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A. PITTA, *Paolo, la Scrittura e la Legge. Antiche e nuove prospettive*, Studi biblici 57 (Bologna: Dehoniane, 2008, paper €27.40) 259 pp. Bibliography. ISBN: 978-88-10-41008-0.

After a three-page introduction, Pitta, professor of NT at the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome and author of several books and commentaries on Paul and his letters, discusses Paul's formation as a Pharisee; Paul's Christian opponents of Jewish origin; the Scriptures of Israel; the letter to the Galatians and the checkmate of the Law; the strong and the weak in the household community of Rome; and the strong, the weak, and the Law. Then by way of conclusion, he brings together the old and the new perspectives on Paul under three headings: NT history and sociology, rhetoric and intertextuality, and new portraits of Paul.