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Dear Professor McDaniel:

Thank you so very much for your kindness in sending along to me a copy of your study on the Song of Deborah.


This is obviously a very careful work, and I couldn't agree with you more that it deserves much wider distribution than it has had.

You propose some very substantial changes in understanding of a good number of statements in the Song, and scholars ought to have knowledge of these proposals.

I wonder in that regard if you would feel comfortable if I were to discuss some of your proposals with one other person. I know that you want to preserve the manuscript from wide distribution at this time, but I am thinking of a very closely held kind of sharing in this instance. My colleague here at Gordon-Conwell, Professor Gordon Hugenberger, is writing the Judges commentary for the NICOT. He is a good linguist and a diligent scholar, and one of the best ways I can think of to get to you the feedback that you desire would be for someone like him to be able to consider some of your proposals. Naturally, if this represents the kind of distribution that you are trying to avoid, nothing more will be said. But since he is more likely to give you the sort of good, critical feedback that I suspect you would enjoy, it seemed to me that you might want him to see your manuscript. Just let me know either way. *

Again, thank you so much for your kindness in supplying me with a copy of the manuscript. I am honored.

Sincerely yours,


Douglas Stuart
Chairman, Division of Biblical Studies

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** He and I would then discuss the MS - it's not my idea just to pass it on to him.*