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Dear Bob,

Thank you for your full and speedy reply to the data and questions I sent! Thank you especially for looking into permission to cite or publish in part or in full KSL 131 and for sending me the forms to be filled out. It is certainly wonderful that Brown is so cooperative. I enclose form "1" as you instructed, and will hopefully be able to send form "2" before the year is out.

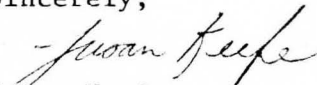
I was very interested in looking over your collation of KSL 131 with Migne. The very large omission of all the scriptural quotation in chapter five is unique to KSL 131 of the manuscripts of Theodulf that I have seen, although some others do omit part of the scriptural quotation (none as much as KSL 131). It has been my belief that originally this condensing was done in order to make Theodulf's well-known work more suitable for clerical educational handbooks. The compilers of these manuals wanted short, simple instructions. But the physical size and the script and double columns of KSL 131 do not spell a parish priest's handbook, to me. The leaf could easily be from a bishop's collection or copybook. Anyway, we know that Bishop Ademar of Chabannes in the early eleventh century himself reworked Theodulf's text, condensing much of it.

I would love to be able to compare KSL 131 with "R," and if your former student Elizabeth Baer is willing to do it, I would be most grateful to her.

I don't know when in '86 Revue Bénédictine comes out, so I've enclosed my pre-publication form of the article. Again, I would be very interested in your comments on the oddities in the explanations of the Trinity in the "Troyes Anonymous."

Thank you again for all your information and help, and I will look forward to hearing what Professor Bischoff has to say!

Sincerely,


Susan Keefe