωωωωω κωωω κωωω
κωοῖ ωωω ωωωω ιωωω ωωωωω κωωω
: κωοῖ ωωω ιωωω ωωωω ωωωωω ϛ κωωω κωωω
: κωωωωω κωοῖ, ωωωωω ιωωω ωωωω ωωωωω ϛ κωωω κωωω

: ωωωωωω κωοῖ ωωωωω ιωωω ωωωωω ϛ κωωω
: ωωωωωω κωοῖ ωωωωω ιωωω ωωωωωω ϛ κωωω κωωω

δι' οὗ καὶ ἐνήργηκε τὰς θεοσημείας, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

: κωωωω κωωωω κωωωω κηωωωω ιωωω ωωωωω
ωωωωω κωωωω κωωωωω κωωωωω κωωωωω ιωωω ωωωωω ωωωωω
: ωωωωωω κωωωωω κωωωωωω ιωωω ωωωωωω

¹ bis in E3, sed leg. semel.

καὶ ὅτι ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώποι ἐκ γυναικῶν
καὶ ὅτι ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώποι ἐκ γυναικῶν

καὶ post καὶ add E3¹

ὅτε γέγονεν σὰρξ καὶ καθ' ἡμᾶς ἄνθρωπος,

: ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

om.

: ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

. καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς

ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς

καὶ ἡμεῖς] καὶ B1

ἀλλ' ὡς ἕτερον παρ' αὐτὸν ἰδικῶς ἄνθρωπον ἐκ γυναικῶς,

καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

: καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

. καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

. καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

ἢ εἴ τις λέγει καὶ ὑπὲρ ἑαυτοῦ προσενεγκεῖν αὐτὸν τὴν προφορὰν

: καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

: καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

. καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

. καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἡμεῖς ὅτι ἡμεῖς ὅτι

¹ An unexpected reading, where B2 appears closer to Greek than E3; but the omission of the next clause in both E3 and B2 (and the notable omission in the 12th anathema) precludes any probability that B2 has been corrected to the Greek text.

κρίσιον τὸ σαρξ ἔστω καὶ ἰσχυρὸν ὡς οὐκ

αὐτῶν] αὐτῶν B1

ἰσχυρῶν] ἰσχυρῶν E3

καὶ οὐχὶ δὴ μᾶλλον ὑπὲρ μόνων ἡμῶν

.ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ¹ ἰσχυρῶν

.ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν

.ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν ἰσχυρῶν

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11th anathema

εἴ τις οὐχ ὁμολογεῖ τὴν τοῦ κυρίου σάρκα ζωοποιὸν εἶναι

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¹ om. Marsh 101.

² κρίσιον leg mss.; κρίσιον B1.

³ ? leg. ἰσχυρῶν.

⁴ κρίσιον N2a

:διῆναι ἡμῶν κέντρον ἀντιθέτου ἡ ἡσυχία
 :καθὼς ἡμῶν ἡμῶν ὅτι ἡσυχία ἀντιθέτου ἡ
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 .διῆναι ἡμῶν ἡμῶν ὅτι ἡσυχία ἀντιθέτου ἡ ἡσυχία

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 .ἡμῶν ἡμῶν ἡσυχία ἀντιθέτου ἡ ἡσυχία

καθὼς ἡμῶν] ἀντιθέτου E3

ὅτι γέγονεν ἴδια τοῦ λογοῦ τοῦ τὰ πάντα ζωογονεῖν ἰσχύοντος, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

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12th anathema

εἴ τις οὐχ ὁμολογεῖ τὸν τοῦ θεοῦ λόγον παθόντα σαρκί

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καὶ ἑσταυρωμένον σαρκὶ καὶ θανάτου γευσάμενον σαρκί

:ἡσυχία ἡμῶν ἡσυχία ἡσυχία² ἡσυχία ἡσυχία
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¹ ὅτι ἡσυχία N2a.
² phrase om. Marsh 101.

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ
.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

γεγονότα τε πρωτότοκον ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν,

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

καθὸ ζωὴ τέ ἐστι καὶ ζωοποιὸς ὡς θεός, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ ²כִּי־בָּרַךְ ¹כִּי־בָּרַךְ

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

.כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ .כִּי־בָּרַךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

Discussion

The chapters from the unrevised version of the EDC (here E3) are found to be identical to those copied separately as B2. Those in B1 were allied with the revised version (E1/E2). CO and CT were also (unsurprisingly) allied to each other. Their earlier text form is easily discernible in these extracts, according to the criteria of syntactical and lexical equivalence that we have been using. N1 and N2 are also related, with the latter being a revised version of the former.³ There are no obvious ‘Nestorianising’ variants here, though the version itself does not appear to be related to the others.

¹ כִּי־בָּרַךְ Marsh 101.

² כִּי־בָּרַךְ leg mss; כִּי־בָּרַךְ B1.

³ As concluded by the editors, Abramowski and Goodman, *Nestorian Collection*, xxv.

Most interesting is the close relationship between E1/2 and B1 and between E3 and B2. This appears to suggest that collections of the anathemas were being lifted from copies of the EDC specifically and, furthermore, that a 6th/7th century florilegium such as Add 17201 (B2) can still contain the *unrevised* form of the chapters, lifted from E3. It may be that the florilegium actually predates the revision, but it is more likely that both the unrevised and the revised versions circulated during the sixth century when these florilegia were first compiled. However, when we then look at Philoxenus' citation of the second anathema (made in EpS towards the end of his life, c.521), we note that it is the same version as E1, the *revised* version of EDC. E1's 'revision' of $\pi\iota\omega\ \kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\ \tau\omicron\ \kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\ \kappa\epsilon\iota\omega$ for ἀνάθεμα ἔστω is one of his most distinctive traits (since the former expression is found everywhere else) – thus we can posit a close relationship between E1 and Philoxenus in this case. Now Philoxenus was certainly using a florilegium for his many patristic citations in his letter to the monks of Senoun,¹ so we should assume that a florilegium containing the chapters (lifted from the *revised* form of EDC) was already circulating before 521, and that the revision itself must therefore be dated before 521. B2 can then be explained as *either* resulting from the continuing circulation of the unrevised EDC later in the century, *or* from the compilation of a florilegium *before* EDC had undergone revision, which then became the basis for B2. Neither of these options presents any real difficulty.

The circulation of the revised form of the EDC, however, if we can take it as proven, will necessitate a further comment. For when we analysed the style of that text on its own grounds, and in comparison with Paul of Callinicum, we concluded that it was of a relatively later date, probably post-Philoxenian. The fact that a translation style which looks post-Philoxenian can actually be shown to predate 521 confirms the suggestion that has been made a number of times already, viz. that the developments in translation technique which take us from the Peshitta to the Harklean should mostly be dated to the period *before and around* Philoxenus and not long after. The Philoxenian revision was almost certainly not the first work of its type. It should be seen either as the end result of a period of rapid change in method or at least symptomatic of a movement already well underway. Philoxenus was a catalyst and not a complete innovator.

¹ As suggested by De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 234, n.24.

3.iv.c

The Patristic Citations in Cyril's Works

The following is an overview and, where relevant, analysis, of those citations made by Cyril of earlier writers, especially where the same citations are found elsewhere. Citations either of Nestorius (of which there are many), or of Cyril's own works (within his own works) are not included here.

The *Contra Orientales* contains extracts taken by Cyril from one or more florilegia, excerpts usually from 'Nicene' Fathers designed to buttress his case that the anathemas are no more than the correct interpretation of the creed as was held by those Fathers themselves.

The following citations are made in the course of the text:

1. [36,33-37,2] Peter of Alexandria, an unknown citation: this is taken from the *Excerpta Ephesena* (the larger florilegium used by the Cyrilline party at the Council of Ephesus) [in Schwartz's edition of the Acta of the Council, this is found as no.II, ACO I,1,2,39,15-21]
2. [37,4-5] Athanasius, *c.Ar.*3,33: a short extract from a longer citation, no.IV in the *Exc.Eph.* [ACO I,1,2,40,5-7]
3. [37,7-15] Athanasius *ad.Epict.*2: this exactly parallels no.V in the *Exc.Eph.* [ACO I,1,2,40,15-23], where it is one of two citations made from this important letter.
4. [37,22-3] Amphilochius of Iconium: paralleled in *Exc.Eph.* (but only in the longer version which was produced at the second session of the Council; text to be found in the *Collectio Athaniensis*, ACO I,1,7,95,2-3).
5. [45,8-15] Atticus of Constantinople: paralleled in *Exc.Eph.* no.XVII (again in the longer version, ACO I,1,7,94,17-24). Cyril uses this citation again in his other florilegium (in the work *Oratio ad Dominas*, ACO I,1,5,62-118, see 66,23-30 for the parallel). Three extracts from Atticus are also to be found in

8. [48,28-33] Apollinarius (under the name of Athanasius): this text (together with the following two) are *not* from the Ephesian excerpts, although a slightly lengthier version of the same extract is used by Cyril again in his other florilegium (*Oratio ad Dominas*, p.65-6). All three (nos.8-10) are taken from the ps-Athanasian *Ad Iovianum* (see Lietzmann, *Apollinaris*, 146f., with this text at 250-3) and were also used by Eutyches. Again, we find that Timothy Ailuros used the same citation in his work *Against Chalcedon* (Add 12156, f.48v – published in Ebied and Wickham, *Timothy Aelurus Against Chalcedon*, 157) and that other Syriac collections contain a much larger portion of the same letter (e.g. Add 12156, f.37r), including all these three parts quoted by Cyril. The full Syriac version is printed in Flemming and Lietzmann, *Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch*, 33-4 (with Cyril’s extracts found at 33,3&5-9). In addition, the same citation is found again in Philoxenus’ florilegium which was used in the writing of his letter to the Monks of Senoun in 521 [39,3-19]. Here, however, the citation extends a little further, confirming that Philoxenus did not take it from this Cyrilline text. In fact, he took it from a florilegium rather like that of Add 12156, as was shown briefly in Part 2.ii, and is discussed further below.

In 2.ii it was shown that Philoxenus had revised the wording when he incorporated this citation into his florilegium, since the term ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ becomes ܘܥܘܢܐ in Philoxenus’ text. The version found in Flemming/Lietzmann must therefore pre-date 521. When we compare the full text of CO with the version in Philoxenus and F/L, we get some results that are similar to the previous two examples, but in other ways the CO text is quite ‘advanced’, e.g. προσκυνητήν...ἀπροσκύνητον is ܡܥܠܐ ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ in CO (creating adjectival forms), but ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܡܥܠܐ...ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ in F/L and EpS (using verbal forms), and a similar inconsistency a little later where F/L and EpS have ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ for the participial προσκυνουμένην, where CO has ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ. We should contrast this with the fact that CO has its usual ܡܥܠܐ for σεσαρκωμένην, where F/L has ܡܥܠܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ and EpS the revised ܘܥܘܢܐ.

9. [48,34-6] Apollinarius (under the name of Athanasius): this is from the same work and is again paralleled in the same longer text found in Add 12156 (Flemming and Lietzmann, *Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch*, 33,13-5). Again, Philoxenus quotes this text in the letter to the monks of Senoun [29,7-11], again with the same text as is found in Add 12156.

A comparison of CO with the versions in F/L and EpS shows a few telling differences. The latter's ܠܗܘܢܘܢ for μετουσία is better than CO's ܠܗܘܢܘܢ (usually for συνάρεια) and similar is F/L's ܠܗܘܢܘܢ for CO's ܠܗܘܢܘܢ. F/L has ܘܢ for the resumptive article, which CO omits and has correctly understood the αὐτός as 'the same' (ܘܢ ܕܘܢ ܘܢ)

10. [49,1-9] Apollinarius (under the name of Athanasius): again, as above (edition at Flemming and Lietzmann, *Apollinaristische Schriften syrisch*, 34,10-8). As with no.8, this text is found also in the Armenian florilegium of Timothy Ailuros. However, this extract does not turn up in the Philoxenian text.

The differences are again much as we would expect from the previous examples, with CO sometimes paraphrasing a little, using ܠܗܘܢܘܢ for σάρξ, and a term such as καθολικὴ ἐκκλησία is rendered ܠܗܘܢܘܢ in CO, but ܠܗܘܢܘܢ ܠܗܘܢܘܢ in F/L.

11. [60,16-19] Athanasius *c.Ar.3,32*: this is a shorter version of the extract cited again further on (no.15 below).
12. [60,20-21] Athanasius *c.Ar.3,35*: not paralleled in *Exc.Eph.* or in any Syriac version.
13. [64,2-14] Gregory of Nyssa *Or.1: de beatitudinis*: from the *Exc.Eph.* no.XVI [ACO I,1,2,44,16-45,3].
14. [64,16-20] Basil of Caesarea *de spiritu sancto* 18: from the *Exc.Eph.* no.XV [ACO I,1,2,44,10-14].
15. [64,22-65,4] Athanasius *c.Ar.3,32*: not from *Exc.Eph.* but the same citation is found in Vat Gr 1431 (the anti-Chalcedonian *publizistische Sammlung* edited by Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*), within the florilegium designated by Schwartz as RI, and also within the closely related florilegium of Timothy Ailuros known only from the Armenian, of which the collections in Add 12156 are shorter versions (see Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, 63-4, and Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, 98-117 for further details). It was thus evidently widely used after Cyril's time.

The fact that, in CO, those citations which are paralleled in the Excerpts of the Council of Ephesus are given in the same order that they appear in that document

confirms that which we would anyway expect, that Cyril is making use of the same collection while writing the CO. The close relationship between the citations used by Cyril (his two collections being those of the *Oratio ad Dominas* and the *Contra Orientales*), those in the *Excerpta Ephesena*, and those used by Timothy Ailuros, is clear and has been well established by Schwartz (see Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*, and the apparatus to ACO, as well as the discussion in ACO I,1,2, p.vi-vii).

We need further only to elucidate how and when these excerpts made their way into the Syriac florilegia. The relevant places are the works of Timothy Ailuros and the *Florilegium Edessenum*, both found in Add 12156, and the florilegia used by Philoxenus respectively in his *Decem Dissertationes* and his *Ep Senoun*.

Philoxenus' Florilegia in *Decem Dissertationes* and in *Ep Senoun*

In this connection, there are two especially interesting citations in the earlier Philoxenian florilegium. One of these is taken from Theophilus of Alexandria's work '*against those who follow Origenism*', an extract which exactly parallels the one used by Cyril in the *Oratio ad Dominas* [ACO I,1,5, p.68,14-27]. As only a part of this extract is to be found in the Armenian version of Timothy Ailuros' florilegium (corresponding to 68,20-27), the compiler of Philoxenus' florilegium must have taken it from elsewhere than Timothy, i.e. probably from a collection connected with that used by Cyril in the *Oratio ad Dominas*. Whether this was already in Syriac as a whole or whether the compiler of Philoxenus' florilegium was working directly from a Greek collection we cannot say with any certainty.

Philoxenus also has a single citation from the rarely-cited Alexander of Alexandria, which this time coincides with an extract in the *Florilegium Edessenum* which, according to those who have worked on the manuscript, must have been translated into Syriac only as a whole along with all the Timothy Ailuros texts in that manuscript. In other words, the compiler of the Philoxenian florilegium either already

knew of the *Florilegium Edessenum* in its Syriac form or was working directly from a Greek predecessor of it.¹

ܚܘܠܝܩܝܘܡ ܕܥܕܥܣܫܘܡ ܕܩܝܪܝܠܘܨ ܕܥܘܠܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܝܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܝܢܐ
ܚܘܠܝܩܝܘܡ] om. *Florilegium Edessenum* (in err?)

However, we already know that the Cyrilline and Athanasian citations in this florilegium (i.e. in the *Decem Dissertationes*) were taken from pre-existing Syriac texts, as was obviously also the case for the Ephrem citations which constitute the bulk of that collection. In contrast, as we have seen, the citation of Theophilus is hardly likely to have come from such a pre-existing text (no instances of works of Theophilus in Syriac are known²). The compiler was thus using a mixture of native Syriac works, already-translated Greek works, perhaps some already-translated extracts in earlier Syriac florilegia (possibly in the case of Alexander of Alexandria and the *Florilegium Edessenum*), and probably some not previously translated extracts from earlier Greek florilegia (as is probably the case with Theophilus and Atticus).

From the florilegium used in *Ep Senoun* there are some further important findings, mentioned briefly in our earlier chapter on this matter (ch 2.ii). The Apollinarian citations found in that text are almost identical in wording with the fuller versions of the texts from which they must have been extracted, as found in other Syriac manuscripts and edited in Flemming and Lietzmann. It is quite evident that Philoxenus is therefore taking these extracts out of a Syriac codex very much like Add 12156, at least for these Apollinarian citations, if not also for the others. We have already noted that where Philoxenus quotes Cyril himself in this letter, he was *not* doing so from the full Syriac versions of Cyril. Rather, he is probably taking them already packaged from a pre-existing Syriac florilegium, since we know that from the early years of the 6th century collections of Cyrilline excerpts existed (e.g. the *Florilegium Cyrillianum*), but it may also be that he had the Greek text with him.

¹ Texts at Brière and Graffin, *Dissertationes Decem V*, 88,27-8; Pitra, *Analecta Sacra* vol.4, 200; and Rucker, *Florilegium Edessenum*, 18. For the history of the various parts of the manuscript see Abramowski, *Zur geplanten Ausgabe*.

² This is at least true of theological works, see Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 70.

Cyril's Athanasian and Apollinarian citations

In the *Contra Orientales*, Cyril quotes from Athanasius' *Letter to Epictetus* (no.3 in our list above). This can be compared to the version of the complete text, taken from Add 14557 and edited by Thomson. We have already noted that this latter version is to be dated before 484, since a largely identical text is used in the florilegium in *Decem Dissertationes*.

CO 37,11-12 [f.93rc] = DD Flor. 81,16-18 / Thomson 75,7-10

The versions are actually surprisingly similar, although with sufficient differences to disallow the in any case unlikely possibility of a relationship. There is an infinitive, the object of θέλουσιν, rendered by a α + impf. in CO but by a direct infinitive in Thomson, yet there is one point where the latter is less exact, καὶ μὴ αὐτὸν ἄνθρωπον γεγονέναι λαβόντα ἐκ Μαρίας τὸ σῶμα (*and [they say] that he did not become man while assuming the body from Mary*), which is rendered loosely in Thomson as $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$. $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$. $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ (*and he did not become man by an assumption of the body that [is] from Mary*), but more closely in CO, $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$. $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ $\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ (*and not that he became man while taking the body from Mary*), which captures both the syntax and the word order more carefully. We could hardly say, however, that the difference presumes a large gap in time between the versions, and we have already suggested that CO may be dated to not long after the introduction of the Philoxenian NT, if not even possibly before.

Again, Cyril's citations from the *contra Arianos* can be compared with the text of that work in Thomson's edition, although we have no secure date for the latter as we have for the *Ad Epictetum*. This relates to nos. 2,11,12,15 above .

We described above the translational differences between the Apollinarian citations found in the *Contra Orientales* and their equivalents in Flemming/Lietzmann's edition (nos.6-10 above). We noted overall that it was the latter text which was more aware grammatically and stylistically of how to go about producing an accurate, formally equivalent, translation, although *Contra Orientales* was sometimes not far behind and the differences often related to small grammatical or lexical matters. The

version used by Philoxenus was, however, certainly more aware of the revision of Christological and related language which we associate with Philoxenus. This version, given its awareness of the debate over Christological language, can hardly be much separated from the years of Philoxenus' involvement in that debate (i.e. the years just after 500) and, based on translation technique, *Contra Orientales* (and its companion the *Contra Theodoretum*) should be considered earlier.

To sum up, the *Contra Orientales* has been particularly amenable to comparisons of the patristic citations. We were able to compare an Athanasian extract which was present in both CO and in the pre-484 Syriac version of the same extract.¹ In this case, CO proved to be marginally the more 'advanced' in its technique. We were also able to compare CO with Philoxenus in the latter's direct citation of CO (in the letter written in 521) as well as in those places where both cite Apollinarian works. Using this method we have established a probable date for CO/CT as being between 484 and 521.²

3.iv.d

The Text of the Henoticon in Syriac

Zeno's Henoticon played a vital role in the debates concerning Chalcedon in the latter part of the 5th and the early part of the 6th century, the years when Philoxenus was consolidating the Syriac church upon a firmly anti-Chalcedonian base. He was especially pushing the Henoticon and used it to advantage in his battle with his patriarch, Flavian.³ As part of our enquiry into the relationship between developing translation techniques and Christological polemics, it may prove useful to take a look at the Syriac versions of this document. Of these, there are three extant, taking their places in the respective chronicles of ps-Zechariah Rhetor (ZR), ps-Dionysius (D),

¹ See Part 2.ii above for the evidence for this *terminus ante quem*.

² In fact, this latter date should probably be put somewhat earlier, given that the Syriac versions of Apollinarius must have been made some time prior to Philoxenus' use of them. Perhaps CO should be dated to before the revision of Christological language which Philoxenus seems to have first initiated c.500, according to De Halleux, this being the date of the well known manuscript which furnishes the primary evidence for the credal revision; cf. De Halleux, *La Philoxénienne du symbole*.

³ See Watt, *Two Syriac Writers*, for its significance for Philoxenus generally.

otherwise known as the Chronicle of Zuqin,¹ and finally that of Michael the Syrian. On closer inspection, it becomes evident that all three provide the same version, which can therefore be compared to the Greek, extant both in Evagrius' Church History (E), and in Vat Gr 1431 (R), the anti-Chalcedonian collection edited by Schwartz.²

Analysis

There are occasional differences between the texts. Some of them must be accidental in the transmission of the text, e.g. ZR's omission of τεχθέντος [53,5], corrected in D, who is unlikely to have revised the text to a Greek original – he simply preserves the older Syriac reading. Elsewhere, D sometimes simplifies the syntax, perhaps where ZR was a little cumbersome:

ἀεισέβαστος: ZR ܕܘܟܘܢܐ ܝܘܨܐ ܠܒܝ; D ܕܘܟܘܢܐ ܠܝܘܨܐ ܠܒܝ

καὶ Πεντάπολιν : ZR ܕܟܘܝܢܐ; D ܐ

μέν [52,25 and 53,6]: ZR ܡܝܢ; D om. (note that D has no use for the loan)

ἀπανταχόσε [52,28]: ZR ܡܘܟܘܠ ܕܘܚܘܠ; D ܠܝܘܨܐ ܕܘܚܘܠ

D is a little less concerned with some unnecessary epithets, thus ὀσιωτάτοις and ἁγίας [54,2&4] are both ܠܘܨܐ in ZR but untranslated in D.

γάρ [54,6] ZR ܘܢܐ; D ܐܝܢ

Differences in vocabulary are rare; again D is probably simplifying the language:

συνελθόντες [52,27]: ZR ܘܨܘܒܘܢܐ; D ܘܨܘܒܘܢܐ (the latter D has used also for συναθροισθέντες, l.26).

Of greater interest is an analysis of the techniques used by this translator, given that the three examples of the text we have are more or less identical.

The following are a few comments of note on technique:

Adjectives used for adjectives, thus, ἄφθαρτόν τε καὶ ἀτελεύτητον [52,29] = ܠܘܨܐ

ܠܘܨܐܘܢܐ ܠܘܨܐ ܠܘܨܐܘܢܐ.

ܐܝܢ for resumptive pronoun is reasonably common [54,1-3 repeatedly]

Loans such as ܠܘܨܐܘܢܐ for κληρικοῖς [53,3]

¹ Chabot, *Incerti Auctoris Chronicon Pseudo-Dionysianum Vulgo Dictum I*.

² Schwartz, *Cod Vat 1431*.

σαρκωθέντος [53,4] [54,3] ܣܪܟܘܬܝܢܐ; σάρκωσις [54,7] ܣܪܟܘܬܝܢܐ ܕܡܝܢ

ένανθρωπήσαντα [54,1] ܡܝܢ ܕܡܝܢ

όμοούσιος [54,3] ܡܘܫܐ ܝܘ

πνεῦμα ἅγιον [54,3] ܠܘܚܘܐ ܠܘܚܐ

Omits ἀεί [54,4] as part of the phrase ‘the ever-virgin’, perhaps a theologically-motivated omission.

σαρκί [54,6] ܣܪܟܝܐ

Conclusions

The text bears some of the typical marks of the 6th century stage of technique, such as we find in texts such as Ep55. Yet the Christological language is of the older type, unrevised from the days before Philoxenus. Given, then, that such can be the case even as late as the 560s (when the translation was made by the compiler of ZR), we should not be surprised that other texts, for example CO, show similar mixed methods. The compiler is almost certainly making his own new version of the Henoticon from Zechariah’s Greek, and this is taken over verbatim (with textual alterations over the tradition) into the texts of the Zuqnin Chronicle and thence into Michael the Syrian’s work.

We could add to our study here the text of Basiliscus’ *Encyclical*, which is also given in Z and D, although the former contains only portions of the whole. Again the style seems to be much the same.

3.iv.e

The Influence of Cyril on Philoxenus

Philoxenus’ role in the development of translation techniques has been raised again and again in our investigation. Before we draw our final conclusions from all this analysis, therefore, it will be worth considering the influence in general that Cyril might be said to have had on Philoxenus’ thought. How much Cyril had he read? If he was reading Cyril’s works in Syriac already in his early career (as the florilegium attached to the DD suggests) then how deeply did these translations (and perhaps their

Halleux marks this relationship most especially in areas of soteriology. Just as the Alexandrian tradition used soteriology as the main driving force in Christology, so too did Philoxenus base his Christological arguments on soteriological models of exchange, “[il] reproduit de traits indiscutablement alexandrins, dont il serait aisé de trouver le modèle chez Athanase et chez Cyrille.”¹ De Halleux even suggests that Philoxenus had read and copied Cyril on the matter of theopaschitism.²

Similar as their theologies may appear, Philoxenus does not, however, ever mention Cyril by name in his exegetical work. The question of whether there is exegetical influence, however, has been answered strongly in the affirmative by Aland. She showed that Philoxenus’ controlling principles for his exegesis of the gospels were much the same as Cyril’s. The emphasis on the development of Jesus through all the normal stages of human existence (with special focus on Lk 2.52) stresses the notion that as God he is taking on the ἰδιώματα of humanity. Only thus by God experiencing the lowliest stages of weakness can all of humanity truly be renewed.³

In Philoxenus’ exegesis of the baptism of Jesus, his reception of the Holy Spirit on behalf of humanity makes possible our reception of the Spirit also and thereby the renewal of mankind. This distinctive exegesis is made very clear in Fragment 2 of the Matthew/Luke commentary.⁴ Although Aland saw the connection only in general terms, this rather distinctive exegesis is actually to be found explicitly in Cyril’s commentaries.⁵ Thus, for Cyril, ‘the Spirit in Christ represents the decisive return of the Spirit to the human race.’⁶ Keating sees this exegesis as differing from ‘the more typical patristic approach’⁷ and therefore its explicit presence in both Cyril and Philoxenus confirms the latter’s reading of the former. To this exegesis, Philoxenus adds elements from Ephrem (most notably, the idea of the Jordan as a ‘second womb’) to create a new monophysite synthesis grounded in both Alexandrian

¹ De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 419, cf. also 397, n.17; also Aland, *Monophysitismus*, 145.

² De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 459.

³ Aland, *Monophysitismus*, 145-6.

⁴ 2,27-30,4 [versio 2,24-7] (references from Watt, *Matthew and Luke*); also 57,29-58,26 [50,1-30].

⁵ In Cyril’s commentaries, see esp. *In Isa.* 11.1-3 and *In Joel.* 2.28-9 as well as the descriptions of the Baptism in the John and Luke commentaries. For the use of this exegesis in a Christological setting, see the interpretation of Jn 1.32 in *Scholia I* (ACO I,5,219-20). Cyril is in fact repeating an Athanasian perspective, cf. *C.Ar.* 1,46,7.

⁶ Keating, *The Appropriation of Divine Life in Cyril of Alexandria*, 27.

⁷ *ibid.*, 33.

Christology and Syrian spirituality.¹ Other similarities pointed out by Aland further confirm this reading relationship between Cyril and Philoxenus.²

This raises the question of whether he read Cyril in Greek or in Syriac. We have showed already that the Cyrilline loci in the florilegium used for the *Decem Dissertationes* were taken from a Syriac version, whereas those in the much later *Letter to the monks of Senoun* do not correspond to the full Syriac version and were probably taken directly from a Greek florilegium, to which Philoxenus had access in exile. De Halleux doubted Philoxenus' ability to read Greek,³ but the error he appears to make between γένεσις and γέννησις is slim evidence for this assertion (it may have been a scribal error), though we cannot be sure one way or the other. It would be odd if his increasing fondness for the Greek text of the scriptures, together with his desire to produce an exegetical corpus to rival that of Theodore, did not proceed hand-in-hand with an increasing understanding of Greek. Philoxenus' revision of the credal language was based upon his strong belief that the (Greek) wording of the creed supported his theological position, and the influence of his revised language is discernible already in his earliest exegetical work, where we find terms such as ܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢ and ܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢ, both half-way to the fully revised forms (respectively ܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢ and ܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢܘܪܘܢ) – the latter at least quite probably picked up from his reading of the Syriac versions of Cyril's letters, for these appear already as experimental forms in those translations, as we have already seen.⁴ It may have been that by reading texts such as these, and beginning to understand the Greek that lay behind them (whether or not he was truly fluent in that language), he was led to the conviction that the Syriac theological language stood in need of updating in the monophysite cause. Philoxenus' use of the phrase 'the distinction of the natures after the union' he adopted explicitly from Cyril and used in his battle with Flavian as the furthest extent to which he was prepared to compromise.⁵ He could easily have discovered the phrase in his reading of the Christological letters (which we know he did read before 484),

¹ For Ephrem, see esp. Sebastian P. Brock, *The Luminous Eye: The spiritual world vision of Saint Ephrem*. Kalamazoo, 1992.

² For example, the allegorical interpretation of Christ's manger, see Aland, *Monophysitismus*, 159.

³ De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 22. See also Lebon, *La Version Philoxénienne*, 417, and the fuller argument in Lebon's dissertation, *Le monophysisme sévérien*, Louvain, 1909, 145.

⁴ They can be found in the Mt/Lk commentary, at 55,28 [48,13] and 56,30 [49,7] respectively.

⁵ De Halleux, *Philoxène*, 210-1.

and he uses the same Syriac expression as was used by the translators of those letters.¹ In the same way, we have seen (3.iii) how the scriptural citations in these early translations seem to have anticipated Philoxenus' concerns about the text of scripture itself, and again this dynamic is really conceivable only if Philoxenus had at least a partial grasp of the Greek language, sufficient enough to read if not to compose.

Whether or not Philoxenus really knew much Greek, we can see quite clearly the strong influence not only of Cyrilline Christology in general, but of his exegetical methods and his vocabulary in particular. Some of this may well have been picked up through reading the Syriac translations of Cyril, perhaps while he was in Edessa, thus effecting a growing realisation on Philoxenus' part that the technical Syriac vocabulary that he found in these translation-texts needed to be incorporated better into the central religious vocabulary of his church, through its creed and its scriptures.

¹ E.g. in Ep40, 26,26 [33,18], and frequently in this letter as well as occasionally in the letters to Succensus (Ep45/46): ܩܘܪܒܢܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ, just as found in Philoxenus.

Summary to Parts 2-3

In Part 2, we began by using some intertextual citations to show that at least some of our texts were necessarily to be dated before 484 (the same method was used to show that some Athanasian works also pre-dated 484 and that some Apollinarian ones pre-dated 521). This method of dating on external evidence has provided some secure points upon which we have proceeded. Moving on to the internal evidence (Part 3), we have therefore carried out a linguistic analysis of the texts themselves (3.i), a comparison against external fixed points in Severus etc. (3.ii) and followed this up by an enquiry into the scriptural citations, from both Testaments, to be found in the texts (3.iii); finally, we added to these a series of other short studies which aimed to contribute further to building up this picture of the relationships between our texts and other fixed points (3.iv). The detailed conclusions from 3.i-ii and to 3.iii were given at the appropriate moments. Before returning to these, let us briefly consider the contribution of 3.iv.

We first of all argued that the (previously unknown) version of the *Explanatio* found in another ms was, in fact, an earlier version of the known text we had been analysing, that the later text was a revision of the former along the lines of the sixth century school of translation technique. The earlier version was probably to be dated to the time before any 'Philoxenian' revisions had been made to the credal or Biblical language.

Second, we analysed a range of versions of Cyril's 12 chapters, both those extracted from his various defences of them, and also as they appeared individually in florilegia or elsewhere. We noted a number of interesting relationships, and showed that florilegia were being compiled from both editions of the *Explanatio* at an early stage. The relationship between the revised version of the *Explanatio* and Philoxenus appeared to give priority to the former, leaving us with a *terminus ante quem* of 521 for the revision of the *Explanatio*.

The third section looked at the patristic loci found within our set of texts. These showed, for instance, the relative positions, vis à vis translation technique, of *Contra*

Orientalis and another translator who could be firmly dated to before 521. We observed also that Philoxenus himself was already drawing on florilegia such as those we find in the *Florilegium Edessenum*, which must have already existed in Syriac (with Cyrilline citations included) well before his day, although this does not necessarily shed any further light on the dating of our texts (such as *Contra Orientales*).

In addition to this analysis into the relationships between our texts and some given fixed points, we have attempted also to shed at least a little light on the interrelationships of the florilegia of the period, especially on the origins of the collection used by Philoxenus in his *Decem Dissertationes*. It appears that this was made from a mixture of pre-existing texts and other florilegia, some already translated, others perhaps here for the first time. The influence of the Syriac version of Timothy Ailuros seems to have been especially instrumental in introducing certain key anti-Chalcedonian patristic loci into the Syriac sphere, whence they turn up in Philoxenus' two florilegia (in *Decem Dissertationes* and *EpSenoun*). Many of these appear to have started life either in Eutyches' apologia or in the Acts of Ephesus, before finding their way into Timothy's work, often via Cyril himself, before ending up in collections both Greek (Vat.Gr.1431) and Syriac (*Florilegium Edessenum*). The interrelationship between this anti-Chalcedonian line of tradition and the pro-Chalcedonian florilegia which have their roots in Theodoret's *Eranistes* and the various editions of Leo's *Tome* add an extra dimension to this difficult question which, while shedding some light on the development of monophysitic thought between Chalcedon and Severus, does not have any further direct bearing on our investigation.¹

Fourthly, we looked briefly at the Syriac version of the Henoticon. The versions of the text found in the Zuqnin Chronicle and in ps-Zacharias Rhetor represent one and the same translation, made most likely by the compiler of the latter text in the third quarter of the sixth century, using a 'mixed technique', i.e. a syntactically and grammatically advanced method of equivalence combined with a pre-Philoxenian attitude towards Christological lexical equivalences.

¹ For the pro-Chalcedonian tradition in particular, see Sellers, *Chalcedon*; Richard, *Les Florilèges*; Grillmeier, *Christ 2:1*, 53-63; Ettlinger, *History of the Citations*.

We concluded 3.iv with a comparison of the theology and language of Philoxenus and (the translators of) Cyril, an exercise which could be carried out far more exhaustively than was possible here. However, we suggested that Philoxenus' dependence on Cyril was strong and that his reading of the fifth century translations of Cyril's letters and other works may itself have contributed, both from a theological and from a linguistic point of view, towards Philoxenus' own central concern with the translation issue in the latter part of his career.

Grouping the texts

Drawing together the threads thus far from all of Parts 2 and 3, we can now outline how our texts have come into being and at which points in the development of Syriac translation literature they should be placed.

By comparing our texts against stable and datable bases we have been able to gauge their relative techniques more precisely than was possible by merely comparing them to each other. It has become apparent that they fall into five categories, which can be discerned from each other with at least some clarity.

The first contains the *De Recta Fide* alone, with its distinctively early, paraphrastic style. It is clearly very early, and may still be attributable to Rabbula, which would give it a date of 432/3.

The second group includes those texts we know on external evidence to pre-date 484, and which show a style still very free from the bonds of the mirror-versions typical of Paul of Callinicum; this contains *Epp 40,45,46,50*, and should also include the *Quod Unus sit Christus* and *Explanatio A*, which, although they cannot be dated so precisely on external grounds, nevertheless belong to the same group on the basis of our internal analysis.¹ All these can therefore be added to the otherwise short list of translations attributable to the fifth century.¹

¹ This early date for the translation of the *Quod Unus sit Christus*, probably not very long after its time of writing, has an interesting parallel in the early Ethiopic version, which shows an even looser

Especially typical of this group is the occasional appearance of a 'late' neologism or mirror rendering which goes against the flow of the usual technique. We also found here a few instances of 'Philoxenian' readings before Philoxenus, both in terms of NT citations *and* credal terminology. Although generally these texts conform to the 'free' techniques of the fifth century, they show from time to time a much more forceful attempt at precision than we see in the first group and we have discussed already the possibility that they were revised at a later stage, but found it more likely that they represent rather an early attempt to improve the Syriac vocabulary.² We know that Philoxenus read these texts in compiling his early *magnum opus* (the *Decem Dissertationes contra Habbib*) and, in the light of the strong influence of Cyril upon Philoxenus, we may be tempted to conclude that here is the source of Philoxenus' belief that the scriptures and the creed stood in need of revision. In other words, the translators of this second group could see that the Peshitta and the traditional Syriac formulae were not adequate to the task of Christological debate, a point which they passed on to Philoxenus, who chose to do something about it. Circumstantially, we may suggest that these texts arose from the milieu of the pro-Cyrrilline party at Edessa in the middle third of the fifth century, a party to which Philoxenus adhered from his days at the school there.

The third group consists of *Contra Orientales* and *Contra Theodoretum*, which have a very varied profile. In places their technique resembles that of the foregoing group, and yet sometimes the similarity to Paul of Callinicum is much closer. Given the evidence we found when studying the NT citations, which showed how aware this translator was of the Philoxenian/Harklean tradition, we should probably place these two texts in a third, separate group, rather than with the second group. Another important factor in this decision is the findings of 3.iv.c, where it was shown that the translator of *Contra Orientales* compared favourably in his technique with another translator, that of the Apollinarian treatises, but was still appreciably short of him both in terms of linguistic method and, more importantly, the lexical revision of

translation style, as yet uninfluenced by the niceties of the later Christological language, cf. Lössl, *One and the Same*.

¹ As given in Brock, *Towards a History*, 2-3. Added also should be portions of the Athanasian corpus and the Syro-Roman Lawbook.

² See above, Conclusions to Part 3.i-ii.

Christological language. We tentatively suggested a date between 484 and c.500. This sounds rather more specific than the evidence warrants, but the most important point is not an absolute dating but placing the text in its relationship to the others. However, a problem is immediately raised when we recall the presence of a number of Philoxenian readings in the NT citations in these texts, to a significantly greater extent than was the case among the Group II texts. This would seem to suggest a date after 508. How do we reconcile this paradox which, put simply, consists in the fact that these texts show a revised Biblical text but not a revised Christological language? It would be foolhardy to demand that the text be dated after the Philoxenian NT since, after all, this is a translation and the translator could come up with revised Biblical readings on his own. We would therefore suggest that here we have a pre-Philoxenian text which has made significant advances along the road towards the revision of scriptural translation.

The fourth group contains those texts which seem particularly close to Paul of Callinicum in style and in the extent to which their Biblical citations conform to the Philoxenian/Harklean tradition; these include *Explanatio B*, *Scholia*, *Ep39*, *Ep55*, and possibly *Ep44*. This group should be dated as roughly contemporary with Paul of Callinicum's work (c.520s/30s), with which it shares a great similarity of style. On other grounds, we have also shown the great likelihood that the revised form of the *Explanatio* is contemporary with Philoxenus and may date from before 521. A general period of the first half of the sixth century should thus be assigned to this group, with the great likelihood being that they all post-date the Philoxenian Bible revision, of which they probably knew. This dating seems to overlap with that usually given to Moses of Aggel, whose use of the Peshitta in his private correspondence contrasts with his Philoxenian-like renderings in his translations and neatly sums up the attitude to Greek texts which was espoused by this group.

Finally we have a fifth group, containing only the *Ad Tiberium*, which, both in its citations, and in comparison with Paul, shows a slightly later stage of development, part-way between Philoxenian and Harklean. In fact, this is only a rather more consistently applied version of Group IV and could be dated to any time between c.530 and the early seventh century when the Harklean was written.

These groups can thus be tabulated as follows:

I

De Recta Fide

II

Epp 40, 45, 46, 50

Explanatio XII capitulorum 'A'

Quod Unus sit Christus

III

Contra Orientales

Contra Theodoretum

IV

Ep55

Explanatio XII capitulorum 'B'

Scholia de Incarnatione

Ep39

Ep44

V

Ad Tiberium

We now list the texts in the order in which they appear in BL Add 14557 (excluding

Contra Orientales and *Contra Theodoretum* which are not from this ms):

Ep55

Explanatio XII capitulorum

Scholia de Incarnatione

Quod Unus sit Christus

De Recta Fide

Ep40

Ep45

Ep46

Ep50

Ep39

Ep44

The notable observation follows that the groups match the order of the texts in the ms to a considerable degree, the first three belonging together in Group IV, together with the last two; the fourth and fifth being from the early groups; the group of letters (Epp 40,45,46,50) together belonging to Group II. It is hard to believe that this could be accidental. Although we would not want to suggest that the texts in, say, Group II, are all from the same hand, it would be reasonable now to assume that the texts have come into their current order in this ms as parts of pre-combined groups coming from similar times and places, later to be all amalgamated in a 'collected set of texts of Cyril of Alexandria on the Nestorian crisis'. The first three texts, in fact, might well be from the same hand, based on our analysis of their techniques. The close match between the groupings based on text analysis and that based on the ms at least provides a confirmation of the broad conclusions of the former.

The development of technique as witnessed by the groups

What is above all striking about these groupings and about the evidence that we have seen in all our texts is the significant leap forward made between the third and fourth groups. Although there are plenty of suggestions and hints of translators among groups II and III experimenting with new ideas and better methods of exegeting Cyril into Syriac, and although these earlier texts sometimes come up with some startling results that seem ahead of their time, nevertheless we are in a new world when we arrive at the fourth group, together with its honorary member, Paul of Callinicum.¹

These latter groups represent an advanced stage of the development of translation technique, a development of which Philoxenus was an important, though not unique, part. It has been noted that the techniques of Athanasius of Nisibis in the mid 7th

¹ Paul's significance in relation to his different contemporaries, Moses and Sergius of Resaina, has been pointed out – Brock, *Towards a History*, 12. However, the suggestion made here that there is "a definite shift" towards the mirror-technique "as time goes on" within the fifth century is a little odd given that there are no translations datable to the latter half of that century and given that Paul of Callinicum and Sergius are exact contemporaries.

century, and of our fifth group, which probably lies somewhere later in the 6th century, are not all that much of an advance upon the style of Group IV and of Paul of Callinicum;¹ just as the Harklean New Testament barely developed any new techniques beyond what is found in the Philoxenian, but rather used those same techniques with much greater consistency.

The vital period of development, therefore, appears to have been about a generation either side of 500, Philoxenus in the centre acting as the catalyst in this swift process of change.² The role of Philoxenus as catalyst only and not as a primary initiator, and the concomitant importance of his fifth-century predecessors, is perhaps one of the more intriguing results of this whole exercise. For it has been shown how the pre-Philoxenian Group II texts, and to an even greater extent the Group III texts, prefigure in their style, and even in a number of specifics, the methods that would be advocated and applied by Philoxenus in his revision firstly of the credal language and secondly of the New Testament.³

Those Group II texts were themselves probably initiated in response to the growing number of translations of the Antiochene exegetes produced in Edessa. As that latter work progressed contemporaneously with the growing discontent between Chalcedonians and anti-Chalcedonians in the latter half of the fifth century, and as Syriac church leaders and thinkers were exposed to the Biblical and theological language of Cyril, translators became increasingly aware of the shortcomings of their own language, its theological vocabulary and its syntactic competence to deal with Greek 'philosophy'. Philoxenus' readings of Cyril may have substantially contributed to his own earnest desire, as witnessed in a number of places in his writings,⁴ to find new ways to translate.

Our rather exhaustive study of the Biblical citations has shown quite clearly how this development can be traced in the texts themselves, whether or not they can be used to reconstruct the lost Philoxenian. The tendency of the Group I text to imitate the

¹ See especially the summary of this issue in the conclusions to 3.i-ii.

² This observation simply confirms current opinion, e.g. Brock, *Greek into Syriac*, 3, and *Towards a History*, 5.

³ To this extent the suggestion that in the 5th century this type of approach was 'confined to Biblical texts' may need expanding – Brock, *Towards a History*, 11.

⁴ See Part 1, Introductory Material.

Peshitta in all matters, sometimes even when its wording was not all that close a translation of their Vorlagen, gave way to a more experimental period in which new ways of translating the scriptures (especially the Old Testament) were tested out, probably both before and during the time when Philoxenus, acting under the same impulses, initiated his revision programme. In later texts (Group IV and V) we can see a much more developed, revisionistic, way of dealing with scriptural citations. Some of these may well be a result of using the Philoxenian (although this is very unlikely for the Old Testament), but more often it is probably the case that, like Moses of Aggel, these translators are going their own way and applying the techniques they had been developing for translating Greek theological philosophy to the translation of the scriptures.

These developments, which seem to be focused upon the era of Philoxenus, represent nothing less than revolutionary ways of reading and thinking about theological texts. It represents both a Hellenisation of Syriac theology and a new brand of 'ownership' of these texts within the Semitic world. It is also absolutely typical of its time and of the trends in theological theory and method which we first outlined in the Introduction (Part 1). Our final question, then, should be concerned above all with the motives and models which acted upon these translators in the development of their revolutionary techniques. And this will be the subject of our final chapter.

Part 4

Conclusions

On Motivations and Models

Methodological questions

The first question with which we must deal concerns the reason why the Greek-Syriac translation programme developed in the manner in which it did. As an historical phenomenon it requires an historical explanation in its specific context. The development itself has been outlined by Dr. Brock in a series of articles.¹ Significantly, he points to certain preconditions which will naturally incline translators to choose one method or another: a) the presence of those who still understand the source language (the *expositors*), whose task it is to elucidate the meaning of the translation and without whom a slavish mirror-translation ceases to have any value and goes out of circulation; b) the relative prestige of the two languages involved; and c) the nature of the texts themselves, i.e. sacred religious texts are more likely to receive a mirror version than less important texts.

Evidently all these criteria were present in the 6th/7th centuries in the Syriac language-zones where we witness that peculiar mirror-style of translation, the rise of which has been the main subject of this investigation thus far. Thus there were in the Syrian church at that time *expositores*, those who had a firm grasp of Greek and could expound the strange-sounding translation by recourse to the original – a criterion which does not hold for the Abbasid period; there was a marked growth in philhellenism over this time relative to the Syriac native tongue;² finally, the texts that received this treatment were important Biblical and patristic writings, whose origins were, to different extents, hallowed by tradition.

Is this all that can be said? Are these criteria sufficient to account for the phenomenon in question? These are the questions we now need to address at greater length. To

¹ Especially *Aspects of Translation Technique* and *Towards a History* as well as, more recently, *Hunanyan's Translation Techniques* and *Changing Fashions*. See bibliography for a fuller listing.

² For which, see specifically Brock, *Antagonism to Assimilation*.

begin with, a fundamental distinction needs to be made between on the one hand the idea and the vision of a translation which reflects the original in such a special manner, and on the other the development of that manner itself. Thus it may be that the development of the mirror-style may not have occurred hand-in-glove with the development of the idea of it. In fact, the latter must logically precede the former. Thus we may expect a period of time when the vision and motivation is present but the ability and technical know-how has not yet arrived. We must ask two related but distinct questions. Firstly, what were the motivating factors, the inner dynamic, which gave the lettered men of this era the vision to create such texts? Secondly, what were the factors which gave them the opportunity to express that vision, which drove the actual development of the technique itself? The first concerns motivations *per se*, the second concerns models and techniques.

Motivations

Under this rubric, then, we need to examine the inner dynamic of a literary culture which seeks to establish by choice a slavish and literal translation method (whatever stage of development the actual techniques may have reached at such a time). Given that Biblical translation was a major element of the Syriac experience, the experience of earlier Biblical translation situations has sometimes been called upon to provide a parallel.

Brock has suggested that the dichotomy between literary and non-literary translation which was meaningful in the Hellenistic and Roman environments broke down when it came to the Holy Scriptures. Pointing to the revision processes enacted on the Greek Old Testament, he suggests that literalness won the day in some Jewish circles, and subsequently in the church, to be 'given its classic statement...in one of Jerome's letters.'¹ The treatment of the holy text as a legal text by the earliest Jewish translators was imitated in later times and a parallel can be drawn between these and the literalist translations of bureaucratic or legal texts, especially on the basis of the third of criterion 'c' (as given above). The background of the changing techniques amongst the Syrians through late antiquity can thereby be illuminated.

¹ Brock, *Changing Fashions*, 5.

Does this other (Biblical) tradition indeed provide such a parallel which helps to explain the Syriac phenomena? We need to look more closely at the traditions of the Western church so as more carefully to unpack the nature of the parallel experiences.

Jerome's famous letter to Pammachius (*Ep 57*) on the subject of how translation ought to be carried out, with a particular interest in Bible translation, serves apparently as a sort of reaction against the classical expressions in favour of literary translation favoured by Cicero and Horace. In making such a reaction, Jerome makes explicit a distinction between Biblical practice, where even the word order is a *mysterium*, and non-Biblical texts, to which he would rather apply the Ciceronian principle of *aemulatio*, and act as *orator* rather than as *fidus interpret* (Horace's deprecatory term for the 'slavish imitator'):

ego enim non solum fateor, sed libera voce profiteer me in interpretatione Graecorum absque scripturas sanctis, ubi et verborum ordo mysterium est, non verbum de verbo, sed sensum exprimere de sensu. habeoque huius rei magistrum Tullium.¹

For I myself not only admit but freely proclaim that in translating from the Greek (except in the case of the Holy Scriptures where even the order of the words is a mystery) I render sense for sense and not word for word. For this course I have the authority of Tullius.

At first glance, this distinction that he makes in theory is borne out in practice in the contrast between Jerome's Vulgate and his versions of Origen. The freedom of exposition and interpretation which typifies the latter is not unique to him but can be found in many contemporary patristic translations from the Greek, e.g. in Rufinus' extensive work and in Eustathius' version of Basil, which is itself a good deal more freely rendered than Ambrose's earlier version of the same text. Again, the Latin translators of the *Shepherd of Hermas* owe their diction to the supple language of Roman spirituality and not the closer conventions of the *Vetus Latina* with which they

¹ Ep57.2, ed. Hilberg, CSEL LIV, 508,9-13.

must have been familiar.¹ Such translators saw no reason, a priori, why Biblical translation method ought to spill over into their treatment of other texts, even important patristic ones.

However, the theoretical distinction here enunciated does not always seem to function as such. For even with regard to the Vulgate, Jerome can hardly be said to have applied the approach that he appears to espouse in the letter to Pammachius. The reason for this is not so much the lack of *expositors* (which would free Jerome from the third criterion), for while this might to some extent apply in the case of the Hebrew OT it would not apply to NT, and Jerome makes no distinction between them – and anyway he himself gives different reasons.² Jerome's concern above all appears to have been rather with the preservation of the *elegantia* of the Latin language, so long as this did not take anything away from the sense of the original, as he states explicitly in the letter to Sunnia and Fretela, and in another to Augustine.³ In one place he discusses, for example, the Latin rendering 'in valle lacrimarum' (Ps 83) which he would rather alter to 'in valle plorationis' purely on the basis of the elegance of the target language.⁴ In another, he positively commends, in Biblical translation, rendering 'vel verbum e verbo, vel sensum e sensu, vel ex utroque commixtum' in apparently direct contradiction to his words in the treatise to Pammachius.⁵ In the light of this, it has been said that "it is without doubt the principle of sense-for-sense translation which was Jerome's main legacy to later translators."⁶

In fact, even within the letter to Pammachius, Jerome's theory hardly holds up. For he discusses extensively the great freedom which the NT writers took with their translations of OT citations – it is this very observation, extensively illustrated with examples, which Jerome makes the foundation of this argument that *sensus de sensu* translation is the best way to treat a patristic text, and these examples come from the

¹ Kelly, *True Interpreter*, 81,99.

² cf. Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 79

³ 'Eadem igitur interpretandi sequenda est regula, quam saepe diximus, ut ubi non sit damnum in sensu linguae, in quam transferimus, εὐφωμία et proprietates conserventur.' *Ep 106*, CSEL 55, 275,19-21; 'expressimus sensuum potius veritatem quam verborum interdatum ordinem conservantes.' *Ep 112*, CSEL 55, 389,10-11.

⁴ See Banniard, *Jérôme et l'elegantia d'après le De Optimo genere interpretandi*.

⁵ From the preface to Job, *Biblia Sacra iuxta Latinam Vulgatam Versionem*, ed. H.Quentin et al.: *LX.Hester-Job* (Rome, 1951), 69. The preface to Judith contains a similar comment - 'magis sensum e sensu quam ex verbo verbum transferens,' *PL XXVIII*,1081.

⁶ Marsden, *Ælfric as Translator: The Old English Prose Genesis*, 327.

Scriptures themselves. If apostles can translate like this, then why should he himself not be permitted to imitate their method? Indeed, when we turn to the Vulgate itself we find this technique readily espoused. It is especially evident wherever the Hebrew repeats a particular word frequently and Jerome always seeks a number of synonyms in the interest of *varietas*, often to the deficit of the rhetoric of the Hebrew, occasionally to the sense as well. Albert Condamin has shown extensively not just how *elegantia* thus impinges on Jerome's stated ideal, but how in many other cases Jerome alters the wording where he could have remained more faithful had he wished to do so. He identifies three types of such alterations – literary (the omission of superfluous repetitions, for example), critical (in cases where the text is problematic), and doctrinal (in cases where messianic typology impinges on OT translation).¹ Commenting, then, on Jerome's stated claim in the letter to Pammachius, Condamin concludes that 'en pratique, il s'affranchit généralement de cette étroite dépendance.'² Even where the Vulgate does adhere closely to the original text, the techniques Jerome uses are really nothing at all like the 'mirror-versions' that we see among the later Syriac writers, full of grammatical calques, loan words, and neologisms.

Furthermore, Winkelmann has shown how theoretical discussions such as those found in the letter owe far more to polemical context and necessity than objective scholarly accuracy.³ The more we read both of Jerome's translations themselves and of his discussions of method the more that one well-known dictum appears to be a reflex-defence against potential accusations rather than his considered opinion.

It is anyway probably a mistake to think of Jerome's so-called comment on translation technique as being related to what we think of by that term at all. In these sorts of debates, Jerome is almost always either discussing the matter of *Vorlagen* (i.e. defending his choice of the *Hebraica veritas*)⁴ or else discussing how much one can

¹ Condamin, *Les Caractères pt 1*, 434-40; see p.437 for an example of where Jerome's concern for *elegantia* actually works against the sense of the Hebrew: יָד is translated with a mixture of *species* and *genus*.

² *ibid.*, 429.

³ Winkelmann, *Zu den Aussagen des Rufinus von Aquileia und des Hieronymus*. See also discussions in Bartelink, *Liber De Optimo Genere Interpretandi* and, for a careful and thorough analysis of the theories of translation technique in late antiquity, Marti, *Übersetzer der Augustin-Zeit*.

⁴ See especially the Job preface mentioned above, and also the prefaces to the Vulgate Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs, in which it is the fact that his version is "drawn straight from the

justifiably doctor an Origenist text in transmitting it into the Latin church. Thus when he speaks of being ‘faithful’ to the original, his observations and arguments are usually of what we would call a text-critical nature, rather than relating to detailed translation *technique* or the issue of mirroring such as we see it among the West Syrians.

Thus on investigation, it seems that Jerome never espoused the *verbum de verbo* ideal in practice, and certainly never came near making the sort of choices that we have seen in the Syriac situation. Perhaps the problem was the lack of the second criterion (‘b’ as mentioned above), the relative prestige of the languages. For although Greek was doubtless held in very high esteem, the Latin language also had its own rhetorical tradition that was too deeply-set to cause such a movement at that time. Perhaps not too great a burden should be placed upon the experience of Bible translation in the West as a parallel for the Syriac phenomena (although both fall within the official remit of ‘late antiquity’ they are comfortably separated both in time and space to posit any material influence).

Another possibly enlightening parallel presents itself, which might be able to shed light on some aspects of our problem, namely the programme of translating Latin texts into Old English initiated by King Alfred at the end of the ninth century. Not dissimilarly to Syriac, Old English ‘as a literary language was born out of a program of translation, and defined itself largely in terms of differences between itself and the Latin language.’¹

The famous judgments of Cicero and Horace, after being picked up by Jerome as we have seen, made their way down the line of tradition in the West. Thus Pope Gregory asked for the translation of his own letters to be treated in this manner: ‘rogo, non verbum ex verbo sed sensum ex sensu transferte quia plerumque dum proprietates verborum tenditur, sensuum virtus amittitur.’² From Gregory it passed into the practice of the early English translators.

[wine]press” that gives it the right to be called ‘accurate’, not its particular translational style or technique at the linguistic level.

¹ Robert Stanton, ‘The (M)other Tongue: Translation Theory and Old English’ in Jeanette Beer, ed., *Translation Theory and Practice in the Middle Ages*. Kalamazoo, 1997, 33-46, citation from p.34.

² Gregory the Great, *Registrum Epistolarum* I,xxix.

Jerome would thus have been proud of Werferth, the late ninth century bishop of Worcester, who translated Gregory's *Dialogues* into the vernacular "sometimes rendering sense for sense (*aliquando sensum ex sensu ponens*), translating intelligently and in a very polished style," as one of his contemporaries commented.¹ Alfred was Werferth's patron and made a number of similar translations himself, translating Gregory's *Cura Pastoralis* "sometimes word for word, sometimes sense for sense (*andgit of andgiete*)", as he says in the preface. The style has been described as "a close translation,...making small additions and omissions for what seems nearly always to be stylistic reasons;...he shows no interest in reproducing the subtle logic."² This latter option was followed even more solidly in Alfred's OE version of Boëthius' *De Consolatione Philosophiae*. While of the *Cura*, it is said that his "purpose was to insure that his readers understood the meaning clearly, even at the expense of literal accuracy," the latter text is rather a "radical adaptation".³ The Boëthius, along with Alfred's version of Orosius' *History*, is a full literary and contextual adaptation very much in the classical mould, while even the more 'literal' text (the *Cura*) is very far from being *verbum de verbo*.

The same can be said of any number of key patristic texts translated at this time, such as Æthelwold's version of the Benedictine Rule. "His aim was to write clear and fluent English prose and he keeps closely to the original as long as he can fulfil this purpose by means of a literal translation. On the other hand he does not hesitate to translate more freely if a too literal rendering would seem unidiomatic. This is why we find freely translated chapters and passages side by side with others which reproduce the original fairly literally."⁴ This is just the sort of pattern that we have witnessed in our Group I and II texts, before the onset of a thoroughgoing attempt to provide a new paradigm.

¹ Asser, *Life of King Alfred*, 77.

² William H. Brown, "Method and Style in the Old English *Pastoral Care*." *Journal of English and Germanic Philology* 68 (1969), 666-84, citation from p.666. All things are relative and, in fact, Alfred makes alterations unthinkable to all save the earliest Syriac translators – for example his explanation, in ch.52, of Gregory's higher and lower orders and monks and laity.

³ Stanley B. Greenfield and Daniel G. Calder, *A New Critical History of Old English Literature*. New York, 1986, 45-6.

⁴ M. Gretsch, "Æthelwold's Translation of the *Regula Sancti Benedicti* and its Latin Exemplar." *Anglo-Saxon England* 3 (1974), 125-51, citation from p.148.

But this is precisely what never happened in Anglo-Saxon England. For when we turn to the Biblical Translations, even those made a century later, the situation is not changing. For in his *Genesis* “Ælfric did not hesitate to amplify or explain, by addition or rearrangement, or even alteration, where he thought it appropriate.”¹ Thus, for instance, Jerome’s rather odd sounding ‘non enim pluerat Dominus Deus super terram’ (Gen 2.5) becomes the idiomatic ‘God soðlice ne sende nænne ren ofer eorðan ða gyt’ (i.e. *send rain* rather than just *rain*). This style of Biblical translation showed no signs of going in the direction which we find in the Syriac church, neither in the slightly later West Saxon Gospels,² nor in any of the early Middle English attempts, least of all that of Wycliffe.³ One scholar’s description of this programme sounds as though it could have been referring as easily to Jerome – “the medieval notion of the sacred nature not only of the word of God, but of the syntax, the letter order, and even the punctuation of Biblical manuscripts seems to have been known in early medieval insular culture, but largely ignored in practice.”⁴

What, then, are the differences between the English and the Syriac contexts which may account for the very different approaches taken towards the translation of both Biblical and Patristic material? The English approach cannot be explained by a lack of *expositors*, for there were surely no fewer Latinate literati in Alfred’s realm than there were Greek ones in 7th century Syria. Similarly, it cannot have been a matter of prestige alone, for despite the very high status of Greek vis à vis Syriac in the later period, the literary status of the Old English language, which as yet had virtually no tradition of religious usage whatever, cannot have been any greater vis à vis Latin, and was probably very much lower. The same goes for the status of the texts, for it is

¹ Richard Marsden, “Ælfric as Translator: The Old English Prose *Genesis*.” *Anglia* 109 (1991): 319-58, citation from p.340. For more, especially on Ælfric’s famous preface to his *Genesis* translation, see Robert Stanton, “Rhetoric and Translation in Ælfric’s Prefaces.” *Translation and Literature* 6 (1997), 135-48; and Frederick M. Biggs, “Biblical Glosses in Ælfric’s Translation of *Genesis*.” *Notes and Queries* 236 (1991), 286-92.

² The editor has commented that the translators of these cannot be credited with ‘a keen appreciation of the grammatical precision and structural clarity of a Latin sentence’, and she describes their work as ‘literal but relatively idiomatic’ – see R.M. Liuzza, *The Old English version of the Gospels Vol.2, Notes and Glossary*. Oxford, 2000, 99,50. See also Madelaine Grünberg, ed., *The West Saxon Gospels: A Study of the Gospel of St. Matthew with Text of the Four Gospels*. Amsterdam, 1967.

³ At least not in the final edition of the Wycliffite Bible, produced by John Purvey. For our interest in the earlier edition, see further below.

⁴ M.J. Toswell, “‘Awended on Englisum Gereorde’: Translation and the Old English metrical Psalter.” *Translation and Literature* 5 (1996), 167-82, citation from p.169.

texts of much the same sort that are being translated in each situation, namely key patristic works and supremely the Old and New Testaments.

Even when it comes to the respective purposes of the translation programmes, the similarities are more remarkable than the differences. Alfred's main aim was to encourage learning among his people, and by this he means primarily learning in Latin, not in the vernacular. He wanted to resurrect schools and monastic libraries where England could once again, as she had in the 7th century, lead Western Europe in the study of the texts of the Fathers and of antiquity. This 'aim' of the translation programme is quite evident, for instance, in Alfred's verse preface to the *Cura Pastoralis*, which ends with the words "Alfred translated every word of me [i.e. the book]... that he might send them to his bishops, for some of them needed it, who knew but little Latin."¹ The *need* of which he speaks refers to the new law requiring Latin literacy for those entering 'hieran hade' (which may mean either *holy orders* or *higher rank*). The point of reading the OE text, then, was to bring the reader slowly into contact with the Latin. The similarities and contrasts with the East are again striking. This 'renaissance' of Latin learning found a suitable high point in Ælfric's translation of Donatus' *Grammar*, designed specifically in order to encourage students to read original Latin texts.

So if Alfred's purpose was to bring the reader as close to the original as possible, why, we might ask, did he or his successors never develop a mirror-technique such as we see in Syria? Even more curiously, despite the fact that OE translation began life as a process of word by word glossing, and despite the fact that so many of the same issues and circumstances were present as in the Syriac context, its direction was quite the opposite, such that in Ælfric 'preservation of truth was ensured not by avoiding the problem of linguistic intervention, but by embracing it, both through the considerable power of customary usage and – paradoxically – through an invocation of the divine power of vernacular language.'² We can hardly imagine a development more at odds with the Syriac experience.

¹ Henry Sweet, ed., *King Alfred's West-Saxon Version of Gregory's Pastoral care*. Early English Text Society 45. London, 1871, 9,12-16.

² Robert Stanton, *The Culture of Translation in Anglo-Saxon England*. Cambridge, 2002, 175.

One clue can be suggested here as to the reasons for the very different experiences. The focus upon *signifiant* in the one case, and upon *signifié* in the other, is indicative of a fundamental difference in outlook upon the meaning of language itself. While Ælfric's Donatus was meant to help students to learn Latin, the parallel Syriac version of Dionysius Thrax was meant rather to impose the scientific findings of the Greek grammarians on to the Syriac language, to reduce the latter to a set of principals which would enable it to be manipulated with the precision and syllogistic expressiveness of Greek. The close association between the Syriac version of Dionysius Thrax and the reading of Greek theology at the School of the Persians in the 6th century strengthens the importance of this factor.¹ This approach to language *per se* is perhaps a fundamental and important difference. In the West, the English scholars had only the Western traditions of rhetorical translation upon which to base themselves. They learnt Latin (whether via texts or Grammars) in order to read Latin. In Syria, long traditions of interaction with the Greek world had already bred a thorough consideration of the issues of language from a scientific point of view, and this contributed to a principled 'Hellenisation' of the language. Old English remained wholly free from any parallel process in its relationship to Latin.

Perhaps the Syrians were simply further down the line, and the English vernacular translations would have developed in the same manner given enough time had not the Norman conquest intervened. In fact, Chaucer's unreadably Latinate version of Boëthius perhaps points in just such a direction. This, therefore, brings us back to our fundamental distinction between vision and technique – the presence of the former does not guarantee the possibility of the latter, and 'choice' on the part of a translator is fully dependent on the literary models and options that are actually open to him 'on the ground'.

The presence of just such models to follow (namely, the sixth/seventh century Syriac ones) was probably of major significance in another parallel situation, that of the so-called 'Hellenising' school of Armenian translation. Odd, in this context, is the fact

¹ The translation is West Syrian, but was well known to Joseph Huzaya, one of Narsai's successors, who both made use of it and designed an early vowel-system for Syriac, designed for reading the translations of Theodore already made at the School. The close link to Philoxenus and the succeeding literati of West Syria, who sprang from the same root, hardly needs stressing; Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 116-7.

that the third of our criteria hardly fits. For the sorts of texts which were subjected to the treatment of this extremist school were often very dry scientific or philosophical texts, and authors such as Philo who, while doubtless of significance to the Armenians, can hardly be rated a 'sacred text', actually kicked off the whole programme. In the Armenian school we can see, as in the Syriac, the relative importance of patristic texts vis à vis the Bible, and also we can see the vital importance of contact with a situation from which models for translation could be drawn.¹

What, then, allowed and encouraged the development of such models in the Syriac context? Our textual analysis has yielded in this regard three important clues. Firstly, the mirror-style seems to have developed in a fairly closed and specific environment and had plenty of time to do so. It began in Edessa in the context of the post-Ephesine schism in the school of the Persians, in which both sides began to translate the exegetical and Christological works of their key authorities. This allowed time over the course of the fifth century for experimentation within a fairly narrow environment in the context of a very urgent polemical need. It is this point, rather than any of the more general criteria, which explains one of the oddities of the programme, namely its focus on patristic texts, treating them in just the same way as Biblical ones – and in fact, as we have suggested, it may have been the novel treatment of the former which drove the latter, rather than vice versa, as was most probably the case in the Western experience.

Secondly, the specific nature of that debate focused minds upon issues of language, upon the semantics of theological terms and the way in which language should be mobilized in philosophical logic, what we would call today call semiotics. There was, of course, no self-awareness of these debates – it is just that discussion about the nature of 'meaning' that is peculiarly lacking in the Christological debate; but the sudden appearance of a keen interest in Aristotle, in Greek science generally, in Greek theories of grammar in particular, all indicate a sea change in ways of thinking about language. This motivation is made quite explicit by Sergius of Resh'aina when he admitted that scripture could not be understood without access to systems of precise

¹ On the Armenian school, see Terian, *The Hellenizing School: Its Time, Place, and Scope of Activities Reconsidered*, esp. 181-2, and Mercier, *L'école hellénistique dans la littérature arménienne*.

logic, i.e. theology must be treated like an exact science and not like poetry.¹ The late 5th/early 6th century was a good time for the scientific study of language and logic within the Empire – a time for the study of grammar (the school forming around Priscian in Constantinople, and the translation of Dionysius Thrax) and commentary on Aristotle’s logic (the work of the Alexandrian school) and of the minutiae of law (Beirut, etc., for which see further below). This sort of ‘scholarly’ environment, which, as far as the imperial Greek world was concerned, fell away rapidly in the post-Justinianic era, was strongly influential in (and perhaps partly influenced by) the Syriac world. Its effects on thought and writing in the Syrian church were absolutely fundamental to the development of the mirror-style which was specifically, as we have seen it in our texts, grounded upon a distinctive and novel semiotics, and not just upon an ideologised *verbum de verbo* approach such as we see in many western texts of the Middle Ages.

A third point is simply that of historical particularity. This is needed to explain one of the great peculiarities of the mirror-style, namely why it occurred only among the West Syrians and not further East, especially given that the ‘Antiochian’ party in Edessa, which later formed the core of the school at Nisibis, was probably the first both to begin the translation of the Fathers and to begin the systematic study of Greek philosophy and science. The difference perhaps lies in something so simple as the difference in personality between Narsai and Philoxenus. The drive towards the mirror-style required, in other words, a powerful driving figure in order to give it sufficient momentum to overcome the tendency to fall back into ‘easier’ ways of dealing with Greek texts. Philoxenus’ place as the fulcrum of the programme has already been frequently highlighted, and we can but imagine the powerful effect upon his mind induced by his youthful reading of those early (perhaps Edessene) experiments in putting Athanasius and Cyril into Syriac. In this regard, the driving force of men such as Narsai or King Alfred worked in quite a different sort of direction from those of Philoxenus or Mastoc (in Armenia), even though many of their aims are superficially similar.

¹ From his introduction to the *Organon*, quoted in Hugonnard-Roche, *Aux origines*, 10.

In summary, we can suggest that the inner dynamic of the West Syrian translation programme was highly complex. It was not as similar to other superficially parallel situations in late antiquity as might at first appear, certainly not traditions in the West at any rate. The three criteria with which we started, while being very helpful in understanding some aspects of the question, are insufficient to explain the nature of our particular phenomenon, the motivations of which have required instead some more particularist explanations. It has been suggested as well that a vital distinction must be maintained between the vision in theory and the technique in reality, between motivation and model. While we have attempted to account for the former and to lay at least a groundwork which might explain the rise of the latter, we are still left searching for ‘models’ as such to explain developments in the West Syrian situation.

Models

In the previous section we briefly glanced at the traditions of Bible translation in late antiquity as a parallel to the West Syrian situation and asked whether the explanations for the former might help us to explain the latter. Here, we are more concerned with the specific question of whether the earlier traditions might actually have served as models and exemplars for the later ones. For it may seem at first sight almost self-evident that previous translation programmes, such as those of the ‘Seventy’ and of the later Theodotianic school of Old Testament translators, provided the model for the sort of Bible translation that we see in the seventh century Harklean and Syro-Hexaplaric versions.

On reflection, however, this seems unlikely. For the translators of the late fifth/early sixth centuries in Syria can hardly have been much aware of this 500 year old tradition. Knowledge of Hebrew was sparse, and there is no evidence of an awareness among the Syrians of the issues surrounding the accuracy of the Greek as relating to the Hebrew Bible. This latter question was an area for specialists only, for men such as Origen and Jerome. Paul of Tella was indeed interested in the textual issues surrounding the Hexapla (hence his incorporation into the Syro-Hexapla of the Aristarchan sigla), but it appears that his Vorlage was simply a copy of Origen’s fifth

column and he had no direct access to the Hebrew.¹ In fact, the very existence of his whole project implies strongly that the Hebrew was being laid aside in favour of the Greek. It was a presupposition of Paul's work (as of Origen's) that the Seventy had produced an 'exact' version of an unchanging Hebrew text, and so all variants were analysed not as the functions of a 'translation technique' as such but as matters relating to what we would call textual criticism. It may well be, as has been suggested already, that much of the ancient discussion of translation technique should, in fact, be placed under the rubric of textual criticism. When the *'devanciers d'Aquila'* set about revising the Septuagint their task was primarily one of bringing the text into line with the Massoretic text of their day (from which they presumed that the original translators must have deviated) rather than of applying new theories of translation technique. Greek is, after all, the one language in which theoretical discussions of translation technique are noticeably lacking (save for some examples in Hellenistic Jewish texts to which the Syrians cannot have had access).

In sum, the fact that Jewish translators made a choice in favour of 'literal' translation (as they perceived it) based on a genre-decision (that Torah was a law text) does not in itself explain why the same texts should have been treated in exactly the same fashion in fifth-seventh century Syria (but not in third or fourth century Syria), let alone why patristic texts should also have been so treated. Although useful as a parallel, the older traditions of Bible translation do not seem to offer the models that we require for our explanation of an historical phenomenon.

In his summary survey of translation technique in Antiquity, Dr. Brock has already pointed the way in considering bureaucratic and administrative texts as a possible context in which to locate the work of literal translators who may have materially influenced the earlier Jewish translators.² When we consider the great importance attached to bilingualism in late antique Syria as a channel to influence and power, it stands to reason that translation in these semi-literary pursuits may prove of no little importance.

¹ S. Jellicoe, *The Septuagint and Modern Study*. Oxford, 1968, 125-6.

² Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 73ff..

This question has been discussed in various places by Fergus Millar.¹ He has played down any suggestion of cultural antagonism between ‘Orient’ and ‘Empire’ or of quasi-nationalist aspirations among *non-Greek speaking* parts of the East, as has sometimes been thought, for instance, in the case of Zenobia’s kingdom in Palmyra. Rather, while seeing Syriac as indeed the language of the *chora* around the cities, he stresses that the two languages were firmly integrated and inter-locked. Brock too has stressed that this town/country divide is not absolute, and Syriac was the standard language for many even in the larger cities.² Similarly, the prestige of the Syriac language is something that must not be underrated – its use was by no means cast off as mere ‘provincialism’. Some authors, even men of such different temperaments as John of Tella and Sergius of Resh‘aina, while being perfectly capable of composition in Greek, chose to write always in Syriac. Theodoret, while writing in Greek, certainly has nothing denigrating to say about what must have been his mother tongue, and there is no lack of respect for those holy men he describes in the *Historia Religiosa* who speak no Greek at all.³

It is clear, however, that being able to communicate in both languages, either through a native bilingualism, or through an interpreter, was a vital route to power. This is true both from the bottom up and from the top down. Thus the stylite saint Zu‘ra not only took with him to Constantinople a local aristocrat, Count Tribunus, who could interpret for him, but he even went so far as to prevent Tribunus from following his vocation as a monk because he was more useful in this ‘secular’ role of interpreter.⁴ Many further examples of access to power requiring language-interpretation can be given from John of Ephesus’ or Theodoret’s stories. In the other direction, no doubt the use of Syriac was an important means of securing the approval of the masses for leaders such as Philoxenus. Severus of Antioch’s Homilies 56 and 57, preached at Qennesrin (Chalcis) are said to have received ‘tumultuous applause’ – was his sermon translated for the people to have given him such an ovation? Certainly his power-base was rooted in the Syriac-speaking masses.⁵ Similarly, Rabbula, raised in neo-platonist Qennesrin could, without an interpreter, give a sermon at Constantinople itself, as

¹ Specifically in Millar, *Paul of Samosata, Zenobia and Aurelian*, and variously in his magnum opus, *The Roman Near East*.

² Brock, *Greek and Syriac in Late Antique Syria*, 150.

³ For examples from Theodoret, see esp. Urbainczyk, *The Devil spoke Syriac to me*.

⁴ John of Ephesus, *Lives of the Eastern Saints*, PO XVIII,4, 459-466.

⁵ See Frend, *Monophysite Movement*, 225 and PO 4.1, 78-82 for the sermons.

well as communicate at the highest level with events in the Greek world.¹ Only one Syrian bishop is said to have even needed an interpreter at the council of Chalcedon.² It is quite clear that within this context, those with a foot in both camps are not only mediators, but themselves channels of power.

With this social background in mind, we can see the great importance that must have been attached to the *use* of the Greek (and Latin) language in the Syrian Orient, and the motivations which may have led to a development of ideas about translation in all sorts of spheres of life much earlier than the specific texts that we have been studying. Thus if we turn to a period when the empire was somewhat newer in the East, we can see the presence of the urgent question of interaction between the army, largely Latin-speaking, and the local Syriac or Greek speakers.³ The evidence from such well-attested sites as Dura-Europus and Palmyra suggests that the Latin language became a part of civic life at an early stage.⁴ From Edessa in the same period come attempts even at writing Roman names in Syriac, of adapting old forms to the new institutions that now mattered. Thus there are the Middle-Euphrates papyri (dated 240/241) which contain the name of the last king of Edessa, ܐܠܝܘܫܝܡܘܫܐ ܥܒܘܪܗܝܡܐ ܥܒܘܪܗܝܡܐ, (i.e. *King Aelius Septimius Abgar*) as well as the name of the Emperor Gordian III.⁵ In another document from the same group we have the name of the new colonia, ܐܢܛܘܢܝܢܐ ܥܘܠܝܝܐ ܥܠܝܝܐ ܥܘܠܝܐ [ܐܢܛܘܢܝܢܐ] ܥܘܠܝܐ, (i.e. *Antonina Edessa colonia metropolis Aurelia Alexandria*), ܥܘܠܝܐ here being perhaps the first ever Latin-Syriac loan word.⁶ Within the relatively short period between these documents and the writing-up of the martyrdoms of Shmona and Guria in the early 4th century, the number of these loan words increases such that the latter text is ‘shot through’ with loans relating to the administrative structures of empire, many of these being Greek words themselves translated (dynamic modulation) from Roman technical terms (e.g. ἡγεμών, δικαστήριον) but some are Latin (*balineum*).⁷

¹ His *vita*, p.vii, in Overbeck, *Opera Selecta*, and McEnerney, *Letters*, Ep74,75.

² ACO II,1,98-9.

³ See, for instance, the evidence adduced by Pollard, *Soldiers, Cities, and Civilians*.

⁴ For instance, see the inscriptions about Roman ‘friends and benefactors’ of Greek cities in Syria, *Inscriptiones graecae ad res romanas pertinentes*, III, 1121-2 et al.

⁵ P2 in Drijvers and Healey, *Old Syriac Inscriptions*, 238.

⁶ P3 in *ibid.*, 246.

⁷ See Millar, *Roman Near East*, 486-7.

These observations on the translation of Latin administrative terminology into Syriac (or Greek) reminds one strongly of the similar experience of Greek theological terms in Syriac in the 6th and 7th centuries, and indeed the two types of translation have been closely linked already.¹ A further instance of this type may therefore be helpful at this point, although not concerning Syriac directly, viz. the Greek translations of the *senatus consulta* that came out of Rome into the Eastern provinces.

About these translations one editor has commented that they 'slavishly reproduced each word of the Latin, so that at times the Greek becomes intelligible only when the Latin idiom is uppermost in the mind.'² He speaks of a 'remarkable consistency in phraseology and vocabulary' such that one might believe that all the translations, spanning 200 years, were made by one person. The reason for this homogeneity was a carefully-used system, established in the secretariat at Rome, under whose authority all the translations were made. All this work was done 'in an office where a continuity in translation style and vocabulary was achievable,' i.e. the workers 'must have been professionals whose lifetime duties kept them in close contact with official state papers and who were at the same time familiar with Roman constitutional forms.'³ This difficult business of finding Greek equivalents for all the administrative jargon has been extensively discussed elsewhere.⁴ Furthermore, the method is paradoxically highlighted by the very different Greek terms used for the same originals found in the literary sources, where literary historians self-consciously avoid the official equivalents and seek some more felicitous terms, a stylistic choice which improves aesthetic pleasure but decreases the possibilities of retro-translation and thus sometimes provides difficulties to the modern interpreter.⁵ The official translations took it all more seriously. The word-lists for school texts found in Egyptian papyri arose from this same cross-fertilisation of language and the perceived need to find

¹ Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 70ff.

² Sherk, *Roman Documents*, 7.

³ *ibid.*, 18.

⁴ Comprehensively in P. Viereck, *Sermo graecus quo senatus populusque Romanus magistratusque populi Romani usque ad Tiberii Caesaris aetatem in scriptis publicis usi sunt examinatur. Commentatio philologica*. Göttingen, 1888. See also A. Cameron, "Latin Words in the Greek Inscriptions of Asia Minor." *AJPh* 52 (1931): 232-62 and Zilken, *Inscriptiones Latinae Graecae bilingues*. Leipzig, 1909.

⁵ Mason, *Roman Government in Greek Sources*.

word-for-word equivalencies between languages that were anyway considered to be very close.¹

The work of these translators of the *senatus consulta* gives us in tangible form that upon which Horace cast aspersions as being the method of the ‘fidus interpres’. If we substitute here Syrian monks with a professional knowledge of the technical terms of the documents of Greek theology who are ‘familiar with its forms’ then we can see at once the similarity between these two translation programmes. The major difference, however, is that these earlier translators were more at home in the source than in the target language, while our monks were translating *into* their own tongue. The important conclusion to draw here is that this is not just a parallel which helps to illumine each phenomenon, but a solid situation in which the practical working out of an idea of translation into concrete texts over a long period of time may well have been able to provide *models* for the Syrian schools in the subsequent centuries.

A similar sort of ‘secretarial translation’ might, in fact, be just about visible amongst the meagre epigraphic evidence in Syriac itself, where on some occasions the usual Greek dedicatory inscriptions have Syriac equivalents placed next to them. The sixth-century trilingual (Greek, Syriac, Arabic) inscription from the church of St Sergius in Zebed is perhaps the best known and is contemporary with the period of our translations, although in this instance the Syriac and Arabic are rather independent of the Greek and are not really meant as translations at all.² But there are many others, including a mid-sixth century example from Bâqirha, in which the words ἐγένετο ὁ πύλων are translated by something of a calque, ܠܝܕܐ ܠܡܢ ܠܡܢ.³ In another, near Barbalissus, the words τῶν ἐνώπιον τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ πάντων τῶν κοινωνησάντων τῷ ἔργῳ (*of those before God and all the partakers in the work*) are very accurately

¹ See Gaebel, *Greek Word-lists*.

² IGLS 310; extensively discussed in E. Sachau, “Zur Trilinguis Zebedaea.” *ZDMG* 36 (1882), 345-532; cf. also Frank R. Trombley, ‘Epigraphic Data on Village Culture and Social Institutions.’ In W. Bowden, L. Lavan, C. Machado, eds., *Recent Research on the Late Antique Countryside*. Leiden, 2004, 73-101, esp. 92ff.

³ IGLS 565. For other bilinguals of this type, see IGLS nos. 312,313,314,317,336,373,401,553. For an intriguing earlier example, see C.S. Lightfoot and J.F. Healey, ‘A Roman Veteran on the Tigris.’ *Epigraphica Anatolica* 17 (1991), 1-7. Others also discussed by A. Desreumaux and P.-L. Gatiér, ‘L’inscription grecque et syriaque d’une mosaïque.’ *Semitica* 41/2 (1993), 173-81.

rendered in Syriac as *ܡܘܨܪܝܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ*.¹ The general increase in Syriac inscriptions in churches from the middle of the fifth century attests more generally to that upsurge in the language's literary significance of which the interest in translation technique is an important symptom.² Unfortunately, the extent of the evidence in this area does not allow us to draw conclusions about what a long inscription, say an imperial decree couched in the language of bureaucracy and law, might have looked like in its neighbouring Syriac version in the 6th or 7th century. Perhaps the forthcoming corpus of Syriac inscriptions will provide a little more material for such a study.³

Bilingualism in the world of legal education

Another area of inter-cultural exchange may provide for us a potentially rewarding area for exploration. This is the realm of legal education in its Greek and Latin forms. Brock has already mentioned, as a motive for the literal translation of the Old Testament, its treatment as a 'law-book',⁴ and indeed the genre of legislative writing in the 6th century might even more instructively be considered as a parallel to theological discourse as an equally technical and text-oriented world. We have already suggested that the developments in translation technique during this century have a great deal to do with the development of theological argument, the rise of the citation-rich methodology of the florilegium and exegesis of the Fathers. In fact, Justinian's *Digest* might well be thought of as a secular version of a 'compilation of the sayings of the Fathers' for use in the courts as the best authority for the interpretation of earlier laws, just as the anthologised works of the fourth and fifth century Fathers of the church were used in the court of theological debate in the sixth and seventh. The following discussion of translation techniques applied to these legislative texts may therefore prove beneficial to our inquiry.

¹ P. Donceel-Voûte, *Les Pavements des églises Byzantines de Syrie et du Liban. Décor, archéologie et liturgie*. Publications d'histoire de l'art et d'archéologie de l'Université catholique de Louvain, vol. 69, 1988, 148-9. Also published as SEG XLV, 1883.

² As the evidence shows, for instance, at Qala'at Sem'ân (see Donceel-Voûte, *op.cit.*, p.234ff.) and at Tell Bi'a (see M. Krebernik, 'Schriftfunde aus Tell Bi'a 1990.' *Mitteilungen der Deutschen Orient-Gesellschaft zu Berlin* 123 (1991), 41-57).

³ A preliminary volume is available, Desreumaux, Briquelet Chatonnet and Debié, *Les inscriptions syriaques*; see also Desreumaux and Palmer, *Un projet international : le recueil des inscriptions syriaques*.

⁴ Brock, *Aspects of Translation Technique*, 71-2.

For the period following the official promulgation of the Justinianic Code and Digest (529), we have abundant evidence for the methods and techniques of legal education at the two ‘official’ law schools, at Beirut and Constantinople. This evidence is especially concerned with the question of language, of how the professors of the day (the famed *antecessores*) sought to teach these Latin law codes to their Greek-speaking students.¹ Although all students appear to have been required to take one year’s Latin before beginning at law school proper, their knowledge was evidently only ever rudimentary. When the first year of law kicked off with the teaching of the *Institutes*, the professor used to go through the text, glossing all the difficult terms and making something approximating to a word list, known as an *Index*. To this index might be added some initial exegetical remarks, the προθεώρια, made on the basis of these Greek terms. In the second year, the Latin text itself, the ῥητόν, would be the subject of fuller exegeses, known as παραγραφαί.

Now, although the Index did not in itself constitute a translation as such, there is in some instances clear evidence that an *antecessor* did make a full and proper translation for his students. This is the case, for instance, with Dorotheus’s version of the Digest.² Dorotheus was one of the authors of the Digest and one of the foremost teachers at Beirut in the 530s/540s. In this period he appears to have made a full translation of the Digest into Greek. Seeing as this translation included the books of the Digest that were *not* taught in the school curriculum (the so-called βιβλία ἐξτραόρδινα), it would appear that its purpose extended also to legal practitioners, and not just to students. The scholia to the *Basilica*, a 9th century Byzantine legal compilation, preserves some extracts from this translation, which have been edited by Brandsma.³ He categorises them as either being ‘very literal’, ‘quite literal’, ‘not quite literal’ or ‘with clarifications’; the ‘quite literal’ group receives the most extracts. The following is an example of ‘very literal’:

si ex plostro lapis ceciderit et quid ruperit vel fregerit, Aquiliae actione plostrarium teneri placet, si male composuit lapides et ideo lapsi sunt.

¹ The most comprehensive overview is that of Scheltema, *L'Enseignement*.

² In addition to Scheltema, see esp. Brandsma, *Dorotheus*.

³ *ibid.*, 47-70.

ἐὰν ἐξ ἀμάξης λίθος πεσὼν διαφθείρη τί ποτε ἢ κλάση, ὁ ἀμαξελάτης κατέχεται τῷ Ἀκοιιλίῳ, εἰ κακῶς συνέθηκε τοὺς λίθους καὶ διὰ τοῦτο κατέπεσον.¹

Only ‘placet’ does not receive an equivalent and the only other concession to the idioms of Greek is the re-structuring of ‘ceciderit et fregerit’ as πεσὼν διαφθείρη. In view of this sort of style, it is quite unsurprising that a scholion often contains the refrain: Δωρόθεος μέντοι τῷ ῥητῷ κατακολουθῶν, i.e. he was ‘following [the Digest] literally’.² Frequently, Dorotheus’ version required the ‘paragraphai’, comments on the translation which “served to make the translation clear, perhaps to make it possible to use it independently in legal practice without reading the Digest text.”³ Interesting for our purposes also is the papyrus PS 1350, containing a small fragment of Dorotheus’ version, which gives us a glimpse at the visual layout of the original. It contains not only a high number of transliterated technical terms, but some even written in Latin characters. It testifies to a particular method of translation in vogue in that particular context in which it was recognised that, while translation was needed, the closer the reader could be brought to the original the better. Overall, however, Brandsma’s judgment on the work is that ‘Dorotheus aimed more at a correct translation as regards content than a translation as literal as possible.’⁴

Only when we turn to some other examples of this genre do we find something even more extreme. The Justinianic *Codex* was known for the difficulty and obscurity of its wording and expression. Thus when this text came to be treated in the fifth and final year of the law curriculum, the *antecessores* faced even greater barriers than with the Digest. One teacher, Isidore, solved the problem by creating a word-list to be appended to the end of the manuscripts. Thalalaeus, however, aimed at something more like an inter-linear version. Scheltema calls this a ‘moyen curieux’, although its form is presaged already in Justinian’s edict, that no interpretation of the laws is permitted “nisi tantum si velit eas (leges) in Graecam vocem transformare sub eodem

¹ This is no.8 in Brandsma’s list.

² From Basilica scholion 2127-29 or 1086-27, cited Brandsma, *Dorotheus*, 86-7.

³ *ibid.*, 46.

⁴ *ibid.*, 278.

ordine eaque consequentia, sub qua et voces Romanae positae sunt (hoc quod Graeci κατὰ πόδα dicunt).”¹

Holwerda has shown, by reference to a number of errors in the translation, that this version absolutely required the original in order to make sense and could not have been designed to have a separate existence, but rather must have been inserted above the Latin line as in a modern inter-linear, and as Justinian appears to command.² This κατὰ πόδας version of the *Codex* was an important addition to the insufficient help given by Thalalaeus’ *Index* and *Paragraphai*. With it, students could see both the original Latin and the Greek ‘crib’ at the same time. A couple of examples of this κατὰ πόδας version will make its nature quite clear: for instance ‘non mutant honores servi statum’ becomes οὐκ ἐναλλάσσουσι αἱ τιμαὶ τὴν τοῦ δούλου κατάστασιν. And again: ‘obtemperandi legi conventionis nullam habet necessitatem domina’ becomes πείθεσθαι τῷ νόμῳ τοῦ συμφώνου οὐδεμίαν ἔχει ἀνάγκην ἢ δέσποινα.³ Furthermore, the errors described by Holwerda indicate that the translator hardly even understood the original as a connected whole, but focused on each word independently of its context, grammatical or semantic.⁴

A similar exercise was again undertaken on the *Novellae*, Justinian’s own edicts made after the compilation of the *Codex*, which were written originally in Greek. The Latin-speaking students, especially those coming into Constantinople after the re-incorporation of Italy into the Empire, required assistance in reading these texts in the same way that their non-Latinophone colleagues had done with the *Digest* and *Codex*. The Latin version thus created, the so-called *Authenticum*, became a standard legal text in the West thereafter, and it is quoted, for instance, by Pope Gregory.⁵ It is written, says Scheltema, in ‘un latin incompréhensible’, that is, without the original

¹ *Digest Const. Tanta* 21. See also Scheltema, *L’Enseignement*, 32, and Humfress, *Law and Legal Practice*, 168. The term κατὰ πόδας seems to mean ‘in [one’s] footsteps’ (cf. the term used with πλέω in *Xen.Hell.* 2,1,20 and *Thuc.* 8,17,3; with πρόσκειμαι in *Jos. Bell.Iud.* 3,291; also cf. *P.Gron.* 17,7 for an idiomatic usage) and, in our context, it is an equivalent to ‘*verbum de verbo*’. It is paralleled thus in Theodoret who describes as περὶ πόδα an excessively literal exegesis, in the preface to his Commentary on the Book of Kings (*Quaest in Reges et Paralipomena*, ed. Fernandez Marcos and Busto Saiz, 3), cited in Kannengiesser, *Handbook of Patristic Exegesis*, I,195.

² Holwerda, *Traduction grecque*; also Scheltema, *Subseciva IV-X*, 99.

³ These taken from BS 2993-20 and BS 3003-6 respectively, cited in Scheltema, *L’Enseignement*, 38-9.

⁴ Holwerda, *Traduction grecque*, 275-83.

⁵ For a general description, Scheltema, *Subseciva XI-XIII*, 275-9.

alongside.¹ He concludes from all this activity that ‘l’enseignement...ne visait pas moins la solution des problèmes linguistiques que celles des énigmes du droit.’² To give a clearer idea of the methods used in the κατὰ πόδας translations, the following is the opening of Justinian’s *Novellae* with the Latin *Authenticum* translation of the original Greek on the lower line³:

Ἐνσχολημένοις ἡμῖν περὶ τὰς ἀπάσης τῆς πολιτείας φροντίδας, καὶ
occupatis nobis circa totius reipublicae curas et

μικρὸν οὐδὲν αἰρουμένοις ἐννοεῖν, ἀλλ’ ὅπως ἂν Πέρσαι μὲν
parvum nihil eligentibus cogitare, sed quatenus [x] Persae quidem

ἤρεμοῖεν, Βανδίλοι δὲ σὺν Μαυρουσίοις ὑπακούοιεν, Καρχηδόνιοι
quiescent, Vandali vero cum Mauris oboediant, Carchedonii

δὲ τὴν παλαιὰν ἀπολαβόντες ἔχοιεν ἐλευθέριαν Τζάνοι τε νῦν
autem antiquam recipientes habeant libertatem, et Tzani nunc

τὴν Ῥωμαίων πρῶτον ὑπὸ γενόμενοι πολιτείαν ἐν ὑπηκόοις
Romanorum primum sub facti republica inter subiectos

τελοῖεν, καὶ νῦν τοῦτο ὅπερ οὐπω πλὴν ἐπὶ τῆς ἡμετέρας
habeantur, hactenus quod nondum nisi sub nostro

βασιλείας δέδωκε Ῥωμαίοις ὁ θεός, ἐπιρρέουσι καὶ ἰδιωτικαὶ
imperio dedit Romanis deus, incurrunt etiam propriae

φροντίδες παρὰ τῶν ἡμετέρων ὑπηκόων ἀεὶ προσαγγελλόμεναι,
sollicitudines a nostris subiectis semper nuntiatae,

¹ Scheltema, *L'Enseignement*, 54; an extended example is given in the appendix at the end of this chapter.

² *ibid.*, 47.

³ Texts in R. Schöll and G. Kroll, *Corpus iuris civilis. Vol.3, Novellae* (6th ed.). Berlin, 1954.

ᾧν ἐκάστη μὲν δίδομεν τὸν προσήκοντα τύπον.
quarum singulis quidem damus competentem formam.

For comparison, the following is the editor's own Latin version of the same text, *sensus de sensu*:

Occupatis nobis universae reipublicae curis, nec parvi quid animo agitantibus, sed quomodo Persae quiescant, Vandali cum Mauris oboediant, Carthaginienses pristinam libertatem recuperatam obtineant, Tzanique nunc primum Romanorum reipublicae subiecti inter subditios habeantur (id quod nondum hactenus nisi sub nostro imperio dedit Romanis deus), affluunt etiam privatae curae a subditis nostris semper delatae, quarum suam cuique convenientem formam damus.

At what date did this method of translation first develop? The work of the *antecessores* can be dated very specifically to the period after the promulgation of the new law codes, i.e. 533-c.560. Of the law course before 533 we know very little.¹ However, it is Scheltema's judgment that 'les méthodes d'enseignement non plus n'ont pas changé de façon radicale' and 'il est fort probable que la faculté juridique elle aussi fut bilingue depuis longtemps.'² He can say this largely because there is little evidence that the year 533 appeared to many as a particularly important date at the time. Only in retrospect does the Justinianic legal reform appear so groundbreaking. At the time it was seen as little more than a reorganisation of existing material, not necessarily accompanied by any change at all in the curriculum, and indeed he provides concrete evidence that this was the case.³ Although we are not in possession of any school texts earlier than 533,⁴ the experience of Severus and Zacharias at Beirut at the close of the fifth century cannot have been very dissimilar from that of the following generation.

Our investigations in Part 3 have suggested that the first half of the sixth century (and even the latter years of the fifth) was the most significant period in the development

¹ Scheltema, *L'Enseignement*, 10.

² *ibid.*, 9,48.

³ *ibid.*, 8.

⁴ The Scholia Sinaitica provide a partial and qualified exception to this statement, see Scheltema, *Subseciva IV-X*, 100.

of Syriac translation techniques, when the key decisions were made and implemented, and when most of the steps towards the fully-fledged seventh century system were taken. This fact naturally raises the question as to whether there may have been any influence between what we have seen taking place simultaneously in the law schools and the translation programme at the School of the Persians in Edessa or in the other centres of Syriac learning. When Sergius of Resh‘aina or Paul of Callinicum set about their work, coming as they did from the world of Greek scholarship and learning, were they aware of these existing techniques which might serve as models for their own work? Men such as these (and we might add even Severus, a law school student who, while not a Syriac speaker, had a decisive influence upon their world, and of course Philoxenus) could have acted as conduits for this sort of literary model.

Another not insignificant piece of the jigsaw in this ‘legal’ connection will be of some interest. For even if we cannot say for certain whether or not the Syriac translators were aware of techniques used in Beirut, we can be sure that some people at the time were concerned with translating legal documents into Syriac. For such is the so-called Syro-Roman lawbook. In its title (as found in the oldest manuscript), it claims to be a set of secular laws translated out of ܠܘܨܘܡܝ ܠܘܠܐ, a term which could mean either Latin or Greek, (though usually used with reference to the structures of imperialism).¹ Either way, it seems unlikely that it could have been translated directly from the Latin. While there is a plentiful bibliography on the text, little attention has been paid to linguistic style and translation technique, although this would be difficult due to the lack of any direct Vorlage and the complexities of the Syriac text-tradition itself. Baumstark gives the date of translation as before 468, but the reason is unclear.² There may be room for some investigation here. Above all, however, it attests to the interaction of the Syriac schools of canon and ecclesiastical law (i.e. in the monasteries, where all other translations must also be located) with the Greek secular schools at Beirut, Constantinople, and Alexandria. One scholar even argued that it was a school text book from Beirut for first year students.³ A parallel and even more

¹ Principal edition by Sachau and Bruns, *Syrisch-römisches Rechtsbuch* and more recently in another recension, Vööbus, *The Syro-Roman lawbook : the Syriac text of the recently discovered manuscripts accompanied by a facsimile edition*. For ܠܘܨܘܡܝ in its usual functions, see, e.g. Brooks, *Vitae Virorum*, 78,25.

² Baumstark, *Geschichte*, 83.

³ Nallino, *Sul libro Siro Romano e sul presunto diritto siriano*, and see the more recent summary of research by Eskhult, *The Syro-Roman Lawbook and Local Legal Custom*.

purely secular text is provided by the *Sententiae Syriacae* recently published by Selb, a translation which the editor describes as ‘almost slavish’, and made between 427 and 529.¹ It is thus just the sort of text whose influence upon the theological schools in the realm of translation technique may have been decisive.

In fact, and this may be of indirect relevance, there was a surprisingly close relationship between the student body in Beirut and the anti-Chalcedonian movement among the monasteries of Palestine and Syria. For it was not only Severus and Zacharias who had been law students in Beirut, but John Rufus and his brother Evagrius as well, and so too Theodore of Ascalon, all protégés of Peter the Iberian.² These lawyer-monks congregated around the monasteries of Maiuma/Gaza, initially under Peter’s leadership and later under Theodore. In fact, so common was this particular career path that a monastic novel was made out of a fabulous story of law students becoming monks in Palestine.³ While in the Gaza region, this group continued to maintain close contacts with secular learning through the person of Aeneas, the renowned sophist of Gaza.⁴ The sudden appearance of the writings of Dionysius the Areopagite seems also to have some close connection with this group and type of background, a fact which links their particular brand of learned monasticism rather closely with that of the Syriac translator of the Dionysiac corpus, Sergius of Res‘aina, a contemporary of Paul of Callinicum. What these stories indicate is the growing intellectualism and ‘bookishness’ of the monastic movement in the latter part of the fifth century and especially in the sixth, a development which linked centres of higher education and monasteries more closely than ever before. This seems to have produced a quasi-academic culture in the monasteries of which we see the results in the mirror-translations of the sixth and seventh centuries.

A final piece of evidence may make us even more certain of the close links between such schools in late antiquity. When Hunayn ibn Ishaq looked back to previous Syriac versions of Galen, he soon became disillusioned with them and discarded them in

¹ Selb, *Sententiae Syriacae*.

² *Life of Peter the Iberian* (ed. Raabe), 78-9.

³ See Derwas Chitty, *The Desert a City*. Crestwood, NY, 1995, 143.

⁴ See the *Life of Severus* 87-90.

order to start over again.¹ Specifically, he accuses the work of Ayyub, a more recent predecessor, of being ‘incomprehensible,’ meaning probably that Ayyub’s method was rather like that of the seventh century Syrian school and produced extreme calques which could only be understood alongside the Greek. Sergius of Res‘aina, however, comes in for even worse criticism than Ayyub, although it is not quite clear what his sin was. Was it that Sergius simply did not understand Galen very well and so failed to give the right sense, or was it more a matter of translation technique per se? Hunayn points out that Sergius improved over time:

Übersetzt hatte dieses Buch ins Syrische Sergios, und zwar fand die Übersetzung der ersten sechs Teile statt, als er noch schwach war und im Übersetzen nichts leistete. Die übrigen acht Teile hat er dann übersetzt, nachdem er Übung erlangt hatte, und so hat er sie besser übersetzt, als er die sechs ersten übersetzt hat.²

In what did this improvement consist? Better technical knowledge? Better exemplars? Or was it a better translation technique which became over time more similar to what we have seen approved by Philoxenus and found in the work of Paul of Callinicum – not so obsessively calque-esque as the versions of 150 years later which received only Hunayn’s opprobrium, but rather a well-developed method of precise technical translation such that the exact meaning of the Greek can be seen *through* the Syriac wording and syntax? A recent study has, in fact, suggested that Sergius’ method in dealing with texts of Galen did not at all deserve the opprobrium it often received in later centuries and in fact preserved with great care for posterity many of the technical terms of Greek medicine.³ Whether or not this is, in fact, the reason (and only a close attention to the history of those texts may tell us the answer), nevertheless the fact that Hunayn distinguishes between Sergius’ work before his time in Alexandria and after it suggests that he altered his methods a good deal while he was there. Might it have had anything to do with his witnessing there the Latin-Greek translation techniques used in the legal system that we have been describing? And did his knowledge of and

¹ For the Risala, see Bergsträsser, *Hunain ibn Ishaq über die syrischen und arabischen Galen-Übersetzungen*.

² *ibid.* p.14,15-18.

³ Bhayro, *Syriac Medical Terminology*. The planned editions of the Syriac medical corpus announced in this article will no doubt throw a great deal of light on the question of where Sergius fits into the development of translation technique.

liking for the Dionysiac corpus arise from some close association with that group of monastic literati in Gaza who themselves hailed from the law-school of Beirut, the breeding ground for mirror-translation *par excellence* in the early sixth century?

We have already seen how the interaction between the Roman administrative and military machines and the Syriac-speaking communities produced a linguistic interchange which accustomed the latter to the reception of large numbers of loan-words of a technical nature. To this we have added the same phenomenon occurring also in the realm of legal jargon in the case of Latin/Greek. Even if we cannot assume the direct appropriation of such models, we can at least see here a number of branches, stemming from the same network of inter-cultural exchange, from the same multilingual world, and expressing the same concern to share ideas and cultures between linguistic communities in a variety of walks of life. What we have extant in Syriac, such as the Syro-Roman Lawbook, can only be the tip of the iceberg of what once existed; and the extent and complexity of the social, cultural, and literary links between the Syriac and Greek intellectual worlds must surely have been proportionately wider than those that we can dimly perceive through fragmentary remains.

When those translators, perhaps at Edessa, who were translating Cyril's works in the latter part of the fifth and early into the sixth centuries began slowly to appreciate that the way Graeco-Syriac translation had been carried out to date was not good enough for the now-dawning age of the 'exegesis of the Fathers', they had only to look to the world of official documents, military inscriptions, and law-school texts, with their distinctive treatment of specific and technical jargon, to find models for making their vision a reality. Theology simply needed to be added to administration and law as areas of thought which were 'untranslatable' by traditional, more literary, means, and which required something more specially suited to their subject-matter. Taking up these models more and more, the Syrian theological translators were able to develop their initial vision with its stilted experiments in the new style into the polished, deliberate, and highly accomplished techniques of what we have termed the 'mirror-style.'

Summary

The actual presence of such models in the right context was the key element in this development. As we suggested in the first part of this chapter, we needed to find (in addition to the three initial general criteria described) some very specific and historical explanations within the concrete situation of the Syrians in the 5th-7th centuries. These factors help to explain why such a technique developed here in a way quite different from what happened in the West, where different dynamics were at play, both in the Latin and Old English spheres.

Under the rubric of *motivations*, we identified the characteristics of the polemics of Christological debate, the growth of Aristotelian study amongst the Syrians and the resulting concern with language and semiotics, as well as the personal and powerful influence of Philoxenus (and perhaps others less visible in our sources). All these factors explained the vision without really providing the models for the development of the technique in those concrete terms which are also required for a full explanation of the phenomenon. By looking at the tradition of language use and textual translation in the eastern provinces throughout antiquity, and especially by focusing on the area of legal texts, we have made some suggestions towards finding such models, while always remembering that the extent of our knowledge is severely curtailed by the losses of time.

A modern parallel ?

We have noted on more than one occasion in the foregoing discussion the importance of semiotics in any particular theoretical approach towards translation technique, that is, the way one considers the relationship between a thing and its sign is always going to be crucial to how one goes about signifying things – it will affect both the reading of the Vorlage (as it affects the whole hermeneutical enterprise) and especially the conceptual transfer into the target language. Very different notions of language must have held, for example, between the Syrians of late antiquity and the English scholars of the late Anglo-Saxon period, however many other similarities of context there appear to be.

Similarly, and of greater import, Augustine's suggestions on the distinction between meaning and sign were not taken over and developed in the West before the Renaissance, and so an 'imitative' approach to translation was generally the norm in the Latin West in the middle ages, once Jerome's striving after *elegantia* had been left behind and Aristotle (significantly) held centre stage, with Boëthius' philologically-oriented translation of Aristotle as the model. Reaction only set in during the 16th century, especially in the matter of translations into the vernacular. The works of Dryden and Pope, among many others, are sufficient witness to the tenor of *their* age.

A new moment, however, and a more significant one in our connection, in the history of translation techniques was initiated among the German Idealists – it was hardly surprising that the reasoned discussions of literature in the eighteenth century should have thrust *them* towards an entirely different direction. The idealism of the *Sturm und Drang* movement sought *truth* rather than *fact* (a 'theological' aim if ever there was one) and in ancient literature this *truth* was to be found not in the disguising of an author under the garb of modern literary culture (as Enlightenment translation theorists claimed) but in reaching into that void between author and translator in the hope of touching just a piece of that *Geist* which had made the original so important in the first place.

Behind this reaching-out after inner truth lay von Humboldt's *Ursprache* theory and the concomitant belief that *Vorlage* and *Übersetzung* were cousins, representing in differing dialects only the same eternal human truth. This type of approach found its concretisation in Goethe's 'Interlinear Versions' in which above all it was the order and layout of the ideas in the *Vorlage* which was considered the most crucial aspect of a text and which needed to be reproduced. Ever since these novel methods were first tried, there have always been some who have advocated methods of literality as, if not more, extreme than anything the Syrians could have written,¹ and Goethe's ideas have retained their force under other guises, in the hermeneutics of Hegel and in some post-modern semiotics.

¹ For instance, see C. & L. Zukofsky, *Catullus*. London, 1969; or the Rosenzweig-Buber German translation of the Hebrew Bible (Heidelberg, 1978-81).

Can we see in this any sort of parallel between the German idealist search after truth and the Syriac search for the right way of translating? From one viewpoint, our answer must be negative. We have already seen how Philoxenus and his contemporaries developed their ideas in a polemical context and with the aim of achieving scientific (or perhaps legalistic) precision. Seeing theology and dogma as an extension of (a scientifically-oriented) philosophy, and ultimately of the niceties of Greek logic, they advanced boldly down a road towards 'scientific translations'. The idealists of the late eighteenth century were motivated rather by poetical and 'spiritual' notions of the past.

From another viewpoint, however, we can see an important similarity. Both movements held to a semiotics based on a 'theological' *Geist*, a feeling that real meaning lay *within*, and not just *behind*, the forms of grammar, and hence that the *signifiant* precedes the *signifié* in overall import. It may not match well with modern notions of a good translation, but it reflects a theological insight of some import, a theological insight that *could* be effectively communicated (so its protagonists would claim, whether ancient or modern) by means of specific approaches to manipulating language.

In this way does the translator, in these contexts especially, become a 'power-broker' controlling and channeling the way in which his culture moves. He thereby gives to literature not just a new direction but a whole new *Geist*. In light of the powerful and not dissimilar impact on their respective worlds that was effected by both the Syrian translators and by the German idealists, might we not justly apply to Philoxenus (and to his colleagues) Goethe's epithet for the translator, '*ein Prophet in seinem Volk*'?

Appendix 1

A Statistical Experiment

“Greek sentences are sometimes rendered fairly literally, at others they are completely recast. There is little effort to attain consistency.”¹

Aim and Method

The motivation for this experiment derives from the observation contained in the above statement. All the accumulated data of Part 3 told a great deal about the texts in question, but was to some extent only very partial, for the data presented was chosen to illustrate and fortify an impression and could never attain a status of absolute authority while it remained anything short of exhaustive. Thus, for instance, while a novel lexical item such as *ܠܘܥܘܡܐܢܘܢ* might well turn up in both Ep40 and the Ad Tiberium, in the former it is the exception, in the latter the rule. The difference is a question of consistency; and it seems that it is upon the issue of consistency that we need ultimately to base any typology of translation styles. Doubtless new methods, both lexical and syntactic, were invented and used first at some specific stage in the process, but only experimentally and haphazardly, a situation that would yield over time to one in which the new method would be used with ever greater consistency. Thus we need a way of measuring the consistency of ‘mirror’ usages over significant portions of text.

In his discussion of translation techniques in the Septuagint, James Barr has already suggested that it must somehow be possible to quantify statistically levels of consistency,² although he makes no concrete suggestion as to how this might be done. Some attempts have, however, been made to apply statistical techniques to the Greek Old Testament, in order to distinguish with greater precision the styles of the translators of the several books.³ These have tended to

¹ Brock, *Greek into Syriac*, 3, in reference to the style of the earliest Greek-Syriac translations.

² Barr, *Typology*.

³ E.g. Galen Marquis, “Consistency of lexical equivalents as a criterion for the evaluation of translation technique as exemplified in the LXX of Ezekiel.” *Sixth Congress of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies, Jerusalem, 1986*. Atlanta, 1987, 405-24; Benjamin G. Wright III, “The quantitative representation of elements : evaluating ‘literalism’ in the LXX.” *Sixth Congress of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies, Jerusalem, 1986*. Atlanta, 1987, 311-35. See also Pelio Fronzaroli, “Statistical methods in the study of ancient Near Eastern languages.” *Orientalia ns* 42 (1973), 97-113.

focus on lexical equivalences. But they have to some extent inspired the following, highly experimental, effort.

The aim is to measure how close any given text approaches the level of consistency in ‘mirror’ renderings achieved by a nominally ‘perfect’ text, i.e. one that represents the highest development of the art of Hellenised mirroring. For this purpose we need a text that comes from towards the end of our period of Syriac translations and of which the Greek is extant such that we can measure its consistency levels. For this purpose, I have chosen Gregory Nazianzen’s 40th Oration in its most revised version, which, according to its colophon, was carried out in 624, and is conveniently available in a recent edition.¹

Ideally one would proceed to measure consistency across a very wide range of grammatical, syntactical, and lexical issues or criteria, but we have restricted ourselves in this experiment to a smaller number. These criteria reflect findings from our texts earlier in the study and were also chosen as being well represented in the chosen control text, the Gregory Oration. The seven criteria are as follows:

1) Indicative verbs: In this measure, the consistency of formal equivalents is being assessed according to the following standard

Present = Syriac participle

Imperfect = Syriac participle + auxiliary

Future = Syriac Imperfect

Aorist/Perfect = Syriac Perfect

This standard represents what we often found in our texts and a very high level of equivalency is found in the control.

2) Participles: This measure concerns specifically circumstantial participles, including Genitive absolutes

Circumstantial Present Ptc. = ܐܘܢܐ + ptc. (+ auxiliary when in past context)

Circumstantial Aorist Ptc. = ܐܘܢܐ + perfect

¹ Haelewyck, *Oratio XL*. For the dating, see p.vii. The Greek edition used was that of Moreschini, *Grégoire de Nazianze. Discours 38-41*

3) Copula: the formal equivalents in this regard have been fairly widely discussed already.

This particular measure is restricted to the following equivalency:

Imperfect = $\kappa\omicron\sigma\ \delta\iota\omicron\kappa$ (+ personal endings)

4) Infinitives: again a number of standard equivalencies are found, but here we are restricted

to:

Article + Infinitive = $\alpha\ \omicron\sigma$ + Imperfect

5) Prepositions: three have been chosen for the distinctive changes which can be seen over time. These three are all measured together:

διά + Genitive = $\delta\iota\alpha$

μετά + Genitive = $\mu\epsilon\tau\alpha$

περί + Genitive = $\pi\epsilon\rho\iota$

6) Particle ἄρα

ἄρα = $\alpha\ \omicron\kappa$ (this does not include the similar ἄρα)

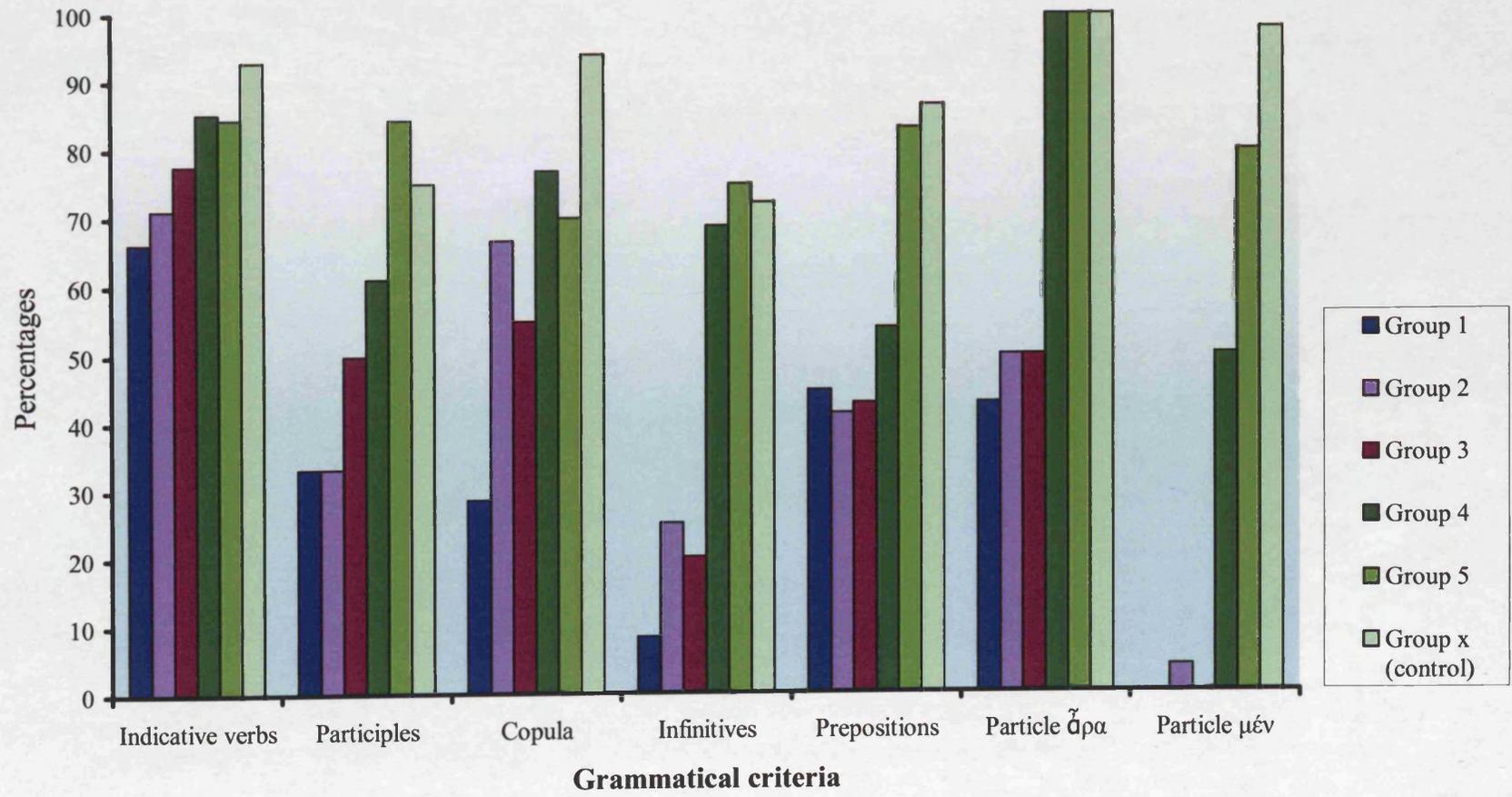
7) Particle μέν

μέν = $\mu\epsilon\ \nu$

Statistics are compiled as follows: If a given text were to translate, say, the article + infinitive with $\alpha\ \omicron\sigma$ + the imperfect on three-quarters of all instances of the article + infinitive within the text, then it would be given a 75% ‘success’ rate for criterion no.4. This can then be measured against the ‘success’ rate achieved by the control text in order to get some idea of how close the said text comes to reaching the levels of consistency found in the control.

We have chosen one text from each of the groups which we were able to isolate as a result of the data in Part 3.¹ For each of our seven criteria, we thus have 6 texts to test (our five groups plus the control), each text yielding a percentage result under each criterion. The resulting bar charts are shown overleaf.

¹ From Group I, *De Recta Fide*; Group II, *Ep50*; Group III, *Contra Theodoretum*; Group IV, *Ep55*; Group V, *Ad Tiberium*. Group x is Gregory of Nazianzus, *Oratio XL*, versio nova.



Observations

Based on this admittedly limited supply of evidence, it should be fairly clear at a glance that the results of this statistical experiment agree closely with the assumed order of the groups which we outlined in the earlier conclusions, namely that the groups were in chronological order. Only occasionally is this order violated. Thus under 'Copula' and 'Infinitives' group 2 has achieved a higher standard than group 3. Since the nature and date of group 3 was always the hardest to pin down, this is perhaps not surprising.

The control group does indeed surpass all the others under most headings, the exception being group 5's higher score under 'Participles'.

The shapes of the graphs also indicate another point already made earlier, namely that group 5 is quite set apart from the others in many areas, and it can be seen that in general it is much closer to the control group than to the earlier groups. Despite its many Peshitta readings, the *Ad Tiberium* ought perhaps to be given as high a date as possible, and may even be 7th century, to bring it into close conformity with Paul of Edessa's Gregory translations. Even group 4 (*Ep55*) shows some very advanced scores and is quite set apart from the first three. This group we found to be closest in style to that of Paul of Callinicum and represented many typical Philoxenian revisions in terms of its style.

The first criterion, 'indicative verbs' is of particular significance, partly because it was assessed over the greatest sample size (indicative verbs being extremely common in all texts), partly because of the relatively high score even for group 1 (which is unsurprising given that these basic equivalents are quite intuitive). It thus shows quite clearly that the changes in translation technique over time (especially as relating to formal equivalence) have more to do with consistency of accepted methods than with the discovery of new methods, and that is what this exercise sets out to demonstrate.

Appendix 2

The Evidence of the Scriptural Citations

“The Muse of translation is a bookish one”

D. Mark Possanza, *Translating the Heavens*

This appendix contains the basic data necessary for the observations and conclusions made in Part 3.iii.d. Full synopses are given in many cases, especially in the Gospels and Acts, as these have not yet been published in the *Das Neue Testament in syrischer Überlieferung* edition. Where a full synopsis was not considered necessary, the agreement of the citation with a particular version is indicated, followed by all variants. Thus, for instance, where P = QUX is followed by one difference, it can be concluded that the citation in QUX follows the Peshitta exactly apart from that one difference.

The page and line references to the texts are given at the beginning of each chapter and verse heading. The references for other relevant citations (such as from Philoxenus, which are sometimes included for comparison) are given underneath each synopsis.

The Greek given is that of the text of NA²⁷ for NT and Rahlfs' edition for OT quotes. The NT Syriac text is taken from: for the Gospels, Kiraz, *Comparative Edition of the Syriac Gospels*; for the Paulines and Major Catholics, the NTSU volumes; for Acts, the BFBS Peshitta and White's 1799 'Philoxeniana' edition of the Harklean. The OT Peshitta text is taken from the Leiden edition (with variants noted where relevant), save for Jeremiah and Baruch (not yet published) which are taken from the standard BFBS text.

In Greek text, any variants from the standard text that are found in Cyril are noted in square brackets. In Syriac text, square brackets are used wherever a particular word or omission owes its form to an otherwise known variant in Cyril's text, as such variants are clearly of no value in determining the translator's translation style.

The parallel lines from P, H and other sources are accommodated to the citation(s), i.e. where a phrase in the verse is omitted in Cyril, the equivalent words have also been omitted in all

parallel versions. Citations which are only allusions or paraphrases are noted by a reference with an asterisk but are usually not included in the parallel collations or discussed beneath, unless they contain something of particular relevance. Barbara Aland has pointed out that such paraphrases “auch...können einzelne wörtliche Textelemente enthalten, so daß es sich für Spezialstudien immer empfiehlt, den entsprechenden Teil des Paraphrasenapparates vollständig zur Kenntnis zu nehmen und in den Editionen nachzuschlagen.”¹

As the punctuation in the mss is erratic, the punctuation given in these transcriptions should not be taken as a precise guide to the content of the mss.

* the asterisk shows that the citation referenced is only an allusion. Some lexicographical observations may still be made in some cases, depending on the nature of the allusion.

pt shows that only a part of the verse referenced is cited – this is only used for citations proper and not for allusions.

< arrows refer to the fact that the relevant part of the verse is omitted in the relevant citation.

// refers to a parallel (usually Biblical) text

‘noGk’ refers to the portion of the *Ad Tiberium* for which the Syriac only is extant, and for which there is therefore no Greek reference to be given, the page no. of the English translation instead being provided.

¹ Aland and Juckel, *Die Paulinischen Briefe 1*, 69.

1. Gospels

Mt 1.18b [CT = 133, 13-5 / f.117rc]

μνηστευθείσης τῆς μητρὸς αὐτοῦ Μαρίας τῷ Ἰωσήφ

ⲉⲟⲱⲗ	ⲭ	ⲙⲁⲣ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁ	ⲭ	ⲁⲓⲟⲟ	ⲕⲓⲉⲁⲥⲁ	ⲓⲃ	P
ⲉⲟⲱⲗ	ⲭ	ⲙⲁⲣ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲓⲃ	CT
ⲉⲟⲱⲗ	ⲙⲓⲃ	ⲕⲁⲣ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁ	ⲓⲉ	ⲁⲓⲟⲟ	ⲕⲓⲉⲁⲥⲁ	ⲓⲃ	H

εὐρέθη ἐν γαστρὶ ἔχουσα ἐκ πνεύματος ἁγίου

ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	ⲕⲉⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	P
ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	ⲕⲉⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	CT
¹ ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲥ	ⲟⲓⲗ	ⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	H

CPJ 41,12-14 *et al.* = P except ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ for ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ

The use of the pf instead of P's participle + ⲁⲓⲟⲟ is a deviation from the versional tradition, but otherwise the influence of P is clear. The first half of this verse was singled out by Philoxenus for revision (see CPJ 53,13-4), but in v18b the only change was ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ to ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ, not a revision shared by CT.

Mt 1.20b *pt* [CT1 = PG 76.793B / f.108vb; CT2 = 133,11-13 / f.117rc]

μη φοβηθῆς παραλαβεῖν Μαρίαν τὴν γυναῖκά σου· τὸ γὰρ ἐν αὐτῇ γεννηθὲν

ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲓⲉ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲭ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	P
ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲟⲩⲃ	<	<	<	<	<	CT1
ⲭ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	ⲓⲉ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲭ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	CT2
ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	ⲭ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	CPJ1
ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	ⲭ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	CPJ2
ⲭ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	ⲓⲉ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲭ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	CPJ3
ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲭ	ⲭ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	<	<	<	<	<	CPJ4
ⲭ	ⲓⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲟⲩⲃⲓ	ⲓⲉ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲁⲓⲃ	ⲕⲁⲁⲁⲥⲁⲁⲕ	ⲙⲓⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥⲁ	ⲕⲗ	H

ἐκ πνεύματος ἔστιν ἁγίου

ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	P	
ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CT1	
ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲟⲟⲓ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CT2	
ⲭ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CPJ1
ⲭ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CPJ2
ⲭ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CPJ3
ⲭ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ	ⲟⲩⲃ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	CPJ4
ⲟⲩⲃⲁⲓⲕⲓⲃ	ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ	ⲭ	ⲕⲱⲟⲓ	ⲛ	H

CPJ1 = 28,30 – 29,1 / 41,15-16; CPJ2 = 41,21-2; CPJ3 = 227,7-8; CPJ4 = 236,13-14

¹ i.e. in Vat.Syr.268; ⲕⲉⲓⲁⲓⲟ all other mss. See Johnston, *The Harklean text of the Gospel of Matthew*, in loc..

The citations in CPJ illustrate the trends present in the revision process. What is most intriguing is the way in which different aspects of the revised version turn up differently in different citations of the same verse. The four citations of this verse in CPJ all contain different elements which would eventually find their way into the translation style of the Harklean; these include a) the use of ܘܒܝܢܐ for P's ܘܒܝܢܐ (CPJ1,3), b) the transposition of ܘܒܝܢܐ in line with its Gk position (CPJ2) and c) the use of ܘܒܝܢܐ rather than ܘܒܝܢܐܝܢܐ (CPJ). The adoption of revision b) by CT1 shows the revisionistic influence, although the influence of P on CT generally is still very strong.

Mt 1.21 [EDC = 22,6-7 / f.1r (EDC1) f.18vb (EDC2)] [Ep39 = 18,12-4 / f.151rb] [QUX = 743,13 / f.69va]

τέξεται δὲ υἱόν [τέξη υἱόν, Ep39 EDC //Lk 1.31] καὶ καλέσεις τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ Ἰησοῦν· αὐτὸς γὰρ σώσει

,ܡܘܨܘܣ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	X	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	P
,ܡܘܨܘܣ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	QUX
,ܡܘܨܘܣ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	X	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	Ep39
,ܡܘܨܘܣ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	X	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	[ܘܒܝܢܐ]	EDC
,ܡܘܨܘܣ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܡܠܝܐ	ܡܠܝܐ	ܡܠܝܐ	ܡܠܝܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	H

τὸν λαὸν αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν αὐτῶν·

X	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	P
X	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	QUX
X	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	Ep39
X	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	X	ܡܘܨܘܣ	EDC
ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	ܘܒܝܢܐ	H

ML 43,1-2 = P [,ܡܘܨܘܣ for ,ܡܘܨܘܣ]

The forms of the first two verbs in Ep39/EDC are explained by the variant in Cyril's text (the variant is not known from mss and must be Cyril's own in order to harmonise the persons of the two verbs) which they both follow. Yet it is noteworthy that they both follow the same method through with καλέσεις as well. EDC is clearly already part way to H with its rendering of ,ܡܘܨܘܣ for σώσει, where P (incl.OS) and Ep39 still have ,ܡܘܨܘܣ, and this is true even in the earlier, unrevised form of EDC and in QUX, indicating just how early the change was made. The same revision is found in Philoxenus' *Tractatus Tres* and *Ep Senoun*.¹ This can be taken as further evidence for the Philoxenian revision, which attempts to be more consistent and 'modern' in its lexical equivalences, but which has not yet influenced ML to the same extent as the others. Other Harklean characteristics, however, such as the use of ܡܠܝܐ for all forms of the possessive pronoun are absent from this citation, showing that the revision is by no means complete.

Mt 1.23 [Ep39 = 18,9-11 / f.151rb] [CT* = PG 76.393C / f.108vc] [QUX* = 716,34-5 / f.52ra] [SDI = 225,37-8 / f.50va]

¹ See collation in Watt, *Dissertation*, 49, and the conclusion given there.

Ep39 and CPJ cite the whole verse, but = P except in this last phrase:

ὁ ἐστὶν μεθερμηνευόμενον μεθ' ἡμῶν ὁ θεός

ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	X	X	P
ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	X	X	SDI
ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	X	ܐܘܪܝܢ	Ep39
ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܐܘܪܝܢ	CPJ
ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܐܘܪܝܢ	H

CPJ = 42,14 / 46,7 / 56,16-7

Again we can see the beginning of the revision, both lexical (ܦܘܪܝܢ for ܦܘܪܝܢ) as well as syntactical (ܘܚܘܪܝܢ for ܘܚܘܪܝܢ in response to the Greek relative pronoun). CPJ has already gone one step further than SDI, Ep39 in the calque on ὁ ἐστὶν and has also eliminated the Syriac idiom of the suffix on ܦܘܪܝܢ. Neither Ep39 nor CPJ have yet revised the text in accord with the Greek as H does by adding ܘܚܘܪܝܢ for ἐν γαστρὶ.¹ In QUX the translator paraphrases, having nothing for μεθερμηνευόμενον.

Mt 3.15b pt [Ep50 = 98,30 / f.146ra] [CT = 137,4-5 / f.118vc]

ἄφες ἄρτι, οὕτως γὰρ πρέπον ἐστὶν ἡμῖν [ἡμῖν ἐστὶν Ep50; ἐστὶν CT] πληρῶσαι πᾶσαν δικαιοσύνην.

ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	X	ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	P
ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	[X]	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	<	<	<	<	Ep50
ܦܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	X	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	CT
ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	<	<	<	<	<	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ML
ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	CL
ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	X	ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	CPJ
ܦܘܪܝܢ	X	ܘܚܘܪܝܢ	H								

CPJ = 215,2-3; ML = 22, 10-11; CL = 24,29-30

Ep50's ܘܚܘܪܝܢ is an OS reading (found in C but not S, which has P's ܦܘܪܝܢ). Again, however, we see mixed elements of the revisional style entering into the quotations unsystematically. CT already has ܘܚܘܪܝܢ whereas CPJ, which has retained P's ܦܘܪܝܢ, has progressed to ܘܚܘܪܝܢ, which H will adopt. However, the other oddities of CT may suggest that this is his own translation and that the similarity with H is fortuitous. It is worth noting, in addition, that the Syriac text of Severus' *Ad Nephaliium* (translated by Athanasius of Nisibis in the mid-7th century) has goes back to the old fashioned ܦܘܪܝܢ at the end.² Note that techniques such as the use of the Syriac infinitive ܘܚܘܪܝܢ by H are not paralleled at an earlier date.

Mt 4.2 [Ep45* = 155,21 / 44,19]

Mt 4.4 [QUX = 714,5-7 / f.50vb]

¹ This example appears in Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, 366, as Beispiel 6.

² The text is laid out with the others in *ibid.*, 366-7, as Beispiel 7.

P = QUX

ⲛⲁⲥⲁ ⲛⲁⲥⲁ] tr QUX

Where H has made revisions, ⲛⲁⲥⲁ for ⲛⲁⲥ, ⲛⲁ for ⲛⲁ (διά), these have had no impact on QUX. Its transposition does not reflect a Gk text.

Mt 4.10b [QUX = 771,17-8 / f.89vb]

P = QUX,H

Mt 5.28a pt [CO = 46,16 / f.98ra]

P = CO,H

Mt 5.42 [MosEp = Brooks 20,14-15]

P = MosEp

Mt 6.22 [AT* = noGk,135 / 444,14-5]

Mt 7.4-5 [CO = 52,13-17 / f.101rb]

ⲡⲱⲥ ⲉⲣⲉⲓⲥ ⲧⲱ ⲁⲃⲉⲗⲑⲱ ⲥⲟⲩ· [ἀδελφέ add.CO] ἄφες ἐκβάλω τὸ κάρφος ἐκ τοῦ ὀφθαλμοῦ σου

·	ⲛⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	x	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	P
·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲓ	ⲛⲁ	ⲁⲑⲉⲛ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁⲥ	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	CO
·	ⲛⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	x	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	H

καὶ ἰδοῦ ἡ δοκὸς ἐν τῷ ὀφθαλμῷ σου; [σῶ ὀφθαλμῷ; CO] ὑποκριτὰ ἔκβαλε πρῶτον ἐκ τοῦ ὀφθαλμοῦ σου τὴν δοκόν [τὴν δοκόν ἐκ τοῦ σου ὀφθαλμοῦ CO]

x	·	ⲛⲁⲥ	ⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲓⲟ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	P
x	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲓ	ⲛⲁⲥⲓⲟ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	CO
·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲓⲟ	ⲁⲩⲉⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲁⲩⲉ	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	H

καὶ τότε διαβλέψεις [περιβλέψεις CO] ἔκβαλεῖν τὸ κάρφος ἐκ τοῦ ὀφθαλμοῦ τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ σου.

x	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	P
x	·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ	ⲁⲩⲉ	ⲓⲛⲉ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	CO
·	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	ⲛⲁⲥⲁ	H

The influence of P is quite evident throughout the citation (especially in the close wording of v5a) although the translator is not bound by it. There is no evidence for any residual OS influence. The use of ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ for περιβλέψεις [v.l. for διαβλέψεις] where P has ⲓⲛⲉⲗⲉⲛ and H has ⲛⲁⲥⲁ shows perhaps a willingness to experiment with lexical equivalences, but this belongs properly to the realm of the analysis of the translation style itself. ⲛⲁⲥⲁⲗ for ἐκ τοῦ ὀφθαλμοῦ σου (v5a) is a loose equivalent.

Mt 7.7 [MosEp = Brooks 21,2-3]

αἰτεῖτε καὶ δοθήσεται ὑμῖν, ζητεῖτε καὶ εὕρησете,

ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	x	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	C
ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	P
x	x	x	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	MosEp
ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	H

κρούετε καὶ ἀνοιγήσεται ὑμῖν·

x	x	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	C
x	x	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	P
ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	MosEp
x	x	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ	ܐܘܨܥܘܢ	H

This citation comes from Moses of Aggel's own letter. It has the reading ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ for δοθήσεται), which is distinctively an OS reading (Curetonian), showing clearly the continuing influence of Old Syriac traditions even in Moses' day in the mid 6th century. The citation varies, however, from the ordinary text in also having the words ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ ܐܘܨܘܢ (*call and you shall be answered*) added and ܐܘܨܥܗܘܢ ܐܘܨܘܢ (*seek and you shall find*) omitted. Is there any other witness to this strange form of the text? Or is the writer simply citing from a bad memory?

Mt 7.15 [Ep45* = 151,19-20 / 39,23] [AT* = noGk,135 / 444,6]

Both these citations are only allusions, but the term used for προβάτων (*sheep*) in both cases is H's ܐܘܨܘܢ rather than P's ܐܘܨܘܢ (also OS), which contrasts strongly with the presence of the P reading in both the Syriac version of Timothy Ailuros and in CL [54,9].¹

Mt 8.24 [Ep45* = 155,21 / 44,20] [CT* = 139,23 / f.119vc]

Mt 8.26 [Ep45* = 155,24 / 44,23-4]

P = Ep45,H

Mt 9.29 [AT* = 162,24 / 471,12]

ܐܘܨܘܢ] ܐܘܨܘܢ AT,H

Mt 10.1b [CT = 130,18-9 / f.116rc-116va]

(ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς ἐξουσίαν) πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων ὥστε ἐκβάλλειν αὐτὰ καὶ θεραπεύειν

ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	x	x	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	x	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	P
ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	x	x	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	x	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	CT
ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	x	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢܐܘܨܘܢ	ܐܘܨܘܢ	CL1

¹ For which, see *ibid.*, 367, Beispiel 8.

ܐܘܨܪܟܐܠܐ x ܡܢ ܥܘܨܪܟܐ ܡܨܚܐ ܡܨܘܝ ܗ

πάσαν νόσον καὶ πᾶσαν μαλακίαν [ἐν τῷ λαῶ add. CT]

x	x	x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	ܥܪܟ	ܗ	P
x	[ܡܨܚܐ]	x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	ܥܪܟ	ܗ	CT
x	ܡܨܚܐ	x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	ܥܪܟ	ܗ	CL1
x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	x	ܗ	H

CL1 = 200,14-6; CL2 = 253,7 (pt)

CL1 ܡܨܚܐ; CL2 ܡܨܘܝܐ

The affinity of CT with P as against H is quite evident. However, the fact that both non-scriptural translations (CT, CL) have exactly the same readings in places is perhaps suggestive of a standardised text (RF is similar as well), but locating it with any precision would be to take the evidence too far.

The textual variant in Cyril is interesting given that it is present in both his citations of this verse – it is present in one major Alexandrian witness, L, and also in the old Latin b (5th cent.) but not in the Syriac tradition. As these mss are unlikely to be related on text-type, it seems that they have both added the words by erroneous harmonisation with Mt 4.23. The addition is included, in different ways, in both citations on the model of Mt 4.23 (as found in both P and H). Tischendorf noted Cyril’s rare witness to this variant but does not mention any other patristic witness to it. Both our translators must have been unaware of it from their own versions, yet have kept to Cyril’s text nonetheless.

Mt 10.8b [CO = 63,34-5 / f.107ra]

P = CO,H

Mt 10.20 [Ep55 = 58,3-4 / 17,12-13]

οὐ γὰρ [γὰρ om. Ep55] ὑμεῖς ἐστε οἱ λαλοῦντες ἀλλὰ τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ πατρὸς ὑμῶν τὸ λαλοῦν ἐν ὑμῖν.

x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	P
ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	[x]	x	ܗ	Ep55
x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	x	ܗ	H

ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	P
ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	x	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	Ep55
ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܡܨܘܝܐ	ܗ	H

Ep55 shows affinity to the revised style in its use of ܗ for ܡܨܘܝܐ ܗ and more especially for the masculine interpretation of ܡܨܘܝܐ, which is a distinctive aspect of the revised style which may well have originated with Philoxenus. The stricter grammatical mirroring of the Harklean, seen here in its method for rendering the article + participle substantive combination is, as we have see in other texts already, not yet taken up by our Syriac translators.

Mt 10.28 [QUX = 755,13-7 / f.77vb]

καὶ μὴ φοβεῖσθε ἀπὸ τῶν ἀποκτενόντων τὸ σῶμα, τὴν δὲ ψυχὴν μὴ δυναμένων ἀποκτεῖναι·

لحملا	علملا	ل	x	كفوا	فلا	ملا	ك	لا	سلا	س
لحملا	معلم	ل	ا	كفوا	فلا	ملا	ك	لا	سلا	پ
ملا	ملا	ل	ا	كفوا	فلا	ملا	ك	لا	سلا	QUX
لحملا	ملا	ل	ا	كفوا	فلا	ملا	لا	لا	سلا	ه

φοβεῖσθε δὲ μάλλον τὸν δυνάμενον

ملا	ا	لا	كفوا	ا	سلا	س
ملا	لا	لا	كفوا	ا	سلا	پ
ملا	ا	لا	x	ا	سلا	QUX
ملا	ا	لا	كفوا	ا	سلا	ه

καὶ ψυχὴν καὶ σῶμα ἀπολέσαι ἐν γενένη.

كفوا	سلا	كفوا	فلا	x	س
كفوا	سلا	x	كفوا	كفوا	پ
كفوا	سلا	كفوا	فلا	x	QUX
كفوا	سلا	x	كفوا	كفوا	ه

With H but against P, QUX has ملا for δυναμένων and ملا ا for τὸν δυνάμενον (where P has معلم and ملا لا respectively).

QUX follows OS, against P/H, however, in the word order of the phrase فلا كفا ا كفوا (OS كفوا فلا), though the phrasing is closer to P (كفوا فلا كفا). It departs from all versions in using the impf ملا , rather than inf. لحملا , for ἀποκτεῖναι, and in omitting كفوا .

Mt 11.27 [CO = 47,16-18 / f.98va-b]

πάντα μοι παρεδόθη ὑπὸ [παρὰ CO] τοῦ πατρός μου, καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐπιγινώσκει τὸν υἱὸν [τίς ἐστὶν ὁ υἱός CO]

كفا	x	ا	كفا	x	كفا	لا	كفا	كفا	كفا	پ
[كفا]	[كفا]	ا	كفا	x	كفا	لا	كفا	كفا	كفا	CO
كفا	x	ا	كفا	كفا	كفا	لا	كفا	كفا	كفا	x

εἰ μὴ ὁ πατήρ, οὐδὲ τὸν πατέρα τίς ἐπιγινώσκει [τίς ἐστὶν add CO] εἰ μὴ ὁ υἱός

كفا	كفا	x	ا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	پ
كفا	كفا	[كفا]	ا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	CO
كفا	كفا	x	ا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	كفا	ه

καὶ ᾧ ἐὰν βούληται [βούληται om CO] ὁ υἱός ἀποκαλύψαι [ἀποκαλύψη CO].

x	كفا	كفا	كفا	x	x	كفا	x	پ
x	كفا	كفا	كفا	x	x	كفا	x	CPJ
لا	[كفا]	كفا	[x]	x	ا	كفا	ا	CO

x ܠܚܠܝܠ ܩܘܪܝܢܐ ܩܘܪܝܢܐ x x ܩܘܪܝܢܐ H

CPJ 180,26-7

The beginning of the Harklean system can be seen in CO's ܩܘܪܝܢܐ for the relative $\phi\acute{\iota}$ ἐάν. The fact that CO uses P's ܩܘܪܝܢܐ once and H's ܩܘܪܝܢܐ once (the Greek being the same on both occasions) perhaps sums up its 'half-way' position. Other variants are explained by Cyril's text which differs in quite few places and which CO tries to reflect faithfully. The addition of ܩܘܪܝܢܐ at the end cannot be explained from any existing text, and may be a translator's whim. CPJ shows closer affinity for P here, unusually.

Mt 12.18 [CT = 133,24-6 / f.117va]

The quotation is partially conflated with Isa 42.1, of which it is a citation. The Syriac certainly owes far more to Peshitta NT than to OT, save for the careful alteration of the final ܩܘܪܝܢܐ for OT's ܩܘܪܝܢܐ. Essentially, however, the version in CT's own.

Mt 12.24 [CT* = 134,6-7 / f.117vb]

P = CT

ܩܘܪܝܢܐ] ܩܘܪܝܢܐ CT,H

Although CT agrees with H in this one word, yet P inexplicably changes to ܩܘܪܝܢܐ in v28, for which see next entry.

Mt 12.28 [CO1 = 51,18 / f.100vb] [CO2 = 52,33-4 / f.101va] [CT1 = 133,28-9 / 117va] [CT2* = 134,6-7 / f.117vb]

εἰ δὲ ἐν πνεύματι θεοῦ ἐγὼ [ἐγὼ πνεύματι θεοῦ CO1,2] ἐκβάλλω τὰ δαιμόνια,

ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x	x	/	P
ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x (+OS)	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ (+OS)	x	/	CO1
ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x (+OS)	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ (+OS)	x	/	CT1
ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	/	H

ἄρα ἔφθασεν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἡ βασιλεία τοῦ θεοῦ

ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	P
ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x	CT1
ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	¹ ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	x	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	ܩܘܪܝܢܐ	H

CO1 = CO2 [both v28a only]
CT2* = CT1

It is impossible to say whether the position of the ܩܘܪܝܢܐ before 'by the spirit of God' in CO1,2 is due to its unaccustomed position in Cyril's text or to a remnant of OS. The fact that the same order is found in CT1 where Cyril's text has the more normal order would imply the

¹ ܩܘܪܝܢܐ in mg. 333, Chester Beatty Syr.3.

Mt 13.25-6 [AT* = noGk,133 / 439,13-4]

Mt 13.41 [QUX = 748,41-2 / f.73va]

P = QUX

ⲓⲛⲁⲓ]ⲓⲛⲁⲓ QUX

Mt 13.55 [QUX = 761,31-2 / f.82rb]

P = QUX

Mt 14.33 [QUX = 748,31 / f.73rb] [SDI = 225,19 / f.47va]

ἀληθῶς θεοῦ υἱὸς εἶ

x	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲃⲏⲕ	ⲟⲓⲃ	ⲃⲏⲕⲓⲛⲓⲉ	P
x	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲃⲏⲕ	ⲟⲓⲃ	ⲕⲓⲓⲁⲟ	QUX
x	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲃⲏⲕ	ⲟⲓⲃ	ⲕⲓⲓⲁⲟ	SDI
ⲕⲏⲃⲏⲕ	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	x	ⲕⲓⲃ	ⲃⲏⲕⲓⲛⲓⲉ	H

Note that QUX and SDI do not use ,ⲟⲁⲃⲏⲕ for εἶ, yet when the very same thought is expressed in Cyril's own text in QUX ,ⲟⲁⲃⲏⲕ is used. SDI is a normal user of the ⲃⲏⲕ = εἶναι parallel.

Mt 15.14b [EDC = 15,28-9 / f.14ab]

P = EDC

This against H's revision of ⲓⲃⲏⲁ to ⲕⲓⲛⲁ.

Mt 16.13,15,17 [Ep101 = 546]¹

P = Ep101

Mt 16.16-17 [CO (v16 only) = 58,12 / f.104rc-104va] [QUX = 748,20-1 / f.73ra]

v16
σὺ εἶ ὁ χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ θεοῦ

ⲕⲏⲁ	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲟⲓⲃ		ⲕⲏⲁⲟ	ⲟⲟ	ⲃⲏⲕ	P
ⲕⲏⲁ	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲟⲓⲃ		ⲕⲏⲁⲟ	ⲃⲏⲕ	ⲃⲏⲕ	QUX
[x]	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲟⲓⲃ		ⲕⲏⲁⲟ	ⲟⲟ	ⲃⲏⲕ	CO
ⲕⲏⲁ	ⲕⲟⲗⲗⲁⲓ	ⲟⲓⲃ	ⲟⲟ	ⲕⲏⲁⲟ	ⲕⲏⲃⲏⲕ	ⲃⲏⲕ	H

P = ML

¹ Not Mt 16.15 as noted by Guidi *in margine*.

v17

ܩܘܟ ܩܘܟ] ܩܘܟ ܩܘܟ QUX

QUX transliterates where P translates the name and patronymic.

Mt 16.22-3 pt [CT1* = 122,15 / f.113rb] [CT2 = 141,23-4 / f.120vb] [QUX = 756,9-12 / f.78rb]

Ἰλεώς σοι, κύριε· οὐ μὴ ἔσται σοι τοῦτο.

ܩܘܟ	P							
ܩܘܟ	QUX							
ܩܘܟ	CT2							
ܩܘܟ	H							

ὑπαγε ὀπίσω μου, σατανᾶ· σκάνδαλον εἶ ἐμοῦ [μου εἶ CT2]

x	ܩܘܟ	P						
x	ܩܘܟ	QUX						
x	ܩܘܟ	CT2						
ܩܘܟ	ܩܘܟ	x	ܩܘܟ	ܩܘܟ	ܩܘܟ	ܩܘܟ	ܩܘܟ	H

ML 27,21-3 = P

CT2 shows the usual mix of P and H elements. Among the former is the typical Aramaic form ,ܩܘܟ rather than ܩܘܟ and also the grammatically more idiomatic ܩܘܟ, against H's calque ܩܘܟ. On the other hand, the latter includes the term ܩܘܟ ܩܘܟ which is a revision to the Greek against P's idiomatic phrase, as well as, more notably, the lexical choice of ܩܘܟ (σκάνδαλον) over P/OS's ܩܘܟ, which we note also in QUX. This use of ܩܘܟ for σκάνδαλον is also found in the Phx revision (e.g. at 1 Cor 1.23, cited at CPJ 152,3)¹ – its use here implies again that CT has participated in some way in the tradition behind the Philoxenian version.

The CT1 allusion to this verse is interesting for its treatment of the name Πέτρος, translated as ܩܘܟ rather than with the ܩܘܟ which is usually used in CT for referring to the apostle. Given that P uses ܩܘܟ here and H uses ܩܘܟ, CT's variation is surprising. OS generally has the full title ܩܘܟ ܩܘܟ but quite often only ܩܘܟ (e.g. Mt 17.24, 26.37 etc.). Although ܩܘܟ alone is the normal name in P, it does very occasionally use the full name ܩܘܟ ܩܘܟ, even where the Greek has only Πέτρος (e.g. Mt 15.15, 26.58), or even just ܩܘܟ (Mt 8.14). H always has ܩܘܟ even in the Aramaic pun on his name (Mt 16.18). It seems clear, then, that the use of the Hebrew ܩܘܟ is a typical OS feature which, as names often do, persisted well beyond its time, as we see in the citation of this verse in CT1.

Mt 16.24 [QUX = 755,17-9 / f.77vb]

εἴ τις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἔλθειν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν

¹ Brock, *Resolution*, 340.

Mt 18.20 [Ep55 = 50,13-4 / 3,6-7]

οὗ γάρ εἰσιν [ῶσι Ep55] δύο ἢ τρεῖς συνηγμένοι εἰς τὸ ἕμὸν ὄνομα,

X	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	X	ܚܕܝܗ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	X	ܚܘܪܐ	P
X	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	X	ܚܘܪܐ	Ep55
	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	X	ܚܕܝܗ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	H

ἐκεῖ εἰμι ἐν μέσῳ αὐτῶν

	X	X	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	P
	X	X	ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	Ep55
ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ		X	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܕܝܗ	H

Ep55's ܘܨܘܪܐ ܘܨܘܪܐ for ܘܨܘܪܐ is simply a matter of text, since Cyril has ῶσι...συνηγμένοι where P's Vorlage read just εἰσιν συνηγμένοι. H's grammatical revisions are not prefigured in our texts.

Mt 19.4 [QUX = 724,7-8 / f.56vb]

οὐκ ἀνέγνωτε ὅτι ὁ κτίσας [ποιήσας QUX] [τὸν ἄνθρωπον add.QUX] ἀπ' ἀρχῆς [ἐν ἅ. QUX] ἄρσεν καὶ θῆλυ ἐποίησεν αὐτούς;

ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	X	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	P
ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	QUX							
ܘܨܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	X	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	H

H's use of ܚܘܪܐ twice most likely reflects his Vorlage, which must have read ποιήσας (as Byz.). QUX, however, even though its Vorlage uses ποιέω on both occasions, has different Syriac terms (against P) for each – is this just a desire for stylistic variation, or is he aware of a Syriac text which already read along these lines? He follows Cyril in the addition of 'man', however (// LXX Gen 1.27).

Mt 20.18-9 [CT = 122,12-5 / f.113rb]

ἰδοὺ ἀναβαίνομεν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται [εἰς χεῖρας ἔθνῶν]¹.

[ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ]	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	P
[ܚܘܪܐ]	[ܚܘܪܐ]	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	CT
[ܚܘܪܐ]	[ܚܘܪܐ]	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	X	ܚܘܪܐ	H

εἰς τὸ ἐμπαῖξαι αὐτὸν καὶ μαστιγῶσαι καὶ σταυρῶσαι, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται.

ܚܘܪܐ	P						
ܚܘܪܐ	CT						
ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	ܚܘܪܐ	X	H

¹ These last words taken from Acts 21.11, not from Mt 20.18

OS has ܡܫܝܚ for P ܡܫܝܚ

Despite the full reading of ܡܫܝܚ shared by OS and CT, the verse illustrates the strong affinity of CT to P quite against the many differences found in H, both in syntax and lexicon.¹ Cyril's text is divergent, omitting v18b and seemingly being partially conflated to Lk 18.32 and Acts 21.11. These divergences are carefully followed by the translator but at the same time without ever losing sight of the text of P, which is clearly his guide. This neatly illustrates his method with regard to citations in general.

Mt 21.38 [QUX = 738,45-6 / f.66va]

P = QUX

Mt 22.29 [Ep55 = 61,13 / 23,29-30] [CT = 137,30-1 / f.119rb] [QUX = 737,11-12 / f.65rb]

P = Ep55,CT,QUX,H.

Mt 22.42-5 [QUX = 739,23-9 / f.67ra]

τί ὑμῖν δοκεῖ περὶ τοῦ χριστοῦ; τίνας υἱὸς ἐστίν;...

X	X	X	.ܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܡܫܝܚܐ	ܘܐ	ܠܘܬܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	P
.ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	,ܡܫܝܚܐ	X	ܘܫܐ	X	ܡܫܝܚܐ	ܘܐ	ܠܘܬܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	QUX
X	.ܡܫܝܚܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܫܐ	X	.ܡܫܝܚܐ	ܘܐ	ܠܘܬܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	H

πῶς οὖν Δαυὶδ ἐν πνεύματι καλεῖ αὐτὸν κύριον [κύριον καλεῖ αὐτὸν QUX] λέγων·

ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	X	.ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	X	ܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	P	
X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	X	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܫܐ	X	ܘܫܐ	X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	QUX
X	:ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	X	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	H	

εἶπεν [ὁ ~~κύριος~~ εἶπεν Δαυὶδ [ἐν πνεύματι add. QUX] καλεῖ αὐτὸν κύριον, πῶς υἱὸς αὐτοῦ ἐστίν;

ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	X	,ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	P
ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	X	,ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	QUX
.ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	H

ἕως ἕως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποκάτω [ὑποπόδιον QUX] τῶν ποδῶν σου;

ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܘܐ	X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	P
ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	QUX
ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	H

εἰ οὖν Δαυὶδ [ἐν πνεύματι add. QUX] καλεῖ αὐτὸν κύριον, πῶς υἱὸς αὐτοῦ ἐστίν;

ܘܐ	X	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	X	X	ܘܫܐ	ܘܐ	ܦܝܠܘܫܐ	P
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¹ In passing, we may note that the ܡܫܝܚ of OS/P in v19 seems to testify to the presence of the αὐτόν which Cyril has in his text, a variant not noted even in Tischendorf.

,ܡܘܕܝܪܟܝܢ X ܡܝܢ ܪܘܚܢܝܢ X ܡܠ ܪܝܒܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ ¹[ܡܝܢ] ܡܘܢ ܡܠܟܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ QUX
 ,ܡܘܕܝܪܟܝܢ ܡܠܟܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ ܪܘܚܢܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ ܡܠ ܪܝܒܝܢ X ܪܘܚܢܝܢ ܡܘܢ ܡܠܟܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ H

While QUX correctly represents its Vorlage in the sequence difference (κύριον αὐτὸν καλεῖ) and the addition of ἐν πνεύματι in the final line, it is (probably erroneously) omitted in its earlier instance where it was certainly present in the Vorlage.

QUX having ܪܝܒܝܢ for δοκεῖ is closer to S's ܝܒܠܝܢܝܢ than to P's ܪܝܒܝܢܝܢ. However, his translation of τίνοϛ υἱὸϛ ἔϛτιν as ܪܝܒܝܢ ,ܡܘܕܝܪܟܝܢ ܡܠܟܝܢ is closer to H's ,ܡܘܕܝܪܟܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ ܡܠܟܝܢ than to OS/P's simpler ܡܠܟܝܢ ܪܝܒܝܢ, and indicates QUX striking out on its own in search of better equivalents from time to time. Word order is overall more akin to H than to P. The use of ܪܘܚܢܝܢ for ὑποπόδιον provides a lexical parallel to H. Finally, the use of ,ܡܘܕܝܪܟܝܢ for the final ἔϛτιν rather than ܡܠܟܝܢ (as P) brings this text again closer to H than P.

Mt 23.8-9 [QUX = 724,36-7 / f.57rb [v9 only]]

P = QUX (with only minor alteration for context).

Mt 24.36 [//Mk 13.32] [AT = 150,4-6 / 461,6-8] [CT1* = 121,14-5 / f.112vb] [CT2 = 124,7-9 / 113vc] [see also Lash, *Scriptural Citations*]

There is a tricky synoptic issue here. Cyril's use of ἢ rather than καί, the gen. τῶν οὐρανῶν rather than ἐν οὐρανῶ, and his inclusion of μόνος at the end in the AT citation, together with his extensive use of Matthew's gospel over Mark's everywhere else, all suggest that Mt 24.36 is the intended verse here. We must note that his *inclusion* of οὐδὲ ὁ υἱὸς is no argument for the contrary, since those words were present in the old Alexandrian text of Mt 24.36 and may well have been in Cyril's copies of Matthew, even though they dropped out in the Byzantine text. The fact that these words were present in the Syriac versions *only* in the Markan text, however, meant that the translators assumed Mk 13.32 was being cited and have used their versions of that verse accordingly. The Syriac texts below from P and H are therefore taken from both Mk 13.32 (P1 and H1) and from Mt 24.36 (P2 and H2), for comparison

Gk1: Mk 13.32 Περὶ δὲ τῆς ἡμέρας ἐκείνης ἢ τῆς ὥρας οὐδεὶς οἶδεν, οὐδὲ οἱ ἄγγελοι ἐν οὐρανῶ οὐδὲ ὁ υἱὸς, εἰ μὴ ὁ πατήρ

Gk2: Mt 24.36 Περὶ δὲ τῆς ἡμέρας ἐκείνης καὶ ὥρας [ἡμέρας ἢ τῆς ὥρας ἐκείνης CT2 AT //Mk 13.32] οὐδεὶς οἶδεν,

ܘܒܝܢ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	OS1
ܘܒܝܢ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	X	X	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	OS2
ܘܒܝܢ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	P1
ܘܒܝܢ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	P2
ܘܒܝܢ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	X	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	CT
ܘܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	X	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	AT
ܘܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	H1
ܘܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܪܝܒܝܢ	X	ܡܠ	X	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	ܡܠ	ܡܠ	ܪܝܒܝܢ	H2

¹ Correctly representing the translator's Vorlage, the addition also being found in the Harklean, and in many other witnesses.

οὐδὲ οἱ ἄγγελοι τῶν οὐρανῶν

.כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	OS1
כחע	X	כחע	ל	אכ	OS2
.כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	P1
.כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	P2
:כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	CT
.כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	AT
.כחע.ג	ל	כחע	ל	אכ	H1
.כחע.ג	X	כחע	ל	אכ	H2

οὐδὲ ὁ υἱός, εἰ μὴ ὁ πατήρ μόνος [μόνος om.CT2 //Mk13.32]

X	כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	ל	אכ	OS1
.גחע	כחע	ל	אכ	X	X		OS2
X	.כחע	ל	אכ	.כחע	ל		P1
.גחע	כחע	X	אכ	X	X		P2
X	.כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	ל	אכ	CT
.גחע	כחע	X	אכ	כחע	ל		AT
X	.כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	ל	אכ	H1
.גחע.ג	כחע	ל	אכ	X	X		H2

The versions are clearly quite mixed up. A few comments can be made, however. Firstly, the OS line has been added because of the connection between OS and CT suggested by Vööbus. The alignment here laid out sheds some doubt on the notion, given the use of ל in H also in the earlier part of the verse, whence it may have influenced the second part. In addition, the other distinctive OS readings in the verse have clearly had no effect on CT.

Secondly, AT uses elements typical of the H revision style, such as כחע ל to represent οὐδεὶς more closely than P/CT's idiomatic phrase, and אכ for περί, a term shared by CT.¹ In the second half of the verse, AT is conflating the versions but seems to be closer to P in some ways. Its switching of the order of 'day' and 'hour' is inexplicable except as an inner scribal error (perhaps the original translator's own).

Mt 25.40 [QUX = 732,19-20 / f.62ra]

ἐφ' ὅσον ἐποιήσατε ἐνὶ τούτων τῶν ἀδελφῶν μου [τῶν...μου om. QUX] τῶν ἐλαχίστων, ἐμοὶ ἐποιήσατε.

.גחע.ג	אכ	ל	X	.כחע	X	כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	P
.גחע.ג	X	ל	.גחע.ג	כחע	X	[X]	כחע	ל	אכ	X	כחע	ל	QUX
.גחע.ג	X	ל	X	.כחע	כחע	כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	ל	אכ	כחע	H

QUX's omission of 'brothers' is in line with Cyril's citation. His wording is closer to P than to H, and his placing of the first גחע.ג is idiosyncratic.

Mt 26.37 [CT* = 139,19 / f.119vc]

¹ אכ for περί is a standard feature of both H and other 7th century translators: see Brock, *Resolution*, 332-3 and Brock, *Pseudo-Nonnos*, 54-5).

Mt 26.38 [Ep45* = 155,23 / 44,20] [QUX = 755,34-5 / f.78ra]

P = QUX

In Ep45*, περίλυπος is translated with **ܡܚܘܒܝܢ**, which had become the standard equivalence in H (here **ܡܚܘܒܝܢ**), but was not yet used consistently in P (e.g. cf. Mt 26.38 with 26.37).

Mt 26.39 [CT1 = 121,13-4 / f.112vb] [CT2 = 122,4-5 / f.113ra] [CT3 = 124,31-125,1 / f.114rb] [CT4* = 139,20 / f.119vc] [QUX = 755,35-6 / f.78ra] [QUX2 = 772,30-1 / f.90vb]

πάτερ μου [μου om. CT1,2,3], εἰ δυνατόν ἐστίν [ἐστίν om. CT1,2,3], παρελθάτω ἀπ' ἐμοῦ τὸ ποτήριον τοῦτο· [ἀπ' ἐμοῦ post τοῦτο CT1,2]

ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	P
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ML
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	CT3
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	CT1,2
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	QUX1,2
ܡܘܨܝܢ	H								

πλήν οὐχ ὡς ἐγὼ θέλω ἀλλ' ὡς σύ [cited only in CT2]

ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	P
ܡܘܨܝܢ	CT2											
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	QUX1
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	QUX2
ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	H

ML = 70, 20-1

CT3 has been placed above CT2 to demonstrate the continuing influence of P's reading on CT despite the fact that both the earlier citations in the same text use **ܡܘܨܝܢ**, the verb eventually adopted by H. We know that **ܡܘܨܝܢ** was generally preferred for forms of δύναμαι by Philoxenus from his revised version of Heb 5.7, which he himself discusses specifically (cf. CPJ 53,21-3, although this was not the case at Jn 16.12, for which see CPJ 159,2 *et al.*). H's grammatical calques are, however, not found in CT. In the second part of the verse, CT is widely divergent, having his own quite distinctive and idiomatic renderings. ML clearly follows P rather than any revised version [cf. also Lk 22.42 below]. Again Vööbus has seen OS influence in CT's choice of **ܡܘܨܝܢ** over P's **ܡܘܨܝܢ**; against this proposition, however, we can see that CT's text is also that of H (and therefore cannot be dubbed 'necessarily' an old reading), and that OS's syntax, with **ܡܘܨܝܢ** following **ܡܘܨܝܢ**, is not used by CT. QUX essentially follows P but with QUX1 showing its freedom by a couple of abbreviations in the second half.

Mt 26.40b-41a [CT = 139,25-6 / f.119vc-120ra]

οὕτως οὐκ ἰσχύσατε μίαν ὥραν γρηγορῆσαι μετ' ἐμοῦ;

ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	ܡܘܨܝܢ	x	ܡܘܨܝܢ	S
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.𐌲𐌺𐌹𐌳𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹	𐌲'𐌶𐌹	𐌲𐌴𐌲	𐌸𐌺	P
.𐌲𐌺𐌹𐌳𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹	𐌲'𐌶𐌹	𐌲𐌴𐌲	𐌸𐌺	Ep101
.𐌲𐌺𐌹	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹	𐌲'𐌶𐌹	𐌲𐌴𐌲	𐌸𐌺	ML
.𐌲𐌺𐌹𐌳𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹𐌸	𐌲'𐌶𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	𐌸𐌺𐌺	Ep55
.𐌲𐌺𐌹𐌳𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹	𐌲'𐌶𐌹	𐌲𐌴𐌲	𐌸𐌺	QUX
.𐌲𐌺𐌹	𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹𐌸	𐌲'𐌶𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	𐌸𐌺𐌺	H

ML = 7,28-9

Ep55's 'half-way' revision style is again quite evident; thus 𐌶 is used as the definite direct object marker before 𐌸𐌺𐌹𐌶𐌹 and 𐌹 is used before each of the three persons. P's idiomatic use of a second imperative for 'baptising', however, is retained, quite against the Greek participle. ML is clearly linked with the Ep55 version in some way – note their identical wording in v19a, e.g the term 𐌲𐌸𐌹𐌶𐌹 which is in neither P nor H. In v19b ML shows the sporadic nature of the revision process, for here 'Holy Spirit' is found in its later, adjectival, form, but the grammar is distinctively that of P and *not* of H/Ep55, even though Ep55 keeps the older 𐌲𐌺𐌹𐌳𐌹𐌸. Ep101 shows a P text. QUX is typically free with his text, although P is clearly his base version

Mt 28.20 [AT = 142,28-9 / 455,18-456,1]

P = AT,H

𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹] 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 AT
 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹] ,𐌹𐌲 H

AT follows P against H in having just the enclitic 𐌲𐌴𐌲 rather than ,𐌹𐌲 for εἰμι. It is also faithful to Cyril by adding the extra 𐌹 that he has before 𐌸𐌺𐌹𐌶𐌹.

Mk 8.38 [Ep55 = 58,12-3 / 17,25-6]

𐌸𐌴𐌹𐌶 𐌸𐌺𐌹𐌶 𐌺𐌹 𐌲𐌸𐌹 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 [𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸
 Ep55¹]

𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	,𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌸𐌺	,𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	P
𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	,𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌸𐌺	,𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸𐌴𐌲	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	Ep55
𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹	𐌸𐌺	,𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	,𐌹𐌲	H

The influence of the style of P on Ep55 is evident, in such small factors as the proleptic suffix on 'angels' and the use of 𐌲𐌴 for 𐌸𐌴𐌹𐌶, practices discontinued in the H tradition. It is typical of many of our translators, however, to use 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸𐌴𐌲 instead of 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸.

Mk 14.21 [GL = 410,14-5]

𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 [𐌸𐌴𐌹𐌶 GL *et mult. mss.*] 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌺𐌹 𐌲𐌴𐌲 𐌺𐌹𐌶𐌹𐌸 𐌲𐌴 𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸 𐌺𐌹𐌶𐌹𐌸

x	x	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲	.𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲	x	𐌲𐌴𐌲	P
x	x	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲	.𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲𐌹𐌸	𐌲𐌴	𐌲𐌴𐌲	x	𐌲𐌴𐌲	GL

¹ A rare variant, acc. to Tischendorf found in minuscules 90* 218 only.

The closeness of these versions to P is striking when we consider, for example, places where Peshitta textual variants have been retained against Cyril's text, which we see here in a) CT's omission of a parallel for ἐπὶ σέ, b) CT's addition of ܘܕܘܠܘܢ following ܠܠܘܢ – this is a gloss in P which is found as a common Greek variant, but not in Cyril's text here. These and other calques of H, such as the treatment of the Holy Spirit as grammatically masculine, are entirely absent from CT and CO. On the other hand, CPJ (with which the *Tractatus* is also in agreement¹) and H (prob.=X) show some very distinctive revisions: in v35a we see the adjectival ܠܘܠܘܢ, as well as ܠܘܠܘܢ for ܠܘܠܘܢܐ (i.e. ܠܘܠܘܢ is masculine), the reappearance of ܘܕܘܠܘܢ, and ܠܘܠܘܢܐ for ܠܘܠܘܢ (of these the Syriac version of the Apollinarian corpus has all four, the version of Severus' Philalethes has all but the last, and the version of the Anti-Julianist Polemic has the second and third only, i.e. keeping ܠܘܠܘܢܐ but treating ܠܘܠܘܢ as masculine,² while ML shows just ܠܘܠܘܢ). CO also shares the reappearance of ܘܕܘܠܘܢ but this could simply be down to Cyril's Vorlage.

In v35b, CO2 has the repositioning of ܠܘܠܘܢ in accordance with the Greek, with H (CO1 does not have v35b), and also in agreement all the other extant 6th century translations, the Severan and the Apollinarian works. The change of P's ܠܘܠܘܢ to feminine ܠܘܠܘܢܐ is also found universally in all these versions (save for one archaic form found in CPJ). CO2's treatment of ἅγιον as predicate is unique, paralleled in modern translations but not in any other Syriac witness. CO1's ܘܕܘܠܘܢ in v35a is also an oddity and may be an error.

It is interesting that when Philoxenus merely alludes to the verse (as CPJ2,3) he tends to use the P wording instead (as we saw also in v31 above), a fact which throws light of Philoxenus' 'method-of-citing' and his mode of 'using' his new NT.

Lk 1.76 [QUX = 759,24-5 / f.80va]

καὶ σὺ δέ, παιδίον, προφήτης ὑψίστου κληθήσῃ

ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	X	P
ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܐܠ	QUX
ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	X	H

προπορεύσῃ γὰρ ἐνώπιον κυρίου ἐτοιμάσαι ὁδοὺς αὐτοῦ,

ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	X	P
[ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ]	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	X	QUX
ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܠܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܕܘܠܘܢܐ	ܘܕܘܠܘܢܐ		H

QUX follows Cyril's variant of λαὸν for ὁδοὺς. The reading ܠܘܠܘܢܐ is also found in S, but as an infinitive is obviously superior to ܠܘܠܘܢܐ. H and QUX's agreement in ܠܘܠܘܢܐ is worth noting also.

Lk 2.14 [CO = 34,22-3 / f.91vc-92ra]

¹ Watt, *Dissertation*, 50.

² Again, those texts discussed but not printed out in full are present in Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, 368-9, as Beispiel 11.

ὄψεται πᾶσα σὰρξ τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ θεοῦ

ܩܘܠܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	P
ܩܘܠܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	SDI
ܩܘܠܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	EDC
ܩܘܠܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	H

Here again in this text we see a revised version. This is the same pattern as seen in Mt 1.21 (cf. above *in loc.*), where Ep39 had the unrevised form and QUX,EDC,H the newer use of ܘܥܘܫܐ for σώζω. H uses almost universally either ܘܥܘܫܐ or ܘܥܘܫܐ for forms of σώζω, usually the latter for passive forms or where the meaning is closer to ‘preserve, heal’ rather than ‘save eternally’. It never uses the Aphel form ܩܘܥܘܫܐ which is so common in P. CPJ also shows the use of ܘܥܘܫܐ for P’s ܩܘܥܘܫܐ (Jn 5.34; 1 Cor 1.21). Here SDI has revised the vocabulary already but keeps the absolute form of the noun, which is brought up-to-date as well by EDC.

Lk 4.18 [CO1 = 58,27-9 / f.104vb] [CO2* = 59,33 / f.105rb] [CT1 = 133,16-17 / f.117rc] [CT2 = 134,4-5 / f.117va]

πνεῦμα κυρίου ἐπ’ ἐμὲ οὗ ἔϊνεκεν ἔχρισέν με

ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	P
ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	CO
ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	CT
ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܚܠ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	H

εὐαγγελισασθαι πτωχοῖς, ἀπέσταλκέν με [ιάσασθαι

ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	P
[x]	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	CO
<	<	<	<	<	CT
ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	H

τοὺς συντετριμμένους [τὴν καρδίαν add. Byz] κηρύξαι αἰχμαλώτοις ἄφεσιν καὶ τυφλοῖς ἀνάβλεψιν

ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	P
<	<	<	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	[x]	[x]	[x]	CO
ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܥܘܫܐ	ܘܥܘܫܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	ܩܘܢܐ	H

The CO citation is introduced as being διὰ φωνῆς Ἰσαίου, but the omission of the phrase ἰάσασθαι τοὺς συντετριμμένους τῇ καρδίᾳ shows Cyril to be thinking actually of Lk 4.18 rather than Isa 61.1. As Peshitta Luke has the additional phrase anyway due to harmonisation, the translator evidently was not aware of the distinction and actually follows Peshitta Isaiah in the phrase ܩܘܥܘܫܐ ܘܥܘܫܐ (P and H having ܩܘܥܘܫܐ ܘܥܘܫܐ in Lk 4.18). CO’s omission of the middle phrase is simply a reflection of Cyril’s text.

Lk 4.21 [CT = 133,17-8 / f.117rc] [CT2 = 134,5 / f.117va]

P = CT1,2

ܩܘܪܕܢܐ] ܩܘܪܕܢܐ CT1,2; ܩܘܪܕܢܐ H

CT's one singular reading is clearly closer to H than to P (Cyril reads ἐπληρώθη rather than πεπλήρωται but this difference is unlikely to be perceptible in Syriac).

Lk 7.14 [AT = 162,25 / 471,13]

P = AT

ܩܘܪܕܢܐ] ܩܘܪܕܢܐ AT; ܩܘܪܕܢܐ H (ἤψατο τῆς σοροῦ)

It is typical that AT uses the more accurate word for 'touch' which H also follows, but although he chooses a different word for σορός (*bier*), it is not H's term.

Lk 8.21

see above Mt 12.47-50

Lk 10.17 [CT = 130,23-4 / f.116va]

P = CT

ܩܘܪܕܢܐ] ܩܘܪܕܢܐ CT,H [CL 200,19; 253,9 as P]

Compare Mt 12.24,28, where P uses both ܩܘܪܕܢܐ and ܩܘܪܕܢܐ in close proximity for δαιμόνια. On that occasion CO/CT used ܩܘܪܕܢܐ consistently, as also here. This is the sort of consistency of technique that we have come to expect of post-Peshitta versions, whether or not there is a 'Philoxenian' which our translators are using; note that CL keeps the old Peshitta term.

Lk 22.67b-69 [Ep55 = 57,37-9 / 17,5-8]

ἐὰν ὑμῖν [ὑμῖν om. Ep55] εἶπω, οὐ μὴ πιστεύσητε· ἐὰν δέ [καὶ ἐάν Ep55] ἐρωτήσω [ἐπερωτήσω Ep55],

x	ܩܘܪܕܢܐ	ܩܘܪܕܢܐ	x	ܩܘܪܕܢܐ	ܩܘܪܕܢܐ	ܩܘܪܕܢܐ	x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	P
x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	[om.]	x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	Ep55
ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	H

οὐ μὴ ἀποκριθῆτε [ἢ ἀπολύσητε add. Maj, OS, P].

ܩܘܪܢܐ	P								
x	x	x	x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	Ep55
x	x	x	x	x	x	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	ܩܘܪܢܐ	H

P = Ep55,H in v69

Ep55 knows of P's explicatory ܩܘܪܢܐ, which is not paralleled in the Greek, yet also uses a ptc. for the aorist subjunctive, which is a practice made standard in H. However, H's

grammatical niceties (addition of ככ after the participles) are not found in Ep55. H's omission of the addition to v68 ('you will not let me go') is exceptional given that H is usually revised in line with the Byzantine – the mss used by Thomas must have omitted the words, as also does Cyril's text in line with most of the Alexandrian tradition. Ep55 omits it in line with Cyril's text.

Tischendorf allied OS/P with those witnesses that read και ἐάν rather than ἐάν δέ at the start of v68, on the basis of their 𐤀𐤌𐤍, a retroversion which cannot be said to be very certain given the nature of these versions and which is yet somewhat supported by Ep55's 𐤀𐤌𐤍 which clearly *does* represent και ἐάν, as in Cyril.

Jn 1.1 [Ep55-1* = 52,24 / 7,9-10] [Ep55-2 = 53,18-9 / 725-6] [SDI* = 224,3 / f.40va] [QUX = 771,4-5 / f.89va]

P = all citations

𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓] 𐤌𐤁𐤌𐤓 CPJ; 𐤌𐤁𐤓 CL[243,9],H

Jn 1.3 [Ep55 = 53,19-20 / 8,28] [CO1 = 41, 34 / f.95vb] [CO2 = 51,26-7 / f.100vc] [GL = 407,12-3]

πάντα δι' αὐτοῦ ἐγένετο και χωρις αὐτοῦ ἐγένετο οὐδὲ ἓν

𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌	𐤀	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	C
𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌	𐤀	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁	P
𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌	𐤀	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	Ep55
<	<	<	<	<	<	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	CO1
<	<	<	<	<	<	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	CO2
𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	<	𐤌𐤁	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	X	GL
X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌	𐤀	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	X	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤌𐤁𐤓	𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓	H

The perseverance of 𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓 in Ep55/CO/GL may go back to OS, but it is also found in every allusion to this verse in CPJ (of which there are four, but each is simply Philoxenus' paraphrase and so is not fully given here), and so not too much should be built on the agreement of the citation with OS, especially in so well-quoted a verse. None of our citations show any affinity yet with H's revisions. The plural form is attested both in CO and GL. GL has stuck closely to Cyril's text regardless of its unusual word order. This is just the sort of thing that Moses of Aggel was warning against in his preface to the GL translation – his readers would find discrepancies between his translation and the Peshitta.

Jn 1.11-12 [QUX1 = 725,2-4 / f.57rb-va (v12 only)] [QUX2 = 738,22-4 / f.66rb (v11-12a only)]

P = QUX

𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓] 𐤁𐤌𐤁𐤓 QUX1,2

QUX's omission of the 𐤁 is quite possibly erroneous.

Jn 1.13 [QUX = 724,29-30 / f.57ra]

οὐκ ἐξ αἱμάτων οὐδὲ ἐκ θελήματος σαρκός

ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	ⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁ	C
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	ⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁ	P
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲁ		x x	QUX
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	ⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁ	H

οὐδὲ ἐκ θελήματος ἀνδρὸς ἀλλ' ἐκ θεοῦ

ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲁ		x	x	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	C
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲁ		x	x	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	P
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲁ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	QUX
ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲁ				ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲛⲓⲥⲥⲁ	ⲛⲓ	ⲛⲟ	H

QUX's sequence difference (against both his Vorlage and the versions) may be no more than making up for the error of omitting it at the start. However, ⲕⲓⲛⲁ is a characteristic OS hang-over.

Jn 1.14a

The allusions to this verse are too many to enumerate. The principal divergences found in the versions are: where P has just ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ, H reflects the article with ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ ⲙⲉ; OS has ⲕⲓⲛⲁ for the ⲕⲓⲛⲁ in P/H, and also keeps ⲕⲓⲛⲁ feminine in the verbal form ⲙⲓⲛⲁ rather than ⲕⲓⲛⲁ.

The divergences from P text found in our citations are:

Ep55 [92,32 / f.142ra] has ⲕⲓⲛⲁ

CO* [36, 12 / f.92vc] has ⲙⲉ for ⲕⲓⲛⲁ, although in the complete citation shortly afterwards P is followed

CPJ shows some signs of wanting to represent the article (see e.g. CPJ 6,1) but most of his allusions do not allow for it. In v14b (not cited in our texts), he has an interesting mixture of OS and H readings, which may well represent X (see 244,8-9).

Jn 1.14b [QUX 728,11-12 / f.59va]

P = QUX

ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ] ⲕⲓⲛⲁ OS,H (ἀληθεία)

Jn 1.16 [EDC = 22, 2 / f.19a.1.4-6] [QUX = 746,5-6 / f.71va]

P = QUX/EDC¹

CL [25,30; 279,5-6] = P

CPJ [245,5] has H's ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ for P's ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ, which may witness to X.

¹ Save for the plene spelling ⲕⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛⲁ in EDC, following C.

Jn 1.18 [CO* = 55,15 / f.102vc] [QUX = 768,39-40 / f.87vb]

P = CO*,QUX

Jn 1.29,31 (for v30 see below) [QUX1 = 748,2-8 / f.72vb] [QUX2* = 759,27-30 / f.80vb]

P = QUX

OS's different readings (such as $\kappa\alpha\iota\omega\kappa$ for $\kappa\alpha\iota\delta\alpha$) are not retained in QUX.

Jn 1.30 [Ep55 = 58,4-5 / 17,14-15] [QUX = 748,5-6 / f.72vb] [QUX2* = 759,27-30 / f.80vb]
[SDI = 224,18-9 / f.40vb]

ὀπίσω μου ἔρχεται ἀνὴρ ὃς ἔμπροσθέν μου γέγονεν,

X	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲙⲓ	ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	X	X	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	P
X	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲙⲓ	ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	X	X	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	QUX
X	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲙⲓ	ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	X	X	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	SDI
X	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲙⲓ	ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	ⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	CL1/2/3
ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	X	X	ⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	Ep55
ⲕⲟⲟⲟ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	X	X	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲉⲓⲕ	,ⲓⲛⲁⲓ	H

ὅτι πρῶτός μου ἦν

ⲡⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	P
ⲡⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	QUX
ⲡⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	SDI
ⲡⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	CL1/2/3
ⲡⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲡⲓⲛⲟ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	Ep55
ⲡⲓ	X	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	ⲕⲓⲛⲁ	H

CL1 = 22,1-3

CL2 = 26,23-4

CL3 = 74,23-4

While QUX and SDI are clearly following P (against OS, which is quite divergent at the beginning), CL and Ep55 are both partially revised, the latter even more than the former, towards H. They both have $\omega\varsigma$ for the relative pronoun, while Ep55 goes further, dispensing with P's $\kappa\alpha\iota$ $\kappa\alpha\iota\omega\kappa$ and instead placing $\kappa\alpha\iota\omega\kappa$ in its Greek position, after $\kappa\alpha\iota$; the last clause, however, is unrevised in all versions. If Ep55 were to be dated after X, we would certainly, on Aland's principles, be seeing X here; if it is to be dated earlier, then its method of translating must be said to have had an influence on X.

Jn 1.32-4 [CT (v33 only) = 133,29-134,1 / f.117va] [QUX = 752,10-16 / f.75va]

This verse is given in the forms found in CPJ and CL (as well as Jacob of Edessa's version of Severus' Homilies) in Aland, *Philoxenianisch*, 369-70.

καὶ ἔμαρτύρησεν Ἰωάννης λέγων ὅτι τεθέαμαι τὸ πνεῦμα καταβαῖνον

κθωαι	κωοιλ	θωωαι	ιθωκω	μωω	ιωωκω	P
κθωαι	κωοιλ	θθωωαι	ιθωκω	μωω	ιωωκω	QUX
<	<	<	<	<	<	CL
<	<	<	<	<	<	CPJ
θωω ιθ	κωοιλ	θωωαι	ιθωκ ιθ	μωω	ιωωκω	H

[ὡς περιστεράν om. QUX] ἔξ οὐρανοῦ καὶ ἔμεινεν ἐπ' αὐτόν.

.,ωαλε	θωωω	κωω	μωκ	κωωε	μω	x	x	P
.,ωαλε	θωωω	[x]	[x]	κωωε	μω	x	x	QUX
<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	CL
<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	CPJ
.,ωαλε	ωωω	x	x	κωωε	μω	κωω	μωκ	H

³³ κἀγὼ οὐκ ᾔδειν αὐτόν, ἀλλ' ὁ πέμψας [ἀποστείλας CT] με βαπτίζειν ἐν ὕδατι ἐκεῖνός [αὐτός CT] μοι εἶπεν·

ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ιωωκω	μωωω	μω	κωκ	ωω	θωωω	ιθω	κωκω	P
ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ιωωκω	μωωω	ωω	κωκ	ωω	θωωω	ιθω	κωκω	QUX
ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ιωωκω	μωωω	ωω	<	<	<	<	<	CT
ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ιωωκω	μωωω	ωω	κωκ	ωω	θωωω	ιθω	κωκ	CL
ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ιωωκω	μωωω	μω	κωκ	ωω	θωωω	ιθω	κωκω	CPJ
ιθωκ	ωω	κωωω	ωιωωκω	μωωω	ωω	κωκ	ωω	θωωω	ιθω	κωκω	H

ἐφ' ὃν ἂν ἴδης τὸ πνεῦμα καταβαῖνον καὶ μένον ἐπ' αὐτόν,

.,ωαλε	κωωωω	κωοι	κθωαι	x	θωκ	κωω	κωκω	P
.,ωαλε	κωωωω	κωοι	κθωαι	x	x	θωωω	ωω	QUX
.,ωαλε	κωωωω	x	κθωαι	κωοι	x	θωωω	μωω	CT
.,ωαλε	κωωωω	¹ κωοι	κθωαι	x	θωκ	κωω	ωωω	CL
.,ωαλε	κωωωω		θωω	κωοιλ	θωκ	κωω	ωωω	CPJ
.,ωαλε	κωωωω	x	θωω	κωοιλ	θωκ	κωω	ωω	H

οὗτός [αὐτός CT] ἐστὶν ὁ βαπτίζων ἐν πνεύματι [τῷ add. QUX] ἀγίῳ.

κωωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωω	x	x	ωω	P
κωωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωω	x	x	ωωω	QUX
κωωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωω	x	x	ωωω	CT
κωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωωω	ωω	ωωωωκ	κωω	CL
κωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωωω	ωω	ωωωωκ	κωω	CPJ
κωωω	κωοιθ	ιωωωω	ωω	ωωωωκ	κωω	H

³⁴ κἀγὼ ἐώρακα καὶ μεμαρτύρηκα ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ θεοῦ.

κωωκω	ωιθ	x	x	κωω	θωωωωω	θωω	κωκω	P
κωωκω	κωιθ	x	x	κωω	θωωωωω	θωω	κωκω	QUX
<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	CT
κωωκω	κωιθ		ωωωωκ	κωω	θωωωωω	θωω	κωκω	CL

¹ CL adds κωωε μω here.

ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܝܘܢܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ CPJ
 ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܝܘܢܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ ܘܡܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܡܠܟܐ H

Aland has already made the closeness of CL and CPJ to H quite clear. QUX and CT are only a little divergent from P. This is partly due to the Greek syntactic variants in Cyril, but more is due to the translators not using their versions closely. Especially note the reading ܘܡܡܠܟܐ (P/H ܠܡܠܟܐ) for the subjunctive ἵδης in both CT and QUX. QUX has readings of an H-type in a few places, such as in the substitution of ܘܡܡܠܟܐ for ܘܡܡܠܟܐ and ܠܡܠܟܐ respectively in v33 (CT uses ܘܡܡܠܟܐ and ܘܡܡܠܟܐ).

Jn 2.19 [CO = 47,33 / f.98vc] [CT1 = 114,19 / f.110rb] [CT2 = 114,22-3 / f.110rb] [CT3* = 130,6 / f.116rc] [CT4 = 144,27-8 / f.121vc] [QUX = 767,41-2 / f.87ra]

λύσατε τὸν ναὸν τοῦτον καὶ ἐν τρισὶν ἡμέραις ἐγερῶ αὐτόν.

.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	P
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ		ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	QUX
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	X	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	CO
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	X	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	CT1
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	X	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	CT2
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	X	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	CT4
.ܡܠ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	X	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	H

ܘܡܡܠܟܐ], ܘܡܡܠܟܐ CT3* (representing λυθέντα)

As Barbara Aland has pointed out, the translators do not ‘quote’ the Philoxenian; they ‘use’ it, sometimes more and sometimes less. In CT, in particular, we see this well demonstrated. CT1 and 4 both use ܘܡܡܠܟܐ in anticipation of H, but only CT4 prefixes the definite direct object ܠܡܠܟܐ with ܠ, as H does regularly. QUX does both, however, although also adding the proleptic object, which H would never have done. CO and CT both prefer ܘܡܡܠܟܐ to ܠܡܠܟܐ for ἐν (as does H against P) but neither ever anticipates H’s emphatic form ܘܡܡܠܟܐ. The ‘in between’ nature of the citations in CT is quite evident.

Jn 3.6 [Ep50 = 91,16 / f.141ra] [CO = 35,23 / f.92va]

τὸ γεγεννημένον ἐκ τῆς σαρκὸς σὰρξ ἐστίν

ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	P
ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	Ep50
ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	CO
ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܠܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	ܘܡܡܠܟܐ	H

An example of just how ‘mixed’ these versions can be. The use of ܠܡܠܟܐ for σὰρξ (CO) is unusual in the Biblical versions, though it does come up in differing degrees in our texts. Its relative absence from both OS and P is evidence enough that it need not be considered an ‘early’ usage. On the other hand, CO shows syntactical revision in the direction of H, with both the demonstrative for the article, and ܘܡܡܠܟܐ for ἐστίν. Unfortunately, there is no parallel in CPJ, ML or CL for comparison.

Jn 3.12 [QUX = 747,25-6 / f.72va]

εἰ τὰ ἐπίγεια εἶπον ὑμῖν καὶ οὐ πιστεύετε,

ⲓⲟⲩⲃⲏⲣ	ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲟ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲃⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	ⲡⲓⲣ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	ⲗⲁ	ⲗⲁ		C/S
ⲓⲟⲩⲃⲏⲣ	ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲟ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲃⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	x	x	ⲗⲁ		P
ⲓⲟⲩⲃⲏⲣ	ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲟ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲃⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	x	ⲗⲁ		QUX
ⲓⲟⲩⲃⲏⲣ	ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲟ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲃⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	x	ⲗⲁ		H

πῶς ἔὰν εἶπω ὑμῖν τὰ ἐπουράνια πιστεύσετε;

ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	x	x	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	ⲡⲓⲣ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	ⲗⲁ	ⲗⲁ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	C/S
ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	x	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	x	x	x	ⲗⲁ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	P
ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	x	x	x	ⲗⲁ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	QUX
ⲡⲓⲗⲁⲧⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲓⲧⲟⲩⲣ	x	x	x	x	ⲗⲁ	ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ	H

QUX's omission of the suffix on the final verb is in line with Cyril's citation. But we can see here clearly the stages of revision in translating the indefinite pronoun, from ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ (OS), through ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ (QUX), to ⲡⲓⲃⲏⲣ (H). QUX lies in the middle of this development.

Jn 3.13 [Ep39 = 18,19-20 / f.151rb] [CO1 = 42, 3-4 / f.95vc] [CO2 = 60,25-6 / f.105va] [Ep101 = 545] [QUX = 747,27-8 / f.72va] [SDI = 229,8-9 / f.45vb]

v13a

P = Ep39,CO,Ep101,QUX,SDI

ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ] ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ CO2,H

ⲗⲁⲃ] ⲗⲁⲃ ⲗⲁⲃ QUX,Ep101,H [= εἰ μὴ]

CO2's sequence difference is based on the Vorlage. QUX's ⲗⲁⲃ ⲗⲁⲃ prefigures H's lexical revision.

v13b [CO1,Ep101 only]

P = CO1,Ep101

ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ] ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ OS,RF,CO,CPJ237,25-6 [but H ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ]

This reading was pointed out by Vööbus as an OS remnant in the RF, which is found in the Curetonian and also in Aphrahat and the Syriac version of the Apollinarian *De Fide*. He traced it to the Diatessaron¹. To add to Vööbus' point, we may now add CO and Ep101 to this testimony. However, the fact that CO also revises word order (as in v13a) prevents us from concluding that there is necessarily any deliberate rejection of gospels other than that of the OS type. In addition, where Philoxenus alludes to the verse in CPJ, he uses the past tense ⲛⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲁ as well – it was evidently a natural expression for him, which may indeed be explained by the persistence of OS readings in the common mind, but not necessarily by the presence of such readings in the copies on Philoxenus' desk.

Jn 3.16 [QUX = 768,30 / f.87va]

¹ Vööbus, *Rabbula*, 24-5, Vööbus, *Gospel Text 1*, 182,5. See also Jn 14.9 below.

οὕτως γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν κόσμον, ὥστε τὸν υἱὸν τὸν μονογενῆ ἔδωκεν,

ἰε	οἰου	X	X	οἰου	κωκ	κωκ	κωκ	αυκ	κωκ	S
ω	οἰου	X	X	οἰου	κωκ	κωκ	κωκ	αυκ	κωκ	C
Δδ	οἰου	X	X	οἰου	κωκ	κωκ	κωκ	αυκ	κωκ	P
ω	οἰου	X	X	οἰου	κωκ	κωκ	κωκ	αυκ	κωκ	QUX
ω	οἰου	οὕ	ου	οἰου	κωκ	κωκ	κωκ	αυκ	κωκ	H

ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται

ω	κ	ω	ου	ου	Δδ	S
X	X	ω	ου	ου	κ	C
ω	κ	ω	ου	ου	κ	P
ω	κ	ω	ου	ου	Δδ	QUX
ω	κ	ω	ου	ου	κ	H

ἀλλ' ἔχη ζωὴν αἰώνιον.

ω	ου	ου	ου	X	X	X	κ	S
X	X	ου	ου	ω	X	ου	X	C
X	X	ου	ου	ω	X	ου	κ	P
X	X	ου	ου	ω	X	ου	κ	QUX
X	X	ου	ου	ω	ου	ου	κ	H

There is a simplification involved in QUX's omission of κωκ for ὥστε, and of the Δ preceding οἰ, which identifies it as the object of the giving. C and H's reading ω is preferred to P's impf Δδ. The relationship between the two parts of the sentence is expressed with ο rather than α, which is again a very significant simplification, as all the versions agree on the use of α. QUX is thus being quite free with his citing technique.

Jn 3.31 [Ep55 = 54,2-3 / 9,27] [QUX1 = 723,23-4 / f.56rb-va] [QUX2 = 751,24-6 / f.75rb] [QUX3 = 771,37-8 / f.90ra]

P = Ep55, QUX1,2,3 [also CL 76,12-3]

ω [ου] H (bis), et CPJ 216,19

Ep55 (and CL) does not follow the usual line of ω for ἐστίν as H and CPJ do. QUX1 is only a little independent of P and the translator knows the correct P wording (which is found in QUX 2,3).

Jn 3.34 [EDC* = 22, 11 / f.19ra]

P = EDC*

ω [ου] EDC; ω OS [H has P's ω] (for μέτρον)

Jn 4.6 [Ep45 = 155,21 / 44,19] [CT = 124,23-4 / f.114rb] [AT* = 154,7-8 / 464,7] [QUX* = 758,12 / f.79vb]

The quote in Cyril is only an allusion, καμείν ἐξ ὁδοιπορίας (Jn 4.6 κεκοπιακῶς ἐκ τῆς ὁδοιπορίας), but the translations are closer to the Biblical version, and are revealing nevertheless.

κωιακω	κωιακω	κω	κωω	κω	P
κωιακω	κωιακω	κω	x	κω	Ep45
κωιακω	κωιακω	κω	x	κω	CT
κωιακω	x	x	x	κω	AT
κωιακω	κωιακω	κω	x	κω	H

CT is clearly quoting an identical version to H, and this is most likely to have been the reading of X also. AT probably knows this as well, but the allusion is quite vague. Ep45 is half way there, with the perfect rather than the ptc form of the verb.

Jn 4.22 [SDI = 230,6 / f.46vb] [QUX = 765,28-30 / f.85rb]

ὕμεις προσκυνεῖτε ὃ οὐκ οἶδατε· ἡμεῖς προσκυνοῦμεν

κω	x	κωω	κωω	κω	κω	¹ κω	κωω	κω	κωω	C/S
κω	κω	κω	κωω	κω	κω	κωω	κωω	κω	κωω	P
κω	κω	κω	κωω	κω	κω	κωω	κωω	κω	κωω	QUX
κω	κω	κω	κωω	κω	κω	κω	κωω	κω	κωω	SDI
κω	κω	κω	κωω	κω	κω	κωω	κωω	κω	κωω	H

ὃ οἶδαμεν, ὅτι ἡ σωτηρία ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ἐστίν.

κω	κωω	κω	κωω	x	κωω	κωω	² κω	C/S
κω	κωω	κω	κωω	x	κωω	κωω	κω	P
κω	κωω	κω	κωω	x	κωω	κωω	κωω	QUX
<	<	<	<	<	κωω	κωω	κω	SDI
κωω	κωω	κω	κωω	κωω	κωω	κωω	κωω	H

The two instances of ὃ are rendered differently in P, once as κωω once as κω, in the former instance agreeing with C, in the latter with S. SDI uses κω for the former, thus apparently showing an OS reading, though the influence of P's κωω for the second instance is just as likely a cause. QUX has κωω for both and again no OS influence need be posited.

Jn 4.24 [Ep50* = 91,20 / f.141ra] [AT1* = 14021 / 454,3] [AT2* = 164,16 / 472,9]

P = Ep50*,AT1*,AT2*

Jn 5.21 [CO = 41,28-30 / f.95vb] [QUX* = 767,38-9 / f.87ra]

¹ sic S; κωω C.

² sic S; κωω C.

Where P and H differ, AT follows P. AT2's omission of ܡܘܕܚܚܐ appears to have resulted from Cyril's sequence change – with ἀκηκόατε being placed immediately after αὐτοῦ, the translator, knowing his Peshitta text, has skipped straight on to ܠܘ and omitted ܡܘܕܚܚܐ.

Jn 5.39 [GL* = 404]

Jn 6.33 [CO = 59,6 / f.104vc] [CT = 124,25 / f.114vb]

P = CO,CT,H

Jn 6.38-9 [CO* = 41,21 / f.95va] [QUX = 771,27-31 / f.90ra]

ὅτι καταβέβηκα ἀπὸ [ἐξ QUX] τοῦ οὐρανοῦ οὐχ ἵνα ποιῶ τὸ θέλημα τὸ ἐμὸν ἀλλὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με.

x	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	P								
x	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	QUX								
<	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ									CO*
	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	H								

τοῦτο δέ ἐστιν τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με, ἵνα πᾶν ὃ δέδωκέν μοι μὴ ἀπολέσω ἐξ αὐτοῦ,

ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	x	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	x	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	P
ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	x	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	x	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	QUX
ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	x	ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	H

ἀλλὰ ἀναστήσω αὐτὸ τῇ ἐσχάτῃ ἡμέρᾳ.

ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	P										
ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	QUX										
ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	H										

Note especially ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ for ܘܢܘܨܝܢܐ, and ܡܘܕܚܚܐ ܡܘܕܚܚܐ for ܡܘܕܚܚܐ ܡܘܕܚܚܐ, indications of revision towards H in QUX.

Jn 6.42 [QUX = 761,32 / f.82rb]

οὐχ οὗτός ἐστιν Ἰησοῦς ὁ υἱὸς Ἰωσήφ [ὁ τοῦ τέκτονος υἱὸς Cyr //Mt 13.55]; πῶς νῦν λέγει ὅτι ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καταβέβηκα;

ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	P										
ܡܘܕܚܚܐ	QUX										

ܡܘܕܚܚܐ is from Peshitta Mt 13.55. The Curetonian also confuses the two verses in a similar fashion, but QUX's text is simply the result of adapting P to Cyril's way of citing.

Jn 6.44 [Ep50 = 98,20-1 / f.145vb]

P = Ep50

ⲛⲓ ⲛⲓⲛ] ⲛⲓⲛ Ep50

Jn 6.51a,c [CO59,5-7 / f.104vc] [CT1 = 124,24-5 / f.114rb] [CT2 = 144,1-2 / f.121va] [QUX = 776,25-9 / f.94ra]

ἐγὼ εἶμι ὁ ἄρτος ὁ ζῶν ὁ ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καταβάς...

ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓ	X	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	P
X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	QUX
ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓ	X	ⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	CO
X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	<	<	<	CT1
ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓ	X	ⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲟⲩ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛ	H

...καὶ ὁ ἄρτος δὲ ὄν ἐγὼ δώσω ἡ σὰρξ μου ἐστίν

ⲟⲩ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	P	
ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	QUX	
ⲟⲩ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	CO	
ⲟⲩ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲟⲩ	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	CT2
ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲟⲩ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	H	

[ἦν ἐγὼ δώσω add. Maj] ὑπὲρ τῆς τοῦ κόσμου ζωῆς

X	X	X	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	P
ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	X	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	X	X	X	X	X	QUX
ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	[X]	[X]	[X]	[X]	X	X	X	X	CO
X	X	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	X	X	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲛⲓⲛ	CT2
ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ	X	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ	ⲛⲓⲛ	ⲟⲩ	X	X	X	X	H

CO and QUX show the tendencies of revision, e.g. the demonstrative for the resumptive article, the masculine treatment of the verb καταβάς because the referent is Jesus, rather than ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ, and most especially in the last clause where CO and H agree in structure quite dramatically against P (CO's omission of the extra relative clause ἦν ἐγὼ δώσω is due to its absence from Cyril's text). Note also QUX's use of ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ for ἐστίν. CT, on the other hand, while having the same characteristics of syntax as CO, follows P for this last clause, even to the extent of including the extra word (ⲁⲃⲃⲁⲥ) against his Vorlage – further clear evidence that these translators are 'using' their existing versions quite loosely. Thus although they keep P's ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ, CO, if not also CT, can be said again to be firmly within the X/H tradition in terms of its citations.

Jn 6.53 [Ep55 = 60,7-9 / 21,17-20] [CT = 143,24-6 / f.121va] [QUX = 776,40-2 / f.94rb]

P = CT,QUX,Ep55

ⲛⲓⲛ] ⲛⲓⲛ H
 ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ] ⲛⲓⲛ H
 ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲉ] ⲛⲓⲛ Ep55,H

Ep55's revision of כִּי to כִּי־עַל is typical of his method generally – otherwise his text is as P, distinctively so in the case of כִּי־עַל , which is found in P against OS as well as H.

Jn 6.54 [Ep101* = 546]

Jn 6.56 [CO = 59,16-7 / f.105ra] [CT = 143,26-144,1 / f.121va]

P = CO,CT

אֲנִי הָיִינוּ CO,CT,H
 כִּי־עַל H

CT/CO's use of כִּי־עַל is typical for this translator, and H's כִּי־עַל predictable. אֲנִי הָיִינוּ for אֲנִי הָיִינוּ is a revision generally typical of all our versions.

Jn 6.57 [CO = 59,17-8 / f.105ra] [EDC = 25, 8-9 / f.2va (EDC1) / f.20vb (EDC2)]

καθώς ἀπέστειλέν με ὁ ζῶν πατήρ κάγω ζῶ διὰ τὸν πατέρα,

.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	P
.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	EDC1
<	<	<	<	<	<	.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	CO
.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	EDC2
.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	.ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	H

καὶ ὁ τρώγων με κάκεῖνος ζήσει δι' ἐμέ

ככ	P									
ככ	EDC1									
ככ	EDC2									
ככ	H									

CO's choice of ככ for ἀποστέλλω is typical of his version – it prefers the term to ככ in most cases. EDC1/2 has revised P's text a little, such as in the use of ככ for the definite object ככ , but the revision is not very significant, and ככ is not much of an advance from ככ towards ככ for the indefinite pronoun.

Jn 6.62 [CO = 42,5-6 / f.95vc]

ἐὰν οὖν θεωρῆτε [ἴδητε CO] τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἀναβαίνοντα ὅπου ἦν τὸ πρότερον

ככ	P										
ככ	CPJ										
ככ	CO										
ככ	H										

CPJ = 238,9-10

CPJ's omission of ܘܠܗܘܢ may be due to contextualising the citation. According to Aland's criterion of the agreement between CPJ and another translated text, ܘܠܗܘܢܐ should be considered an X reading. The question remains whether ܘܠܗܘܢ or ܘܠܗܘܢܐ was present in X – if the former, then CO has gone beyond it in anticipating H.

Jn 6.63 [EDC = 25, 6f. / f.20vb] [CO = 60,11 / f.105rc]

τὸ πνεῦμά ἐστιν τὸ ζῶποιοῦν, ἡ σὰρξ οὐκ ὠφελεῖ οὐδέν

ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	P
<	<	<	<	<	<	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	CO
X	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	EDC1
X	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	EDC2
ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	H

Note that EDC has the two clauses in the reverse order, in the Syriac as well as the Greek.

Again we can see some a mixed level of revision. EDC and CO can be seen to have revised P in different ways. CO has used ܘܠܗܘܢ for ἐστιν and the demonstrative for the article before the participle, both techniques used normally in H, but ܘܠܗܘܢ is still treated as feminine, while in EDC the syntax is still that of P but ܘܠܗܘܢ is being treated as masculine, both in the pronoun and the form of the ptc. (ܘܠܗܘܢ and ܘܠܗܘܢܐ being orthographic variants only), a style associated with Philoxenus and also later with H. EDC2 has altered EDC1's Peshitta-term ܘܠܗܘܢ to ܘܠܗܘܢܐ (as it does throughout its text), yet has not arrived at H's ܘܠܗܘܢܐ for ὠφελεῖ.

Jn 7.15 [SDI = 223,26 / f.31vb]

πῶς οὗτος γράμματα οἶδεν μὴ μεμαθηκώς;

ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	XX	ܘܠܗܘܢ	P
ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	SDI
ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	H

SDI's has P's vocabulary while playing slightly closer attention to word order. The use of ܘܠܗܘܢ before the participle is exceptional.

Jn 8.23b [Ep55 = 54,1 / 9,24-5]

ὕμεις ἐκ τῶν κάτω ἐστέ, ἐγὼ ἐκ τῶν ἄνω εἰμί

ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	P
ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	ܘܠܗܘܢ	X	ܘܠܗܘܢ	Ep55
ܘܠܗܘܢ	H									

Ep55 has already adopted some revised methods here, most notably ܘܠܗܘܢ for εἰμί, although strangely leaving the idiomatic ܘܠܗܘܢ rather than the parallel (and with H) ܘܠܗܘܢܐ for ἐστέ.

Jn 8.28 [CO = 41,22-3 / f.95va]

καὶ ἀπ' ἑμαυτοῦ ποιῶ οὐδέν

X	X	ܠܝܢ	ܚܒܘ	ܠܝܢ	ܦܥܝܢ	X	ܠܘܟܝܢ	ܦܘܢ	ܦܘܢܝܘܢ	P
ܦܘܢܝܘܢ	X	ܠܝܢ	ܚܒܘ	ܠܝܢ	ܦܥܝܢ	X	X	ܦܘܢ	X	CO
ܦܘܢܝܘܢ	ܠܘܟܝܢ	ܠܝܢ	ܚܒܘ	X	ܦܘܢ	ܠܝܢ	X	X	ܦܘܢܝܘܢ	H

Whether or not such a small and simple citation is quoted from memory, or translated anew straight from the Vorlage, the tendency to precision is again in evidence; e.g. the translator of CO has put ܦܘܢܝܘܢ at the end in line with Gk word order and has omitted P's ܠܘܟܝܢ, yet has left ܦܥܝܢ for the reflexive, which would always be unlikely in H.

Jn 8.39b-40 [Ep40 = 27,28-28,1 / 35,2-5] [CO = 44,3-4 / f.96vc (v40a only)] [CT = 144,25-6 / f.121vc (v40a only)] [QUX = 758,34-5 / f.80ra (v40a only)]

εἰ τέκνα τοῦ Ἀβραάμ ἐστε [ἦτε Ep40] τὰ ἔργα

ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	P
ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	Ep40
ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	H

τοῦ Ἀβραάμ ἐποιεῖτε [ἄν add. Ep40]·⁴⁰ νῦν δὲ ζητεῖτέ με [με ζητεῖτέ CO,CT,QUX] ἀποκτεῖναι ἄνθρωπον

ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	P							
ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	X	[ܠܝܢܝܢ]	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	QUX
ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	Ep40
ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	<	<	<	CO
ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	X	[ܠܝܢܝܢ]	<	<	<	CT
ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	<	<	<	H

ὃς τὴν ἀλήθειαν ὑμῖν λελάληκα ἣν ἤκουσα παρὰ τοῦ θεοῦ·

ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	X	P
ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܠܝܢܝܢ	X	QUX
<	<	<	<	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	X	Ep40
ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	X	H
<	<	<	<	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	X	ܠܝܢܝܢܝܢ	X	
<	<	<	<	X	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	

τοῦτο Ἀβραάμ οὐκ ἐποίησεν.

ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	P
<	<	<	<	QUX
ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	Ep40
ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܠܝܢܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ	H

Note that P's ܘܥܩܝܬܝܢ for ἐστε/ἦτε is clearly part of Ep40's Syriac text, against its absence in S, thus testifying to the use of the Peshitta in the mid 5th century. Similarly, where S has

ܡܠܟܐ ܕܢܝܚܝܐ, Ep40 follows P's ܡܠܟܐ ܢܝܚܝܐ which shows P's much closer conformity to the Greek τὴν ἀλήθειαν λελάληκα.¹

In terms of revision, one wonders whether ܦܘܫ rather than ܦܘܫܐ may not have been the text of X here (given CO,CT,QUX). Other revisions are sporadic – for example, Ep40 having ܦܘܫܐ (with H, against other citations), QUX and CO using the imperfect ܡܘܠܠܡܐ rather than the infinitive (against P and H), and QUX having ܢܝܚܐ (with H) rather than ܢܝܚܝܐ, and ܐ ܐܘܢ (again with H) rather than ܐ ܢܘܢ for the relative. QUX's ܦܘܫ is a sign of loose citation style – it is unlikely to have been present in his Vorlage.

Jn 8.42 [Ep55 = 54,1-2 / 9,25-6]

P = Ep55,H

ܢܘܢܐ] ܦܘܫ Ep55 (following Cyril πατρός for θεοῦ).

Jn 8.46 [AT = 172,17-9 / 478,8-10]

τίς ἐξ ὑμῶν ἐλέγχει με περὶ ἁμαρτίας; εἰ ἀλήθειαν λέγω

ܢܘܢܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܐ	ܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܘܢ	P
ܢܘܢܐ	ܝܘܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܘܢ	AT
<	<	<	<	ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܘܢ	CL
ܢܘܢܐ	ܝܘܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܘܢ	H

διὰ τί ὑμεῖς οὐ πιστεύετε μοι

ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢ	x	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	P
ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢ	x	ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	x AT
ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	ܢ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܢܝܚܐ	ܡܠܟܐ	x H

CL = 92,13-4

AT (and CL where extant) clearly show the X revision, e.g. ܡܠܟܐ for περὶ + gen., rather than P's ܐ (which it usually has), ܝܘܢ not ܡܠܟܐ, and ܢܝܚܐ ܡܠܟܐ for ܢܝܚܐ; that P/AT have a separate object rather than H's suffixed object at the end is of less consequence, being virtually a matter of orthography.

Jn 8.56 [CT* = 122,17 / f.113rb]

The CT allusion is too small for comparison, but note that ML[75,26-7] follows P completely for this same verse.

Jn 8.58 [Ep55 = 58,8-9 / 17,19-20] [CO = 41, 33-4 / f.95vb] [QUX = 747,24 / f.72va] [SDI = 224,16 / f.40vb]

πρὶν Ἀβραάμ γενέσθαι

¹ These observations should be viewed in the context of Vööbus, *Circulation of the Peshitta*, which argues that the texts emanating from Edessa at this time used OS rather than P.

אָסאַ	אָסאַ		אָסאַ	P
	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	QUX
אָסאַ	אָסאַ		אָסאַ	SDI
	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	CO
אָסאַ	אָסאַ		אָסאַ	Ep55
אָסאַ	אָסאַ		אָסאַ	CL
	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	H

CL = 22,11-2

Ep55 thus anticipates H's use of אָסאַ + impf. for πρίν + inf. QUX,SDI,CO have a slightly different rendering for the conjunction, but QUX and CO, like H, take care to keep the Greek word order, against P. CL has the conjunction of QUX,CO but the order of Ep55. One can only guess that X must have read something along the lines of one of these in its search for an accurate way of representing the construction, and all three of our citations fall within its 'tradition' of revision.

Jn 9.6 [AT* = 16225-6 / 471,13-4]

Jn 9.35-7 [SDI = 225,12-15 / f.47rb] [Ep55 = 55,31-4 / 13,9-12]

P = SDI,Ep55

אָסאַ],תּוֹבָאָה אָסאַ H
אָסאַ],תּוֹבָאָה אָסאַ SDI,Ep55,H

SDI and Ep55 have anticipated H's revision for for ἐκεῖνός ἐστιν at the end of v37 but not for the τίς ἐστιν in v36.

Jn 10.9 [Ep50* = 99,31 / f.146vb]

Jn 10.10 [AT = 160,24-5 / 469,18-19]

ἐγὼ ἦλθον ἵνα ζωὴν ἔχωσιν

אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	P
אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	AT
אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	H

καὶ περισσὸν ἔχωσιν

אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	P
אָסאַ	X	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	X	AT
אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	אָסאַ	X	H

AT's addition of אָסאַ is odd, and not due to the Vorlage (in any extant witness to it); otherwise, it is closer to P in some places, to H in others; for the latter, especially אָסאַ for

περισσόν, but AT has not adopted H's calque-system for expressing the subjunctive of ἔχω, which is found also in other 7th century translations.¹

Jn 10.11 [QUX = 773,39-41 / f.91vb]

ἐγὼ εἰμι ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλός. ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλός τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ τίθησιν

X	X	ⲡⲉⲛⲁ	ⲁⲡⲉ	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲕ	ⲕⲁⲕ	S
ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	X	ⲡⲉⲛⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲕ	ⲕⲁⲕ	P
ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	X	ⲡⲉⲛⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲕ	ⲕⲁⲕ	QUX
ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	ⲡⲁⲓ	ⲡⲉⲛⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲃⲏ	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲕ	ⲕⲁⲕ	H

ὑπὲρ τῶν προβάτων·

ⲡⲁⲕ	ⲡⲁⲕ	ⲕⲁ	S
ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁ	P
ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	X	ⲕⲁ	QUX
ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁ	H

QUX's ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ is a reminiscence of OS; his word for sheep, however, is H's ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ, not P's ⲕⲁⲓ.

Jn 10.18 [QUX = 773,41-4 / f.91vb]

οὐδεὶς αἶρει αὐτήν [τὴν ψυχὴν μου QUX] ἀπ' ἐμοῦ,

ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁ	P
ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓ		ⲕⲁ	QUX
ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓ		ⲕⲁ	H

ἀλλ' ἐγὼ τίθημι αὐτήν ἀπ' ἐμαυτοῦ.

X	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓ	P
ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	QUX
X	ⲟⲩⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲡⲁⲕⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓ	H

ἐξουσίαν ἔχω θεῖναι αὐτήν, καὶ ἐξουσίαν ἔχω πάλιν [om. QUX] λαβεῖν αὐτήν

ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	P
ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	X	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ
ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	X	ⲕⲁⲓ	ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ	H

Note that QUX follows his Vorlage carefully where this differs from P; otherwise he follows P but for preferring ⲕⲁⲓ for ⲕⲁⲓ. The addition of ⲕⲁⲓⲓⲟ is explanatory/exegetical.

Jn 10.30 [Ep40 = 27,27 / 34,29] [Ep50 = 98,34-5 / f.146ra] [Ep55 = 52,35-6 / 7,26] [CO1 = 41,27 / f.95vb] [CO2 = 43,37 / f.96vc] [QUX = 758,33 / f.80ra]

P = All citations

¹ See, e.g., Brock, *Pseudo-Nonnos*, 38-9.

ܠܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	x	CL2/3
ܠܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	ܕܡܠܟ	x	H

CL1 = 80,22-3; CL2 = 131,19-20; CL3 = 249,15-6

In v33a QUX, SDI and CO all witness to readings adopted by H: a) ܩܪܥܝ for ܩܪܥܝܢ, b) the negative preceding the verb directly rather than the whole clause as in P, and c) also the noun ܩܪܥܝܢ instead of the verbal form of P.

For v33b we have the witness also of EDC and CL. CO and CL have placed ܩܪܥܝܢ according to the Gk word order (with H), where SDI/EDC are still with P (the use of ܕܡܠܟ for εἶναι being a consistent feature of those texts); but none of our witnesses has gone to the extent of H's ܩܪܥܝܢ ܕܡܠܟ calque on the last clause, all keeping the Syriac idiom of ܩܪܥܝܢ for the reflexive. In contrast to v33a however, in v33b QUX has gone backwards from P by using a simple ܕܡܠܟ for ὧν.

Jn 10.34-6 [EDC = 21,9-12 / f.18ab] [CO58,21-5 / f.104va]

³⁴ οὐκ ἔστιν γεγραμμένον ἐν τῷ νόμῳ ὑμῶν ὅτι [om. CO] ἐγὼ εἶπα·

ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	P
ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	x	x	x	CO
ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	H

θεοὶ ἐστε ³⁵ εἰ ἐκείνους εἶπεν θεοὺς πρὸς οὓς

ܩܪܥܝܢ	P									
ܩܪܥܝܢ	CO									
ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	<	<	<	<	EDC
ܩܪܥܝܢ	H									

ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ἐγένετο καὶ οὐ δύναται λυθῆναι ἢ γραφῆ,

x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	P
ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	CO
<	<	<	<	<	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	EDC
ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	H						

^{36a} ὃν ὁ πατὴρ ἡγάσεν καὶ ἀπέστειλεν εἰς τὸν κόσμον ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι βλασφημεῖς,

ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	P								
ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	CO								
ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	EDC								
ܕܡܠܟ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	H								

ὅτι εἶπον· υἱὸς τοῦ [om. CO] θεοῦ εἰμι

x	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	P							
x	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	CO							
ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	x	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	ܩܪܥܝܢ	EDC

x ,ܘܢܪ ܠܡܠܟܐ x ܠܘܒܐ x ܕܘܚܘܪܐ ܕܗܘܐ H

CO is with P for v34, but shows some variants closer to H later, such as ܠܗܘܐ for δύναται (v35), and the position of ܠܗܘܐ (with the Gk) in the same clause, as well as ܕܗܘܐ for the second ܕܗܘܐ of v36. EDC, although having ܗܘܐ in that latter place (with P) has other H-type equivalents, such as ,ܘܢܪ for εἰμι at the end of v36, and omitting the objective suffixes from ܘܚܘܪܐ ܕܗܘܐ. CO and EDC agree with H in using the demonstrative for the relative ܕܗܘܐ (v36) and this can fairly safely be attributed to X.

Jn 10.37-8 [QUX = 748,45-749,4 / f.73va]

P=QUX

ܘܚܘܪܐ ܕܗܘܐ] ܘܚܘܪܐ ܕܗܘܐ QUX; ܘܚܘܪܐ ܕܗܘܐ H.
 ܘܚܘܪܐ] om. QUX H^{some mss}

In Cyril's text, v38 is given first, followed by v37 which is then followed by a repeat of v38. The repetition is omitted in the Syriac version of QUX.

Jn 11.35 [CT* = 139,18 / f.119vc]

Jn 12.27 [CT = 121,14 / f.112vb]

P = QUX,ML [70,10-12]

ܘܚܘܪܐ] ܘܚܘܪܐ H
 ܘܚܘܪܐ ܠܗܘܐ] ܠܗܘܐ ܠܗܘܐ CT,H

Jn 12.49 [CO* = 41,22 / f.95va]

P = CO

ܘܚܘܪܐ] ܘܚܘܪܐ H

Jn 13.31-2 [QUX = 767,11-14 / f.86va-b]

v31 P = QUX,H

³²εἰ ὁ θεὸς ἐδοξάσθη ἐν αὐτῷ καὶ ὁ θεὸς δοξάσει αὐτὸν ἐν ἑαυτῷ,

ܘܚܘܪܐ	P							
ܘܚܘܪܐ	QUX							
ܘܚܘܪܐ	H							

καὶ εὐθὺς δοξάσει αὐτόν

ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	P
ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	QUX
ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	ܘܚܘܪܐ	H

QUX departs from P's wording substantially in v32. QUX uses the impf rather than ptc forms for the Greek future tenses, and $\epsilon\upsilon\theta\upsilon\varsigma$ rather than $\epsilon\upsilon\theta\upsilon\varsigma$ for $\epsilon\upsilon\theta\upsilon\varsigma$.

Jn 14.2 [SDI = 230,22-3 / f.27vb]

ὅτι πορεύομαι ἐτοιμάσαι τόπον ὑμῖν;

ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲓⲛ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲓ	P
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲓ	SDI
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲓⲛⲁⲓ	H

SDI allies with P in one variant, with H in another (the significant lexical matter of τόπον).

Jn 14.6 [Ep55 = 53,3-4 / 8,4-5] [Ep50* = 99,31 / f.146vb] [QUX = 745,35-6 / f.71rb]

P = QUX, Ep55, CL

ⲛⲉⲃ ⲛⲉⲃ], ⲛⲉⲃ ⲛⲉⲃ Ep55, CL, H

CL = 244,7

Jn 14.9-10a [Ep40 = 27,25-7 / 34,26-9] [Ep55-1 = 52,34-6 / 7,24-5] [Ep55-2 = 55,30 / 13,7] [Ep50 = 98,33-99,1 / f.146ra-b] [CO = 43, 36-7 / f.96vc] [AT = 144,6-7 / 456,11] [QUX = 758,32-3 / f.80ra]

The texts mix up these three clauses in different orders, but for our purposes each clause can be considered separately.

τοσοῦτω χρόνω [τοσοῦτον χρόνον Ep40, Ep50] μεθ' ὑμῶν εἶμι καὶ οὐκ ἔγνωκάς με, Φίλιππε;

ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	:ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲗⲁⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	P
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	:ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲗⲁⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep40
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲗⲁⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep50
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	:ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲗⲁⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	H

ὁ ἑωρακῶς ἐμὲ ἑώρακεν τὸν πατέρα

ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	P
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep40
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep50
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep55-1
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep55-2
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	QUX
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	CO
ⲛⲉⲃⲉⲛ	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	x	ⲛⲉⲃ	H

οὐ πιστεύεις ὅτι ἐγὼ ἐν τῷ πατρὶ καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ἐν ἐμοί ἐστιν;

x	:ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	P
x	:ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	ⲛⲉⲃ	Ep40

,סודא	ב	כס	ככ	ככ	די	כס	כ	Ep50
,סודא	ב	כס	ככ	ככ	די	כס	כ	Ep55-1
X	ב	כס	ככ	ככ	<	<	<	CPJ
,סודא	ב	ככס	כככ	ככ	:די	כס	כ	AT
,סודא	ב	ככס	כככ	ככ	:די	כס	כ	H

CPJ = 56,1

While Ep40 never deviates from P (and avoids S's different renderings as well), while Ep 50 has an odd reading כס , as though the meaning were 'was with you'. This finds a parallel in the OS reading at Jn 3.31 (see above). Ep50 has also advanced to having ,סודא for ἐστιν at the end of the final clause. Ep55, QUX and CO go further still, using the demonstrative for the article + ptc, and appending ἐμέ as a suffix rather than with P's prepositioned א , a rendering which H takes up also (although both the second Ep55 citation and CO show the influence of the old style as well, such that CO even translates ἐμέ twice!); where it continues, Ep55 can also be seen, unsurprisingly, to use ,סודא for ἐστιν . Of all the citations, however, including CPJ, only AT has dispensed with the very idiomatic possessive suffixes on ככ in the last part, as H finally does, thus leaving AT identical with H for these verses.

Jn 14.10b [CO = 52,32-3 / f.101va] [AT = 142,7 / 454,17-8]

ἀπ' ἐμαυτοῦ οὐ λαλῶ, ὁ δὲ πατήρ ἐν ἐμοὶ μένων

כס	ככ	X	ככ	P						
X	ככ	,סודא	ככ	CO						
ככ	ככ	ככ	X	ככ	<	<	<	<	<	AT
ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	X	ככ	H

ποιεῖ τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ [αὐτός CO,AT]

X	ככ	ככ	X	ככ	ככ	P
[ככ]	X	ככ	X	ככ	X	CO
X	X	ככ	X	ככ	X	AT
X	X	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	H

CO's ככ ,סודא for ἐν ἐμοὶ μένων seems to be another case of the translator's independent ways. The ככ at the end belongs by punctuation to the following sentence, but it is not required there and may originally have been an attempt to render carefully the order of Cyril's words, with the αὐτός at the end of the sentence.

AT is also unusual in using ככ for μένω rather than either P's ככ (perhaps rejected for adoptionistic overtones) or H's ככ .

Jn 14.23 [QUX = 750,14-7 / f.74rb]

ἐάν τις ἀγαπᾷ με τὸν λόγον μου τηρήσει, καὶ ὁ πατήρ μου ἀγαπήσει αὐτὸν

,סודא	X	כס	ככ	X	ככ	ככ	ככ	X	P
,סודא	X	כס	ככ	X	ככ	ככ	ככ	X	QUX
,סודא	ככ	ככס	כככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	ככ	H

καὶ πρὸς αὐτὸν ἐλευσόμεθα καὶ μονὴν παρ' αὐτῷ ποιησόμεθα.

ⲡⲓⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	P							
	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	QUX							
	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	H							

Note QUX's alignment with H in using ⲛⲁⲃⲏ for ἀγαπᾶ; he is generally independent, however, as shown by e.g. ⲛⲁⲃⲏ rather than ⲛⲁⲃⲏ or ⲛⲁⲃⲏ ⲛⲁⲃⲏ, and the imperfects ⲛⲁⲃⲏ and ⲛⲁⲃⲏ instead of ptes.

Jn 14.27 [Ep39 = 16,18-9 / f.150ra-b]

P = Ep39

ⲛⲁⲃⲏ Ep30 (H as P)

Jn 14.28 [QUX = 770,22 / f.89ra]

P = QUX

Jn 14.30 [AT = 172,13-4 / 478,5]

ἔρχεται γὰρ ὁ τοῦ κόσμου ἄρχων· καὶ ἐν ἐμοὶ οὐκ ἔχε [εὐρήσει AT] οὐδέν

ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	P
ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	x	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	[x]	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	AT
ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	ⲛⲁⲃⲏ	H

AT follows Cyril's reading εὐρήσει οὐδέν (οὐκ ἔχει οὐδέν in most witnesses¹), but puts the negative on the verb rather than on the pronoun.

Jn 15.15 [CT* = 128,10-11 / f.115vb]

P = CT

ⲛⲁⲃⲏ H

The distinctive OS,P reading, ⲛⲁⲃⲏ, may suggest an underlying καλέσω or καλῶ, an unusual reading found only once in Origen and once, at this very place, in Cyril's CT; this therefore, rather than close adherence to P, accounts for the translator's retention of ⲛⲁⲃⲏ here.

CPJ [22,20-1] and CL [263,1-2] both show exactly the same set of old readings in their allusions to the verse, again indicating the persistence of P readings where well-known verses are being alluded to rather than carefully quoted.

¹ This is an unusual reading which is found sporadically in such diverse places as some early Alexandrian fathers (Origen, Athanasius, and Cyril here), in the K/Π group of early Byzantine mss, a few early Itala mss., in the Harklean margin, and in P.Bodmer III, the 5th century Egyptian proto-Bohairic translation!

Jn 15.26 [CT = 134,12-3 / f.117vb]

ὁ παρὰ [ἐκ CT] τοῦ πατρὸς

P = CT

ܘܟܘܢ ܕܠܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ CT,H

CT is showing one of the revisions typical of H, avoiding the idiom of the possessive pronoun and keeping a single Syriac word for a single Greek one (ܘܟܘܢ for παρὰ/ἐκ).

Jn 16.7 [AT = 142 ,18-20 / 455,10-12]

P = AT,CL

ܘܟܘܢ ܕܠܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ H

ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ AT; ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ H

CL [87,20-1]

Jn 16.14 [CT = 134,25 / f.117vc]

P = CT,ML

ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ H

ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ ܘܟܘܢ H

ML [3,21]

Jn 16.15 [CT = 135,5-6 / f.118ra]

πάντα ὅσα ἔχει ὁ πατήρ ἐμὰ ἐστίν·

ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	P
ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	CT
ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	CL1
ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	CL2
ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	ܘܟܘܢ	H

CL1 = 26,14; CL2 = 279,2

CT is identical to P throughout a full citation of the verse, while CL shows a partial move towards a more accurate version, a process that we can see coming to completion in H's ܘܟܘܢܘܟܘܢ for ἐστίν.

Jn 16.28 [Ep55 = 53,37-8 / 9,22-4]

ἐξηλθον παρὰ [ἐκ Ep55] τοῦ πατρὸς καὶ ἐλήλυθα εἰς τὸν κόσμον·

.ܩܠܠܐ	ܕܘܕܝܢܐ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܕܘܠ	ܩܘܢ	ܕܥܦܫܐ	P
.ܩܠܠܐ	ܕܘܕܝܢܐ	ܕܥܦܫܐ	ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܘܢ	x	Ep55
.ܩܠܠܐ	ܕܘܕܝܢܐ	x	.ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܘܢ	ܕܥܦܫܐ	H

πάλιν ἀφήμι τὸν κόσμον καὶ πορεύομαι πρὸς τὸν πατέρα [πέμψαντά με Ep55^{one ms}].

.ܩܩܪ	ܕܘܠ	ܕ	ܩܩܪ	ܕܝܢܐ	.ܩܠܠܐ	ܩܩܪ	ܥܦܫܐ	ܥܘܕܝܐ	P
.ܩܩܪ	ܕܘܠ	x	ܩܩܪ	ܕܝܢܐ	.ܩܠܠܐ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܥܘܕܝܐ	Ep55
.ܩܩܪ	ܕܘܠ	x	ܩܩܪ	ܕܝܢܐ	.ܩܠܠܐ	ܩܩܪ	ܥܦܫܐ	ܥܘܕܝܐ	H

Ep55 follows the variant πέμψαντά με which must have been the reading of his Vorlage (one Syriac ms of the letter has this reading)

In all the translator is independent of P and H but his revisions are improvements on P: thus omitting ܕܘܠ and ܕ. ܩܩܪ for ἀφήμι was found also in Ep39 for Jn 14.27, again against ܥܦܫܐ in both P and H. Could this have been X's word? Since CPJ [238,6-8] has the verse in its H form (i.e. with ܥܦܫܐ rather than ܩܩܪ), this is not so likely, but it does show a commonality of style, perhaps even an identity of person or school.

Jn 16.32 [Ep50 = 99,1-3 / f.146rb]

P = Ep50

ܥܘܕ ܥܦܫܐ] ,ܥܘܕܝܐ ܥܦܫܐ Ep50,H (μετ' ἐμοῦ ἔστιν)

Jn 17.3 [Ep55 = 49,11-12 / 1,17-8]

αὕτη δέ ἐστιν ἡ αἰώνιος ζωὴ ἵνα γινώσκωσιν σὲ

x	.ܩܩܪ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܩܪ	P
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܩܪ	Ep55
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܩܪ	[x]	CL
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	H

τὸν μόνον ἀληθινὸν θεὸν καὶ ὃν ἀπέστειλας Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν

ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	P
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	x	ܩܩܪ	Ep55
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	[x]	x	x	x	CL
ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	.ܩܩܪ	ܩܩܪ	x	x	ܩܩܪ	H

CL = 24,7-9

While Ep55 is closer to P in v3a, it has already got most of the revisions of H in v3b, such as in the positioning of ܩܩܪ, and the demonstrative for relative pronoun equivalency. CL has only the second of these, but has also changed ܩܩܪ for ܩܩܪ (ἔστιν) in v3a, which we might ordinarily expect of Ep55 as well. Although both have dispensed with P's divergent reading 'you are the one true God', neither has adopted the special equivalence of ἵνα = ܩܩܪ, which is common in H. They show that they are interested in textual matters, word order

etc., rather than in such calques when they are unnecessary for the communication of meaning.

Jn 17.5 [Ep55 = 57,31-2 / 16,25-6] [CT = 131,11 / f.116vb] [QUX1 = 742,18-9 / f.69ra] [QUX2 = 770,35-6 / f.89rb]

δόξασόν με παρὰ σεαυτῶ τῇ δόξῃ ἣ εἶχον πρὸ τοῦ τὸν κόσμον εἶναι παρὰ σοί.

ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ	ⲛⲁⲟ	ⲡⲟ	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	X	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	P
ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ	ⲛⲁⲟ	ⲡⲟ	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	X	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	QUX1,2
ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ	ⲛⲁⲟ	X	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	X	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	Ep55
ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ	ⲛⲁⲟ	ⲡⲟ	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	X	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	CT
<	<	<	<	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	X	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	ⲟⲩ	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	ML
ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ	ⲛⲁⲟ	ⲡⲟ	ⲩⲃⲁⲗ	ⲡⲟ	ⲛ	ⲕⲟⲩⲟⲩ	ⲃⲁⲕⲁ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲛⲁⲟⲩ	H

ML = 3,18-19

CT's use of the the phrase ⲕⲁⲗⲁ ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ shows again how these translators are quoting from their existing versions and not always keeping a close eye on the Vorlage – he has here assimilated his text to the expression of Jn 17.24 (*et al.*). In addition, he uses P,H's ⲕⲁⲗⲁ, even though ⲕⲟⲩⲙⲁ is his usual word for δόξα in the main text, as a glance as the next sentence will show. CT and Ep55, however, both prefer the demonstrative + ⲁ for the relative pronoun, instead of P's ⲁ, although QUX still uses P's syntax.

Jn 20.17 [CO = 41,23-4 / f.95va] [QUX = 724,39-41 / f.57rb]

P = CO,QUX

ⲙⲁⲗⲁ] ⲁⲓⲕ CO QUX (following Cyril's variant reading πορεύομαι)

Jn 20.22 [QUX = 752,26 / f.75vb] [Ep55 = 60,25 / 22,15]

P = QUX,Ep55

ⲙⲁⲗⲁ] ⲙⲁⲗⲁ Ep55,CL,H

ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ ⲕⲁⲗⲁ] ⲕⲁⲗⲁ ⲕⲁⲗⲁ CL,H

CL = 86, 30

CL and H probably represent X, allowing that Ep55 shows some conservative tendencies in its citations.

Jn 20.23 [QUX = 752,26-8 / f.75vb]

ἄν τινων ἀφήτε τὰς ἀμαρτίας ἀφέωνται αὐτοῖς,

ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲟⲩⲟⲩⲡⲟⲩ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	ⲟⲩⲃⲁⲕⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	S
ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	P
ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁ	ⲕⲁⲗⲁⲗⲁ	X	X	ⲕⲁⲗⲁ	QUX

ܘܡܠ ܘܡܠܘܬܐ X ܚܘܠܘܬܐ X ܘܡܠܘܬܐ X ܘܡܠܘܬܐ ܘܡܠܘܬܐ H

ἄν τινων κρατήτε κεκράτηνται.

ܘܡܠ	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	S
X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	P
X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	QUX
X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	X	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	ܘܡܠܘܬܐ	H

The reading ܘܡܠ in QUX is an OS reading, although in all other respects this citation is closer to P than S.

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2. Acts/ Catholic Epistles/ Revelation

Full synopses are given below of the citations from the Book of Acts, the Catholic Epistles, and from Revelation. The Münster edition of the Major Catholics¹ did not include most of our texts and even those that were covered were not exhaustively so (e.g. Jc 2.20 in Ep55). Many full synopses are thus given here even in the Major Catholics.

Acts 1.11 [AT = 156,13-15 / 466,5-7]

οὗτος ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὁ ἀναλημφθεὶς ἀφ' ὑμῶν εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν [εἰς, τ.ο. om. AT]

ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ		x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁⲥⲁⲓ	x	ⲁⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	P
[x]	ⲁⲗⲁⲓⲁⲥ		ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ		x	x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	AT
ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ		x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁⲥⲁⲓ	ⲟⲩ	ⲁⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	H

οὕτως ἐλεύσεται ὃν τρόπον ἔθεάσασθε αὐτὸν πορευόμενον [πορ. αὐτ. AT] εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν.

ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁⲥⲁⲓ	, ⲟⲩⲁⲟⲩⲁⲓⲁⲓ	x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲙⲁⲗⲁⲥⲁⲓ	x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	P
ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥ	, ⲟⲩⲁⲟⲩⲁⲓⲁⲓ	ⲟⲩ		ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	x	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	AT
ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲁⲓⲁⲥ	, ⲟⲩⲁⲟⲩⲁⲓⲁⲓ	x		ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲟⲩ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ	H

AT's ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ is inexplicable except as a loose piece of citing. Generally, AT shows its independence, e.g. ⲁⲗⲁⲓⲁⲥ and impf ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ; but also there are close parallels to H, e.g. ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ and ⲁⲓⲁⲥ, which are improvements on P.

Acts 2.1,3-4 [MosEp = Guidi, 403]

P = MosEp

Acts 2.24 [CO = 46,10 / f.97vc]

P = CO

ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ ⲁⲓⲁⲥ ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ add. CO post ⲟⲩⲁⲟⲩⲁⲓⲁⲓ.

Cyril's added ἐκ νεκρῶν / ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ ⲁⲓⲁⲥ ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ is due to assimilation to Acts 3.15, 4.10, 13.30 etc. and is faithfully followed by the translator.

Acts 2.33 [CO = 46,10-11 / f.97vc-f.98ra]

P = CO

ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ] ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ CO

Again CO follows Cyril's variant δυνάμει for δεξιᾷ.

Acts 3.12 [CO = 52,39-40 / f.101va-b]

P = CO

ⲕⲁⲓⲁⲗ] , ⲟⲩ H

¹ NTSU 1.

ⲛⲟⲙ om. CO

CO's omission merely reflects Cyril's text.

Acts 3.22 [QUX = 750,30-1 / f.74va]

P = QUX

ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣ add. QUX post ⲛⲁⲃⲁ.

QUX's addition reflects Cyril's text. It is P which is at variance with the tradition.

Acts 10.38a [CO = 133,19-20 / f.117rc] [CT = 133,19-20 / f.117rc]

P = CO,CT

ⲛⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ] ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣ ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ ⲟⲩⲟ

The different syntax reflects Cyril's wording. The Harklean is as Peshitta save for having ⲛⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ in place of ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ.

Acts 10.38b [QUX = 749,12-5 / f.73va-b]

ὃς διήλθεν εὐεργετῶν καὶ ἰώμενος πάντα

ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	P
ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ		x QUX

τοὺς καταδυναστευομένους ὑπὸ τοῦ διαβόλου

ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁ	x	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	P	
ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	QUX

QUX's independence from P is quite marked, sometimes taking more care over the original (e.g. ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ), and at other times less so than P (using two words for καταδυναστευομένους).

Acts 10.44-6 [MosEp = Guidi, 403]

P = MosEp

Acts 13.41 [QUX = 723,28-30 / f.56va]

ἴδετε, οἱ καταφρονηταί, καὶ θαυμάσατε καὶ ἀφανίσθητε, ὅτι ἔργον

x	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	x	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	P
ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	x		ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	QUX
ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲁⲙⲉⲛⲟⲛ	H

ἐργάζομαι ἐγὼ ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ὑμῶν, ἔργον ὃ οὐ μὴ πιστεύσητε ἐὰν τις ἐκδιηγῆται ὑμῖν.

ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	P
ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗⲉⲣⲓ	x ⲛⲁⲃⲁⲗ	QUX

The addition of ܠܡܠܟ in the latter text is a Byzantine reading. Although they are generally quite independent, note that both versions use the Syriac play on words ܠܡܠܟܐ...ܠܡܠܟܐ. This may indicate some common tradition – perhaps a version of Jude existing already before the ‘Pococke’ version, or perhaps the translator had already seen this version, which may have originated as part of the Philoxenian revisions (cf. the various arguments on this point in Part 3.iii.c above).

Jude 19 [Ep50* = 97,23-4 / f.145rb] [CO = 44,15-6 / f.97ra = PHL 77,7-8]

οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀποδιορίζοντες, ψυχικοί, πνεῦμα μὴ ἔχοντες

Ep50

¹ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܕܠ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ...ܠܡܠܟܐ

CO

ܠܡܠܟܐ ܕܠ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ

Pococke

ܠܡܠܟܐ ܕܠ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ

H

ܠܡܠܟܐ ܕܠ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ

Is there a possibility here that the translators of Ep50 or CO already know of a text looking largely like what we have in the Pococke text? There are certainly close similarities, but we cannot be sure. CO’s use of the adjectival form ܠܡܠܟܐ is more typical of the X/H-tradition than the periphrastic approach of Ep50 which is more typical of earlier versions.

Rev 2.17, 3.12 [GL* = Guidi 407]

Rev 19.16 [CO* = 64,6-7 / f.107rb]

P = CO

ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ CO

CO’s text ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ is also identical to that in Gwynn’s text of the Crawford Apocalypse (commonly printed in Peshitta texts), but the citation is too colourless to reveal any dependence.

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QUX

[Acts 3.22; 10.38; 13.41; Jc 2.1; 1 Pet 2.20-1; 2.22; 3.18; 4.1; 4.14; 2 Pet 2.1; 1 Jn 2.19; 4.2-3; 4.14-5; 5.20]

EDC

[Jc 1.17*; 1 Pet 4.1*]

¹ But most of Gwynn’s witnesses actually ܠܡܠܟܐ, as Ep50 here.

Ep39
[Acts 16.7; Jc 1.17; 1 Pet 4.1]

Ep40
[1 Pet 3.15]

Ep46
[1 Pet 4.1]

Ep50
[1 Pet 2.24; 4.1; Jd 19*]

Ep55
[Jc 2.20; 1 Pet 3.15; Jd 4]

CO
[Acts 2.24; 2.33; 3.12; 10.38; Jc 1.7-8; 1 Pet 1.21*; 3.18*; 4.1; 1 Jn 1.1; Jd 19; Rev 19.16*]

CT
[Acts 10.38; 17.31; Jc 1.17*; 1 Pet 1.18-9; 2.22; 4.1; 2 Pet 2.10*]

AT
[Acts 1.11; 17.29; 2 Pet 3.16*]

GL
[1 Jn 3.24; Rev 2.17*; 3.12*]

MosEp
[Acts 2.1,3-4; 10.44-6; Jc 1.5-6*]

QUX2

QUX2 wholly omits any equivalent for the words τὸ γὰρ ἀδύνατον τοῦ νόμου ἐν ᾧ ἠσθένει διὰ τῆς σαρκός. Otherwise, however, this citations follows P. In v4, ἀδύνατος is preferred to the ἀδυναμία of the versions, and the word order is slightly amended, but it is clear that QUX knows and follows P in the main.

For τοῖς μὴ κατὰ σάρκα, P is content with ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς, whereas Ep45 has ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς (cf. ἡμεῖς CL; ἡμεῖς AT,PC; ἡμεῖς H; only RF attests P's reading), an attempt at rendering the original more closely. Otherwise, P is rigorously followed in Ep45. Thus, for example, ἠσθένει was probably rendered ἡσθένει already in X, as it is found in CL and AT, but is still P's ἡσθένει in Ep45 (cf. AT's even more revised version of the verse, below). The use of ἡμεῖς for σάρξ is taken over as standard from P, whereas ἡμεῖς is used in the majority of cases in the main text of Ep45. Such small pieces of evidence show that the translator is inserting his Biblical texts (and that from the Peshitta) and not making his own independent renderings.

AT has various further syntactical revisions (such as representing ἐν τῷ more closely) as well as some clear X-leanings; for example, ἡσθένει for ἀδύνατον (P ἡσθένει), found also in Ath,CL,H. We have noted before how we have to be wary of certain small 'revisions' since we sporadically come across such readings in very early texts, and such is the case here – where we might suspect that the word-order-correct position of ἡμεῖς (v3b) is a typical X,H revision, it is fact found already in Titus of Bostra (pre-411) and may have been a commonly known reading long before X. A series of small revisions in v4 are not taken up in AT – such as the exact rendering and position of πληρωθῆναι, ἡμεῖς for κατὰ, ἡμεῖς for ἵνα (also with CL here; it is a common H rendering).

Rom 8.8-9 [CT = 134,30-135,1 / f.118ra]

CT

Ep39 shows a series of revisional readings, involving the translation of the relative pronoun and the word order, the translation of εἶναι, and even the attempt to render εἶπερ differently from εἰ, by using ἡμεῖς (P and Aphr, ἡμεῖς). In addition, ἡμεῖς is treated as masculine (with Ath and H). Within the same citation, however, there are also non-revisions, such as ἡμεῖς for δύνασθαι (always ἡμεῖς in H) and an instance of εἶναι being treated as P treats it. The close agreement in Rom 8.9 with CL and PC (against P and RF) would probably suggest that Ep39 is following X for this verse also.

CT shares in only some of these revisions; e.g. in v9a P's unexpected past tense ἦσθε for ἐστε is replaced by ἡμεῖς in CT (as probably also in X, by agreement of CL,PC,Ep39), and the same can be said of ἡμεῖς for ἡμεῖς. Whether οὐκ ἔχει should be ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς or ἡμεῖς ἡμεῖς is a

1 Cor 8.6 [CT* = 127,15-6 / f.115rc] [CO1 = 42,9-10 / f.95vc] [CO2* = 44,12-3 / f.97ra]

The citation in CO1 is missing from our only Syriac ms, almost certainly due to homoioteleuton of the phrase *καὶ πάλιν Ἰησοῦς Χριστός*. The other allusions show no significant readings.

1 Cor 9.26 [CO* = 62,24-5 / f.106va]

The use of *ܠܘܚ* for *δέρω* (instead of *ܥܕܘܕܝܢ* as in P) is found in PC and H as well as here in CO. It turns up again where Peter of Callinicum cites this passage of the CO (and he does not appear to know our version of CO).¹ This wide attestation may well relate to the reading of X.

1 Cor 10.4

The adjectival form *ܠܘܘܝܝ* had replaced *ܠܘܝܝܢ* probably already in X, as witnessed by Apl and Ep55 as well as H, against P,RF,Ath. *ܘܘܘ* (for ἀκολουθούσης), however, is partially anticipated in Apl, but all others, including Ep55, have P's *ܠܘܝܢ*. Again, the same pattern can be seen in the use of *ܠܘܘܝܢ* ,*ܘܘܘܘܝܢ* for ἦν in Ep55 and H (and Apl *ܕܘܘܘܝܢ* *ܘܘܘܘܝܢ*, with which cf. *ܘܘܘܝܢ* from the Cave of Treasures²), but not in P,RF,Ath.

1 Cor 13.5 [MosEp = Brooks 21,4-5]

MosEp follows P with *ܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ* for οὐ ζητεῖ τὰ ἑαυτῆς, which is even less precise syntactically than Aphrahat's *ܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ*.

1 Cor 13.12,9 [Ep55 = 49,29 / 2,15-6]

The citation is somewhat adapted, as
βλέπομεν γὰρ ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ καὶ αἰνίγματι καὶ γινώσκομεν ἐκ μέρους. (adapted)

Ep55

ܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ

In the versions, H made a change from P's *ܘܘܘܝܢ...ܘܘܘܘܝܢ* to *ܘܘܘܝܢ...ܘܘܘܘܝܢ*, but this is not forshadowed anywhere else, including in Ep55. *ܘܘܘܝܢ* (also Ath) more accurately reflects H's *ܘܘܘܝܢ* (also PC) than P's idiomatic *ܘܘܘܝܢ* (also Phx^{pre-x}). P similarly uses *ܘܘܘܝܢ* for both *διὰ* + gen. and *ἐν*. As Cyril has used *ἐν* for both in his allusion, it is no surprise that Ep55 does the same. The phrase *ܘܘܘܝܢ* is not from P.

1 Cor 15.10 [CO* = 52,27-8 / f.101rc] [QUX = 745,32 / f.71rb]

QUX

ܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ ܘܘܘܘܝܢ

¹ *Contra Damianum* III, XXX, 244-51.

² Kerschensteiner, *Paulustext*, 48.

P = QUX1

QUX1

QUX2 (v49 placed before v48)

Arabic text for QUX2

QUX2's use of the adjectival formations ... is paralleled in CPJ, TT, PC and H, and represents just the sort of syntactical exactitude we should expect of X.

2 Cor 1.19 [QUX = 745,26-8 / f.71ra]

QUX

Arabic text for 2 Cor 1.19

QUX is close to P, but the syntax is his own.

2 Cor 2.11 [Ep50 = 91,11 / f.141ra] [GL = 416]

Although Ep50 has H's ... for νοήματα, it also has the unique ... for ἀγνοοῦμεν – no clear picture emerges of its background.

2 Cor 4.4

H's syntactical revisions ... and lexical revisions ... are not noted earlier, and we can presume that X may not have differed from P here.

2 Cor 4.6 [QUX = 759,2-4 / f.80rb]

QUX

Arabic text for 2 Cor 4.6

A loose translation in which, like P, QUX renders φωτισμόν with a verb ... Also, ... becomes a direct object without an instrumental ... and ... is omitted from ...

2 Cor 4.16 [CT = 117,22 / f.111rb] [SDI = 223,14-5 / f.31va] [QUX = 736,23-5 / f.64vb]

CT

Largely as P, but QUX uses the loan for τὸ εὐαγγέλιον, in line with PC,Ath,H, but against P's כְּבִישׁ; again for ὅτι οὐκ ἔστιν he will use the grammatically correct כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ as PC,H does, but not P. כְּבִישׁ for כְּבִישׁ is independent of all parallels.

Gal 1.16 [SDI = 231,19-20 / f.38rb]

SDI
כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ

כְּבִישׁ is found also in Jacob of Edessa, but כְּבִישׁ in P,Phx,PC,H.

Gal 2.19-20 [QUX = 774,13-7 f.92rb]

QUX
כְּבִישׁ
כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ
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QUX occasionally has a reading which H will follow, such as כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ (P כְּבִישׁ), but otherwise is largely as P (e.g. כְּבִישׁ not כְּבִישׁ for ἴνα; כְּבִישׁ not כְּבִישׁ). The development can be seen from P's כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ, through QUX's כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ, to H's כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ, which includes the calque on the reflexive pronoun which QUX had not yet adopted.

Gal 3.13 [CO1* = 34,25 / f.92ra] [CO2* = 36,15 / f.93ra] [QUX = 719,17-8 / f.53vb]

QUX
כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ

CO reduces ἐπικατάρατος from the adjectival כְּבִישׁ (P,H) to the noun כְּבִישׁ (κατάρα). QUX largely as P, with minor alterations only.

Gal 4.4 [CT* = 129,7-8 / f.116ra] [QUX1 = 723,2-3 / f.56ra] [QUX2 = 728,30-1 / f.59vb]

P = QUX

P's כְּבִישׁ...כְּבִישׁ for γενόμενον...γενόμενον was succeeded by the more accurate כְּבִישׁ...כְּבִישׁ in some citations in CPJ, Ath, and eventually in H. This probably represents the movement to X. PC often retained the older P form, which we also find here in QUX1/2.

Gal 4.7 [CT = 128,10 / f.115vb]

CT
כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ כְּבִישׁ

The words are found exactly as in a citation in Phx^{EpS}, whereas P had כְּבִישׁ for εἶ (the plural probably in its Vorlage), and H prefers כְּבִישׁ for ὥστε (P with the other two as כְּבִישׁ). The text in Phx and CT is therefore half-way to H and may well represent the X-tradition. The influence of P on earlier texts is apparent in Phx^{Dsc}'s use of P's plural forms.

Gal 4.19

Ep74 follows P against H **ῥῥῥῥῥῥ**.

1 Tim 3.16 [QUX1 = 731,3 / f.61rb] [QUX2 = 777,5 / f.94va]

QUX1
ῥῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥ

QUX2
ῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥ

QUX1's rendering of εὐσεβείας μυστήριον is a piece of editing not unusual for this translator but far away from any of the versions of the verse being quoted. QUX2 is even more of a rewriting. Pre-X versions know nothing of H's extravagant neologism, **ῥῥῥῥῥῥῥῥῥ**, but for εὐσεβείας X must have read **ῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥ** (not P's **ῥῥῥῥῥῥ**), not only because it is attested in CPJ, PC, and in our EDC, but because it is also present in New College 333 (White's original Harklean ms), indicating that the reading was known to Thomas, presumably because it lay in the version that he revised to **ῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥῥῥ**. Further on, EDC has P's **ῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥ** against H's more straightforward **ῥῥῥῥῥ**, and also P's **ῥῥῥῥῥ** to H's **ῥῥῥῥῥῥῥῥ** (inconsistently, see Phil 2.11 above). Another typical sign of revision is the making emphatic of those nouns that P leaves in the absolute, **ῥῥῥῥ** and **ῥῥῥῥ**; it seems that this was done already in X, given the joint witness of CPJ and EDC. Note, however, that the words for EDC are incorrectly collated in NTSU as absolutes, perpetuating an error in Bedjan's edition – the ms (f.15vb) clearly reads **ῥῥῥῥῥ** and **ῥῥῥῥῥ**.

1 Tim 6.12 [AT* = noGk / 440,2]

AT shows already H's lexical revision of P's **ῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥῥῥ** to **ῥῥῥῥῥῥ ῥῥῥῥῥῥ**.

1 Tim 6.20

P = Ep46

2 Tim 1.8-10a

GL shows adherence to P where the latter diverges from H (but there are too few other witnesses to guess further at intermediate stages); this is especially noticeable in renderings such as **ῥῥῥῥ** for σώσαντος (H **ῥῥῥῥ**) and **ῥῥῥῥῥ** for τοῦ σωτήρος (H **ῥῥῥῥῥῥ**).

2 Tim 4.8 [AT = noGk / 442,2]

Among a host of citations, only AT anticipates H's revision of **ῥῥῥ** to **ῥῥῥῥ** for ἀπόκειται, another indication of how far along the line of the X/H tradition AT ought to be placed.

2 Tim 3.16 [MosEp = Brooks 18,6]

P = MosEp [even against later revisions]

Titus 1.12 [MosEp = Brooks 19,16-17]

P = MosEp

Titus 2.11-13 [QUX = 745,6-12 / f.70vb]

QUX shares some features with Ep55, which compare tellingly with P and H. We should therefore see this laid out fully:

P . רַב־לֵבָבִים מְדַבְּרִים בְּלִבָּם לֹא יִשְׁמְרוּ אֶת-מִצְוֹתָיו
 Ep55 . רַב־לֵבָבִים מְדַבְּרִים בְּלִבָּם לֹא יִשְׁמְרוּ אֶת-מִצְוֹתָיו
 QUX . רַב־לֵבָבִים מְדַבְּרִים בְּלִבָּם לֹא יִשְׁמְרוּ אֶת-מִצְוֹתָיו
 H . רַב־לֵבָבִים מְדַבְּרִים בְּלִבָּם לֹא יִשְׁמְרוּ אֶת-מִצְוֹתָיו

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Note the following with regard to Ep55: P is followed here where H has revised רַב־לֵבָבִים to רַב־לֵבָבִים. For σωτήριος, however, Ep55 has רַב־לֵבָבִים, using an adjective for an adjective which may reflect X, but as there are no other citations there can be no certainty. The same pattern continues in v12, where Ep55 shows ‘in-between’ readings which may be related to X or may simply be a reflection of his own style. Given his record so far, we may presume that some of them at least, where they differ markedly from P, are indeed from X, such as רַב־לֵבָבִים for רַב־לֵבָבִים (H רַב־לֵבָבִים) and the Greek-accurate position of רַב־לֵבָבִים. In v13, the equivalent רַב־לֵבָבִים is found in Phx^{EpS},PC,Ep55, similar terms also in CPJ,AkEph, and is then adopted in H, all of which points fairly clearly to X (P has רַב־לֵבָבִים which repeats in followers of P such as the scholia to Gregory Nazianzen and Bar Hebraeus). The change from רַב־לֵבָבִים to רַב־לֵבָבִים comes up again in this verse. Various sources show the latter before its adoption in H (PC, Phx^{EpS},Ath,AkEph,JS) but plenty do not (Ep101,CPJ,Ep55,Proc^{S1},ZR). Given that CPJ has the ‘old’ form and Ath, which follows P most of the time, has the ‘new’ form, we may justly be suspicious as to whether X really had the ‘new’ reading or whether, much more generally, the use of רַב־לֵבָבִים was becoming more widely accepted as the best word for Greek terms related to σωζω, in which case these texts come up with the reading largely at random.

Although in some places (רַב־לֵבָבִים and רַב־לֵבָבִים, which is a characteristic word for QUX) QUX is independent, it shows some similarities with Ep55 which further support the suggestion that Ep55 is a witness to X-readings here. QUX shows again that it can be both independent of P while at the same time signaling some of the revisions of the X/H tradition.

¹ Cyril reads σωφρόνως καὶ ἐπιεικῶς ζήσωμεν for σωφρόνως καὶ δικαίως καὶ εὐσεβῶς ζήσωμεν.

בּוּ אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם לְפָנֵי הַיּוֹם [לְחַלּוֹת] אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם וְלִפְנֵי הַיּוֹם

QUX2 post בּוּ אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם
QUX2 אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם

The ‘nestorianising’ P-reading אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם לְפָנֵי הַיּוֹם is carefully avoided in favour of a closer rendering of the Greek in all these other versions. This is, of course, a matter discussed by Philoxenus in relation to his version, although the condemned reading was present only in some copies even in his day, and the more accurate one is found already in Ephrem and then in RF, so we need not ascribe the reading in QUX,CT, and CO here necessarily to X-influence. Kerschensteiner has thus argued that it is not especially an OS reading, merely a P variant.¹

CO, perhaps typically, has אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם for σάρξ (although CT does not) against all parallel citations. The rest of v7 affords a clear view of X. P has idiomatically transposed the prepositional clause πρὸς τὸν δυνάμενον σώζειν αὐτὸν ἐκ θανάτου to a position after προσενέγκας, and also treats ἀπὸ τῆς εὐλαβείας as dependent on ἔμαθεν. RF follows P precisely in these interpretations, but they are spurned by QUX,CT,CO, which have readings much closer to the virtually identical text, shared by both CPJ and H, which most likely represents X, including, e.g., using אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם rather than אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם for δυνάμενος, and אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם for πρὸς (as CT, not CO).

QUX is slightly more conservative than CT in leaving אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם in its P position, while the latter texts move it in accordance with Gk word order (as H), although CO’s אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם...אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם are added to a Greek text wholly without προσενέγκας, in accord with its usual expansionism.

The אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם found in CO and CT is paralleled once in the 6th century HG, but a whole range of terms are found in other texts (which were also probably unhappy with P’s interpretation), and H’s אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם is anticipated also in QUX (with the addition of אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם). The אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם before אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם (CT) is a typical X-touch found otherwise only in H to make the participle transparent, and happens again at the start of v9.

Again in v8, P paraphrases strongly, with אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם...אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם for ἔμαθεν ἀφ’ ὧν ἔπαθεν, for which H has a revision very close to what CT already did, namely אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם. QUX,CT and CO have אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם but QUX has even more regard for word order than H by putting אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם last. Although the term for σώζειν in v7 is altered from אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם to אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם in CT,CO, the noun form in v9 is retained in those texts as אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם (as P). Then, where we might expect another אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם in CT at the start of v10, we in fact have just אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם, exactly as in P. The phrase אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם is used by CT for κατὰ τὴν τάξιν (v10) in contrast to H’s revised form אֲחֵרֵי הַיּוֹם which was used by CO in v6 (see previous entry).

The mixed and stilted nature of the revision-process is thus quite clear in CT and CO, and to some extent in QUX as well.

Heb 7.26

¹ Kerschensteiner, *Paulustext*, 186-7; see also Vööbus, *Rabbula*, 29.

QUX

ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܢܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ

QUX is largely as P with word order variation to follow Gk more closely (as also another in-between text, the Syriac version of Theodosius of Mopsuestia's *Catechetical Homilies*). The explanatory addition of ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ parallels the ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ in P, but is not found in any other citations and does not reflect a Greek word there. While H makes various revisions, lexical (ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ for P's ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ and ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ for ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ), word-order (ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ in the correct position) and syntactical (ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ for ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ), EDC follows P throughout. There is a difference between the unrevised version of EDC which has the simpler ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ and the revised version which, with P, has ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ. There being no other witnesses, it is impossible to say how this relates to X.

Heb 10.19-20 [QUX = 761,17-21 / 82ra-b]

P = QUX

ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ] ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ
ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ] ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ (for τῶν ἁγίων, cf. Heb 9.24)
ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ] ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ

The latter clause matches H exactly and is a much better mirror of the Vorlage.

Heb 10.28-9 [QUX = 765,34-9 / f.85va]

QUX

ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ : ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ
ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ
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The use of ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ rather than ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ, the idioms ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ (ἐπί) and ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ (κοινωνία) mark out P's strong influence on this otherwise fairly independent citation. Cyril's word order is scrupulously followed as he transposes ἐν ᾧ ἡγιασθη to the end.

Heb 11.9-10 [MosEp = Guidi 399]

Where P and H vary it can be seen that P is clearly the underlying text for Moses. The reference in the Münster edition gives the impression that these are Moses' words, whereas they actually belong to Paphnutius' petition. P's phrase ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ (Gk τὴν τοὺς θεμελίους ἔχουσιν πόλιν) becomes ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ in Paphnutius' version. This is merely a function of writing from memory. H kept P's text.

Heb 12.2 [CO* = 55,31 / f.103ra] [QUX1 = 718,26 / f.53rb] [QUX2 = 765,17-8 / f.85rb]

CO

ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ

QUX1

ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ ܘܩܘܝܟܘܢ

Although only a paraphrase, CO shows an intriguing parallel, the use of ܩܘܝܟܘܨ for καταφρονήσας, which is also found in H, all other versions using ܩܘܝܟܘܨ (usually in Aphel, as P and QUX). It is hard not see the influence of the X/H tradition.

Heb 13.4 [QUX = 724,9-10 / f.56vb]

P = QUX

Heb 13.7 [AT = noGk / 447,7-8]

NTSU unfortunately omits this citation in which AT agrees closely with H against P in three lexical revisions: ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ (ὀπιέικετε) for ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ, ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ (ܩܘܝܟܘܨ H) for ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ, and ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ for ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ. None of these revisions are paralleled in any other citation and AT's witness to them is an important one that should not be missed.

Heb 13.8 [CO = 42,10-11 / f.95v, 3.41-3] [QUX = 746,38-9 / f.72ra] [Ep40 = 28,5-6 / 35,12-13]

CO,QUX

ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ

P's ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ for ὁ αὐτός is continued in texts where we might expect to find it (Ep40,JS, Phx^{EpAdda}, East Syrian writers, TA, Ath), the revised ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ being found extensively before H, viz. in PC,CO,QUX but also, surprsingly, in RF – this standard revision obviously well preceding the production of X.

Heb 13.12 [QUX = 774,20-2 / f.92rb]

QUX

ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ

Again we see QUX's instrumental ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ for διά + gen., which H will follow, but P's ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ is retained for πύλη (H revised to ܩܘܝܟܘܨܐ).

Index to Pauline citations

QUX

[Rom 1.16; 1.21-3; 5.14-5; 6.3; 6.5; 8.3-4; 8.32; 9.5; 10.6-9; 10.8-9; 15.15-6; 1 Cor 1.18; 1.22-5; 2.8; 3.11; 3.16-7; 4.7; 5.7; 6.17; 6.19*; 6.20*; 8.5-6; 15.10; 15.22; 15.45; 15.47; 15.48-9; 2 Cor 1.19; 4.6; 4.16; 5.14-5; 5.21; 8.9a; 10.4-5; 13.3-4a; Gal 1.1; 1.11-2; 2.19-20; 3.13; 4.4; 6.14; Eph 1.19b-21a; 1.21; 3.14-7; 4.5; 5.1-2; Phil 2.5-7; 2.9-11; Col 1.12-20; 1.21-2; 1 Tim 3.16; Tit 2.11-3; Heb 1.3; 2.9a; 2.10; 2.11-2; 2.13*; 2.14; 2.15; 2.16-7; 3.1b-2; 5.7-10; 9.23-6; 10.14; 10.19-20; 10.28-9; 12.2; 13.4; 13.8; 13.12]

EDC

[Rom 1.4*; 6.3-4; 8.29*; 1 Cor 3.16; 1 Cor 15.20*; 2 Cor 4.4; 6.16; Eph 2.3; Phil 2.10-11; 1 Tim 1.7; 3.16; Heb 1.3*; 1.6; 2.14; 2.16; 3.1; 10.14]

SDI

[Rom 1.25; 10.14; Cor 1.23; 15.47; 2 Cor 4.16; 8.9b; Gal 1.16; Phil 3.14; Col 2.8-9; Heb 2.14]

Ep39

[Rom 8.8-9; 1 Cor 15.47; Eph 4.5; Phil 2.7]

Ep40

[Rom 9.3-5; 1 Cor 8.5-6; Eph 6.19*; Phil 2.7; Heb 13.8]

Ep44

[Rom 7.23,5*; 8.3-4; 2 Cor 5.16; Col 1.18*; Heb 2.14-7]

Ep45

[Rom 7.23,5*; 8.3-4; 2 Cor 5.16; Col 1.18*; Heb 2.14-7]

Ep46

[Rom 9.5*; 1 Cor 2.8*; Phil 2.7*; 1 Tim 6.20*; Heb 2.16-7*; 4.15*]

Ep50

[Rom 1.25*; 8.29^{x2}*; 1 Cor 2.16; 8.6; 15.20*; 2 Cor 2.11*; 5.19^{x2}*; 10.5*; Eph 2.14*; 5.2*; Phil 2.6-10 x3; Col 1.15,18; 2.9^{x2}1; 1 Tim 1.7; Heb 1.6*; 2.11-2; 2.14^{x2}*; 2.16-7^{x2}*; 9.14*; 9.24*; 10.5-7]

Ep55

[Rom 1.22-3; 6.3; 9.4-5; 10.6-9; 1 Cor 3.11; 10.4; 13.12,9*; 15.20*; 2 Cor 4.4; Eph 4.5; Phil 2.6-8; 2.7*; 2.8; Col 1.15-7; 1 Tim 1.7; Titus 2.11-13; Heb 1.3*; 2.9; 3.1-2; 7.26; 8.1]

Ep74

[Rom 8.35; 1 Tim 3.15; 2 Tim 7.7-8*]

Ep101

[Rom 9.5; 1 Cor 2.8; Gal 1.18; Tit 2.13]

CO

[Rom 3.27*; 6.3*; 10.8-9; 1 Cor 2.22-5*; 4.1*; 6.17; 8.6; 9.26*; 15.10*; 15.47; 2 Cor 5.21*; 10.4-5*; 13.3-4*; 13.5; Gal 1.8,9; 3.13*; Eph 1.19-21; 2.3; 2.6; 4.5; 5.1-2; Phil 2.5-7; 2.9-11; 2.15-6*; 3.5*; 3.14; Col 1.12-20; Heb 1.3; 2.14*; 2.16-7; 3.1-2*; 4.15; 5.4-5; 5.6; 5.7-10; 8.1; 12.2*; 13.8]

CT

[Rom 6.3*; 7.22; 8.8-9; 9.5; 13.10*; 15.8-9; 1 Cor 2.8*; 2.12; 3.16-7; 6.17; 6.20*; 8.6*; 2 Cor 4.16; 6.16*; 8.9a*; Gal 4.4*; 4.7; 5.1*; Eph 1.19-21; 3.16-7; 4.5*; 5.1-2*; Phil 2.5-7; Col 1.17-8; 1.19; 1.21-2; 2.8-9; Heb 2.9; 2.14; 2.16-7*; 3.1-2; 4.15; 5.1-3; 5.4-5*; 5.7-10]

AT

[Rom 1.22-3; 7.22-5; 8.3-4; 8.29-30; 1 Cor 1.30; 2.10; 15.27; Gal 4.19^{x2}; Eph 1.21; Eph 2.10*; Phil 2.5-7; Col 2.3; 1 Tim 2.4; 1 Tim 6.12*; 2 Tim 4.8; Heb 8.1; Heb 13.7]

¹ One instance, at 97,7, erroneously listed by Schwartz as Col 2.19.

GL

[Rom 5.18-19; 8.28-30; 10.4*; 11.34; 16.25-7; 1 Cor 15.21-2; 15.45; 2 Cor 2.11; 5.17; Gal 3.13; 5.24; Eph 1.7-9; 1.10; Phl 2.8*; 2 Tim 1.8-10a]

MosEp

[1 Cor 13.5; Phil 3.19; 2 Tim 3.16; Tit 1.12; Heb 11.9-10]

the other hand, GL does respect the Greek with respect to number (i.e. the verbs become plural in v17 LXX), and in omitting a conjunction to reflect פִּי.¹

Gen 3.16 [GL = 409]

בְּעֵצָב תִּלְדֵי בָנִים
έν λύπαις τέξῃ τέκνα
כַּחֲבֵדָה וְכַחֲבֵדָה

GL
כַּחֲבֵדָה וְכַחֲבֵדָה

Gen 4.26 [AT = 176,13-4 / 481,1-2]

אִז הוּחַל לְקַרְא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה
ήλπισεν επικαλεῖσθαι τὸ ὄνομα κυρίου τοῦ θεοῦ [αὐτοῦ AT]
שָׁמַע אֱלֹהִים אֶת־קוֹל אֲדָם

AT
שָׁמַע אֱלֹהִים אֶת־קוֹל אֲדָם

P clearly has no influence on AT who follows his Vorlage in this distinctly different reading.

Gen 19.26 [QUX = 717,33-4 / f.52vb]

P = QUX

The phrase is too short for meaningful analysis.

Gen 32.25,31,32 [Ep55 = 55,16-20 / 12,18-23]

The very careful translation of Ep55 is quite evident in this citation. Where P transliterates the place name פְּנִיאל (פְּנִיאל), Ep55 has פְּנִיאל (for εἶδος θεοῦ), and where P followed the old Targums in altering ‘I saw God face to face’ to ‘I saw an angel [of God] face to face,’ Ep55 ignores the theological factors and simply translates what he reads. There are otherwise no real verbal echoes of P in Ep55, even for such prosaic terms as יָרֵךְ / μηρός (*thigh*) which is רַגְלֵי in P but רַגְלֵי in Ep55, and עֲלֹת הַשָּׁרָף / πρωί (*dawn*) which is רַגְלֵי in P but רַגְלֵי in Ep55.²

Ex 3.14 [RF = 52,8-9 / 48,7]

RF has ,תֹּמַרְתָּ אֵלֶיךָ אֱלֹהִים, a correct rendering, ignoring P’s transliteration solution of P, תֹּמַרְתָּ אֵלֶיךָ אֱלֹהִים, which is found in all mss of P.

Ex 4.3 [QUX = 717,34-5 / f.52vb]

¹ Cf. Aquila’s ὅτι ἐν ἡμέρᾳ βρώσεώς σου.

² Which may be a recollection of רַגְלֵי as the reading of the oldest Peshitta ms of Genesis, 5b1.

QUX is independent of P despite LXX and MT concurring exactly.

Ex 12.46 [AT = 168,5-6 / 474,14]

בְּבֵית אֶחָד יֵאָכֵל לְאֶחָדָא מִן־הַבֵּית מִן־הַבֶּשֶׂר חוּצָה
έν οἰκίᾳ μιᾶ βρωθήσεται καὶ οὐκ ἐξοίσετε ἐκ τῆς οἰκίας [ἐκ τ. οἰ. om. AT] τῶν κρεῶν [αὐτοῦ
add. AT] ἕξω
כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ עַל־הַכֹּחַ. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד.

AT

כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ עַל־הַכֹּחַ. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד.

While AT follows Cyril's variants (the omission of ἐκ τῆς οἰκίας and addition of αὐτοῦ), it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that his awareness of P is the main moving factor behind his choice of equivalents here.

Ex 16.8 [QUX= 732,4-5 / f.61vb]

P = QUX

כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ] כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ QUX (following Gk θεός for הַיְהוָה)

Ex 20.3 [Ep55 = 52,5 / 6,9]

P = Ep55

כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ] כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ Ep55

The change of absolute to emphatic is typical of this translator.

Ex 25.10-11 [SDI = 227,2-5 / f.27va]

אֲרוֹן עֲצֵי שִׁטִּים אֲמֹתַיִם וְחֻצֵי אֲרָכּוֹ וְאֲמָה וְחֻצֵי רֶחְבּוֹ וְאֲמָה וְחֻצֵי קִמְתּוֹ וְצַפִּיתָ אֹתוֹ זָהָב
טְהוֹר מִבַּיִת וּמִחוּץ תְּצַפְּנֶנּוּ
καὶ ποιήσεις κιβωτὸν μαρτυρίου ἐκ ξύλων ἀσήπτων δύο πήχεων καὶ ἡμίσεος τὸ μήκος καὶ
πήχεος (πήχεως SDI) καὶ ἡμίσεος τὸ πλάτος καὶ πήχεος καὶ ἡμίσεος τὸ ὕψος καὶ
καταχρυσώσεις αὐτήν χρυσίῳ καθαρῷ ἕξωθεν καὶ ἕσωθεν χρυσώσεις αὐτήν
כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ מִבַּיִת וּמִחוּץ תְּצַפְּנֶנּוּ. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד.

SDI

כַּבְּשֵׂהוּ מִבַּיִת וּמִחוּץ תְּצַפְּנֶנּוּ. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד. הַלֵּל וְהַפְּסֵה מִן־הַבֵּית לְבֵית אֶחָד.

SDI follows its Vorlage in general, but the wording of P has probably shaped the rendering in a general way. Where Cyril uses the dual form πήχεως for the second measurement, SDI uses the correct (according to his Biblical text) singular instead. He may have simply not noticed Cyril's odd reading, or his Vorlage already contained the corrected reading.

Ex 28.30* [Ep55 = 56,7 / 13,26-7]

Ep55's renderings for τὴν δήλωσιν καὶ τὴν ἀλήθειαν (itself the difficult translation for **וְהַדְלִיחוּ אֶת־הַדָּבָר וְהַאֲמִינֵהוּ**) is **כִּי־זֶה כְּחֻמְרָא** and owes nothing to P's quite independent **כְּזֶה כִּי־זֶה**.

Lev 17.3-4 [AT = 168,10-12 / 475,1-3]

AT owing nothing to P (=MT against LXX) here.

Num 16.11 [QUX = 732,3-4 / f.61vb]

P = QUX (adapted for the context).

Dt 6.4 [Ep55 = 52,4 / 6,7-8]

Ep55 follows Cyril in using 'your' for 'our'. However, he shares with P the expression **כִּי־זֶה** for κύριος εἷς ἐστίν, where he would more usually use **כְּחֻמְרָא** for the last word. He is most likely influenced strongly by the normal (liturgical) form of such a basic statement of Biblical faith.

Dt 10.22 [SDI = 231,21-2 / f.38rb] [QUX = 736,33-4 / f.65ra]

Cyril has the unusual variant 'seventy five' for 'seventy', which SDI and QUX both follow. SDI (but not QUX) has also made the suffix plural, **כְּחֻמְרָא**, against his Vorlage, P and MT and all witnesses (though it is a natural scribal 'correction').

Dt 17.2-6 [GL = 546,2-547,3]

There seems to be a close affinity between this citation and the version in P. Where the Greek differs sufficiently, it is of course followed, hence **כְּחֻמְרָא** rather than **כְּחֻמְרָא** and the loan **כְּחֻמְרָא** rather than **כְּחֻמְרָא**; however, elsewhere the correspondence is appreciably close, such that we can even conclude, for example, that the translator knew the reading for **תְּלָאֲרִיב** (ἐξάξεις) as **כְּחֻמְרָא** (with some early Peshitta mss) rather than **כְּחֻמְרָא**.

Dt 18.13 [Ep55 = 49,19-20 / 2,3-4]

Prefers **כְּחֻמְרָא** to P's **כְּחֻמְרָא** for τέλειος.

Dt 19.15 [CO = 65]

The citation is short with no obvious P influence.

Dt 32.11 [AT = no Gk / 451,17]

AT is similar to P, but the citation is short and simple.

Dt 33.8-9 [Ep55 = 55,37-56,4 / 13,18-21]

Ep55 owes little to P. Both P and Ep55 translate, rather than transliterate, the names ‘Massah’ and ‘Meribah’ but they share terms only for the first (מַסָּה), not the second (P מַחְסֵה, Ep55 מַרְיָבָה).

Jos 1.5 [QUX = 717,4-5 / f.52va]

Even over a few simple words as here, QUX differs from P and shows no dependence.

1Sa 2.30 [Ep39 = 16,6 / f.149vb]

P = Ep39

מַחְסֵה Ep39 (δόξειν for מַחְסֵה)

1Sa 8.5 [QUX = 732,12-3 / f.62ra]

P = QUX (v. brief citation).

1Sa 8.7 [QUX = 732,15-6 / f.62ra]

Independent of P, and also quote a loose rendering of the Gk.

2Sa 5.8 [AT = noGk / 445,15]

פֶּסַח לֹא יִבְנֶה אֶל-הַבַּיִת
χωλοὶ οὐκ εἰσελεύσονται εἰς οἶκον [κυρίου]
חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה

AT

חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה

1Ki 18.21 [CO = 54,31-2 / f.102va] [CT = 135,20 / f.118rc]

עַד-מָתַי אַתֶּם פֹּסְקִים עַל-שְׂתֵי הַסְּעָפִים
ἕως πότε ὑμεῖς χωλανεῖτε ἐπ’ ἀμφοτέραις ταῖς ἰγνύαις
חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה

P = CO,CT

חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה [חַסְיָה]

It can be seen that the translator of CO,CT has preferred to copy P and to disregard LXX which has rendered MT’s ‘opinions/divisions’ as ‘legs’, as a way of maintaining the figure. A clear instance of P’s strong influence on these texts.

1Ki 19.10 (//19.14) [CO = 33,18019 / f.91rc] [QUX = 716,8 / f.51vb]

קָנָה קִנְיָתִי לַיהוָה
ζηλῶν ἐζήλωκα τῷ κυρίῳ
חַסְיָה לֹא יִבְנֶה לַיהוָה

CO [for ζηλοῦντες ἐζηλώσαμεν]

In all known mss, P has followed the Greek reading here,¹ but this has still barely influenced the translator of Ep55.

Ps 18.10/19.9/19.10 [AT = 170,28 / 477,7-8]

יְרֵאת יְהוָה טְהוֹרָה
ὁ φόβος κυρίου ἄγνός
אלהים יראתו טהור

AT
אלהים יראתו טהור

Not only does AT owe nothing to P, he has even, perhaps in error, produced אלהים for κυρίως.²

Ps 20.6 [QUX = 737,6-7 / f.65rb]

חֲשִׁבוּ מִזְמָה בְּלִיּוֹכְלוֹ
διελογίσαντο βουλήν ἣν οὐ μὴ δύνωνται στῆσαι
אנשים חשבו מזמרה בלי יוכלו

QUX
אנשים חשבו מזמרה בלי יוכלו

Independently of P, QUX deals with the Gk text quite precisely using his usual techniques for the representation of the syntax, and ignoring the grammatical simplicity of P.

Ps 21.8/22.8 [QUX = 758,30-1 / f.80ra]

P = QUX

Even against LXX where κεφαλήν receives a 3rd pl. suffix. This closeness is unusual in QUX for a sustained length but is always all the more likely in a psalm, and in a messianic one at that, which would be so well known from the liturgy.

Ps 21.17-8/22.17-8 [SDI = 226,1-2 / f.50vb]

SDI has אש for ἐξηρίθμησαν (P אלהים for יַעֲרֹךְ)

Ps 21.19 [QUX = 758,28-9 / f.80ra]

P = QUX (as in v8 above).

Ps 23.10/24.10 [& al.] [CT = 124,25-6 / f.114rb]

The phrase ὁ κύριος τῶν δυνάμεων is rendered in P as אלהים יראתו,¹ but appears quite differently in CT as אלהים יראתו.

¹ Although Cyril knew Symmachus' closer rendering, he uses LXX here, cf. Field sub loc.

² As has also one of the oldest ms of the Old Latin

Ps 32.6/33.6 [CO = 51,22-4 / f.100vc] [Ep55 = 53,16 / 8,23-5]

בְּדַבַּר יְהוָה שָׁמַיִם נִעְשׂוּ וּבְרוּחַ פָּיו כָּל-צִבְאוֹת
τῷ λόγῳ τοῦ κυρίου [τοῦ κ. om CO] οἱ οὐρανοὶ ἐστερεώθησαν καὶ τῷ πνεύματι τοῦ
στόματος αὐτοῦ πᾶσα ἡ δύναμις αὐτῶν
בְּדַבַּר יְהוָה שָׁמַיִם נִעְשׂוּ וּבְרוּחַ פָּיו כָּל-צִבְאוֹת

P = CO

Ep55

בְּדַבַּר יְהוָה שָׁמַיִם נִעְשׂוּ וּבְרוּחַ פָּיו כָּל-צִבְאוֹת²

The closer adhesion of CO to P is quite evident, especially in the rendering בְּדַבַּר יְהוָה שָׁמַיִם, for which Ep55's בְּדַבַּר יְהוָה שָׁמַיִם is a much closer attempt at the Greek wording.

Ps 44.7-8/45.6-7/45.7-8 [EDC = 22,9-10 / f.1r (EDC1) / f.18vb (EDC2) (v8 only)] [SDI = 120,3-5 / f.22ra (v8 only)] [QUX = 728,1-5 / f.59rb-59va]

For v7 P = QUX, save for following the Gk where P, against MT, has אֲלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ (later P mss brought this into line with MT/LXX as אֲלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ)

In v8, P = EDC,SDI,QUX [SDI omitting the final three words in both Gk and Syr]

This citation provides another instance of how a translator (EDC in this case) will use precisely the P wording where he perceives that it is an acceptable translation also of his own Vorlage. The rendering is even left alone by the reviser (EDC2).

Ps 49.2-3 [Ep55 = 53,34-5 / 9,17-18] [QUX = 761,36-7 / f.82va]

אֱלֹהִים הוֹפִיעַ יְבֹא אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֵל-יִחְרָשׁ
ὁ θεὸς ἐμφανῶς ἤξει, ὁ θεὸς ἡμῶν καὶ οὐ παρασιωπήσεται
אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

Ep55

אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

QUX

אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

We can see again that in Ep55 P is dropped as soon as a more Greek-oriented version becomes possible. QUX abbreviates his Vorlage substantially, as in the passage immediately preceding this citation.

Ps 51.3-4/52.3-4 [CT = 120,21-2 / f.112rc]

מִהַתְהַלֵּל בְּרַעַה הַגְּבוּר חָסֵד אֵל כָּל-הַיּוֹם הוֹת תַּחֲשֵׁב לְשׁוֹנֶךָ

¹ As often in the Peshitta, e.g. Ps 46.8(P), Isa 5.9 etc.

² Or אֱלֹהֵינוּ in the other ms of Ep55.

τί ἐγκαυχᾶ ἐν κακίᾳ ὁ δυνατός ἀνομίαν.¹ ὅλην τὴν ἡμέραν ἀδικίαν ἐλογίσατο ἢ γλῶσσά σου
לְעַל כְּעוֹדוֹת רָעוּלָהּ כָּל־יְמֵי־יָמָיו לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת

CT

לְעַל כְּעוֹדוֹת רָעוּלָהּ כָּל־יְמֵי־יָמָיו לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת

CT seems to use P when P is anyway close enough to LXX to suffice and to depart therefore where necessary. CT's second use of רָעוֹת may be a scribal or a translation error.

Ps 62.9/63.9 [QUX = 732,38-9 / f.62rb]

QUX is independent of P.

Ps 68.22/69.21/69.22 [SDI = 226,3 / f.50va]

P = SDI

לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת לְעוֹדוֹת רָעוֹת SDI

Ps 72.24/73.24/74.23 [AT = 150,23 / 462,11-12]

בְּעֶצְתְּךָ תִּנְחַנֵּי

ἐν τῇ βουλή σου ὠδήγησάς με
בְּעֶצְתְּךָ תִּנְחַנֵּי

AT

בְּעֶצְתְּךָ תִּנְחַנֵּי

Ps 74.6/75.6* [RF = 50,25 / 40,2-3]

Cyril is not quoting precisely but there is a significant divergence between LXX and MT in v6b (LXX 'do not speak injustice at God'; MT 'do not speak with outstretched neck'), at which RF follows Cyril rather than P.

Ps 76.4/77.4/77.3 [CT = 136,28 / f.118vb]

אֲזַכֶּרְהָ אֱלֹהִים וְאֶהְמִיָּהּ

ἐμνήσθην τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ εὐφράνθην
אֲזַכֶּרְהָ אֱלֹהִים וְאֶהְמִיָּהּ

CT

אֲזַכֶּרְהָ אֱלֹהִים וְאֶהְמִיָּהּ

CT's addition of the reflexive is very idiomatic, but he has clearly chosen to follow the Greek while apparently knowing P's wording.

Ps 77.15-16,18-20/78.15-16,18-20 [Ep55 = 56,25-31 / 14,22-8]

יִבְקַע צְרִים בְּמַדְבָּר וַיִּשְׁקַף פְּתַח־מִוֹת רָבָה¹⁶ וַיִּזְעַף

¹ The LXX reading seems to have come about through reading קָמַס for קָמַף.

לְחַלּוֹת לְחַלּוֹת וְחַיִּים כְּחַיִּים. לְחַלּוֹת וְחַיִּים

GL has improved on P by using לְחַלּוֹת for the article with the ptc, but has not mirrored εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων any more closely than P.

Ps 87.5/88.6 [RF = 71,34 / 147,5-6]

בְּמַתִּים חַפְּשִׁי
ἐν νεκροῖς ἐλεύθερος
כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים

P = RF

Ps 88.7/89.7 [RF = 70,25-6 / 141,3-5]

כִּי מִי בְּשִׁחַק יַעֲרֹךְ לַיהוָה יְדֻמָּה לַיהוָה בְּבִנֵי אֱלֹהִים
ὅτι τίς ἐν νεφέλαις ἰσωθήσεται τῷ κυρίῳ καὶ τίς ὁμοιωθήσεται τῷ κυρίῳ ἐν υἱοῖς θεοῦ
כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים

P=RF

A clear instance of the translator inserting a P text ahead of the Vorlage – note the idiomatic כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים as well as the theologically careful כִּי חַיִּים.

Ps 89.1/90.1 [QUX = 717,38-9 / f.53ra]

P = QUX (even in detail, כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים).

Ps 93.22/94.22 [QUX = 717,37-8 / f.52vb-53ra]

QUX (כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים for καταφυγήν) is independent of P (כִּי חַיִּים or כִּי חַיִּים).

Ps 95.11/96.11 [Ep39 = 15,24 / f.149va]

P's כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים becomes in Ep39 כִּי חַיִּים כִּי חַיִּים, thus following the Greek word order at the expense of P's chiasm.

Ps 100.4/101.4 [Ep46 = 158,2 / 47,11]

לֵב עֲקֹשׁ
καρδία σκαμβή
כִּי חַיִּים

Ep46
כִּי חַיִּים

Ps 101.26-8/102.26-8 [RF = 49,6-8 / 33,3-7] [CT (v28b only) PG76:391 / f.108rc]

וּמַעֲשֵׂה יְדִידֵי שָׁמַיִם

כָּוֶן לְעֵינַי וְלִבִּי לְפָנֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ

CO has improved כָּוֶן to כָּוֶן לְעֵינַי, from an early stage a common loan (though not in New Testament Peshitta). Unfortunately, we cannot see whether, had Cyril included LXX's εἶ, he would have used כָּוֶן rather than כָּוֶן.

Ps 117.27/118.27* [CO = 58,34 / f.104vb] [RF = 57,5 / 72,8]

For ἐπέφανεν, both CO and RF replace P's ἰσῆν with פָּנָה

Ps 118.105/119.105 [GL = 405]

P = GL, save for minor changes for fitting the context.

Ps 119.2/120.2 [CT = 110,23-4 / f.107vc]

יְהוָה הַצִּילָה נַפְשִׁי מִשְׁפַּת־שֶׁקֶר מִלְּשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה
κύριε, ῥῦσαι τὴν ψυχὴν μου ἀπὸ χειλέων ἀδίκων καὶ ἀπὸ γλώσσης δολίας
כָּוֶן חָסַדְךָ לְעַמְּךָ כִּי שֶׁפַת־שֶׁקֶר וְלִשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה

CT

כָּוֶן חָסַדְךָ לְעַמְּךָ כִּי שֶׁפַת־שֶׁקֶר וְלִשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה

CT has reduced τὴν ψυχὴν μου to a simple object suffix; but he has also kept the adjectival כָּוֶן where the Gk has a genitive noun.

Ps 135.12/136.12 [QUX = 717,2 / f.52rb]

P and QUX are identical over a short space where LXX allows it.

Ps 138.7-10a/139.7-10a [AT1 (v7 only) = 142,13-4 / 455,4-5] [AT2 = 148,1-6]

אָנָּה אֵלֶיךָ מְרוּחָךְ וְאָנָּה מִפְּנֵיךְ אֶבְרָחָם
אִם־אֶסְקֶשׁ שָׁמַיִם שָׁם אַתָּה וְאֶצִּיעָה שְׂאוֹל הַנֶּחֱדָה
אִשָּׁא כְּנַפְי־שִׁחַר אֲשַׁפְּנָה בְּאַחֲרֵית יָם
גַּם־שָׁם יָדֶךָ תִּנְחַנֵּנִי

⁷ ποῦ πορευθῶ ἀπὸ τοῦ πνεύματός σου, καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ προσώπου σου ποῦ φύγω

⁸ ἔὰν ἀναβῶ εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν σὺ εἶ ἐκεῖ [ἐκεῖ εἶ AT2] · ἔὰν καταβῶ εἰς τὸν ἄδην, πάρει·

⁹ ἔὰν ἀναλάβοιμι τὰς πτέρυγάς μου κατ' ὄρθρον καὶ κατασκηνώσω εἰς τὰ ἔσχατα τῆς θαλάσσης,

¹⁰ καὶ γὰρ ἐκεῖ ἡ χεὶρ σου ὀδηγήσει με.

לְעַמְּךָ כִּי שֶׁפַת־שֶׁקֶר וְלִשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה
כָּוֶן חָסַדְךָ לְעַמְּךָ כִּי שֶׁפַת־שֶׁקֶר וְלִשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה
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AT1,2

¹ Many mss כָּוֶן חָסַדְךָ.

² כָּוֶן 7a1.

אע"פ גמולתו גמולתו, אע"פ גמולתו גמולתו

CT

אע"פ גמולתו גמולתו, אע"פ גמולתו גמולתו

P is already close to LXX and CT only needs to make a small adjustment at the end accurately to reflect the adjective.

Pr 19.5/19.9 [CT = 143,12-13 / f.121rb]

עד שקרים לא ינקה
μάρτυς ψευδῆς οὐκ ἀτιμώρητος ἔσται
שמואל גמולתו גמולתו

CT

שמואל גמולתו גמולתו, אע"פ גמולתו

Pr 22.28 [Ep39 = 19,24 / f.152rb]

אל-תסג גבול עולם אשר עשו אבותיך
μη μεταίρε ὄρια αἰώνια ἃ ἔθεντο οἱ πατέρες σου
לא תשנה גמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

Ep39

לא תשנה גמולתו גמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

The phrase גמולתו גמולתו may well be influenced by P's wording, but Ep39 has its own version which is sufficiently close to the Greek.

Ecc1 7.11¹ [MosEp = Guidi p.400]

טובה חכמה עם-נחלה ויתר לראי השמש
ἀγαθή σοφία μετὰ κληροδοσίας καὶ περισσεῖα τοῖς θεωροῦσιν τὸν ἥλιον
טובה, עמולתו גמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

MosEp

טובה, עמולתו גמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

Ecc1 8.1 [MosEp = Guidi p.400]

חכמת אדם תאיר פניו
τίς οἶδεν σοφούς καὶ τίς οἶδεν λύσιν ῥήματος σοφία ἀνθρώπου φωτιεῖ πρόσωπον αὐτοῦ καὶ
ἀναιδῆς προσώπων αὐτοῦ μισηθήσεται
עמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

MosEp

עמולתו גמולתו גמולתו אבותיך

Ecc1 10.1b-2 [MosEp = Guidi p.400]

¹ Incorrectly cited by Guidi as Ecc1 7.12.

יִקָּר מִחֲכָמָה מִכְבוֹד סְכֵלוֹת מְעַט
 לֵב חָכָם לִימִינוֹ וְלֵב כְּסִיל לְשִׁמְאֹלִי
 τίμιον ὀλίγον σοφίας ὑπὲρ δόξαν ἀφροσύνης μεγάλης
 καρδία σοφοῦ εἰς δεξιὸν αὐτοῦ καὶ καρδία ἄφρονος εἰς ἀριστερὸν αὐτοῦ
 מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא... מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

MosEp

מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא... מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

Paphnutius (apud MosEp) here probably witnesses to an early form of the text. The ,מ is found also in 9c1, פ for פ in 8a1, and מלכא/מלכא in 8a1^c, 9c1, 10c1, 11c1, 12a1 etc. It is therefore likely that מלכא was the original Peshitta reading (based on Heb יִקָּר) and is preserved for us here.

All these three last citations confirm Paphnutius' use of P for his citations, especially where P is quite different from MT as at Eccl 7.11.

Cant 2.1 [SDI = 222,2 / f.27ra]

אֲנִי חֲבַצְלֵת הַשָּׁרוֹן שֹׁשְׁנֵת הָעֵמְקִים
 ἐγὼ ἄνθος τοῦ πεδίου κρίνον τῶν κοιλάδων
 מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

SDI

מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

SDI appears to know and use P, but only when appropriate, i.e. for v1b in this case, but not v1a.

Job 4.19 [CT = 127,17-8 / f.115rc] [SDI = 223,1-2 / f.31ra]

אֶף שִׁכְנֵי בְּתֵי-חֹמֶר אֲשֶׁר-בְּעֶפְרַיִם יִסֹּדֶם
 τοὺς δὲ κατοικοῦντας οἰκίας πηλίνας ἐξ ὧν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ πηλοῦ ἐσμὲν
 מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

CT

מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

SDI

מלכא מלכא מלכא מלכא

Both are clearly with LXX against P; however, CT appears to have ignored the first person referent, and מלכא מלכא is a more usual way of rendering ὁ αὐτός, although CT's מלכא מלכא is an attempt to render ἐξ ὧν more exactly.

Job 12.22 [Ep55 = 50,1 / 2,16-7]

מִגְלֵה עֲמֻקּוֹת מִנִּי-חֹשֶׁךְ
 ἀνακαλύπτων βαθέα ἐκ σκότους [εκ σκ. αν. βα. Ep55]

כָּאֵשׁ לְ כָּהֵיכָל כָּל־

Ep55

כָּל־ כָּאֵשׁ לְ כָּהֵיכָל

It is evident that the translator has no desire *per se* to alter P and does so only insofar as this is necessary to make it accurate to the Greek, here principally a matter of word order (according to Cyril not LXX) and making כָּל־ simply P'al.

Ws 1.1 [Ep40 = 23,9-10 / 28,21-2] [Ep46* = 158,1 / 47,9-10]

φρονήσατε περὶ τοῦ κυρίου ἐν ἀγαθότητι [ἐν ἀγ.: ἀληθῆ Ep40] καὶ ἐν ἀπλότῃ καρδίας
ζητήσατε αὐτόν
,סורכא רָפּעא כָּל־סו .כָּהֵיכָל כָּאֵשׁ לְ אִי

Ep40

,סורכא רָפּעא כָּל־סו .כָּהֵיכָל כָּאֵשׁ לְ אִי

Ep46

רָפּעא לְ כָּהֵיכָל

Ep40 does alter the text of P in line with Cyril's main variant, but keeps P's 'with a simple heart', whereas Ep46's allusion is concerned enough with precision to use the abstract noun.

Ws 1.1-3a [MosEp = Guidi p.399]

As P save for לְ זָחַק for P's לְ חַסְפָּה כָּל־ (v2), which is probably a simplifying reading, avoiding the idea of tempting God (τοῖς μὴ πειράζουσιν αὐτόν).

Ws 1.5 [MosEp = Guidi p.399-400]

P = MosEp

Ws 1.7 [AT = 142,26-7 / 455,17]

πνεῦμα κυρίου πεπλήρωκεν τὴν οἰκουμένην
לְכַח אֱלֹהִים כָּאֵשׁ לְ אִי

AT

לְכַח אֱלֹהִים כָּאֵשׁ לְ אִי

Note that AT is content here to follow P and not to use a neologism such as כָּהֵיכָל־כָּאֵשׁ which we find in the seventh century texts.¹

Ws 1.12 [MosEp = Guidi p.399]

P = MosEp

¹ For instance, see Brock, *Hunanyan's Translation Techniques*, 151, and also more generally Brock, *Diachronic Aspects and Diachronic Features*.

Ἐφραθα for Mt's $\kappa\lambda\omicron\mu\alpha$ after the name 'Bethlehem'. However, the last part of the verse as quoted by Cyril, καὶ αἱ ἕξοδοι αὐτοῦ ἀπ' ἀρχῆς ἐξ ἡμερῶν αἰῶνος, is not found in the NT version and so RF quotes exactly if from Peshitta Micah. This latter point indicates that the translator knew where the verse came from and yet still used the NT version – perhaps he only realised this point when he arrived at the last part of the citation, or perhaps he never realised at all and simply conflated the versions in his memory. Whatever the cause, it is quite clear that the translator is much more concerned with the overall meaning, the *signifié*, and not with the precise wording of the original, and he inserts Peshitta before even looking closely at the Greek text.

Joel 1.5 [QUX = 749,43-4 / f.74ra]

LXX differs from P after the first two words. QUX follows P for these but renders the whole independently.

Joel 3.1/2.28 [QUX = 736,21-2 / f.65ra] [Ep55 = 54,31-2 / 11,10-11] [AT* = 158,13-4 / 468,2]

אֲשׁוּפִיךָ אֶת־רוּחִי עַל־כָּל־בְּשָׂרָה
 ἔκχεῶ ἀπὸ τοῦ πνεύματός μου ἐπὶ πᾶσαν σάρκα
 יוֹשִׁיעַ הוּא לְכָל־חַיִּים

QUX

יוֹשִׁיעַ הוּא לְכָל־חַיִּים

Ep55

יוֹשִׁיעַ הוּא לְכָל־חַיִּים¹

AT

יוֹשִׁיעַ הוּא לְכָל־חַיִּים

Ep55 attempts to mirror the genitive of πνεύματος; AT's allusion has πνεῦμα in the accusative.

Hab 2.15 [Ep50 = 96,19-20 / f.144va]

הוּא מִשְׁקָה רַע הוּא מִסַּפַּח מִמְחָה
 ὦ [οὐαὶ Ep50] ὁ ποτίζων τὸν πλησίον αὐτοῦ ἀνατροπῆ θολερᾶ [ἀνατροπὴν θολεράν Ep50]
 הוּא לֹא יִשְׁכַּח לְכָל־חַיִּים

Ep50

הוּא לֹא יִשְׁכַּח לְכָל־חַיִּים

BHS assumes an original Heb reading of מִמְחָה מִסַּפַּח (*from the bowl of your anger*) but without noting the support of P (which is also how the Targum takes it, בְּמִחָה), though this does not explain לְכָל־חַיִּים which seems a good rendering for LXX's θολερός. Ep50 has translated

this induced the translator to use the NT version of the verse rather than the Peshitta text of Micah, which clearly had no negative.

¹ ms leg לְכָל .

Mal 3.6 [CT = PG76:391 / f.108rc] [Ep39 = 19,6 / f.151vb]

P = CT,Ep39 (short allusion)

Is 1.2 [Ep55 = 52,38-53,1 / 7,29-30]

בָּנִים גִּדְּלֹתַי וְרוֹמְמֹתַי
υῖοὺς ἐγέννησα καὶ ὕψωσα
גמל וזניח גוס

Ep55
גמל וזניח גוס

Ep55's method seems again to be to use P until something needs to be changed.

Is 6.6-7 [SDI = 221,17-20 / f.26va]

SDI makes good use of the wording of P, which is obviously the text with which he is familiar, but he makes no concessions to it over and above his Vorlage. He follows the latter even in word order. Thus גמל וזניח גוס (for לְקַח מִעַל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ) becomes גמל וזניח גוס (for ἐν τῇ χειρὶ εἶχεν ἄνθρακα ὃν τῇ λαβίδι ἔλαβεν ἀπὸ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου).

Is 7.14 [RF = 49,19-20 / 34,4-5] [Ep39 = 18,9-10 / f.151rb] [SDI = 228,32-3 / f.41vb] [Ep101 = Guidi 546]

הִנֵּה הָעֵלְמָה הָרָה וַיִּלְדֶּת בֵּן וְקָרְאתָ שְׁמוֹ עִמְנוּי אֵל
ἰδοὺ ἡ παρθένος ἐν γαστρὶ ἔξει καὶ τέξεται υῖόν καὶ καλέσεις τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ Ἐμμανουήλ
גמל וזניח גוס

Ep39,SDI
גמל וזניח גוס

P = RF,CT,Ep101

A good example of the difference between those texts which are content to reproduce P where the meaning is acceptably close to the Greek, and those (Ep39,SDI) which feel the need to mirror the grammatical forms – in this case the tenses of all three verbs being corrected into the impf as well as the last one being made active.

Is 8.8-10 [Ep74 = Overbeck 227,13-18]

Ep74 follows the Greek against the quite different MT,P, with no obvious influence of the latter upon the translator of Ep74.

Is 8.18 [AT = noGk / 442,6-7]

P=AT כִּי־אֵלֹהִים לֹא־בָרָא־אֶת־עַלְמֵי־בְרִיאַת־הַמַּיִם
כִּי־אֵלֹהִים] ,אֵלֹהִים AT

Is 9.6 [CT = 128,15-6 / f.115vb] [Ep101 = Guidi 546¹]

פְּלֵא יוֹעֵץ לֹא נִבְרָא בְּיַד־רִשְׁוֹן־לְבָבוֹ

In the Alexandrian/Lucianic recension of the Greek, the following is found:
μεγάλης βουλῆς ἄγγελος θαυμαστός σύμβουλος θεὸς ἰσχυρὸς ἐξουσιαστῆς ἄρχων εἰρήνης
πατὴρ τοῦ μέλλοντος αἰῶνος.²

In CT, Theodoret (whom Cyril quotes here) knows the text according to this longer recension
but quotes the titles in the accusative, thus:
μεγάλης βουλῆς ἄγγελον καὶ θαυμαστόν σύμβουλον καὶ θεὸν ἰσχυρόν καὶ ἐξουσιαστὴν καὶ
ἄρχοντα εἰρήνης καὶ πατέρα τοῦ μέλλοντος αἰῶνος.

Peshitta

[ܘܕܥܝܢܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ] ܟܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ

CT

ܟܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ

P = Ep101

The picture is confused by the fact that the text of P in the mss has itself already undergone
emendation towards LXX. The words ܘܕܥܝܢܝܢܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ ܟܘܠܝܢ have been added in the margins of
even the earliest extant Peshitta mss (though not in all). The fact that CT translates πατέρα
τοῦ μέλλοντος αἰῶνος with the same expression may suggest that the translator already knew
these words in his OT text. He has certainly been influenced by P earlier in the verse, firstly in
his use of the α between θαυμαστός and σύμβουλος and between σύμβουλος and θεός;
secondly, in omitting any direct equivalent for ἐξουσιαστῆς; thirdly, in the choice of his
wording in general.

Is 11.1-3a [CT = 133,20-4 / f.117va]

Although the majority of the wording in CT is quite distinct from P (despite the meaning
being identical), there is some influence: where the Greek says πνεῦμα εὐσεβείας, CT has
ܟܘܠܝܢ ܘܕܥܝܢܝܢܢ...ܟܘܠܝܢ, a rendering found in P for ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ ܩܘܠܝܢ.

Isa 24.13-4 [QUX = 753,29-32 / f.76va]

LXX is very divergent from MT. QUX unsurprisingly simply translates his Vorlage anew,
although he oddly translates ἄνθρωπος as ܐܢܫܐ.

Is 25.8 [CT = 136,27-8 / f.118vb]

¹ Incorrectly cited by Guidi as Isa 9.16.

² See ms list in Göttingen edition for fuller details.

P and CT are close but the citation is short.

Is 26.9 [SDI = 223,17-8 / f.31va]

SDI quite independent of P where LXX is not as MT verbatim.

Is 26.12 [Ep39 = 16,19-20 / f.150rb]

Ep39 carefully translates this short citation according to Cyril's text and ignores the different readings of MT,P

Is 28.15 [CT = 143,10-11 / f.121rb]

CT has its own separate version, though he shows his own tendency to abbreviate by reducing τῷ ψεύδει to **מ**.

Is 32.6 [Ep40 = 23,20 / 29,5-6]

כִּי נִבְּלָה נִבְּלָה יְדִבֵּר וְלִבּוֹ יַעֲשֶׂה אָנֹן
ὁ γὰρ μωρὸς μωρὰ λαλήσει καὶ ἡ καρδία αὐτοῦ μάταια νοήσει
כִּי נִבְּלָה נִבְּלָה יְדִבֵּר וְלִבּוֹ יַעֲשֶׂה אָנֹן

Ep40

כִּי נִבְּלָה נִבְּלָה יְדִבֵּר וְלִבּוֹ יַעֲשֶׂה אָנֹן

SDI

כִּי נִבְּלָה נִבְּלָה יְדִבֵּר וְלִבּוֹ יַעֲשֶׂה אָנֹן

Ep40 seems to be a translator in two minds: he clearly wants to translate the Greek text, but he hardly does so with great accuracy, using the adverbial **כִּי נִבְּלָה** for the neuter plural object μάταια, and a ptc **יַעֲשֶׂה** for the future νοήσει – in both these traits he is following the style of the first half of the clause in which he follows P, which uses close equivalents to the Hebrew wording (abstract noun for **נִבְּלָה** and impf for **יַעֲשֶׂה**). SDI is more independent, but the use of the adverb for the noun is unexpected.

Is 36.6 [Ep46 = 160,23-4 / 50,21]

Ep46 clearly has P in mind when he translates Cyril's καλαμίνην ράβδον ὑποστήσαντες as **כִּי יִשְׁתָּן מִן הַיָּד הַזֹּאת** (P having **כִּי יִשְׁתָּן מִן הַיָּד הַזֹּאת** for the noun phrase קִרְיַת הַיָּד הַזֹּאת (מִשְׁעָנֵה) even though LXX's τεθλασμένην (*broken*) is not present in Cyril's allusion.

Is 37.36 [RF = 44,8-10 / 7,15-8,3]

וַיֵּצֵא מִלְּאֲךָ יְהוָה וַיִּכֶה בְּמַחְנֵה אֲשׁוּר מֵאָה וּשְׁמָנִים וַחֲמִשָּׁה אֶלֶף וַיִּשְׁפְּימוּ בְּבִקְרָה וְהָיָה כָל־
פְּגָרִים מְחִיִּים

ἐξῆλθεν ἄγγελος κυρίου καὶ ἀνείλεν ἐκ τῆς παρεμβολῆς τῶν Ἀσσυρίων ἑκατὸν ὀγδοήκοντα
πέντε χιλιάδας καὶ ἐξαναστάντες [ἀναστάντες RF] τὸ πρῶτὸ εὗρον πάντα τὰ σώματα νεκρά
כִּי יִשְׁתָּן מִן הַיָּד הַזֹּאת וַיִּכֶה בְּמַחְנֵה אֲשׁוּר מֵאָה וּשְׁמָנִים וַחֲמִשָּׁה אֶלֶף וַיִּשְׁפְּימוּ בְּבִקְרָה וְהָיָה כָל־
פְּגָרִים מְחִיִּים

Isa 60.1-2 [QUX = 753,33-6 / f.76vb]

There is little connection between P and QUX here where LXX differs so much from P. Where they do agree, however, it would appear that QUX's choice of wording is strongly influenced by P. We have seen elsewhere (Isa 42.8) how P's רַעַם for כְּבוֹד does not result in a similar equivalency for δόξα in our texts (here רַעַם, sometimes רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל).

Is 61.1 [CO1 = 58,27-9 / f.104vb] [CO2* = 59,33 / f.105rb]

Although Cyril introduces his citation as being from Isaiah, his omission of the words *ιάσασθαι τοὺς συντετριμμένους τῆ καρδία* imply that he is thinking of Lk 4.18, and this citation is dealt with sub loc. in the relevant place.

Is 61.10 [RF = 66,28-9 / 121,3-4]

תָּגַל נַפְשִׁי בְּאֵלֵהי כִּי הִלְבִּישָׁנִי בְּגָדֵי־יִשְׁעַ מְעִיל צִדְקָה
ἀγαλλιάσθω ἡ ψυχὴ μου ἐπὶ τῷ κυρίῳ ἐνέδυσεν γάρ με ἱμάτιον σωτηρίου καὶ χιτῶνα
εὐφροσύνης
רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

RF

רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

On this occasion, RF owes very little to P.

Is 62.2 [RF = 61,23-4 / 95,3-4]

וְקָרָא לְךָ שֵׁם קָדֵשׁ אֲשֶׁר פִּי יְהוָה יִקְבְּנֶנּוּ
καλέσει σε [καλέσουσι RF¹] τὸ ὄνομά σου, τὸ καινόν ὃ ὁ κύριος ὀνομάσει αὐτό
רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

RF

רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

While the Greek predominates in the translator's mind still, it is notable that he avoids the difficulty of the impersonal καλέσουσι (or καελέσει) by keeping MT,P's passive.

Is 62.10 [EDC = 16,10-11 / f.14va]

עֲבְרוּ בְּשַׁעְרִים סְקִלּוּ מֵאֲבָן
πορεύεσθε διὰ τῶν πυλῶν μου καὶ τοὺς λίθους τοὺς ἐκ τῆς ὁδοῦ διαρρίψατε
רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

EDC

רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל רַעַם־עַל־מַעַל

¹ An unexpected reading, known otherwise only from the Latin of Tyconius' *Liber Regularum*.

QUX
מחללין מן לחסודן . הלה מן פסוקא דתנא .

AT
בן מן לחסודן מחללין . הלה מן פסוקא דתנא .

AT follows word order more carefully than QUX and uses בן in the developed manner as the indicator of a ptc. As Cyril has altered λαλοῦσιν to λαλοῦντες for the grammatical context.

Jer 23.23,24 [AT = 142,7-10 / 454,18-455,2]

AT has very much his own version, using his own technique to translate the Greek, and owing nothing to P.

Jer 35.8-10 [MosEp = Guidi, 399]

P = MosEp

Bar 3.3 [RF = 48,28-9 / 31,5-6]

ὅτι σὺ καθήμενος τὸν αἰῶνα καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀπολλύμενοι τὸν αἰῶνα
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

RF
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

RF appears both to add an extra clause to the front and yet also to translate καθήμενος with greater precision than P.

Bar 3.38/3.37* [RF = 54,1 / 57,6-7] [AT = 140,9 / 453,8] [QUX = 715,39-40 / f.51va-b]

μετὰ τοῦτο ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ὤφθη καὶ ἐν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις συνανεστράφη
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

RF
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

QUX
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

AT
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

The wording in these three versions appears to owe nothing to P.

Ezek 34.14 [AT = no Greek / 447,10-11]

בְּמִרְעָה-טוֹב וּבְמִרְעָה שָׂמִן
ἐν νομῆ ἀγαθῇ βοσκήσω...καὶ ἐν νομῆ πίονι
לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן . לחן דנא דנא לחן .

QUX

[Gen 19.26; Ex4.3; 16.8; Num 16.11; Dt 10.22; Josh 1.5; 1Sam 8.5; 8.7; 1Ki 19.10; Ps 20.6; 21.8; 21.19; 44.7-8; 49.2-3; 62.9; 80.10; 89.1; 93.22; 104.15; 135.12; Prov 9.18; Wis 1.13-4; 2.24; Am 7.14-5; Joel 3.1; Hab 3.13; Zeph 2.1-2; Isa 24.13-4; 42.8; 44.20; 60.1-2; 63.9; Jer 8.23; 23.16; Bar 3.38]

EDC

[Ps 44.7-8; Prov 8.9; Am 3.12-3; Isa 62.10]

SDI

[Ex 25.10-11; Dt 10.22; Ps 21.17; 44.7-8; 68.22; 104.15; Cant 2.1; Job 4.19; Hab 3.13; Isa 6.6-7; 7.14; 26.9; 45.1; 50.6; 53.5]

Ep39

[1Sam 2.30; Ps 95.11; Prov 22.28; Mal 3.6; Isa 7.14; 26.12; 50.6]

Ep40

[Wis 1.1; Zeph 2.1-2; Isa 32.6; 42.18; Jer 4.3]

Ep46

[Ps 100.4; Wis 1.1*; Isa 36.6]

Ep50

[Ps 10.2; Prov 9.18; 14.12; Hab 2.15; Isa 50.11; 53.5*]

Ep55

[Gen 35.25,31-2; Ex 20.3; 28.30; Dt 6.4; 18.13; 33.8-9; Ps 12.4; 17.45-6; 32.6; 49.2-3; 77.15-20; Prov 4.25; Job 12.22; Isa 1.2; 42.8; 44.6; 53.7-8; Jer 22.17; Dn 7.13-4]

Ep74

[Isa 8.8-10]

Ep101

[Isa 7.14; 9.6]

CO

[Dt 19.15; 1Ki 18.21; 19.10; Ps 32.6; 109.1; 109.4; 117.27; Prov 8.9; Zech 7.9; Isa 61.1; Dn 7.10]

CT

[1 Ki 18.21; Ps 23.10; 51.3-4; 76.4; 101.26-8; 119.2; 146.6; Prov 9.9; 18.19; 19.5; Job 4.19; Am 7.14-5; Zech 7.9; Mal 3.6; Isa 9.6; 11.1-3; 25.8; 28.15; 40.5; 42.1; 49.3-6; 53.3; Jer 9.1; Sus 42]

AT

[Gen 4.26; Ex 12.46; Lev 17.3-4; Dt 32.11; 2Sam 5.8; Ps 18.10; 72.24; 138.7-10; Wis 1.7; Zech 4.10; Isa 8.18; 40.5; Jer 23.16; 23.23-4; Bar 3.38; Ezek 34.14; Sus42]

GL

[Gen 1.9; 1.14; 2.7; 2.16-7; 3.16; Dt 17.2-6; Ps 83.5; 118.105; Prov 1.3; 2.4; Isa 43.18; 45.18; 55.8-9; Dn 7.10]

MosEp

[Eccl 7.11; 8.1; 10.1-2; Wis 1.1-3; 1.5; 1.12. 7.30; 8.1; 8.21; 9.1-2; Jer 22.13-4; 35.8-10]

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