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The sayings of Jesus written in various ancient sources but not included in the canonical Gospels.

[Greek, from neuter pl. of *agraphos*, unwritten : *a-*, not; see [A-](#)<sup>1</sup> + *graphein*, to write; see **gerbh-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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