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FASCICULUS III
REVELATION

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This fasciculus contains the photographic reproduction of Chester Beatty Biblical Papyrus III. It consists of ten leaves, and is either the middle quire of a codex of three quires containing the Revelation of St. John or the middle portion of a single-quire codex of thirty or (more probably) thirty-two leaves. The upper margin, with from one to four lines of text, is lost throughout. The original size of the leaf was approximately $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inches. On the first five leaves verso precedes recto, and on the last five recto precedes verso. The hand is rough, but generally correct. The very unusual (if not unique) abbreviation, $\tilde{a}b\nu$ for $\dot{a}v\theta r\rho\acute{a}w\nu$, occurs on fol. 1', l. 19. In date it seems certainly to be of the third century, perhaps of the second half, though Wilcken regards the first half as more probable. It is therefore by much the earliest extant manuscript of the Apocalypse.

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