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Instructions and Sample: The Abbreviations Page

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ABBREVIATIONS

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CAH	Cambridge Ancient History
CGTC	Cambridge Greek Testament Commentary
CR	<i>Corpus Reformatorum</i>
CTJ	<i>Calvin Theological Journal</i>
CSJH	Chicago Studies in the History of Judaism
EvQ	<i>Evangelical Quarterly</i>
JETS	<i>Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society</i>
HRCS	Hatch, Edwin, and Henry A. Redpath. <i>Concordance to the Septuagint and Other Greek Versions of the Old Testament</i> . 2 vols. Oxford: Clarendon, 1897. 2 nd ed. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1998
LTQ	<i>Lexington Theological Quarterly</i>
OECT	Oxford Early Christian Texts
PL	Patrologia latina
RTJ	<i>Reformed Theological Journal</i>
TDNT	<i>Theological Dictionary of the New Testament</i> . Edited by Gerhard Kittel and Gerhard Friedrich. Translated by Geoffrey W. Bromiley. 10 vols. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1964-1978
WCF	Westminster Confession of Faith
WTJ	<i>Westminster Theological Journal</i>

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