CCT: A Genetic Analysis of TS, RC. Pericope 3.

WR SW TB

I wish to make a few preliminaries in order that you may understand when I come to it I do not calculate to please your ears with oratory with much learn & but I calculate to edify you with simple truths from Heaven.

WW

I wish to pave the way, and bring up the subject from the beginning that you may understand. I do not intend to please you with oritory but with the simple truths of heaven to Edify you.

WC

wish to pave the way—make a few preliminaries—bring the subject from the beginning¹ in order that you may understand the subject when I come to it. Do not calculate to please your ears with superfluity of words oratory much learning, but edify you by the simple truths of heaven.

GL1 TS

I wish to pave the way:² I will make a few preliminaries, in order that you may understand the subject when I come to it. I do not calculate to please your ears with superfluity of words or oratory, or with much learning; but I calculate to edify you with the simple truths from heaven.³

RC

I wish to pave the way, and bring up the subject from the beginning, that you may understand it. I will make a few preliminaries, in order that you may understand the subject when I come to it.⁴ I do not calculate⁵ or intend to please your ears with superfluity of words or oratory, or with much learning: but I calculate to edify you with the simple truths from heaven.

¹ While Bullock excluded this phrase from the TS text, it is attested by WW.

² [pave the way] attested by WW.

³ WW attests to much of the TS version of this pericope.

⁴ This portion of the text illustrates the redundancy entailed in the editorial method used to construct this account. WW is almost certainly a restatement of the following text. This expansive technique may have been adopted in hopes of gleaning some actual words of the discourse at the expense of repetition, possibly it was used because some source authors were more authoritative in a hierarchical sense, and should be honored.

⁵ A common expression of the day: "I calculate" meaning, "I intend."