CHAPTER NINE

SUMMARY LIST OF THE CONTENTS OF EUSEBIUS’ LIBRARY

The following list sets out, according to the results of this study, what Eusebius had available to him in his library at Caesarea. The works that Eusebius himself used or to the existence of which he attests are numbered, while those to which Origen refers are marked by asterisks, even though I suspect that many, if not all, of these works were still available in the library at Caesarea in Eusebius’ day.

The number of works will vary according to how works are divided (for example, some dossiers are listed below) and according to one’s judgment of which works have been shown to have been at Caesarea. The minimum seems to be 288 works, but this is a very conservative estimate, since, for example, the works of Origen not specifically named by Eusebius are excluded. A more generous estimation counts Origen’s works and those works to which Origen refers (works marked by asterisks), plus some other works that have rather weaker evidence of their having been in the library (works marked below by question marks). There were more than 400 works by this reckoning. Again, though, the likelihood that Eusebius’ library contained more works, even many more works, deserves emphasis.

PHILOSOPHERS

(1) Alexander of Aphrodisias, On Fate (De fato).
(2) Amelius Gentilianus of Etruria, Scholia in one hundred books; or a Refutation of the Book of Zostrian in forty books. Eusebius may have had only parts of one or the other work.
(3) Aristocles of Messana, On Philosophy (De philosophia) in ten books.
   * Aristotle?
(4) Arius Didymus, Epitome.
(5) Atticus, Against Those Who Promise the Teachings of Plato in Aristotle (Πρὸς τοὺς διὰ τῶν Ἀριστοτέλους τὰ Πλάτωνος ὑπισχυμένους).
(6) Corpus Hermeticum VII, “That the Greatest Evil among Men is Ignorance of God.”
(7) Diogenianus, an attack on the doctrine of Fate.
   * Longinus?
(9) Numenius of Apamea, *On the Good* (De bono; Περὶ τάγαθοῦ) in six books.
   * Numenius, *On the Incorruptibility of the Soul* (De incorrupabilitate animae).
   * Numenius, *On the Hoopoe* (De ursa).
   * Numenius, *On Numbers* (De numeris).
   * Numenius, *On Place* (De loco).
(16) Plato, *Timaeus*.
(17) Plato, *Theaetetus*.
(18) Plato, *Phaedrus*.
(19) Plato, *Republica*.
(20) Plato, *Politicus*.
(21) Plato, *Phaedo*.
(22) Plato, *Leges*.
(23) Plato, *Epistulae* II, VI, VII, XIII (and possibly the others).
(24) Plato, *Apologia*.
(25) Plato, *Cratylus*.
(26) Plato, *Crito*.
(27) Plato, *Gorgias*.
(28) Plato, *Philebus*.
(29) Plato, *Sophista*.
(30) Plato, *Symposium*.
(31) Plato, *Epinomis*.
(32) Plato, *Euthyphro*?
(33) Plato, *Alcibiades* I?