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GUIDE TO THE PROGRAM BOOK

The *Annual Meeting Program Book*'s publication so far in advance of the meeting prevents accurate room assignments from being published with the session information. You can find the most up-to-date room information in the following locations:

- Session room names and hotel maps can be found in the online Program Book at *www.aarweb.org* and *www.sbl-site.org*.
- During the Annual Meetings, the printed *Annual Meetings At-A-Glance* booklet lists the full program schedule and room listings. This publication can be picked up in the convention center and headquarter hotels.

Although we try not to do so, it is sometimes necessary to change a room location at the last minute. In these rare instances, the room change is noted at the originally scheduled location. We appreciate your understanding.

We hope these and other changes make your Annual Meetings experience more pleasant and easier to navigate.

— Annual Meetings Teams of AAR and SBL

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2007 ANNUAL MEETINGS INFORMATION

The 2007 Annual Meetings of the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature will take place in San Diego, CA. The San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina and Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel will be the headquarter hotels. Sessions will be held at these hotels and the San Diego Convention Center. The exhibit hall and registration area will be located in the convention center, while the EIS Center will be located in the Manchester Grand Hyatt. Several other area hotels are also holding room blocks at special rates for Annual Meetings attendees. Though many hotels are within walking distance, a free shuttle will be available to transport attendees to the meeting sites from outlying hotels.

The information in this book is also available from the AAR and SBL Websites at ***www.aarweb.org*** and ***www.sbl-site.org***. Online you may register and secure housing, download forms for housing and registration, get the latest updates on the Annual Meetings, and send your comments via e-mail. Registration for the Annual Meetings allows you to visit the exhibit hall, attend all AAR and SBL sessions (more than 800), and join attendees for a variety of social events. ***Only current AAR and SBL members who are registered for the meeting may be listed on the program as participants.***

This bulletin includes all the information necessary to register and make hotel and travel reservations.

Preregistration

Why preregister for the meeting? Only after you register for the Annual Meetings of AAR and SBL can you book your housing at the specially negotiated rates at one of our official hotels.

IMPORTANT DATES

September 16	Second tier ("Advance") pre-meeting registration rates go into effect.
Mid-October	Registration packets mailed to those who registered between May 15 and October 15.
October 16	Third tier ("Regular") registration rates go into effect.
October 22	EIS Center registration and resumé deadline.
October 25	Special housing rates end. Continue to contact the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau for housing throughout the meeting.
November 5	Pre-meeting registration refund request deadline. Contact the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau for refunds (see pre-meeting registration form for details).
November 16	Registration opens onsite in San Diego, CA at the San Diego Convention Center, Hall F & G Foyer.
November 17–20	Annual Meetings of AAR and SBL, San Diego, CA.

Remember: You must be registered to secure housing.

From the time registration opens on May 15, registration rates will be in the first tier, Super-Saver category. In the Super-Saver period, all registrants will receive their preregistration packets (with name badge, tote-bag ticket, etc.) beginning in mid-October. The rates will change to the second tier (Advance Registration) beginning on September 16 through October 15. There is no guarantee that those who preregister during the Advance Registration period will receive their packets before they arrive in San Diego. Beginning on October 16 through the Annual Meetings, the rates will move to the third and final tier. Everyone who registers during this period may retrieve their packets onsite in the Registration Area at the San Diego Convention Center.

As always, receipt of the Program Book has nothing to do with having preregistered (with the exception of non-member registrants); it is directly related to having paid your membership dues and/or updated your current address with either organization's Member Services Department no later than August 1, 2007.

All participants at the Annual Meetings (presenters, panelists, etc.) must be registered by June 15 at either the member, student member, or retired member rate, not the spouse/partner rate.

Remember to bring your name badge and other registration materials with you to San Diego! Admission to sessions and the exhibit hall is by name badge only. **Replacements for lost badges are $5.** The abbreviated and up-to-date

program guide, *Annual Meetings Program At-A-Glance*, will be available in the headquarter hotels and the convention center.

Hotel Accommodations

To receive the specially negotiated room rates, you must first register for the meeting. You may then make your reservation through the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau. They are available 24 hours a day. You may contact the housing bureau by Internet, fax, or mail using the enclosed housing form. Be sure to follow the instructions carefully and provide all requested information. Reservations cannot be made prior to May 15. Special rates may not be available after October 25; however, Experient will continue to handle Annual Meetings housing throughout the meeting.

Housing Confirmation

You will receive a confirmation when you make your hotel reservation with the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau. Confirmations are e-mailed in the first instance, then faxed or mailed. Please allow at least 3–5 days for receipt.

If you receive a written confirmation that is incorrect, please contact the housing bureau immediately to correct your reservation. The bureau will send you a new confirmation reflecting the corrections. If cancellation is necessary, please do so in writing at least 72 hours in advance of scheduled arrival to receive a refund of your deposit. Be sure to keep a record of your cancellation number.

Housing Cancellations or Changes

All hotel accommodation questions, changes, and cancellations should be directed to the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau throughout the meeting year. Note that cancellations must be received in writing (mail, fax, or e-mail) at least 72 hours prior to arrival date for a refund of your deposit (see pre-meeting registration form for details).

Suite Requests

Suite reservations must be requested through the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau. Some Annual Meetings hotels are providing discounts off their current suite rate. Suites are not to be used for interviewing purposes. Employers who plan to use the Employment Information Services Center may request a Private Interview Room when they register for the EIS Center. EIS Center registration opens with registration and housing on May 15. For additional information about the EIS Center, please see page 8 and *www.aarweb.org/Programs/Employment_Services* or *www.sbl-site.org/eis*.

Physically Challenged Attendees

All meeting rooms are accessible by elevator (doors are wide enough to accommodate wheelchairs) or wheelchair lift. A limited number of guest rooms are set aside for the physically challenged. If you need special accommodations, please indicate your specific needs on the designated area of the housing form and fax or mail it to the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau. Attendees with disabilities who need information regarding special assistance during the meeting, excluding hotel accommodations, should contact the Annual Meetings planners, by phone at 1-314-997-1500, by fax at 1-314-997-1550, via e-mail at *aarsbl@experient-inc.com*, or by mail c/o Experient, Inc., Four CityPlace Drive, Suite 480, St. Louis, MO 63141.

Travel Discounts

Take advantage of specially discounted rates for travel to the Annual Meetings of the AAR and SBL in San Diego this November!

American Airlines is offering a 5% discount off published fares, including first class and international fares on American Airlines, American Eagle, and AmericanConnection flights. Discounts do not apply to certain restricted fares and exclude sale fare inventories. You can call 1-800-433-1790 or use *www.aa.com* to make your reservations.

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If you book through your own travel agency, be sure to give them the appropriate discount code above.

HOTEL RATES

Annual Meetings sessions start at 9:00 am on Saturday, November 17, so plan accordingly!

You can register for the Annual Meetings online at *www.aarweb.org* or *www.sbl-site.org*. Hard copies of the registration and housing forms can be downloaded at the same locations.

Some hotels have suites available at a discounted rate. Contact the Experient Registration and Housing Bureau for more information: 1-800-575-7185 (U.S. & Canada); +1-330-425-9330 (outside U.S. & Canada); *aarsblreg@experient-inc.com*.

Note: All rates are subject to local taxes, currently 10.5% tax per room per night. For example, a $147 rate is $162.44 with tax included.

HOTEL	*SINGLE*	*DOUBLE*	*TRIPLE*	*QUADRUPLE*
1. Manchester Grand Hyatt*	$149	$182	$202	$202
2. San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina*	$147	$180	$200	$200
3. Courtyard By Marriott	$130	$145	$155	$155
4. Embassy Suites Hotel	$132	$152	$172	$192
5. Hilton Gaslamp	$155	$155	$175	$175
6. San Diego Marriott Gaslamp	$131	$155	$175	$175
7. Sheraton Suites	$130	$160	$160	$160
8. W San Diego	$149	$179	$179	$179
9. Westgate Hotel	$145	$145	$165	$165
10. Westin Horton Plaza	$140	$170	$170	$170
11. Westin San Diego Emerald Plaza	$140	$170	$170	$170

* ***Headquarter Hotel***

Child Care

Child care will be offered for an hourly fee during this year's Annual Meetings to AAR members only. Please visit the AAR Web site at *www.aarweb.org* for information and pricing details.

Computer Access

A free Internet café will be available in the exhibit hall. Access to computers, the Internet, and e-mail is available for a fee at the business center of each Annual Meetings hotel. In-room Internet connections are also available for a fee in each hotel (see in-room literature for more details).

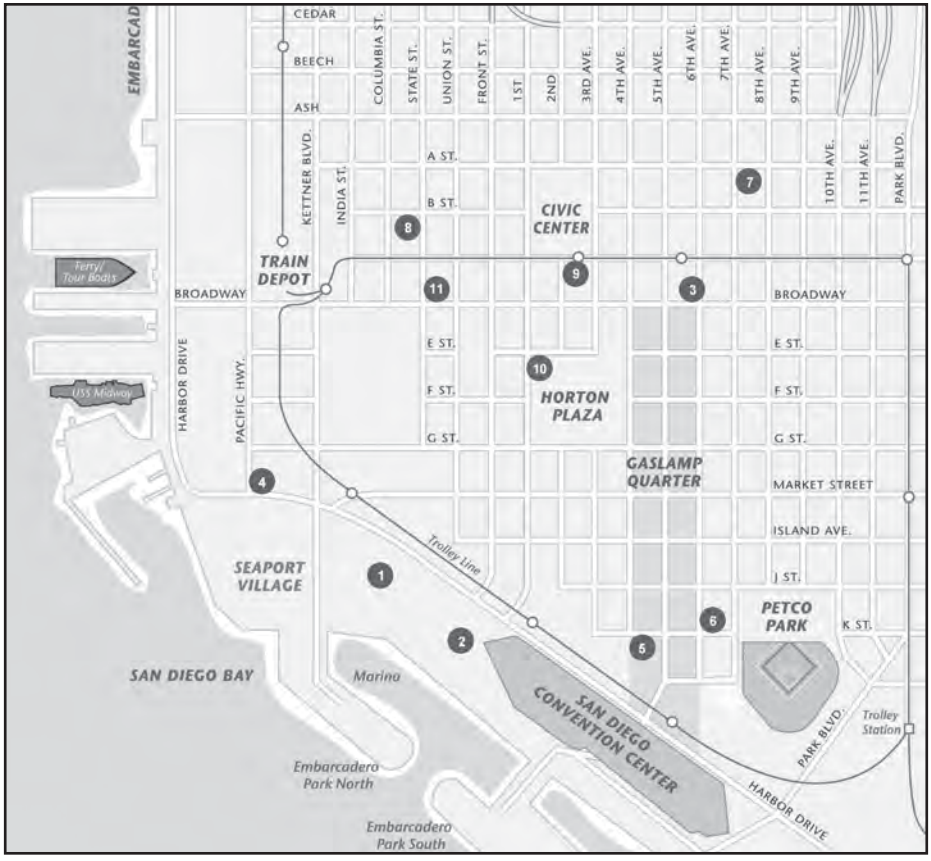
Find a Friend

Please note the box on the registration form that gives permission for your name, institution, and hotel (if any) to be posted on a list of attendees (Find a Friend Board) available onsite. If you do not check the box, your information **will not** be listed.

International Attendees

It is necessary for those entering the United States to clear customs and immigration. Beginning in 2007, visitors from Canada and Mexico must present a passport in order to enter the U.S. Please be prepared. Non–U.S. citizens should inquire about possible visa requirements from their country of origin. Official letters of invitation to the Annual Meetings to support visa applications are available. E-mail *aarsblreg@experient-inc.com* with your name, address, and the full contact information of the consulate of your country.

HOTEL LOCATOR MAP



Airport Transfers

- Public transit is available via the Flyer Route No. 992, a Metropolitan Transit System bus that travels to and from the Airport and downtown San Diego, stopping between Terminals 1 and 2 and the Commuter Terminal. The bus service runs every 12 minutes and connects with Trolley, Coaster, and Amtrak stations, is wheelchair accessible, and costs $2.25.

- Many of our partner hotels, including the Embassy Suites, Hilton Gaslamp, San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina, and Westgate, offer airport shuttles at a nominal fee (or in some cases complimentary). Please call the hotel to arrange shuttle transportation.

- Taxicabs are available around the clock from each airport. Travel time is 15-25 minutes in ideal traffic. Cab fare is $10-15.

Shuttle Service

Most hotels are within walking distance (5-15 minutes) of meeting locations or on the trolley line. A complimentary shuttle service will be available to transport attendees to the meeting sites from outlying hotels. Annual Meetings attendees who require special transportation assistance may check at the information stations at Registration for assistance.

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION SERVICES

Located this year at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel, the Employment Information Services Center will provide employers and job candidates registered for the Annual Meetings with interview facilities, a message service, current job listings, and candidate credentials for review.

CANDIDATE SERVICES

All registered candidates receive:

- Personal copy of the Annual Meetings Special Edition of *Openings: Employment Opportunities for Scholars of Religion*.
- Opportunity to file a Curriculum Vitae (CV) for employer review.
- Access to the EIS Center message system to exchange confidential communication with registered employers.
- Use of a drop box to leave employers requested documents.

All candidates have the option of filing a CV with the EIS Center. Those who register by October 22 may upload the CV to the EIS website; the deadline for which is October 25. Organized by job classification, the online CVs are available to employers August 15, 2007 through March 31, 2008 and are also available at the EIS Center. On-site registrants, and those who do not upload the CV by the deadline, may bring two copies to the EIS Center to be filed alphabetically. Candidates may preregister for the EIS Center beginning May 15 (9:01 am EDT) and ending October 22, 2007 (5:00 pm EDT). On-site registrations will be taken November 16 through November 18 at the EIS Center in the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel.

CANDIDATE FEES

Preregistration: $25
On-site registration: $50

EMPLOYER SERVICES

All employers registering a job with the EIS Center before the October 22 deadline receive:

- Use of the Interview Hall and the ability to invite any Annual Meetings registrant to an interview.
- Placement of job advertisement in the Annual Meetings Special Edition of *Openings*, available on-site to all candidates. (On-site registrants' job listings are posted for candidate review.)
- EIS icon next to *Openings Online* job advertisement.
- Access to candidate credentials, in print at the EIS Center and online August 15, 2007 through March 31, 2008.
- Access to EIS message system to send and receive confidential communication with registered candidates.
- Ability to reserve a Private EIS Interview Room for an additional fee. For complete information, see the EIS web page.
- Use of a drop box to leave materials for candidates.
- Ability to reserve space in the Interview Hall beginning October 25, 2007.

Employers who register on-site will not be able to reserve Private Interview Rooms or Interview Hall space prior to arriving on-site.

EMPLOYER FEES

First job: $275 ($325 onsite)
Each additional job: $60 ($85 onsite)

OPENINGS ONLINE

In order to ensure the widest possible pool of candidates, all jobs registered with the EIS Center ***must*** be advertised in *Openings Online* in the September, October, or November issues. The fee for the advertisement is not included in the EIS registration fee. The text from the online ad will also serve as the job posting in the Annual Meetings Special Edition of *Openings*.

REGISTRATION

Register for the 2007 EIS Center online at either *www.aarweb.org/jump/eis*. Registration for the EIS Center opens on May 15 and closes on October 22, 2007. If you cannot access the online information, contact EIS Center staff at 1-404-727-3049, or via e-mail at *eis@aarweb.org*, and the information will be sent to you.

EIS HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday, 7:00 pm—9:00 pm (orientation)
Saturday, 8:00 am—7:00 pm*
Sunday, 8:00 am—7:00 pm*
Monday, 8:00 am—5:00 pm
Tuesday, 8:00 am—10:00 am

* The Private Interview room check-in desk will remain open until 9:15 pm to serve those using the rooms during the evenings. All other EIS services will close according to the above schedule.

EIS CENTER

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E-mail: *eis@aarweb.org*

Registration closes October 22!



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Welcome to San Diego!

We gather in San Diego, a city usually associated with seventy miles of Pacific coast beaches and an almost idyllic climate. However, this second largest city in California, and seventh largest nationally, supports outstanding universities, museums such as those in Balboa Park, and a strong arts community. In addition to a vibrant culture, San Diego boasts a long history dating back to 7500 B.C.E., when the so-called San Dieguito peoples and later the La Jollan cultural groups assimilated, to be followed by the Yuman-speaking and Shoshonean groups. All this took place before Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo, under the Spanish flag, sailed into San Diego Bay on 28 September 1542. By November 1602, prior to the Jamestown settlement on Virginia's James River, this area had a permanent settlement that later grew into the modern city of San Diego. We join a long history of visitors to this city bordered by Mexico, the Pacific Ocean, the Anza-Borrego Desert, and the Laguna Mountains. We thank San Diego for its hospitality.

Together with the SBL Council and staff, I want to thank the Annual Meeting Program Committee, Program Unit Chairs, and Presiders for their work in providing us with a rich and diverse program. A special thanks for outstanding leadership to Brian Blount, who has chaired the Program Committee and whose term ends with this meeting. Thanks to all our members. You are the heart of the SBL. Your work makes our mission succeed. Thank you for your commitments of time, energy, and resources.

Thanks to the Sponsors and Exhibitors. Visit their booths and purchase their products. Let them know that you appreciate the books, software, and diverse products that they offer. They are a vital force in making these gatherings successful. Thanks to the educational institutions and organizations that have events—social, professional, and intellectual—at this meeting. You have expanded the partnerships that we strive to enable.

I would be remiss were I to leave unsaid the fact that this San Diego meeting marks a turning point. The American Academy of Religion unilaterally decided to begin meeting in another time and location. We extend an open invitation to all who are enriched by conversations across the areas of antiquity, archaeology, Bible, classics, religion, and theology to join us. Our research and teaching is enlivened through these associations. While we come to these meetings to share our research and teaching, we know that it is through the opportunity to meet old friends and new colleagues that our work will be sustained and advanced.

Cordially,

Kent Harold Richards
Executive Director
Professor of Old Testament

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Presidential Address

Whose Text Is It?

Saturday, 7:00 pm

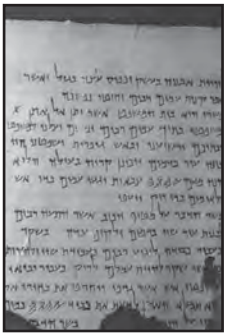
Katharine Doob Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago, Presiding

Katharine Doob Sakenfeld grew up in eastern Tennessee and Providence, Rhode Island. She graduated from the College of Wooster, where she was first in her class, and earned an M.S. in Sociology from the University of Rhode Island, a B.D. from Harvard Divinity School, and a Ph.D. in Near Eastern Languages and Literature from Harvard University. She joined the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary in 1970, where she is presently the William Albright Eisenberger Professor of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, she has served as the Seminary's Director of Ph.D. Studies since 1984 and as its representative to the Council on Graduate Studies in Religion, of which she is currently Vice President. She has been guest professor at San Francisco Theological Seminary, the Drew University Theological School, Boston College, and Union Theological Seminary in Dasmariñas, the Philippines, and has lectured widely in Asia. She has been active in the Society as a program unit co-chair, member and chair of the Nominating Committee, and national Program Secretary (a position that encompassed the current roles of chair of Annual Meeting Program Committee and chair of Council). She has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Biblical Literature*, *Theology Today*, and *Word and World*. Her publications include *The Meaning of Hesed in the Hebrew Bible*, *Faithfulness in Action*, *Journeying with God*, *Ruth* (Interpretation), and *Just Wives?* She was a member of the translation committee responsible for preparing the NRSV Bible and a co-editor of the Oxford Study Bible. Currently she serves as General Editor for the *New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls



In conjunction with the exhibit of the Dead Sea Scrolls at the San Diego Museum of Natural History, the 2007 Annual Meeting features a number of sessions focused on the Scrolls and their impact on the discipline. See page 71 for tour information.

S17-21 Matthew Section
Saturday, November 17, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Theme: Matthew and the Dead Sea Scrolls: Celebrating Sixty Years of Research

S17-66 Josephus Group
Saturday, November 17, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Theme: Josephus and the Essenes

S17-101 Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries: Illuminating the Biblical World Section/Qumran Section
Saturday, November 17, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Theme: Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls: Archaeology and Texts in the Past Ten Years

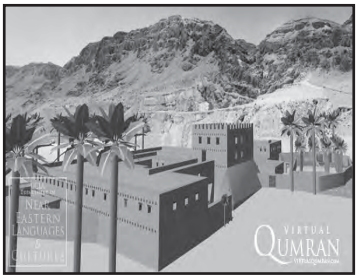
S18-78 Qumran Section
Sunday, November 18, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm
Theme: Qumran Texts and Contexts

S18-132 Qumran Section
Sunday, November 18, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm
Theme: The Dead Sea Scrolls at Sixty: The San Diego Natural History Museum Exhibition

S18-147 John, Jesus, and History Section/Johannine Literature Section
Sunday, November 18, 7:00 pm–9:00 pm
Theme: John and Qumran: Sixty Years of Discovery and Dialogue

S19-32 Qumran Section
Monday, November 19, 9:00 am–11:30 am
Theme: Studies in Qumran Texts

S19-123 Qumran Section
Monday, November 19, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm
Theme: Methods and Theories in the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls



Virtual Qumran

Computer-Assisted Research Section (S18-57), Sunday, 1:00 pm

A paper entitled "The Archaeology of Qumran: The Digitally Reconstructed Settlement and a Proposed Occupation Model" will present the completed Qumran Visualization Project, a real-time, virtual reconstruction of the ancient settlement at Khirbet Qumran. The project's designer, Robert R. Cargill, produced a documentary film entitled *Ancient Qumran: A Virtual Reality Tour*, which discusses the history and origin of Qumran and utilizes motion-picture clips taken from the model. The film is presently on display at the San Diego Natural History Museum as a part of the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition. The project is a product of the UCLA Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures and is funded in part by the SDNHM and by Steven Spielberg's Righteous Persons Foundation.

The paper to be presented demonstrates the latest technology in 3-D virtual reality modeling and satellite imagery and unveils a fully-interactive reconstruction of the Qumran settlement within its regional context. The reconstruction takes into account all theories about Qumran, including those of archaeologists de Vaux, Hirschfeld, Humbert, Donceel and Donceel-Voute, Magness, Magen, Peleg, and others. Finally, this presentation will offer the research's conclusions, proposing an occupation model for the site that focuses upon the nature of the settlement's establishment and its subsequent expansion. The research concludes that the main building at Qumran was originally established as a Hasmonean fortress that was abandoned and later occupied by a sect of Jerusalem temple-based dissidents who broke away from the temple in the mid-second century B.C.E. and ultimately formed their own priestly community at Qumran. This community brought with them a corpus of scrolls from Jerusalem and continued to produce their own. Over the subsequent two centuries, their own distinct hybrid beliefs evolved and developed, coupling ritual purity and apocalypticism. While they perhaps continued to understand themselves as Sadducees, others began to distinguish them from the temple-based Sadducees and call them by other names, including Essenes.

Sessions of Interest

Johannine Scholarship

A series of sessions organized by Johannine Literature Section and the John, Jesus, and History Group focus on the history of scholarship on the Fourth Gospel. The past fifty years have been a golden age in Johannine scholarship, with major advances in the depth and breadth of research. The three "Past, Present, and Future" sessions (S19-21, S19-71, S19-117) will reflect on these advances and outline the challenges that lie ahead. Session S19-22 will focus on the Fourth Gospel's history and historicity, dealing with issues such as the origins of Johannine thought, the historical context of the book, the Johannine community,

and the value of this text as a source for the historical Jesus. Session S19-71 will focus on the Fourth Gospel's narrative, both its composition history (sources, development, relecture, relationship to the Synoptics) and its literary structure (narrative criticism). Session S19-117 will focus on readers and readings of the Fourth Gospel, including issues of social location, scholarship and faith, hermeneutics, and what is at stake in the interpretive enterprise. Each session will feature reflection papers by leading voices in the field, responses from junior colleagues that highlight avenues of future inquiry, panel discussion, and open questions from the floor. An additional coordinated set of sessions has been added (S17-17, S17-65), including the John, Jesus, and History Group session, *John and Qumran: Sixty Years of Discovery and Dialogue* (S18-147).

Making the Text Speak to the Future (S18-122)

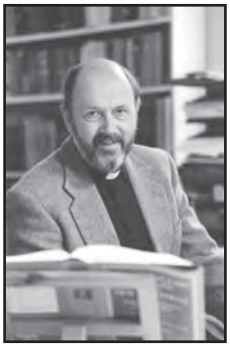
Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm



Anthony Pym (Perth-Australia, 1956) is Professor of English Linguistics at the Universitat Rovira i Virgili in Tarragona. He works on sociological approaches to translation and intercultural relations. He has a doctorate in sociology from the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris. His publications include *Translation and Text Transfer* (1992), *Epistemological Problems in Translation and Its Teaching* (1993), *Pour une éthique du traducteur* (1997), and *Method in Translation History* (1998). He has also edited the volumes *L'Internationalité littéraire* (1988), *Mites australians* (1990), and *Les formations en traduction et interprétation: Essai de recensement mondial* (1995, with Monique Caminade). He will be presenting a paper entitled "Bible Translation and the Philosophy of Dialogue: Making the Text Speak to the Future," in a special session on Sunday evening, November 18, at 7:00 pm (S18-122). He will also participate in the Ideology, Culture, and Translation Section on Monday morning (S19-20).

God in Public? (S18-117)

Sunday, 4:00 pm–5:00 pm



N. T. Wright will be presenting a paper entitled "God in Public? The Bible and Politics in Tomorrow's World," in a special session on Sunday, November 18, at 4:00 pm (S18-117). Wright is currently the Bishop of Durham, England. He has served as Canon of Westminster, Dean of Lichfield, Lecturer in New Testament Studies, Oxford University, and Assistant Professor of New Testament Language and Literature, McGill University, Montreal. He received two B.A.s (1971, 1973), an M.A. (1975), and the D.Phil. (1981) and D.D. (2000) degrees from the University of Oxford: Exeter College. Wright has published more than fifty major articles and more than forty-five books. He will also be participating in a special session on books related to the Gospel of Judas (S18-148).

IOSCS/Septuaginta-Deutsch (S19-115)

Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

The Septuaginta Deutsch (LXX.D) Project started in 1999, with the aim of producing a two-volume work: one with the translation and a second one with linguistic, lexical, theological, and historical annotations. The differences between the Hebrew and the Greek text will be printed in italics in the translation volume and explained in the accompanying volume. The textual basis of LXX.D is the Septuaginta Gottingensis as far as it has appeared. For the other books, the revised edition of A. Rahlfs (the revision by R. Hanhart appeared in 2006) will be used. There are some eighty contributors for the translation and the accompanying volume working in small teams on the books of the LXX plus ten advisors (scholars working in the fields of history, Greek language, Old and New Testament theology, Orthodox studies, Judaic studies). Ten co-editors are responsible for the different parts of the LXX, such as Pentateuch, Historical Books, Minor Prophets, and so on. We have two editors-in-chief, Martin Karrer from Wuppertal and Wolfgang Kraus, Universität des Saarlandes. The project sponsors are the Protestant Church of the Rhineland and the German Bible Society. Several research volumes have been published as a result of the work on this project.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Art and Religions of Antiquity (S18-102)

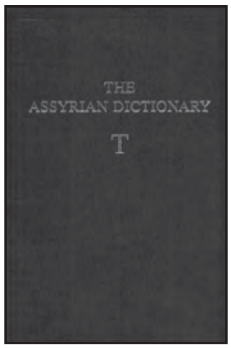
Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm



John R. Clarke, University of Texas at Austin, a world-renewed art historian, will be presenting a paper entitled "Visual Representations of Worship in Ancient Rome, Pompeii, Herculaneum, and Ostia: First and Second Centuries C.E.," in a special session of the Art and Religions of Antiquity Consultation, on Sunday, November 18, at 4:00 pm. Before coming to the University of Texas at Austin in 1980, Clarke taught at Yale University, where he received his Ph.D. in 1973. Clarke has published more than twenty-five scholarly articles and five books. His most recent book is *Art in the Lives of Ordinary Romans: Visual Representation and Non-elite Viewers in Italy, 100 B.C.–A.D. 315* (University of California Press, 2003). He has also received numerous awards, including a John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship (2002) and a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers (1999).

The Chicago Assyrian Dictionary Project (1921–2007) and the Art of Biblical Research (S18-52)

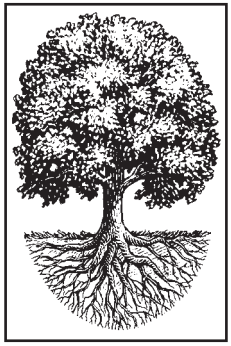
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm



More than eighty-five years in the making, with 9,107 octavo pages in eighteen volumes in print, the Chicago Assyrian Dictionary project ranks among the great lexicographic achievements of the twentieth century. Akkadian, the sole representative of East Semitic, decisively influences Biblical Hebrew and Imperial Aramaic lexicography due to historical overlap and the sheer magnitude of the text corpus. In this session, Martha T. Roth, the final editor-in-chief of the *CAD*, will describe the history and scope of the project in conversation with a distinguished panel of Hebrew and Aramaic specialists.

Sustainable Theological Education (S17-78)

Saturday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm



As the declining health of the earth reaches a critical point, religious people from a wide variety of traditions are beginning to respond. It has been forty years since Lynn White issued what many saw as a wake-up call. Institutions of theological education should be providing vigorous, visionary leadership on this issue, but are they? Six of the prophetic voices that have encouraged both churches and seminaries to address the worsening ecological crisis have been asked to reflect on the significant role of theological education in leading the faith community to respond. What leadership can seminaries provide through scholarship, academic programs, community life, building and grounds, and institutional practices? What unique opportunities and challenges does theological education face in meeting the environmental challenge? Ample time will be allowed for discussion. See www.webofcreation.org for more on this session and what some schools are already doing.

The Early Christianity and Ancient Economy Consultation & Research Project (S18-144)

Sunday, 7:00pm–8:30pm



Prof. Walter Scheidel

The Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Consultation is the foundational component of an international, interdisciplinary project that seeks to delineate the relationship between early Christianity and the ancient economy in the period from Jesus to Justinian, demonstrating both similarities and differences in attitudes, approaches to problems, and attempted solutions. The research project comprises four subprojects: (1) an analysis of the major aspects of the economy in the ancient world, especially the economies of classical Greece, the Hellenistic world, and the Roman Empire; (2) an examination of first-century early Christianity both in relationship to the ancient economy and in regard to its own economic aspects; (3) treatments

of early Christianity of the second to the fifth centuries; and (4) implications of early Christianity's relationship to the ancient economy for contemporary Christianity and the modern economy. Anticipated contributions to the project will be both synchronic and diachronic, with some studies focused on specific texts, authors, and events and others being more comprehensive and thematic in nature. Sessions related to this project will be held at the SBL Annual and International Meetings, the North American Patristics Society (NAPS) meeting, and other congresses as announced. Those interested in participating in the project should contact either John T. Fitzgerald at the University of Miami (john.fitzgerald@miami.edu) or Fika J. van Rensburg at North-West University (Fika.Janse.VanRensburg@nwu.ac.za), the co-chairs of the SBL consultation.

On Sunday evening at 7:00 pm, Prof. Walter Scheidel will lecture on developments in the study of the ancient economy since Moses Finley's enormously influential Sather Lectures, which were published in 1973 as *The Ancient Economy*. Walter Scheidel is Professor of Classics at Stanford University. He is co-editor (with Sitta von Reden) of *The Ancient Economy* (2002) and (with Richard Saller and Ian Morris) of *The Cambridge Economic History of the Greco-Roman World* (forthcoming, 2007).

Professional Development Sessions

The Society is committed to assisting its members in their professional development and advancement. The following sessions address issues of concern for those from students through senior scholars.

Writers' Workshop (S16-62)

Friday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

Any successful academic career requires publishing original works of scholarship. But is being "original" all that counts? Besides looking for "original ideas" or "cutting-edge scholarship"—both of which are critical—publishers also want authors and editors who understand the fundamentals of publishing and the value of writing well. This workshop will introduce these twin pillars of the academic career. First, it will survey the essentials of academic publishing by exploring questions such as: What are the basic elements of a book contract? What about copyright law is important for me? What are the respective responsibilities of an author and a publisher? What is involved in the publishing process? How is the Internet changing the publishing world? Second, the workshop will evaluate the characteristics of typical scholarly writing and will show how writing well can enhance your odds of being heard in the white noise of academia. Guiding questions will include: How does a book differ from a dissertation? What can be wrong with imitating academic style? How does learning to become self-critical make one a more effective communicator, both within and outside of the academy? Anyone wishing to learn more about writing, editing, and publishing will find this workshop useful.

Preparing for Ph.D. Work (S17-50)

Saturday, 1:00 pm–2:00 pm

Nancy L. de Claisse-Walford , McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University

Earning a Ph.D. in Germany (S17-85)

Saturday, 2:30 pm–3:30 pm

Hermann Spieckermann, Faculty of Theology, Göttingen

The Tenure Book(s): How to Strategize Your Publications to Increase Your Chances of Tenure and Promotion (S18-141)

Sunday, 4:30 pm–6:30 pm

Sponsored by *Publishers' Weekly*

In the good old days, tenure was a given if you pumped out a few well-received articles. Now, the expectation is sometimes for junior scholars to write two books and several articles, all of which need to make an impact in their field and be timed appropriately to help their tenure bids. As the bar is raised ever higher, how can junior faculty strategize their publications to further the goal of tenure? In this session, scholars from three different types of institutions will speak to the tenure expectations in their schools, while two editors from university presses will discuss the changing demands for the scholarly book in the marketplace. Questions addressed will include the following: How have scholarly expectations changed about the number and nature of pre-tenure publications? Do I need to publish a second book, and what does the second book have to be? How is it possible to publish two highly academic books when many prestigious university presses are seeking to acquire commercially appealing books over limited-audience scholarly monographs? How should I time my tenure book (or books) for maximum impact? How much is a revered university press imprimatur worth in getting tenure? Does an edited anthology count toward tenure? As always for the PW session, forty-five minutes will be allotted for audience questions.

The Biblical Scholar as…: Careers outside the Classroom (S19-85)

Monday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

Join us for a discussion of careers other than teaching that biblical scholars are uniquely prepared for by their graduate education. The session will feature an academic administrator, an academic librarian, and an acquisitions editor.

Fostering the Next Generation of Racial-Ethnic Scholars (S17-33)

Saturday, 9:30 am–11:30 am

The SBL's Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee invites students in the San Diego area to attend this session to learn about the Society and what biblical scholars "really" do. The session will provide an introduction to the discipline, the academic life, and the Annual Meeting. This mini-recruitment conference will provide complimentary registration to students who are not SBL members. All undergraduate and masters-level students are encourage to attend.

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Sessions Honoring Significant Scholars



Reflections on Brevard Childs (1923-2007) (S18-50)

Honoring the Work of Brevard Childs
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm



New Testament Textual Criticism (S18-73)

Honoring the Work of William L. Petersen
Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm



Assessing the Legacy of Robert W. Funk (S18-104)

Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm



New Testament Textual Criticism (S18-125)

Memorial Session in Honor of Bruce Metzger
Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm



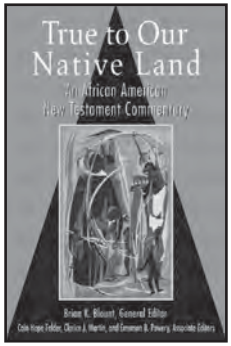
Assyriology and the Bible (S19-4 and S19-55)

The Legacy of Tikva Frymer-Kensky
Monday, 9:00 am–11:30 am and 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

Biblical Law and Women in the World (S19-104) and AAR Study of Judaism (A19-308)

Looking for Hope: Feminist and Historical Studies in Memory of Tikva Frymer-Kensky
Monday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

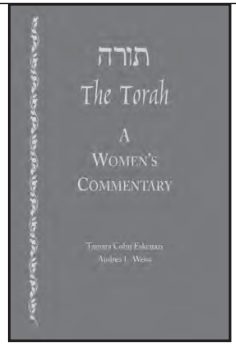
Books Being Discussed



True To Our Native Land: An African American New Testament Commentary (S18-55)

Sunday, 1:00 pm–3:30 pm

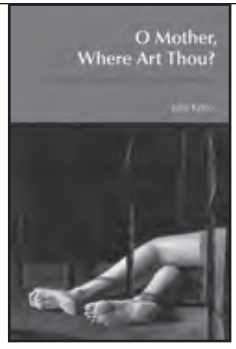
Birthed from the African American community comes a pioneering commentary providing biblical interpretation grounded in African American experience and concern. Cutting-edge scholarship calls into question many of the canons of traditional biblical research and highlights the role of the Bible in African American history, accenting themes of ethnicity, class, slavery, and African heritage as these play a role in the Christian odyssey of an emancipated people. Contributors include the volume editors—Brian K. Blount, General Editor; Cain Hope Felder, Clarice J. Martin, and Emerson B. Powery, Associate Editors—plus nineteen other notable African American scholars.



Celebrating the Torah: A Women's Commentary (S18-143)

Sunday, 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

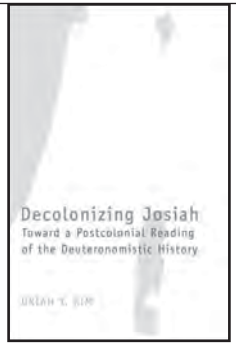
Created by the world's leading Jewish female Bible scholars, rabbis, historians, philosophers and archaeologists, this is the first comprehensive commentary authored only by women on the Five Books of Moses, including individual Torah portions as well as the Hebrew and English translation. The goal of the commentary, as stated by editor Tamara Cohn-Eskenazi, is "to bring the women of the Torah from the shadow into the limelight, from their silences into speech, from the margins to which they have often been relegated to the center of the page."



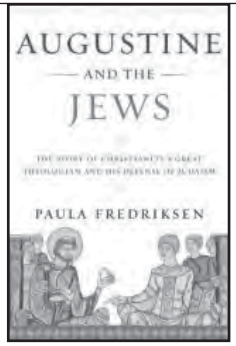
Steven J. Schweitzer, *Reading Utopia in Chronicles* (T&T Clark, 2007)
Julie Kelso, *"O, Mother, Where Art Thou"* (Equinox, 2007)
S17-59 Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section



Karel van der Toorn, *Scribal Culture and the Making of the Hebrew Bible* (Harvard University Press, 2007)
S17-63 Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section



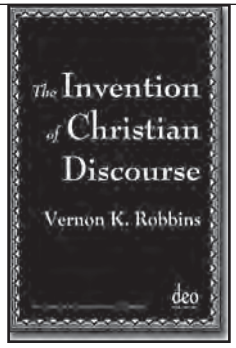
Uriah Y. Kim, *Decolonizing Josiah: Toward a Postcolonial Reading of the Deuteronomistic History* (Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2005)
S17-103 Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Group



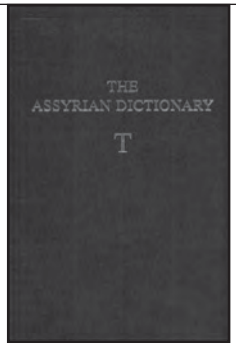
Paula Fredriksen, *Augustine and the Jews: The Story of Christianity's Great Theologian and His Defense of Judaism* (Doubleday, 2008)
S18-13 Early Jewish-Christian Relations Section



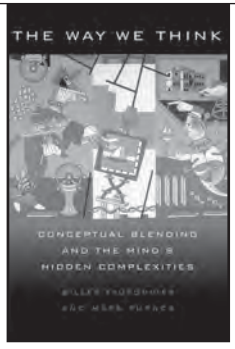
Deryn Guest, Robert E. Goss, and Mona West, eds., *The Queer Bible Commentary* (SCM, 2006)
S17-67 LGBT/Queer Hermeneutics



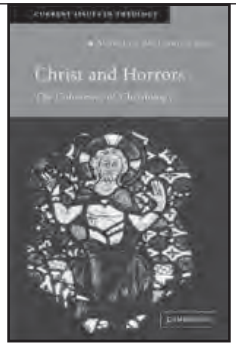
Vernon Robbins, *The Invention of Christian Discourse* (Deo, 2007)
S17-126 Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar



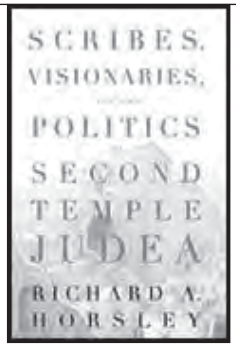
The Chicago Assyrian Dictionary Project
S18-52 Assyriology Section



Giles Fauconnier and Mark Turner, *The Way We Think: Conceptual Blending and the Mind's Hidden Complexities* (Basic Books, 2002)
S17-81 Use of Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Consultation



Marilyn McCord Adams, *Christ and Horrors: The Coherence of Christology* (Cambridge University Press, 2006)
S18-8 Christian Theological Research Fellowship



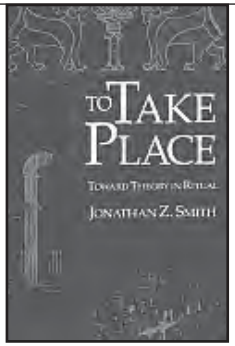
Richard A. Horsley, *Scribes, Visionaries, and the Politics of Second-Temple Judea* (Westminster John Knox, 2007)
S18-138 Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

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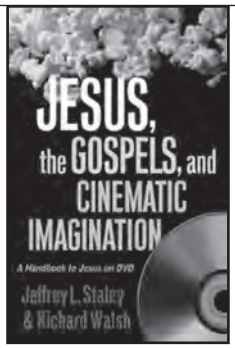
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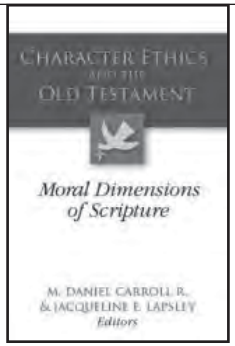
Robby Waddell, *The Spirit of the Book of Revelation* (Deo, 2006)
S19-37 Society for Pentecostal Studies



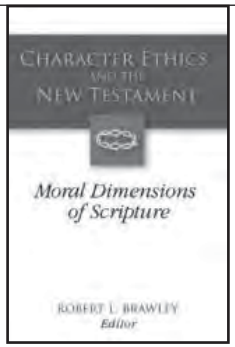
Jonathan. Z. Smith, *To Take Place: Toward Theory in Ritual* (University of Chicago Press, 1992)
S19-38 Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Consultation



Jeff Staley and Richard Walsh, *Jesus, the Gospels, and Cinematic Imagination: A Handbook to Jesus on DVD* (Westminster John Knox, 2007)
S19-57 Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

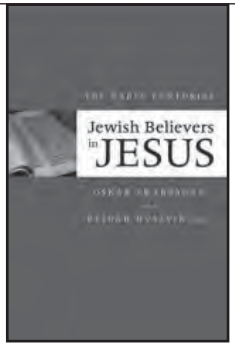


Carroll R. and Lapsley, eds., *Character Ethics and the Old Testament: Moral Dimensions of Scripture* (Westminster John Knox, 2007)
S19-61 Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Group

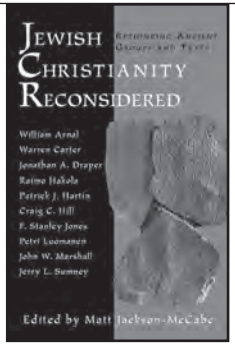


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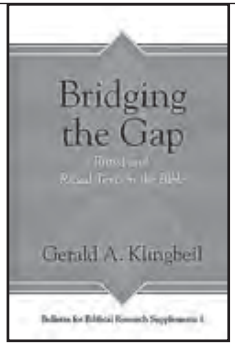
Lynn R. Huber, *"Like a Bride Adorned": Reading Metaphor in John's Apocalypse* (T&T Clark, 2007)
S19-72 Rhetoric and the New Testament Section



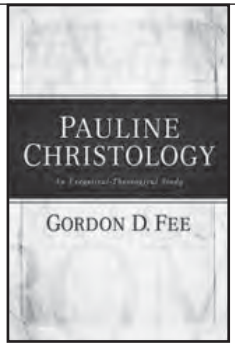
Oskar Skarsaune and Reidar Hvalvik, eds., *Jewish Believers in Jesus* (Hendrickson, 2007)
S19-116 Jewish Christianity Consultation



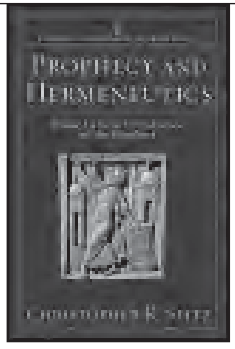
Matt Jackson-McCabe, ed., *Jewish Christianity Reconsidered* (Fortress, 2007)
S19-116 Jewish Christianity Consultation



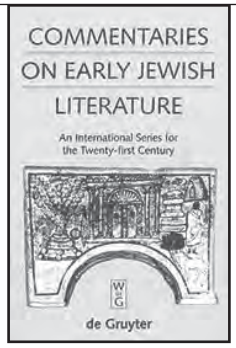
Gerald A. Klingbeil, *Bridging the Gap: Ritual and Ritual Texts in the Bible* (Eisenbrauns, 2007)
S19-125 Ritual in the Biblical World Consultation



Gordon D. Fee, *Pauline Christology: An Exegetical-Theological Study* (Hendrickson, 2007)
S19-134 Book Review Session



Christopher R. Seitz, *Prophecy and Hermeneutics: Toward a New Introduction to the Prophets* (Baker, 2007)
S19-138 Book Review Session



Commentaries on Early Jewish Literature series (de Gruyter)
S19-78 Pseudepigrapha Section

Awards

2007 Regional Scholars

Lee A. Johnson, Eastern Great Lakes Region



Lee A. Johnson is an Associate Professor of New Testament at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio. She graduated with a Ph.D. in Biblical Studies from the University of St. Michael's College in the Toronto School of Theology, where she was also taught courses in New Testament and Greek. She has published articles in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* and *Biblical Theology Review* and has contributed to the ESCJ series by Wilfred Laurier Press on *Religious Rivalries and the Struggle for Success in Caesarea Maritima*. She is a member of the Context Group and is completing an article on the relationship between pneumatic gifts and the authority of women in the Pauline communities, using a cross-cultural comparison between glossolalic women in modern worship communities and the women at Corinth. She is also currently completing a manuscript entitled "The Epistolary Apostle: Paul's Response to the Challenge of the Corinthian Congregation." Lee presented "An Examination of Funk's Apostolic *Parousia* in the Corinthian Correspondence: The Impact of the Epistolary Apostle" at the SBL Eastern Great Lakes regional meeting in March 2006.

Eric F. Mason, Central States Region



Eric F. Mason is Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Judson University, Elgin, Illinois, and teaches in the areas of New Testament and Second Temple Judaism. He holds a Ph.D. in Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity from the University of Notre Dame, an M.Div. from Beeson Divinity School, Samford University, and a B.A. from Union University. Mason was selected as a Regional Scholar by the Central States Region for his paper titled "Melchizedek in Hebrews and the Dead Sea Scrolls," and he will present a revised version of the paper at the 2007 Annual Meeting. His monograph on priestly messianism in the Epistle to the Hebrews and Second Temple Jewish literature will be published by Brill, and he is co-editing a Festschrift that will appear in 2008. He is an associate editor for the journal *Henoch: Studies in Judaism and Christianity from Second Temple to Late Antiquity.*

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Jeremy Schipper, Mid-Atlantic Region



Jeremy Schipper (Ph.D., Princeton Theological Seminary, 2005) is a Lecturer in Hebrew Bible at Temple University in Philadelphia. Before coming to Temple, he taught for two years at Siena College near Albany, New York. His research has focused on the Former Prophets as well as disability in the Hebrew Bible and cognate literature. It has appeared in *JBL*, *JSOT*, *VT*, and *CBQ*. He is the author of *Disability Studies and the Hebrew Bible* (T&T Clark, 2006) and the co-editor with Hector Avalos and Sarah Melcher of *This Abled Body: Rethinking Disabilities in Biblical Studies* (Society of Biblical Literature, 2007). Schipper serves as the co-chair with Rachel Magdalene of the Disability Studies and Healthcare in the Bible and Near East SBL program unit. He received the Regional Scholars Award for a paper subsequently published under the title, "Did David Overinterpret Nathan's Parable in 2 Samuel 12:1–6?" (*JBL* 126 [2007]: 381–89). Portions of this paper will appear in his next book, which is tentatively titled *"Proverbs of Ashes": Conflict and Parables in the Hebrew Bible*. This book will examine the relationship between parables, genre, and conflict in the Hebrew Bible.

Susan E. Hylen, Southeastern Region



Susan E. Hylen is Mellon Assistant Professor of New Testament at Vanderbilt University. She has a Ph.D. from Emory University and an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary. The author of two books on the Gospel of John, her current research focuses on characterization in the Gospel. Susan presented a paper entitled "Metaphor and Ethics in Revelation" at the Southeastern regional meeting (SECSOR).

Michael Heiser, Pacific Northwest Region



Mike earned an M.A. in Ancient History from the University of Pennsylvania (major fields: Syria-Palestine and Egyptology) and the M.A. and Ph.D. in Hebrew and Semitic Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His dissertation was entitled "The Divine Council in Late Canonical and Noncanonical Second Temple Jewish Literature." The dissertation sought to demonstrate the acceptance of divine plurality in Judaism into the Common Era and the Canaanite/Israelite roots of first-century Jewish monotheism's notion of two powers in heaven. Mike's paper submitted for consideration as a regional scholar was entitled "Are Yahweh and El Distinct Deities in Deut 32:8–9 and Psalm 82?" The paper was read at the 2006 Society of Biblical Literature's Pacific Northwest regional meeting and was subsequently published online in the scholarly journal *HIPHIL*. Mike is currently the Academic Editor for Logos Bible Software. He is responsible for targeting and evaluating potential data projects for scholarly products dealing with primary texts related to the languages of the Bible and the ancient Near East, overseeing scholars who are participating in team data projects for Logos, and creating content for the Logos platform. Before coming to Logos, Mike taught on the undergraduate level for twelve years.

Travel Grant Recipients

The SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession is pleased to announce the 2007 Travel Grant award recipients:

Mercy Itohan Idumwonyi, Nigeria



Mercy is currently Assistant Lecturer in Religion with a specialization in Old Testament studies at the University of Benin in Benin City, Nigeria. She received her B.A. (1998) and M.A. (2002) in Religious Studies from the University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. Her professional experience includes work as a research fellow for the Centre for Democracy & Development in Benin City and a year as Senior Program Officer for the African Women Empowerment Guild, also in Benin City.

Micheline Kamba Kasongo, Democratic Republic of the Congo



Micheline is currently a Ph.D. student in Theology at the University of Kwa-Zulu-Natal (UKZN) in South Africa. She holds the equivalent of a B.A. in Theology from l'Université Protestante Au Congo (UPC) and both an M.A. in Theology and an M.A. in Education from UPC. She has served as a consultant for the Ecumenical Disability Advocates Network of Central Africa and as consultant for Women's Justice and Peace Commission of the WCC. In February 2006 she was elected WCC Central Committee member.

Siang-Nuan Leong, Singapore



Since 2005 Siang-Nuan has been a Ph. D. student in New Testament at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. She holds a B.A. from the University of Singapore, a postgraduate diploma from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, and both a Master of Divinity and a Master of Theology from Singapore Bible College. She has worked as a secondary school teacher and has taught a short-term intensive course in the Myanmar Christian Preachers Training Centre. She translated the Letter of Titus for the Chinese New Version Bible (2006).

Program Committee Travel Grant Awardees

Jacob Cherian, Southern Asia Bible College, Bangalore, India

Paul, Poverty, and "Equality": A Pluto-critical Reading of 2 Corinthians 8:1–15
Paul and Politics Group (S19-27)

Ernest M. Ezeogu, Spiritan International School of Theology, Enugu, Nigeria

The Politics of Bible Translation in Nigeria: A Case of the Igbo Catholic Bible
African Biblical Hermeneutics Section (S17-3)

"Out of Egypt I Have Called My Son": Matthew's Infancy Narrative in Afrocentric Perspective
Contextual Biblical Interpretation Consultation (S18-9)

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Alexey Lyavdansky, Russian State University for the Humanities

Politeness Strategies in Biblical Hebrew Directive Utterances
Bible Translation Section (S17-55)

Vasile Mihoc, Theological School Sibiu

St. Paul and the Jews in John Chrystostom's Commentary on Romans 9–11
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Stelian Tofana, Babes Bolayi University

The Interdependency between Destiny and Humankind and Creation according to Romans 8:18–23: An Orthodox-Patristic Perspective

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New Program Units

Bible in the Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Traditions Section (S17-54, S17-105, S19-82)

This program unit will offer a forum for biblical professors and scholars from the Eastern and Oriental Orthodox traditions (the latter including Aramaic, Syriac, Armenian, Arabic, Georgian, Coptic, among others) to engage in critical study of the role of the Bible in Eastern Christianity, past and present. A particular aim of this section will be to engage participating scholars in dealing with issues raised by contemporary and critical biblical scholarship. The committee invites presentation and discussion of papers from a variety of approaches and methodologies, including (but not limited to) theological, historiographic, philological, and literary studies.
Chair: Vahan Hovhanessian

First Esdras Consultation (S19-51, S19-113)

This consultation investigates 1 Esdras: its original date; sources; historical and social milieu; language; history of composition; extent; genre; purposes; themes; text-critical value; relationship to Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah; authority and status in antiquity; and importance for understanding early Judaism.
Chair: Lisbeth Fried

Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Consultation (S19-16, S19-111)

This unit is focused broadly on questions related to canon, namely: What is the biblical canon? How did it take shape? How did the so-called noncanonical works function in the early Jewish and Christian communities? How do these noncanonical works help us comprehend the shaping of the canon and by whom? What is the relation between a closed canon and the notion of a God who speaks in every

generation? With considerable media interest in this subject in recent times, it is important to raise and address some of these important questions.
Chairs: James Charlesworth, Lee McDonald

Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Consultation (S17-123, S19-77)

This interdisciplinary consultation is intended to foster discussion about how the creation and interpretation of biblical and other ancient texts has been shaped by their oral transmission and aural reception by ancient communities, using the methods associated with performance criticism.
Chair: Glenn Holland

Ritual in the Biblical World Consultation (S19-81, S19-125)

The Ritual in the Biblical World consultation focuses on the nature, meaning, and function of ritual found in textual sources (Hebrew Bible, New Testament, noncanonical) in the larger context of the material culture of the ancient world, employing insights and methods of the field of ritual theory and ethnography.
Chairs: Gerald Klingbeil, Jonathan Schwiebert

Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Consultation (S18-30, S18-135)

The Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement consultation is a forum for studying the practices, interpretations, and reception history of sacrifice and cult in the Hebrew Bible, ancient Judaism, Christianity, and their larger cultural contexts (ancient Near Eastern, Greco-Roman religion). Methodological perspectives include, but are not limited to, historical criticism, tradition history, comparative and literary approaches, ritual theory, and sociological analysis.
Chair: Christian Eberhart

Writing/Reading Jeremiah Group (S17-32, S17-84, S17-133)

This group will explore new readings and constructions of meaning with the book of Jeremiah "this side" of historicist paradigms and postmodernism. The group welcomes all strategies of reading Jeremiah that seek to reconfigure, redeploy, and move beyond conventional readings of Jeremiah. Our manifesto is: not by compositional history alone, nor biographical portrayal alone, nor their accompanying theological superstructures; rather, we seek interpretation from new spaces opened for reading Jeremiah by the postmodern turn.
Chairs: A. R. (Pete) Diamond, Louis Stulman

Proposing a New Program Unit

Proposing a new program unit for either the Annual Meeting or the International Meeting is the same. The following check list outlines the requirements. Proposals are emailed to Matthew Collins, SBL Director of Congresses (*matthew.collins@sbl-site.org*) who then forwards them to the appropriate committee.

Checklist:

- Name of Unit
- Type of Unit: there are five unit types:
  - Consultation: 3-year term—new program units normally of this type, but identify goal of Section, Group, or Seminar after the Consultation
  - Section: 6-year term—usually more broadly defined; offers presenters most access for unsolicited papers; required to have at least one open session each year
  - Group: 6-year term—long-range collaborative research topics/papers that require active participation
  - Seminar: 6-year term (not renewable)—well-defined research topics or projects with specific publication plans; limited membership; papers predistributed and not read at meetings
  - Workshop: 3-year term—practical, hands-on, learning opportunities related to teaching and/or research applications
- Forty-word synopsis of rationale and aims (for public viewing)
- Description of relationship of new unit to existing program units
- One paragraph CVs for the chair and steering committee members (at least 2) to include: name, institution, position, address, phone and email; SBL membership number; degrees and years; relevant scholarship and experience.
- Projected topics for the first two years with specific presenters and titles.
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Strangers No More: Part II
8:00 AM-4:00 PM

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Association for Case Teaching
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

The workshop will concentrate on teaching through the case method. Facilitators will model teaching and lead reflective discussions on the method as a subset of problem-based learning. For more information contact the Association for Case Teaching at *act@acu.edu* or 325-674-4708

S16-4

Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

This is a "working" session for writers involved in the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Series Project. Topic and presenters are subject to change, depending on progress made at other working sessions held during the year. SBL and AAR members interested in the work of the group are cordially welcomed to attend.

Theme: *Locating Rhetorolects in Cognitive Theory*

Discussion (180 min)

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Status of Women in the Profession Committee
9:00 AM-5:00 PM

S16-6

The New Testament Mysticism Project Seminar
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Participants have prepared commentary entries which will be discussed in a round table format by members of the seminar. Entries will not be read as formal papers. Instead the time will be used to introduce the entry by the author and discuss it in detail as a group. This is a working group, a collaborative project to write a commentary on New Testament mysticism. For more information, see our website, *www.newtestamentmysticism.com*.

Theme: *Mysticism in the New Testament Gospels*

Andrei Orlov, Marquette University
John 1:45–51 and Matthew 4:1–11// Mark 1:12–13//Luke 4:1–13 (20 min)

Kevin Sullivan, Illinois Wesleyan University
John 6:35–65 and Matthew 16:17–23// Mark 8:27–33//Luke 9:18–22 (20 min)

Cameron Afzal, Sarah Lawrence College
John 9:5 and Matthew 7:21–23 (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Jeffrey B. Pettis, Fordham University
John 12:24 (20 min)

Catherine Playoust, Cambridge, MA
John 3:1–15 (20 min)

Robert G. Hall, Hampden-Sydney College
John 12:37–41 and Matthew 13:43 (20 min)

Jonathan A. Draper, University of KwaZulu-Natal
John 1:18 and Matthew 12:6 (20 min)

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The Faith of Jesus Christ: Exegetical, Biblical, and Theological Studies
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Michael Bird, Highland Theological College
The Faith of Jesus Christ: Problems and Prospects (15 min)

Joel Willitts, North Park University
The Saving Value of "Faithfulness" in Jewish Traditions (30 min)

Stanley Porter, McMaster Divinity College
Lexical and Semantic Reflections on Pistis *(30 min)*

Douglas Campbell, Duke University
The Faithfulness of Jesus Christ in Romans and Galatians (30 min)

Preston Sprinkle, Aberdeen University
Pistis Christou *as an Eschatological Event (30 min)*

Break (15 min)

Ardel Caneday, Northwestern College, St. Paul
The Faithfulness of Jesus as a Theme of Pauline Theology (30 min)

Francis Watson, University of Aberdeen-Scotland
The Faith of Jesus Christ (30 min)



FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Mark Elliott, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
The Faith of Jesus Christ in the Church Fathers (30 min)

Benjamin Myers
The Faithfulness of Christ in the Theology of Karl Barth (30 min)

S16-56

Association for Case Teaching

1:00 PM-4:30 PM

S16-57

Regional Coordinators Committee

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

S16-58

Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

S16-59

Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

2:00 PM-5:00 PM

This is a "working" session for writers involved in the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Series Project. Topic and presenters are subject to change, depending on progress made at other working sessions held during the year. SBL and AAR members interested in the work of the group are cordially welcomed to attend.

Theme: *Critical Spatiality and Socio-rhetorical Commentary*

Discussion (180 min)

S16-60

The New Testament Mysticism Project Seminar

2:00 PM-5:00 PM

Theme: *Mysticism in the New Testament Gospels*

April D. DeConick, Rice University
John 20:24–29 and Matthew 22:23–33//Mark 12:18–27//Luke 20:27–38 (25 min)

Robin Griffith-Jones, Temple Church
John 20:11–18 (25 min)

Charles A. Gieschen, Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne
John 1:12, 5:37–38. 12:28, 17:6, 20:31 and Mt 28:19–20 and Mt 26:64//Mk 14:62//Lk 22:69-70 (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Jared Calaway, Columbia University in the City of New York
John 2:19–22 (25 min)

Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit Mercy
John 8:28 and 12:31–34 (25 min)

Alan Segal, Barnard College, Columbia University
John 14:16, 15:26, 16:7, 1 John 2:1 and Matthew 17:1–8//Mark 9:2–10//Luke 9:28–36 (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S16-61

Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars

2:30 PM-5:30 PM

For more information about the AABS and this program, see our web site at *http://www.aabs.org/*.

Theme: *Biblical Resources for the Millennium Development Goals*

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Presentation: Contextualizing the Millennium Development Goals (30 min)

Brainstorming Groups on Preparing Bible Studies for Parishes Reflecting on the Millennium Development Goals (90 min)

Business Meeting (60 min)

Ellen Aitken, McGill University, Presiding

S16-62

Writer's Workshop

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Any successful academic career requires publishing original works of scholarship. But is being "original" all that counts? Besides looking for "original ideas" or "cutting-edge scholarship"—both of which are critical—publishers also want authors and editors who understand the fundamentals of publishing and the value of writing well. This workshop will introduce these twin pillars of the academic career. First it will survey the essentials of academic publishing by exploring questions such as: What are the basic elements of a book contract? What about copyright law is important for me? What are the respective responsibilities of an author and a publisher? What is involved in the publishing process? How is the internet changing the publishing world? Second, the workshop will evaluate the characteristics of typical scholarly writing and will show how writing well can enhance your odds of being heard in the white noise of academia. Guiding questions will include: How does a book differ from a dissertation? What can be wrong with imitating academic style? How does learning to become self-critical make one a more effective communicator, both within and outside of the academy? Anyone wanting to learn more about writing, editing, and publishing will find this workshop useful.

Pre-registration required. See online registration.

John Kutsko, Abingdon Press, Presiding

Patrick Alexander, Penn State University Press, Presiding

S16-101

Semeia Studies Editorial Board
4:00 PM-6:00 PM

S16-102

Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars
5:30 PM-9:30 PM

For more information about the AABS and to make a dinner reservation, see our web site at *http://www.aabs.org/*.

Theme: *Biblical Resources for the Millennium Development Goals*

Holy Eucharist (60 min)

Reception (30 min)

Dinner (60 min)

Plenary Talk (90 min)

S16-103

Latinas in Theology
5:30 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Feminist Intercultural Theology in the Context of Divided Societies*

Leticia Guardiola-Sáenz, Drew University, Presiding

Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego, Panelist (45 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

Theresa Torres, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Presiding

We will gather for dinner after our meeting at a local restaurant.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-1

SBL Program Committee
7:00 AM-8:30 AM

S17-2

SBL Council
8:30 AM-10:30 AM

S17-3

African Biblical Hermeneutics Section
9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Session 1: The Politics of Bible Translation In Africa

Malebogo Kgalemang, Drew University, Presiding

Gosnell Yorke, University of South Africa
Bible Translation in Africa: An Afrocentric Interrogation of the Task (20 min)

Elelwani Farisani, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Ideology, History, and Translation Theories: A Critical Analysis of the Venda Bible Translation of 1 Kings 21 (20 min)

Ernest M. Ezeogu, Spiritan International School of Theology, Enugu, Nigeria
The Politics of Bible Translation in Nigeria: A Case of the Igbo Catholic Bible (20 min)

Lovemore Togarasei, University of Botswana
The Shona Bible and the Politics of Bible Translation (20 min)

John David A. Ekem, Trinity Theological Seminary, Ghana
Interpreting Ton Arton hemon ton epiousion *in the Context of Ghanaian Mother Tongue Hermeneutics (20 min)*

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Respondent (10 min)

Musa Dube, University of Botswana, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-4

Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section
9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Religion and Society: Current Research*

Daniel Schowalter, Carthage College, Presiding

Emily A. Schmidt, University of California-Santa Barbara
The Res Gestae Divi Augusti *as Monument (25 min)*

Carly Daniel-Hughes, Harvard University
Early Christian Veiling in North Africa: The Importance of the Visual Record (25 min)

James C. Walters, Boston University
Civic Identity in Roman Colonies: Comparing Freedmen and Veterans (25 min)

Robert Jewett, University of Heidelberg
The Mystery of Troas: Investigating Maritime and Land Routes to Clarify the Role of Alexandria Troas in Commerce and Religion (30 min)

Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Respondent (20 min)

S17-5

Art and Religions of Antiquity Consultation
9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Rethinking Liturgical and Domestic Spaces*

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Anne Moore, University of Calgary
Domus Ecclesiae*: Embodied Experience and Liturgical Space in Ante Pacem Christiantity (25 min)*

Karen C. Britt, University of Louisville
Heaven on Earth: Interconnections between Image and Text in the Reconstruction of Sacred Space (25 min)

Ruth M. Ohm, Saint Patrick's Seminary
Navigating Ephesos' Miniature Churches: The Interpretative Quagmire (25 min)

Kristina Sessa, Ohio State University
Liturgy and the Dynamics of Domestic Space in Late Antique Rome (25 min)

Joan Branham, Providence College, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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SATURDAY MORNING

S17-6

Bakhtin and the Biblical Imagination Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Keith Bodner, Atlantic Baptist University, Presiding

Christopher C. Fuller, Carroll College
What of the Old Testament? Addressing the Unity of Scripture with Bakhtin (10 min)

Nehama Aschkenasy, University of Connecticut
Ruth and Bakhtin's Theory of Carnival (10 min)

Susanne Gillmayr-Bucher, Aachen University
Framework and Discourse in the Book of Judges (10 min)

James McConnell, Baylor University
Toward a Polyphonic Understanding of Miracle Reports in the Gospels: A Barthian Reading (10 min)

Cameron S. McKenzie, Providence College
Who Can Stand before YHWH: The Ark and Mount Sinai in Chronotopic Perspective (10 min)

Discussion (85 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

Papers will be summarized rather than presented. To read them, consult the Bakhtin website around November 1: *http://home.nwciowa.edu/wacome/bakhtinsbl.html*.

S17-7

Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Jeffrey E. Brickle, Concordia Seminary
Aural Design and Coherence in the Prologue of First John (30 min)

Casey W. Davis, Roberts Wesleyan College
Hebrews 6:4–6 from an Oral Critical Perspective (30 min)

James Maxey, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Performance Criticism and Its Implications for Translation (30 min)

James S. Hanson, Saint Olaf College
The Least of the Apostles: A Dramatic Interpretation of Paul's Letters (30 min)

Philip Ruge-Jones, Texas Lutheran University
Omnipresent, not Omniscient: How Literary Interpretation Confuses the Storyteller's Narration (30 min)

S17-8

Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section

9:00 AM-11:15 AM

Stephen Breck Reid, Bethany Theological Seminary, Presiding

Bruce Herzberg, Bentley College
Samson's Moment of Truth (25 min)

Pamela Tamarkin Reis, Branford, CT
Unspeakable Names: Solomon's Tax Collectors (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Grenville Kent, University of Manchester
Repetition as Narrative Tactic in 1 Samuel 28 (25 min)

Françoise Mirguet, Harvard University
A New Consideration on the Use of Omniscience in the Biblical Representation of the Divine (25 min)

S17-9

Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Stanley Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Gerald Peterman, Moody Bible Institute
You Plural: The Use and Abuse of a Pronoun (30 min)

Sean Boisen, Logos Research Systems and Steven Runge, Logos Research Systems
"So, Brothers": Pauline Use of the Vocative (30 min)

Constantine Campbell, Moore Theological College
To Be or Not to Be: Verbal Aspect and the Greek Perfect (30 min)

Mark Beatty, Hawaii Theological Seminary
Greek Variable Syntax as Signals of Discourse Meaning (30 min)

Al Wolters, Redeemer Univerity College
Authentes *and Its Cognates in Biblical Greek (30 min)*

S17-10

Book of Acts Section

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Theme: *Acts and Intertextuality (Classical and Biblical)*

Loveday C. A. Alexander, University of Sheffield
Intertextuality between Acts and the Classics (30 min)

Todd Penner, Austin College, Respondent (10 min)

Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Richard B. Hays, Duke University
Intertextuality between Acts and Biblical Texts (30 min)

David Moessner, University of Dubuque, Respondent (10 min)

Stephen Moyise, University of Chichester, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Carl Holladay, Emory University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-11

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Imagining Chronicles*

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College, Presiding

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel
Structure and Signification in the Catalogue of David's Conquests (1 Chronicles 18:1–13; 2 Samuel 8:1–14) (30 min)

Mark Leuchter, University of Sydney
The Prophets and the Levites in Josiah's Covenant Ceremony (30 min)

Karl Jacobson, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education
Mnemohistory and the Chronicler's Re-imagination of Asaph (30 min)

Antje Labahn, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal
Between Fact and Fiction in Chronicles' Construction of History: Interpreting the Past to Shape the Present and the Future (30 min)

Nancy Nam Hoon Tan, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Legitimizing Legitimacy in Chronicles (30 min)

S17-12

Computer Assisted Research Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Hot Bytes: The Cutting Edge*

Keith Reeves, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Zack Hubert, Mars Hill Church
A Brief Introduction to zhubert.com *and Some Thoughts on the Road Ahead (30 min)*

Kirk E. Lowery, Westminster Theological Seminary
Reports from the Galaxy's Rim (60 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Planning for 2008

Business Meeting (30 min)

Keith Reeves, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

The business meeting is open to all. Feel free to attend or contact any of the steering committee members with questions or suggestions.

S17-13

Greek Bible Consultation / International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Karen Jobes, Wheaton College, Presiding

Jan Joosten, Marc Bloch University
The Prayer of Azariah (Septuagint Daniel 3): Sources and Origin (30 min)

Benjamin Reynolds, University of Aberdeen
The "One Like a Son of Man" in the Old Greek of Daniel 7:13–14 (30 min)

James K. Aitken, University of Cambridge
Jewish Use of Greek Proverbs (30 min)

Ronald L. Troxel, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Boule *in Septuagint Isaiah (30 min)*

Julia Krivoruchko, University of Cambridge
Greek Glossary on Isaiah (Evr. IIA 1980) and Its Judeo-Greek Background (30 min)

S17-14

Hebrews Consultation

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Theme: *Identity Construction, Hermeneutics, and Ideology in the Book of Hebrews*

Gabriella Gelardini, University of Basel, Presiding

Ekkehard W. Stegemann, Theologische Fakultät der Universität Basel and Wolfgang Stegemann, Augustana-Hochschule
Hebrews and the Discourse on Judeophobia (30 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology
Redescribing the Religion of Hebrews (30 min)

Ellen B. Aitken, McGill University
Apocalyptic Fire in the City of Rome: Memory and the Cultural Repertoires of Hebrews (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-15

Historical Jesus Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Parables*

Mark Allan Powell, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Presiding

Klyne Snodgrass, North Park Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Charles W. Hedrick, Missouri State University, Panelist (20 min)

Arland Hultgren, Luther Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Klyne Snodgrass, North Park Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S17-16

Jewish Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Patrick Hartin, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Edwin K. Broadhead, Berea College
Jewish Christianity/Christian Judaism: The Problem of Nomenclature and Definition (20 min)

Matti Myllykoski, University of Helsinki, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kenneth L. Schenck, Indiana Wesleyan University
Hebrews and the Parting of the Ways (20 min)

Donald Dale Walker, University of Wyoming, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Giovanni Battista Bazzana, University of Milan
Either Jew and Gentile: Ethnic and Religious Terminology in the Pseudo-Clementine Novel (20 min)

Päivi Vähäkangas, University of Helsinki
The Doctrine of Creatio ex Nihilo *in Pseudo-Clementine Literature (20 min)*

F. Stanley Jones, California State University-Long Beach, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-17

Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Questions of Background and Reception*

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Harold W. Attridge, Yale University
Cultural Contexts and Literary Dynamics (45 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Kyle Keefer, Converse College
Who Are the Devil's Children?: John 8 in the Early Church (30 min)

Kasper Bro Larsen, Aarhus University
John Gone Epic: Reception and Transformation in the Paraphrase of John's Gospel by Nonnus of Panopolis (30 min)

P. J. Williams, University of Aberdeen
Not the Prologue of the Fourth Gospel (30 min)

S17-18

Lament in Sacred Texts and Cultures Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Carleen Mandolfo, Colby College, Presiding

Amy C. Cottrill, Birmingham-Southern College
Sad Psalms Say So Much: Lament, Rhetorical Violence, and Moral Agency in Psalm 109 (25 min)

Linda Day, Pittsburgh Seminary
"She Has No One to Comfort Her": Unmitigated Grief in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Scott A. Ellington, Beulah Heights University
Faithful Tears: The Prayer of Lament in the New Testament (25 min)

Charles H. Cosgrove, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary
A Lament Song from the Ancient Greek Tradition (25 min)

William S. Morrow, Queen's Theological College
The Revival of Lament in Medieval Piyyutim (25 min)

The session will be followed by a 15 minute business meeting.

S17-19

LGBT/Queer Hermeneutics Consultation / Bible and Cultural Studies Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Intersections between Queer Theory, Race, Ethnicity, Class, Gender, and the Bible*

Holly Toensing, Xavier University, Presiding

Diana M. Swancutt, Yale University
The Ungraspable Inch: Trans Apocalypse? (30 min)

Randall Charles Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center
The Ms. Potiphar-Joseph-Potiphar Triangle: Interse(x)(ct)ionality of Race/Ethnicity, Gender, Sexuality, and Social Class in Genesis 39:1–18 (30 min)

Jione Havea, Charles Sturt University
Lazarus, Darling, Come out! (30 min)

Sean D. Burke, Luther College, Decorah, IA
Deconstructing Identities in Christian Discourse: The Ethiopian Eunuch as a Queering Figure (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-20

Mapping Memory: Tradition, Texts, and Identity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Workings of Memory in Biblical Traditions and Texts*

Thomas Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University, Presiding

Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
"Mnemohistory" and Biblical Covenant Curses (20 min)

Chris Keith, University of Edinburgh
A Performance of the Text: The Adulteress' Entrance into John's Gospel (20 min)

Simon Staffell, University of Sheffield
The Mappe and the Bible: Imperialist Cartography and the Collective Memory of Jonah Imagery (20 min)

Margaret E. Lee, Tulsa Community College
Methods for Mapping Memory through Sound (20 min)

Robert K. McIver, Avondale College
Memory Capacity, Gist versus Verbatim Memory, and Markers of Orality in the Synoptic Traditions (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S17-21

Matthew Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Matthew and the Dead Sea Scrolls: Celebrating Sixty years of Research*

Lidija Novakovic, Bethel University, Presiding

James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary
How Important Are the Dead Sea Scrolls for Understanding Matthew? (15 min)

Anthony Le Donne, Durham University
Messianic Duality in Matthew and the Dead Sea Scrolls (15 min)

George J. Brooke, University of Manchester
Matthew's Use of Scripture in the Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls (15 min)

Craig A. Evans, Acadia Divinity College
Fulfilling the Law and Seeking Righteousness in Matthew and the Dead Sea Scrolls (15 min)

John Kampen, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Jesus, Wisdom, and Matthew's Place Within Judaism (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Panel Response

Discussion (70 min)

S17-22

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM-11:15 AM

Theme: *Codex Tchacos and the Gospel of Judas*

Michael Kaler, McMaster University, Presiding

Philippa Townsend, Princeton University
"What is this Great Race?": The Meaning of Genea *in the Gospel of Judas (25 min)*

Judith Hartenstein, Philipps Universität-Marburg
The Genre of the Gospel of Judas and Its Relationship to the Gospel of Mary (25 min)

Hans-Gebhard Bethge, Humboldt University and Johanne Brankaer, Humboldt University
The Codex Tchacos as "Collection" (25 min)

Gerd Lüdemann, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Judas Iscariot Trajectory in Primitive Christianity and Its Origin (25 min)

John Turner, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Respondent (25 min)

S17-23

Pauline Epistles Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Mark Reasoner, Bethel College, Presiding

Edward Adams, King's College London
Paul's Body-Talk: Clarifying Paul's Anthropological Use of Soma *(25 min)*

Gillian Townsley, University of Otago
Gender Trouble in Corinth: Que(e)rying Constructs of Gender in 1 Corinthians 11:2–16 (25 min)

Turid Karlsen Seim, University of Oslo
Taxonomy and Transformation: Another Look at 1 Corinthians 15:38–41 (25 min)

Paul B. Duff, George Washington University
Transformed "from Glory to Glory": Paul's Appeal to the Experience of His Readers in 2 Corinthians 3:18 (25 min)

S17-24

Q Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Q, the Synoptic Problem, and Compositional Issues*

Joseph Verheyden, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding (5 min)

Jon Ma Asgeirsson, University of Iceland
Collections or Compositions: Ancient Sayings Traditions and the Rhetoric of Logic and Intertextual Relations (25 min)

Stephen Hultgren, Fordham University
Should We Regard Q as a Single Document? (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh
The M-Source: Its History and Demise in Biblical Scholarship (25 min)

Christoph Heil, Universität Graz
Jesus in Conflict with "This Generation" (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-25

Rethinking the Concept and Categories of "Bible" in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

James E. Bowley, Millsaps College, Presiding

K. L. Noll, Brandon University
Rethinking Literary Function in the Emerging Hebrew Canon (25 min)

Francis Borchardt, University of Helsinki
Concepts of Scripture in 1 Maccabees (25 min)

Ian W. Scott, Tyndale Seminary
Is the Bible always Scripture?: The "Low" View of the Pentateuch in the Letter of Aristeas (25 min)

Sara Parks, McGill University and Aaron Ricker, McGill University
Harry Potter Canon Discourse and the Biblical Canons (25 min)

Robert A. Kraft, University of Pennsylvania
Finding Adequate Terminology for "Pre-canonical" Literatures (25 min)

James E. Bowley, Millsaps College
Terminating Terminology (25 min)

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SATURDAY MORNING

S17-26

Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Writing Socio-Rhetorical Commentary*

Caroline Vander Stichele, University of Amsterdam, Presiding

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University
The Gospel of Luke (30 min)

Roy R. Jeal, Booth College
The Epistle to the Colossians (30 min)

Charles A. Wanamaker, University of Cape Town
The First Letter to the Corinthians (30 min)

Fredrick James Long, Bethel College
The Epistle to the Ephesians (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-27

Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Limited Good and Ancient Economies*

Richard DeMaris, Valparaiso University, Presiding (5 min)

Sue Russell, Biola University
Rethinking Limited Good: Anthropological Perspectives (30 min)

Douglas E. Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University
The Biblical World of Limited Good in Cultural, Social, and Technological Perspective (30 min)

Jerome H. Neyrey, University of Notre Dame
Envy and How It Grows (30 min)

Louise Lawrence, University of Glasgow, Respondent (15 min)

Gildas Hamel, University of California-Santa Cruz, Respondent (15 min)

Adriana Destro, Università di Bologna, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion

S17-28

Theological Hermeneutics of Christian Scripture Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Theological Interpretation and the Canon of Scripture*

Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Presiding

Stephen B. Chapman, Duke University
The Canon Debate: What It Is and Why It Matters (20 min)

Thomas Holsinger-Friesen, Spring Arbor University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Daniel J. Treier, Wheaton College
A Looser "Canon"?: Relating William Abraham's Canon and Criterion in Christian Theology to Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

William Abraham, Southern Methodist University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Richard Paul Thompson, Northwest Nazarene University
Scripture, Community, and Conversation: Rethinking Theological Interpretation Canonically (20 min)

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Papers will be posted by 1 October at *http://fc.asburyseminary.edu/~theological_interpretation/index.html*.

S17-29

Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Ezekiel: Historical, Literary, and Theological Issues*

Paul M. Joyce, University of Oxford, Presiding (5 min)

Brian Doak, Harvard University
Ezekiel's Theology of Divination and the Authority of Prophetic Speech in Ezekiel 21:26 (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Timothy Mackie, University of Wisconsin-Madison
A Reassessment of the Different Editions of Ezekiel 7 in the Septuagint and Masoretic Text: Relating Ezekiel's Composition-History to Its Inclusion in the Emerging Scriptural Canon (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel I. Block, Wheaton College
The Transformation of Royal Ideology in Ezekiel (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Sally Norris, University of Oxford
The Imaginative Effects of Ezekiel's Merkavah Vision: A Day in the Life of Hashmal (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

William A. Tooman, Edgewood College
Edwards' Ezekiel: The Interpretation of Ezekiel in the Blank Bible and Notes on Scripture (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

Those wishing to receive papers in advance by electronic circulation should please contact *paul.joyce@theology.ox.ac.uk*.

S17-30

Warfare in Ancient Israel Section

9:00 AM-11:45 AM

Theme: *Theory and Method in the Study of War: An Interdisciplinary Conversation*

Frank Ritchel Ames, Colorado Christian University, Presiding

Brad E. Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding (5 min)

J. Harold Ellens, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
The Psychology of War (25 min)

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
When Scarcities Abound: The Economics of Religious Violence (25 min)

Megan Bishop Moore, Wake Forest University
Is War the Answer?: Warfare and the Origins of Ancient Israel (25 min)

Jerome F. D. Creach, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Allegorical Interpretation of the Ban and the Plain Sense of the Text: Reading the Herem Law for Ethics (25 min)

Cynthia R. Chapman, Oberlin College
Family Fights: Kinship and the Gendering of Wartime Memory (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-31

Women in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Mary E. Shields, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Presiding

William L. Lyons, Florida State University
Rahab Through the Ages: A Study of Christian Interpretation of Rahab (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Julie Faith Parker, Yale University
You are a Bible Child: Exploring the Lives of Children and Mothers through the Elisha Cycle (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elizabeth Goldstein, University of California-San Diego
"By the Blood that You Shed You are Guilty": Perspectives on Female Blood in P and Ezekiel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Diana Lipton, King's College London
Monsoon Weddings: Ezra's Foreign Wives and Noah's Flood (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sharon Alley, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Mary of Bethany, the Forgotten Disciple: Luke 10:38–42 within Second Temple Jewish Thought (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-32

Writing / Reading Jeremiah Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Theorizing the Ancient and Modern Reader in/of the Scroll of Jeremiah*

A. R. (Pete) Diamond, Santa Barbara City College, Presiding (15 min)

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School
Jeremiah among Ancient and Contemporary Readers: Reconfiguring Redaction Criticism as Witness to Foreignness (30 min)

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Glasgow and Mark Brummitt, Colgate Rochester Divinity School
Reading/Writing Jeremiah: Self-Conscious Scrolls and Subverted Desires (30 min)

Kathleen M. O'Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary
What Readers Does the Scroll Imagine? (30 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
Would Ancient Readers of the Books of Hosea or Micah Be "Competent" to Read the Book of Jeremiah? (30 min)

Response

Louis Stulman, University of Findlay, Respondent (15 min)

S17-33

Fostering the Next Generation of Racial-Ethnic Scholars

9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *A Mini-Recruitment Conference hosted by the Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee*

Matthew Collins, Society of Biblical Literature

Welcome (5 min)

Introduction to the Profession

Cheryl Anderson, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Orlando Espin, University of San Diego, Panelist (15 min)

Introduction to Doctoral Studies

Leticia Guardiola-Sáenz, Drew University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jeffrey Kuan, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (15 min)

Introduction to the Annual Meeting

Brian Blount, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-34

SBL Women Student Members' Coffee and Orientation, Hosted by the CSWP

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Student Women members of all levels are invited to participate in an informal and interactive discussion on the different aspects of being a student and how to navigate the process towards being a scholar. Bring your business or name cards and network with other graduate students. Share ideas. Get advice. Find support. Have fun!

Please contact SBL-CSWP representative Jennifer Bird with any questions.

Theme: *Network and Navigating*

Jennifer Bird, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

S17-35

Student Advisory Group
11:45 AM-12:45 PM

S17-50

Preparing for Ph.D. Work
1:00 PM-2:00 PM

Sponsored by the Student Advisory Group

Nancy L. Declaisse-Walford, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University, Presiding

S17-51

African Biblical Hermeneutics Section
1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Sesssion 2: African Women's Biblical Commentary*

Beverly Haddad, University of Natal, Presiding

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Princeton Theological Seminary
Paul's Sexual and Marriage Ethics through the Lens of African Women's Cultural Hermeneutics (20 min)

Malebogo Kgalemang, Drew University
Reading Life: Teresa Okure's Hermeneutics of Life *(20 min)*

Elivered Nasambu-Mulongo, Toronto School of Theology
Evaluating the Contributions of Madipoane Masenya to the Study of African Women's Biblical Hermeneutics (20 min)

Lynne St. Clair Darden, Drew University
Hanging Out with Rahab: An Examination of Musa Dube's Hermeneutics (20 min)

Althea Spencer-Miller, Claremont Graduate University, Respondent (10 min)

Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Respondent (10 min)

Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S17-52

Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section
1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Religious Gifts and Dedications in the Ancient Mediterranean World*

John Lanci, Stonehill College, Presiding

David L. Eastman, Yale University
Architecture, Sacred Space, and the Cult of St. Paul in Rome (25 min)

Barbette Stanley Spaeth, College of William and Mary
The Cult of Ceres in Roman Corinth: Evidence from Two Archaistic Relief Bases (25 min)

Patrick Scott Geyer, University of San Diego
Patterns of Worship at the Temple to Hecate (25 min)

Bradford A. Kirkegaard, University of Pennsylvania
A Goddess and Her City: Aphrodisias as Offering to Aphrodite (25 min)

Daniel Schowalter, Carthage College, Respondent (15 min)

S17-53

Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section
1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Richard W. Swanson, Augustana College, Presiding

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield
Any Dream Will Do?: Joseph from Text to Technicolor (25 min)

Andrew Davies, Mattersey Hall
Tears in Jerusalem: David's Response to the Death of Absalom in 2 Samuel and Tomkins's When David Heard *(25 min)*

G. Andrew Tooze, Pfeiffer University
What's Love Got to Do with It?: The Prophetic Construction of Gomer (25 min)

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
Film and the Apologetics of Biblical Violence (25 min)

Deborah Rooke, King's College London
Aspects of Athaliah: Heroine or Harpy? (25 min)

Helen Leneman, University of Amsterdam
Re-Visioning a Biblical Story through Libretto and Music: Pizzetti's Debora e Jaele *(25 min)*

S17-54

Bible in the Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Traditions Consultation
1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Exegesis and Hermeneutics in the Churches of the East—Session I*

Vahan Hovhanessian, St. Nersses Theological Seminary, Presiding

J. W. Childers, Abilene Christian University
Virtuous Reading: Aphrahat's Approach to Scripture (20 min)

Dale Loepp, University of California-Berkeley
The Hermeneutics of Midrash and the Conception of Adam in the Seventeenth Demonstration of Aphrahat (20 min)

Bogdan Bucur, Marquette University
Exegesis of Isaiah 11:2 in Aphrahat the Persian Sage (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Karen S. Winslow, Azusa Pacific University
The Exegesis of Exodus by Ephrem the Syrian (20 min)

Michael C. Legaspi, Creighton University
Pharaoh's Just Deserts: Divine Judgment and Poetic Justice in St. Ephrem's Commentary on Exodus (20 min)

Bradley Nassif, North Park University Theological Seminary
Antiochene "Theoria" in John Chrysostom's Exegesis (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-55

Bible Translation Section

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Lenart de Regt, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Theme: *The Translator and the Text*

Marijke de Lang, United Bible Societies
Does Paul Want to Frighten the Corinthians or Not?: Translating 2 Corinthians 10:9 (30 min)

Rodrigo Silva, Centro Universitario Adventista de Sao Paulo
Linguistic Analysis of Sêmeron *in Luke 23:43 (30 min)*

Stephen C. Daley, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Translator and the Para-Textual Elements of the Masoretic Text (30 min)

Alexey Lyavdansky, Russian State University for the Humanities
Politeness Strategies in Biblical Hebrew Directive Utterances (30 min)

S17-56

Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Register in the Greek Language and Biblical Literature*

Cynthia Westfall, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Sean A. Adams, McMaster Divinity College
Register, Genre, and Context: Their Differentiation and Importance for the Study of the Greek New Testament (30 min)

Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College
Ideational Metafunction of Register (30 min)

Cynthia Long Westfall, McMaster Divinity College
Interpersonal Metafunction of Register (30 min)

Randall K. J. Tan, Kentucky Christian University
Textual Metafunction of Register (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-57

Book of Acts Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Contemporary Studies in Acts*

Pamela Hedrick, Wheeling Jesuit University, Presiding

Scott Shauf, Bluefield College
The "Word of God" in Luke-Acts and the Septuagint (30 min)

Susan Wendel, McMaster University
Hearing and Perceiving: A Comparison of Claims to Israel's Story in Luke-Acts and the Writings of Justin Martyr (30 min)

Patrick E. Spencer, San Ramon, CA
Mad Rhoda the Slave Girl (Acts 12:12–16): Reading and Rereading Her Characterization (30 min)

Daniel Marguerat, Université de Lausanne
Acts 2:1–13: Pentecost at the Crossroad of Jewish Eschatology and Graeco-Roman Universalism (30 min)

Matthew Sleeman, Oak Hill College
The Place of Heaven within Acts, and Heaven Acting within the Narrative (30 min)

S17-58

Christian Theology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM-4:30 PM

Theme: *Forgive Us Our Debts: Sin and Redemption*

A. Katharine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding (10 min)

Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (30 min)

Bruce Marshall, Southern Methodist University, Respondent (15 min)

Robert Robinson, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Respondent (15 min)

Claire Mathews McGinnis, Loyola College in Maryland, Respondent (15 min)

Susan Dolan-Henderson, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S17-59

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Recent Books on Chronicles: A Panel Discussion of Steven J. Schweitzer,* Reading Utopia in Chronicles *(T&T Clark, 2007) and Julie Kelso,* O, Mother, Where Art Thou *(Equinox, 2007)*

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College, Presiding

Steven Schweitzer, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Roland Boer, Monash University, Panelist (15 min)

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Panelist (15 min)

Julie Kelso, University of Queensland, Panelist (10 min)

Jione Havea, Charles Sturt University, Panelist (15 min)

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, Panelist (15 min)

John Wright, Point Loma Nazarene University, Panelist (20 min)

Steven Schweitzer, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Julie Kelso, University of Queensland, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-60

Early Jewish and Christian Mysticism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Possible Provenances for Mysticism: Ancient Near East and Hebrew Bible*

Kevin Sullivan, Illinois Wesleyan University, Presiding

Silviu N. Bunta, Marquette University
Sitting in Heaven: An Ancient Near Eastern Pre-Merkabah Reading of Ezekiel 1 (30 min)

Kelley N. Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University
Ezekiel as Precursor to the Divine Vision in Merkavah and Hekhalot Literature (30 min)

Break (15 min)

John J. Collins, Yale University
Ascent to Heaven in the Dead Sea Scrolls? (30 min)

Daphna Arbel, University of British Columbia
Crown, Name, Robe, and Throne (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-61

ETANA: Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

http://www.etana.org/

Douglas Knight, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

S17-62

Greek Bible Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Greek Prophets in the New Testament*

J. Ross Wagner, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jonathan T. Pennington, Southern Seminary
Refractions of Greek Daniel in the Gospel of Matthew (30 min)

Chang-Wook Jung, Chongshin University
Quotation of Isaiah 6:9–10 in the New Testament with Emphasis on the Quotation in Matthew 13:14–15 (30 min)

Steven Runge, Logos Bible Software
Joel 3:1–5 in Acts 2:17–21: The Discourse and Text-Critical Implications of Quotation and Variation from the Septuagint (30 min)

Wolfgang Kraus, University of the Saarland
The Reception of Habakkuk 2:3–4 in the New Testament (30 min)

Kelly David Liebengood, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
1 Peter, the Septuagint, and the Eschatological Davidic Shepherd (30 min)

S17-63

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section / Orality, Textuality, and the Formation of the Hebrew Bible Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Karel van der Toorn,* Scribal Culture and the Making of the Hebrew Bible *(Harvard University Press, 2007)*

Daniel Fleming, New York University, Presiding

Niek Veldhuis, University of California at Berkeley
Scribal Culture and the Transmission of Cuneiform Texts in Mesopotamia (30 min)

David McLain Carr, Union Theological Seminary
Scribal Culture and the Tablet of the Heart (30 min)

Seth L. Sanders, Trinity College-Hartford
Israelite and Judahite Scribal Culture in Epigraphical Perspective (30 min)

Karel van der Toorn, University of Amsterdam
Comments on Scribal Culture and the Making of the Hebrew Bible *(15 min)*

Discussion (45 min)

S17-64

Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Traditions of Jesus' Exorcisms and Healings as Imperial Negotiation?*

William Herzog, II, Andover-Newton Theological School, Presiding

Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts
My Name is "Legion": Demon-Possession and Exorcism as Responses to Roman Domination (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Trinity Presbyterian Church
How Can Satan Cast Out Satan? Colonial Realities and Mark 3:20–30 (20 min)

Todd Krulak, University of Pennsylvania
Exorcize the Exorcists?: Exorcism and the Exercise of Roman Authority (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Willett Newheart, Howard University School of Divinity
"Authoritative Anthropology" (Matthew 8:9): A Playful, Political Perspective on the Healing of the Centurion's Slave (20 min)

Anthony Le Donne, Durham University
Therapeutic Exorcist and National Healer: Matthew's Jesus as Messiah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-65

Johannine Literature Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Turid Seim, University of Oslo, Presiding

Janelle Peters, Emory University
The "World" in Imperial Cult Iconography and the Gospel of John (30 min)

Raimo Hakola, University of Helsinki
The Gospel of John and the Mediterranean Diaspora (30 min)

John W. Daniels, Jr., University of South Africa
Gossip as Adjudicative Testimony for an Elusive Jesus in John's Gospel (30 min)

Mavis M. Leung, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
The Historic Present in the Gospel of John with Reference to Verbal Aspect and Discourse Function (30 min)

Lori Baron, Duke University
Re-Creating the Shema: The Johannine Jesus' Reinterpretation of God's Oneness (30 min)

S17-66

Josephus Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Josephus and the Essenes*

James McLaren, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Jamal-Dominique Hopkins, Crichton College
Josephus, the Dead Sea Scrolls, and the Qumran Essenes: Examining a Jewish Sectarian Movement (20 min)

Doug Finkbeiner, University of Pennsylvania
The Contribution of Josephus' Essene Characters to His Larger Literary Portrait (20 min)

Kenneth R. Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa
Josephus the Essene on the Qumran Essenes and Related Jewish Sectarians Along the Dead Sea (20 min)

Break (15 min)

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Was Qumran an Essene Community? (20 min)

Steve Mason, York University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Papers will be posted at *http://pace.cns.yorku.ca/York/york/index.htm*.

S17-67

LGBT/Queer Hermeneutics Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: The Queer Bible Commentary

Deirdre Good, General Theological Seminary, Presiding

Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

Jack Rogers, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

Ellen Armour, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-68

Mapping Memory: Tradition, Texts, and Identity Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Cognitive Science of Memory and the Analysis of Biblical Religions*

Alan Kirk, James Madison University, Presiding

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki
How Religions Remember: Memory Theories in the Cognitive Study of Religion (30 min)

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki
Ritual, Writing, and Early Jesus Traditions (30 min)

Laura Feldt, Aarhus University
Fantastic Re-Collection: Cultural vs. Autobiographical Memory in the Exodus Narrative (30 min)

Istvan Czachesz, University of Groningen
Mind, Miracle, and the Gospels (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-69

Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Meals and Social Formation*

Susan Marks, New College of Florida, Presiding

Jae Won Lee, McCormick Theological Seminary
A Politics of Meals: Community in Solidarity (15 min)

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary
Greco-Roman Meals and Performance of Identity: A Ritual Analysis (15 min)

Discussion (120 min)

Papers have been distributed in advance to seminar members and will be summarized at the beginning of the session. We will reserve time at the end of the session for questions from the floor.

S17-70

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Gospel of Judas*

Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki, Presiding

April D. DeConick, Rice University
The Subversive Gospel of Judas and Sethian Humor (30 min)

Birger A. Pearson, University of California-Santa Barbara
The Figure of Judas in the Coptic Gospel of Judas (30 min)

Louis Painchaud, Laval University
"I Have Told You the Mysteries of the Kingdom": The Significance of the Kingdom in the Gospel of Judas (30 min)

Elaine Pagels, Princeton University, Respondent (15 min)

Karen King, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Antti Marjanen, University of Helsinki, Panelist (30 min)

S17-71

Pauline Epistles Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

John Barclay, Durham University, Presiding

David E. Fredrickson, Luther Seminary
Writing the Beloved: The Motif of Longing in Philippians and Other Ancient Letters of Friendship (25 min)

Rodrigo J. Morales, Duke University
The Isaianic Roots of Paul's Apocalyptic Gospel (25 min)

Brent Nongbri, Yale University
Reversing Paul's Reversal: Intertextuality, Isaiah, and the Gentiles in Paul's Eschatological Scenario (25 min)

Brett Burrowes, Siena College
The Origin of Paul's Image and Adam Christologies (25 min)

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

S17-72

Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Theme: *The Rhetoric of New Testament Commentary*

Thomas Olbricht, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Patristic Commentary

Carol Poster, York University
Grammatical, Rhetorical, and Philosophical/Theological Commentary in Middle Platonism and Early Christianity (20 min)

Francois Beyrouti, Saint Paul University
The "Rhetoric of Catechesis" in Origen's Commentary on the Gospel of John (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Modern Commentary

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary
The Rhetoric of Interpretation, Mercersburg-Style (20 min)

Roy R. Jeal, Booth College
Classic Commentary: The Rhetoric of J. B. Lightfoot, T. K. Abbott, and J. A. Robinson on Ephesians and Colossians (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Contemporary Commentary

Ronald Cox, Pepperdine University
The Mystery Now Revealed: Lohse's Colossians and Philemon *as the First Word on Hermeneia (20 min)*

Alexandra Gruca Macaulay, Saint Paul University
Reading "Lydia" in Acts 16: A Figure in Rhetoric or a Rhetorical Figure? (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

This session will provide a first look at work being done for the Rhetoric of Biblical Commentary conference (Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA, June 2008).

S17-73

Romans through History and Cultures Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Schleiermacher, Schweitzer, Barth*

Khiok-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Kurt Richardson, McMaster University
Schleiermacher and Romans (20 min)

Carsten Claussen, University of Munich
Albert Schweitzer's Understanding of Righteousness by Faith according to Paul's Letter to the Romans (20 min)

Ekkehard Stegemann, Theologische Fakultät der Universität Basel
Romans 9-11 in Karl Barth's Doctrine of Election (20 min)

Angela Standhartinger, University of Marburg, Respondent (15 min)

Terence Donaldson, Wycliffe College, Respondent (15 min)

Cristina Grenholm, Karlstad University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

Papers will be summarized; they are available from 1 October under *www.vanderbilt.edu/AnS/religious_studies/sbl2007*.

S17-74

Scripture as Artifact Consultation

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Theme: *The Late Medieval Period to the Present*

Luther Martin, University of Vermont, Presiding (5 min)

Marianne Schleicher, Aarhus University
Transitions between Artifactual and Hermeneutical Use of Scripture (25 min)

Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Scripture as Artifact: A Comparative Perspective (30 min)

Eva Maria Raepple, College of DuPage
Curbing Phantasm: The Bible Moralisée (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Kirsten Nielsen, Aarhus University
The Danish Hymnbook: Artifact and Text (25 min)

David Chalcraft, University of Derby
Some Biblical Artifacts in Search of a Sociological Theory (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-75 (=A17-223)

Signifying (on) Scriptures Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Ethnologies of Scriptural Readings among Communities of Color in the United States*

Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University
Making the Case for a Different Orientation to Research on Scriptures (10 min)

Efrain Agosto, Hartford Seminary, Latino/as, Panelist

Tat-Siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Asian Americans, Panelist

Velma Love, Florida A&M University, African Americans, Panelist

Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Native Americans, Panelist

Matthew Stiffler, University of Michigan, Arab Americans, Panelist

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Respondent

Linda Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Respondent

This year's session programming will focus on "Ethnologies of Scriptural Readings among Peoples of Color in the United States," an interdisciplinary research project of the Institute for Signifying Scriptures. At the center of the project is an exploration of particular groups' engagements with "scriptures" and the ways in which such engagements reflect, contribute to, or undermine social and identity

formation with respect to society, culture, and power. All are welcome to this discussion relating to the Institute for Signifying Scripture's major national collaborative research project, which examines scriptural practices in five racial-ethnic minority communities: African Americans, Arab Americans, Asian Americans, Latino/as, and Native Americans. Five (5) research directors will constitute a panel reporting on the progress of their ethnographic research and data collection. The panel will be moderated and include two (2) respondents.

S17-76

Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Critical Religious Literacy: Strategies for Engaging Global Fundamentalisms*

Cynthia Baker, Santa Clara University, Presiding (10 min)

Mark Chancey, Southern Methodist University, Panelist (25 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Boston University, Panelist (25 min)

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Panelist (25 min)

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S17-77

Society for Pentecostal Studies

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *A Panel Discussion of Gordon D. Fee,* Galatians *(Pentecostal Commentary Series; Deo, 2007)*

Blaine Charette, Northwest University, Presiding

Robert Jewett, University of Heidelberg, Panelist (20 min)

Janet Everts Powers, Hope College, Panelist (20 min)

Henry H. Knight III, Saint Paul School of Theology, Panelist (20 min)

Gordon Fee, Regent College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S17-78 (=A17-201)

Sustainable Theological Education

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

As the declining health of the earth reaches a critical point, religious people from a wide variety of traditions are beginning to respond. It has been forty years since Lynn White issued what many saw as a wake-up call. Institutions of theological education should be providing vigorous, visionary leadership on this issue, but are they?

Six of the prophetic voices that have encouraged both churches and seminaries to address the worsening ecological crisis have been asked to reflect on the significant role of theological education in leading the faith community to respond. What leadership can seminaries provide through scholarship, academic programs, community life, building and grounds, and institutional practices? What unique opportunities and challenges does theological education face in meeting the environmental challenge? Ample time will be allowed for discussion. See *www.webofcreation.com* for more on this session and what some schools are already doing.

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Laurel Kearns, Drew Theological School, Presiding

David Rhoads, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

John Cobb, Claremont School of Theology, Panelist

Calvin DeWitt, University of Wisconsin, Panelist

Sallie McFague, Vancouver School of Theology, Panelist

Norman Habel, Flinders University, Panelist

Larry Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary, Panelist

Rosemary R. Reuther, Claremont Graduate University, Panelist

S17-79

Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Review of Richard Bauckham,* Jesus and the Eyewitnesses: The Gospels as Eyewitness Testimony *(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2006)*

Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School of Theology, Texas, Presiding

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto, Panelist (20 min)

Adela Yarbro Collins, Yale University, Panelist (20 min)

James Crossley, University of Sheffield, Panelist (20 min)

Richard Bauckham, University of St. Andrews-Scotland, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (65 min)

S17-80

Taking Stock after Virginia Tech

1:00 PM-2:30 PM

The Virginia Tech tragedy earlier in 2007 has provoked much conversation among members of every academic institution and learned/professional society. The issues that need to be considered are numerous. Among those issues are balancing the responsibility of care for students with the awareness of privacy issues; concerns for individual and group safety; role of faculty observations of students over the rights of students; developing intellectual and social environments for the prevention of such events, and the care of people after such events. The session will provide an opportunity to listen and talk as well as share resources.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

S17-81

Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Americans Reading the Bible in War and Politics*

Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

David A. Bosworth, Barry University
The Bible on the Battlefield (30 min)

Scott Langston, Tarrant County College
What Makes the Bible Useful: The Ten Commandments and "Safeguarding American Ideals" (30 min)

Kyle Keefer, Converse College
Abraham Lincoln and Biblical Rhetoric (30 min)

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati
The Powers That Be: Antonin Scalia on Romans 13:1–5 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-82

Theological Hermeneutics of Christian Scripture Group

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Theme: *Christ in/and the Old Testament*

Christopher Seitz, University of St. Andrews-Scotland, Presiding (10 min)

Kathryn Greene-Mccreight, St John's Episcopal Church, Panelist (10 min)

Robert Wall, Seattle Pacific University, Panelist (10 min)

John Goldingay, Fuller Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership International, Panelist (10 min)

Murray Rae, University of Otago, Panelist (10 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S17-83

Use of Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Review of Giles Fauconnier and Mark Turner,* The Way We Think: Conceptual Blending and the Mind's Hidden Complexities *(Basic Books, 2002)*

Eve Sweetser, University of California-Berkeley, Presiding

Joel Green, Fuller Theological Seminary, Panelist

Ellen van Wolde, Tilburg University, Panelist

Vernon Robbins, Emory University, Panelist

Giles Fauconnier, University of California, San Diego, Respondent

S17-84

Writing / Reading Jeremiah Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Diaspora and Resistance in Jeremiah*

Hyun Chul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University
Jeremiah as Frantz Fanon: How Prophets Inspire Exilic Theologies (30 min)

Else K. Holt, University of Aarhus
Narrative Normativity in Diasporic Jeremiah (30 min)

William Robert Domeris, South African Theological Seminary
The Land Claim of Jeremiah: Was Max Weber Right? (30 min)

Steed Vernyl Davidson, Luther College
Redefining Release in Jeremiah 40: Resistance and Home Rule (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-85

Earning a Ph.D. in Germany

2:30 PM-3:30 PM

Sponsored by the Student Advisory Group

Hermann Spieckermann, Faculty of Theology Goettingen, Presiding

S17-101

Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries: Illuminating the Biblical World Section / Qumran Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls: Archaeology and Texts in the Past Ten Years*

Milton Moreland, Rhodes College, Presiding

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The Current State of Qumran Archaeology (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham
Texts, Scribes, Communities, and Caves: Reflections on a Busy Decade in Scrolls Research (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bruce Zuckerman, University of Southern California
Getting the Big Picture: The Future for the Development, Dissemination, and Use of High Quality Digital Images of the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-102

Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Demography and Economy of the Early Roman Empire*

Steven Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Walter Scheidel, Stanford University
Demography and Human Development in the Roman World (45 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Carolyn Osiek, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Panelist

James Walters, Boston University, Panelist

Break (10 min)

Richard Saller, Stanford University
The Early Roman Empire: Human Capital and the LimIts to Economic Growth (45 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-103

Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Review of Uriah Kim,* Decolonizing Josiah: Toward a Postcolonial Reading of the Deuteronomisitc History *(Sheffield Phoenix, 2006)*

Seung-Ai Yang, University of Saint Thomas, Presiding

Gina Hens-Piazza, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, Panelist

Frank Yamada, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Panelist

Niels Lemche, University of Copenhagen, Panelist

Jane Iwamura, University of Southern California, Panelist

Uriah Kim, Hartford Seminary, Respondent

S17-104

Bakhtin and the Biblical Imagination Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Bakhtin and the Hero*

Barbara Green, Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, Presiding

Austin Busch, State University of New York College at Brockport
Dialogues of Resurrection in Mark's Gospel (10 min)

David M. Valeta, University of Colorado at Boulder
The Heteroglossic Hebrew Heroes of Daniel 1-6 (10 min)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver
Bakhtin and the Power of Divine Speech: Genesis in Action (10 min)

Carrie Rehak, St. Mary's College of California
Imaging the Anointing in Mark 14:3–9 (10 min)

Keith Bodner, Atlantic Baptist University
Problems of the Deuteronomist's Poetics: David, Saul, and an Allegory of the Cave (10 min)

Discussion (100 min)

Papers will be summarized; participants will discuss among themselves and then open the circle for audience participation. Business session at the end.

Papers available on the Bakhtin website by November 1: go to *http://home.nwciowa.edu/wacome/bakhtinsbl.html.*

S17-105

Bible in the Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Traditions Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Exegesis and Hermeneutics in the Churches of the East—Session II*

Nicolae Roddy, Creighton University, Presiding

Matthew Francis, Athabasca University
"Blessed is the One Who Reads Aloud...": The Book of Revelation in Orthodox Lectionary Traditions (20 min)

Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego
Apocalypse Patchwork: Finding Lost Scraps of the Ancient Eastern Interpretation of the Apocalypse Preserved in the Commentary of Andrew of Caesarea (20 min)

Dragos-Andrei Giulea, Marquette University
Melito, this New Enoch, the Divine Scribe: Typological Interpretation as Revelation of the Divine Mysteries in Melito's Peri Pascha *(20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Timothy S. Clark, Emory University
"This Gate Shall Remain Shut": A Test Case of Eastern Orthodox Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

Erik William Kolb, Catholic University of America
Monastic Duty and the Biblical Past: Ascetic Exegesis in Shenoute's "Abraham Our Father" (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-106

Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Kenneth Craig, Lees-McRae College, Presiding

Nijay K. Gupta, Durham University
Principles for Interpreting Metaphors in Paul: Prosagogen *(Romans 5:2) as a Test Case (25 min)*

Michael J. Schufer, Claremont Graduate University
Creating Golgotha: A Rhetorical and Cultural Necessity (25 min)

Break (5 min)

SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union
Woman Wisdom, Strange Woman, and Job: A Deconstructive/Reconstructive Reading of Biblical Wisdom Texts through a Postcolonial and Feminist Literary Approach (25 min)

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University
Is the Wisdom Tradition a Tradition? (25 min)

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SATURDAY EVENING

Yitzhak Berger, Hunter College
From Passion to Compassion: Intertextuality and Plot Expectation in Ruth (25 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S17-107

Biblical Law Section / Biblical Lands and Peoples in Archaeology and Text Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Ethnicity and Biblical Law*

Carol Meyers, Duke University, Presiding

Kenton Sparks, Eastern University
The Egalitarian Spirit in Ancient Israelite Law (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hannah K. Harrington, Patten University
Exegeting Ethnicity in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Victor H. Matthews, Missouri State University
Social and Ethnic Transformation in the Story of Ruth and Boaz (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anselm C. Hagedorn, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin
Foreigner by Inscription: Determining Ethnicity in Some Cretan Inscriptions (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S17-108

Book of Psalms Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

W. Bellinger, Baylor University, Presiding

Daniel R. Driver, University of St. Andrews
For a Generation to Come: The Addressee of Psalm 102 in Reception and Recent Research (30 min)

Robert E. Wallace, Shorter College
Back to the Beginning: Yahweh as King, Moses as Mediator, and Psalms 104-106 (30 min)

Judith Gaertner, Universität Hamburg
The Tora in Psalm 106 and Psalm 136 (30 min)

Jinkyu Kim, Nyack College
Strategic Arrangement of Royal Psalms in the Last Two Books of the Psalter (30 min)

Charles Rix, Drew University
Note the Silence: Reading Psalm 137 through Messiaen and Bak (30 min)

S17-109

Ecological Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Ecojustice and the Exodus Event*

Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Presiding

Norman C. Habel, Flinders University
Retrieving the Voice of Earth in the Exodus Event (30 min)

Discussion (45 min)

Peter Trudinger, Flinders University, Panelist

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University
Recovering the Christological Voice of Creation: Hebrews 1:2–3a (25 min)

Edward Adams, King's College London
Retrieving the Earth from the Conflagration: 2 Peter 3:5–13 (25 min)

S17-110

Formation of Luke-Acts Section

4:00 PM-6:15 PM

Theme: *Using the Septuagint*

Thomas L. Brodie, Dominican Biblical Institute, Limerick, Presiding

Jeffrey Keiser, McGill University
The Circumcision of Jesus (Luke 2:21) and the Formation of Luke's Infancy Narrative (25 min)

E. Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
Prolegomena to Proto-Luke (25 min)

Mikael Winninge, Umea University
Luke's Use of the Septuagint and His Possible Use of the Works of Homer: Intertextuality, Formation, and Evaluation (25 min)

Jocelyn McWhirter, Albion College
Luke's Use of Mark and the Septuagint to Portray Jesus and Peter as Prophets (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S17-111

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Mark Wade Hamilton, Abilene Christian University
A New Deal for Ancient Israel: Psalms and Inscriptions Revisited (30 min)

Esther J. Hamori, Union Theological Seminary
Varieties of Anthropomorphism in Biblical and Near Eastern Literature (30 min)

David S. Vanderhooft, Boston College
The Contribution of the Hebrew Bible to the Historical Understanding of Nineveh, Asshur, and Babylon (30 min)

Bruce Wells, Saint Joseph's University
Is It Law or Religion?: Intersecting Texts from Deuteronomy and Sixth-Century Mesopotamia (30 min)

Shawn Zelig Aster, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Jerusalem Replaces Babylon: The Neo-Babylonian Background to Isaiah 60 (30 min)

S17-112

Hebrews Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Emerging Studies in the Book of Hebrews*

David Bauer, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

James C. Miller, Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology
Ethnic Argumentation and the Continuity/Discontinuity Problem in Hebrews (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Amy L. B. Peeler, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Ethos of God in Hebrews (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Felix H. Cortez, Andrews University
The "Son" as Reformer of the Cult: Thematic Parallels between the Rule of Righteous Davidic Kings in the Hebrew Bible and the Rule of the "Son" in Hebrews (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eric F. Mason, Judson College
Hebrews 7:3, Melchizedek, and the Nature of Jesus' Priesthood (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-113 (=A17-300)

Interdisciplinary, Theoretical, and Ideological Implications of the SBL and AAR Split

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Dale Martin, Yale University, Presiding

Elizabeth Clark, Duke University, Panelist

Jorunn Buckley, Bowdoin College, Panelist

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Panelist

Karen King, Harvard University, Panelist

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Panelist

This session examines the theoretical, ideological, and inter-disciplinary implications of the AAR decision to discontinue joint meetings of the AAR and SBL. The five panelists reflect on the origin and history of the decades-long relation between these two important professional associations and implications of the upcoming shift in that relationship. This involves discussing the historical development of Religious and Biblical Studies as academic fields and of parallels and contrasts in their methodological and theoretical allegiances.

S17-114

Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Success and Failure of Prophecy*

Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland
Israel's Prophets: Dressed for Success or Set Up for Failure? (30 min)

Bo H. Lim, Seattle Pacific University
Isaianic New Exodus: Failed, Delayed, or Fulfilled? (30 min)

Rodney R. Hutton, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
The Fate of the Temple Vessels and Prophetic Fulfillment in Jeremiah 28 (30 min)

Martien A. Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia
Zechariah and Exile (30 min)

Jeremy Hutton, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-115

John, Jesus, and History Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Jesus and John 13-21*

Felix Just, Santa Clara University, Presiding (10 min)

Richard A. Burridge, King's College London
Imitating Jesus: An Inclusive Approach to the Ethics of the Historical Jesus and John's Gospel (35 min)

Jaime Clark-Soles, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
John 13: Footwashing and History (35 min)

Bas van Os, University of Groningen
John's Last Supper and the Resurrection Dialogues (35 min)

Helen K. Bond, University of Edinburgh
At the Court of the High Priest: History and Theology in John 18:13–24 (35 min)

S17-116

LGBT/Queer Hermeneutics Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Holly Toensing, Xavier University, Presiding

Henrietta L. Wiley, Denison University
Identity and the "Ick Factor": A Queer Reading of Numbers 31 (30 min)

Thomas D. Hanks, Universidad Biblica Latinoamericana
Robert Jewett (2006) and Robert Gagnon (2001) on Romans 1:16–2:16 (30 min)

Joseph A. Marchal, California State University-Northridge
The Corinthian Women Prophets and Trans Activism: Rethinking Canonical Gender Claims (30 min)

Teresa J. Hornsby, Drury University
Christian Masochism and the Queer Heterosexual (30 min)

Thomas Bohache, Episcopal Divinity School
Reading for Life: Utilizing Postcolonial Criticism in Queer Hermeneutics (30 min)

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SATURDAY EVENING

S17-117

Matthew Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Joel Willitts, North Park University, Presiding

Derek S. Dodson, Baylor University
Scripting Dreams: The Gospel of Matthew's Use of a Literary Convention (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Susana de Sola Funsten, Claremont Graduate University
A New Look at Matthew 18:23–35: The Parable of the Unforgiving Slave (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Erin Vearncombe, Toronto School of Theology
Redistribution and Reciprocity: A Socio-Economic Interpretation of the Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sigurd Grindheim, Mekane Yesus Theological Seminary
Ignorance is Bliss: Attitudinal Aspects of the Judgment according to Works in Matthew 25:31–46 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel M. Gurtner, Bethel Theological Seminary
The Death of Jesus in Matthew's Gospel: An Unfolding Portrait from Beginning to "End" (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-118

New Testament Textual Criticism Section / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Miniature Codices*

David Martinez, University of Chicago, Presiding

Thomas J. Kraus, Willibald Gluck Gymnasium
Miniature Codices: The Database in General and Early Christian Background in Particular (30 min)

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University
Miniature Codices in Coptic (30 min)

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University
A Coptic Miniature Codex in Context (30 min)

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University
Miniature Codices: Methodological and Historical Questions (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-119

Orality, Textuality, and the Formation of the Hebrew Bible Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Rethinking Business as Usual in Light of Orality and Textuality*

Susan Niditch, Amherst College, Presiding

Joachim Schaper, University of Aberdeen
The Textualisation of Israelite Religion in the Context of the "Orality and Literacy" Debate (30 min)

Frank Polak, Tel Aviv University
The Voiced Text in the Hebrew Bible: From Epic Song to Biblical Narrative and Midrashic Exegesis (30 min)

William M. Schniedewind, University of California-Los Angeles
Rethinking Inner-Biblical Exegesis and Biblical Criticism in Light of Orality and Textuality (30 min)

Werner H. Kelber, Rice University
Implications of the Oral-Scribal Approach to Tanach Studies (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-120

Paul and Scripture Seminar

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Broadening the Conversation: New Approaches to Paul and Scripture*

Christopher Stanley, St. Bonaventure University, Presiding

Mark D. Given, Missouri State University
Paul and Writing (10 min)

Jeremy Punt, University of Stellenbosch
Paul and Postcolonial Hermeneutics: Marginality and/in Early Biblical Interpretation (10 min)

Kathy Ehrensperger, University of Wales-Lampeter
Feminist Perspectives on Paul's Reasoning with Scripture (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

Papers will be summarized, not read. Papers will be available in advance of the meeting at *http://www.westmont.edu/~fisk/paulandscripture/Papers.html*.

S17-121

Pauline Epistles Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

David Horrell, University of Exeter, Presiding

Mark Reasoner, Bethel University and Akio Ito, Tokyo Christian University
"For...For...For...": A Convergence of Relevance Theory, Functional Grammar, and History of Interpretation against Romans 1:16–17 as Letter Thesis (25 min)

Preston M. Sprinkle, Aberdeen University
Justified by Faith—But Whose?: Another Option for the Pistis Christou *Debate (25 min)*

Emma Wasserman, Reed College
Demons Yes, Powers No: An Historical Critique of the Notion of Sin as a "Power" in Romans (25 min)

James R. Harrison, Wesley Institute
Did Paul Pioneer a New Understanding of State? (25 min)

S17-122

Pentateuch Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University, Presiding

Sean Burt, Duke University
The Problem of Deuteronomic Language in the Ketef Hinnom Silver Amulets (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christophe Nihan, University of Geneva
Of Animals and Nations: The Reception of Dietary Laws in P, D, and H (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ed Noort, University of Groningen
Joshua the Warrior and the Pentateuch: Exodus 17:8–16 Retold (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark K. George, Iliff School of Theology
Israel's Tabernacle as Modification of Priestly Creation (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Ahn, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Numbers 32: Second and Subsequent Generation Judeo-Babylonian Reading (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-123

Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Terry Giles, Gannon University, Presiding

John D. W. Watts, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Performance Criticism: An Emerging Methology in Hebrew Bible Studies (25 min)

Jin Hee Han, New York Theological Seminary
Performance Strategy in the Hebrew Accents of the Joseph Cycle (25 min)

Sheila Shiki-y-Michaels, New York, NY
Dating "The Book of Ruth" by Theatrical Conventions (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Margaret E. Lee, Tulsa Community College
Sound in Performance: Methods for Mapping Sounds Preserved in Texts (25 min)

Jin Hwang, Fuller Theological Seminary
Paul's Use of the Paron *Phrases in 1 Corinthians 5:3–5 (25 min)*

Business Meeting (15 min)

S17-124

Redescribing Early Christianity Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Barry Crawford, Washburn University of Topeka, Presiding

Christopher R. Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology and Barry Crawford, Washburn University of Topeka

Welcome (5 min)

Ron Cameron, Wesleyan University
Why Redescription Matters (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

William E. Arnal, University of Regina
The Collection and Synthesis of "Tradition" and the Second-Century Invention of Christianity (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Judith B. Perkins, Saint Joseph College
"Everyone Can Be Some Body": The Use of the Resurrected Body in Second-Century Social Critique (20 min)

Christine M. Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Respondent (8 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Willi Braun, University of Alberta
From Loud Myth to Quiet Story?: Transvaluations of Mark in the Second Century (20 min)

Christopher Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Respondent (7 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-125

Rethinking Plato's Parmenides and Its Platonic, Gnostic and Patristic Reception Seminar

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

John D. Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Luc Brisson, National Scientific Research Center, Paris
Columns 7 and 8 of the Anonymous Parmenides Commentary (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Alain Lernould, Université de Lille
The Anonymous Commentary on Plato's Parmenides (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Tuomas Rasimus, University of Helsinki, Université Laval
Gnostic Authorship for the Anonymous Parmenides Commentary? (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jean Reynard, Institut des Sources Chrétiennes
Plato's Parmenides among Greek Church Fathers: The Meaning of a Lack (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Dinner for seminar members will be planned at a local restaurant after the session, 7:30–9PM.

S17-126

Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Review: Vernon Robbins,* The Invention of Christian Discourse *(Deo Publishing, 2007)*

David deSilva, Ashland Theological Seminary, Presiding

L. Gregory Bloomquist, Saint Paul University, Panelist (20 min)

Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Duane Watson, Malone College, Panelist (20 min)

Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Vernon Robbins, Emory University, Respondent (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S17-127

Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Susan Graham, Saint Peter's College, Presiding

Cory Daniel Crawford, Harvard University
The Generation of Holiness: On the Logic and Production of Tabernacle Space (30 min)

Amy Cooper Robertson, Emory University
The Tabernacle Texts and Religious Experience (30 min)

Ann Jeffers, Heythrop College
The Cosmological Imagination: Space, Gender, and Power in the Hebrew Bible and the Pseudepigrapha (30 min)

David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire
Where the SpirIts Dwell: Saint Shrines as Sites for Possession in Late Antique Christianity (30 min)

Jacob A. Latham, University of California-Santa Barbara
Creating Christian Identities in Late Antique Rome (30 min)

S17-128

Teaching Biblical Literature in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Matthew Baldwin, Mars Hill College, Presiding

Jonathan David Lawrence, Canisius College
Bible-Trek, Next Generation: Adapting a Bible Survey Course for a New Audience (30 min)

Janet S. Everhart, Simpson College
Dildos and Dismemberment: Difficult Texts and the Liberal Arts (30 min)

J. Bradley Chance, William Jewell College
The Bible and World Construction: The Reality of Multiple Voices in Biblical Religion (30 min)

Carl Toney, Loyola University Chicago
Did Anything Good Come from Wikipedia?: Engaging Students on the Internet Using Wiki Technology to Improve Your Class Notes (30 min)

James D. Findlay, California State University-Northridge
Creative Projects: Aural and Visual Student Productions as Biblical Exegesis (30 min)

A brief business meeting will follow the session.

S17-129

Teaching the Bible in the Public Schools: An Update on the Issues

4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Kent Richards, Society of Biblical Literature, Presiding

Mark Chancey, Southern Methodist University, Panelist

T. Jeremy Gunn, American Civil Liberties Union, Panelist

S17-130

Theological Hermeneutics of Christian Scripture Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Reading the Book of Genesis Theologically as Christian Scripture*

Bill Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

J. Richard Middleton, Roberts Wesleyan College
The Significance of the Call of Abraham (Genesis 12:1–3) for a Canonical Reading of Scripture (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

R. R. Reno, Creighton University
Satan, Temptation, and the Fall (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jeffrey L. Morrow, University of Dayton
Genesis 1-3 in a Liturgical Context: The Role of Liturgy in Christian Theological Interpretation of Scripture (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-131

Use of Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Cognitive Construals of Reading and the Construction of Authority*

Mary Therese Des Camp, Heart's Rest Retreat Center, Presiding

Eve Sweetser, University of California-Berkeley
Linguistic Cues to Building Mental Spaces of Authority (30 min)

Bonnie Howe, Dominican University of California
Strangers, Fire, and Dangerous Distinctions: Cognitive Cues to Moral Authority in Matthew 25:31–46 (30 min)

Kenneth McElhanon, Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics
"I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life": Authority and Cognitive Semantics (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-132

Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section / Mapping Memory: Tradition, Texts, and Identity Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Role of Cultural Memory in the Composition of Texts*

Jennifer Maclean, Roanoke College, Presiding

Frances Flannery-Dailey, James Madison University
Accessing the Divine Presence: Fourth Ezra and the Reconfiguration of Social Memory (30 min)

Alan Kirk, James Madison University
Scribal Composition, Memory, and the Order of Q Tradition in Matthew's Sermon (30 min)

Robert Derrenbacker, Regent College
Text and Memory: Luke's Use of Q (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Ellen Aitken, McGill University, Respondent (15 min)

Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-133

Writing / Reading Jeremiah Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Else Holt, University of Aarhus, Presiding

Mary Chilton Callaway, Fordham University
Reading Jeremiah 4:27 with Some Help from Gadamer (30 min)

Chad Eggleston, Duke University
"How Did You Write All these Words?": Writing on the Written in Jeremiah (30 min)

Kathleen Brennan, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
The Rape of Babylon (30 min)

Mitchel Modine, Drew University
"Just the Not-Facts, Ma'am": Counterfactual Historiography and the Queen of Heaven (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S17-134

SBL Presidential Address

7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago, Presiding

Katharine Doob Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary
Whose Text Is It? (45 min)

S17-135

SBL Donor's Reception

8:00 PM-9:30 PM

S17-136 (=A17-407)

Women's Caucus Reception

9:00 PM-11:00 PM

S17-137 (=A17-409)

Student Members' Reception

9:30 PM-11:30 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-1

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

7:00 AM-8:45 AM

Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting

Frederick Greenspahn, Florida Atlantic University, Presiding

Business Meeting (105 min)

S18-2

SBL Annual Business Meeting

7:30 AM-8:30 AM

Joel Green, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

S18-3

Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Charles William Miller, University of North Dakota, Presiding

Teaching Tips

Eric D. Barreto, Emory University
The Bible is Like . . . or Is It? (15 min)

Carol J. Manahan, California Institute of Integral Studies
Teaching Tip: A Biblical Calendar (15 min)

Lisa M. Wolfe, United Theological Seminary
Teaching Tip: Human Timeline: A Kinesthetic Exercise in Biblical History (15 min)

Ryan Neal, Anderson University
Teaching Parables: Teaching Tip (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Workshop

Mark Roncace, Wingate University
Creative Thinking and the Bible (60 min)

S18-4

Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Spectacle, Drama, and Performance*

Chris Frilingos, Michigan State University, Presiding

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa
Whatever Story Sings, the Arena Displays for You (20 min)

SUNDAY MORNING

Janet Elizabeth Spittler, University of Chicago
Famous Arena Lions in the Acts of Paul (20 min)

Ho Kim, Kanana Fou Theological Seminary
Christian Biblical Interpretation of Samson's Saga in Light of Greek Tragedy (20 min)

Susan Miller, University of Oxford
Women, Ritual, and Belief in the Fourth Gospel (20 min)

Ryan Carhart, Claremont Graduate University
The Gospel of John and Euripides' Bacchae*: An Intertextual Study (20 min)*

Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College
Written to Amaze and Astound: Watching the Johannine Trial as Greco-Roman Spectacle and Theater (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-5

Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries: Illuminating the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Deborah Green, University of Oregon, Presiding

Byron R. McCane, Wofford College
All The Comforts of Rome: Augustus, Herod, and the Empire (30 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Jennifer Stabler, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
Herod's Building Program at Caesarea Maritima: Evidence from the Archaeological Excavations (30 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Jonathan L. Reed, University of La Verne
Romanizing Galilee: Marble, Identity, and Domestic Space (30 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Shlomo Bunimovitz, Tel Aviv University and Zvi Lederman, Tel Aviv University
Jerusalem and Beth-Shemesh: A Capital and Its Border (30 min)

Discussion (9 min)

S18-6

Art and Religions of Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Memorials, Portraits, and Sacred Images*

Annette Weissenrieder, University of Heidelberg, Presiding

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Utrecht
Standing Stones and Lithified Liturgies (25 min)

Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University
Picturing the Departed: Memorial PortraIts from Roman Africa (25 min)

Paul Dilley, Yale University
The Invention of Christian Tradition: Women, Icons, and the Consecration of Churches (25 min)

William "Chip" Gruen, Muhlenberg College
Ancient Symbols, Ancient Meanings: A Reappraisal of the Palatine Crucifix (25 min)

Ellen Muehlberger, Indiana University at Bloomington, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-7

Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Whither the Bible and Ethics? What directions should future engagement between the Bible and Ethics take?*

Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University
Breaking the "Spell of Identification": Ethics and the Evaluation of Biblical Characters (25 min)

Matthew R. Schlimm, Duke University
From Fratricide to Forgiveness: The Ethics of Anger in Genesis (25 min)

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology
Emotions, Biblical Interpretation, and the Ethics of Ethnicity (25 min)

Kent Richards, Society of Biblical Literature, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S18-8

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

9:00 AM-10:45 AM

Theme: *Review of Marilyn McCord Adams,* Christ and Horrors: The Coherence of Christology *(Cambridge, 2006)*

Joy Moore, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding (15 min)

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University
In Review of Christ and Horrors *(20 min)*

Lois Malcolm, Luther Seminary
In Review of Christ and Horrors *(20 min)*

Marilyn McCord Adams, University of Oxford
Response to Friendly Critics (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-9

Contextual Biblical Interpretation Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Cultural Identity and Biblical Interpretation*

Archie Lee, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Presiding

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University-Fresno
The Mark of Autobiography: Whose Context? Whose Culture? Why Me? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sejong Chun, Vanderbilt University
Groaning Together for Redemption: Contextual Interpretation of Romans 8:22 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Bradley Chance, William Jewell College
Framing Mark: An Inclusive Reading of Mark in the Context of the Episcopal Laity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ernest M. Ezeogu, Spiritan International School of Theology, Enugu, Nigeria
"Out of Egypt I Have Called My Son": Matthew's Infancy Narrative in Afrocentric Perspective (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Monica Jyotsna Melanchthon, Gurukul Lutheran Theological College
An Indian Commentary on the Book of Judith (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

The papers in this session will be available on the web at *http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AnS/religious_studies/ContextualInter.htm*. Proposals of topics for next year and their potential relationship to the book series will be discussed by members of the steering committee at the end of the session.

S18-10

Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Literary and Historical Contexts of Early Christian Anthropology*

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding

Karina Martin Hogan, Fordham University
Creation in the Womb in 4 Ezra and Other Early Jewish Texts (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew Goff, Florida State University
"Spiritual" and "Fleshly" Types of Humankind in 4QInstruction, Philo, and Paul (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jutta Leonhardt-Balzer, Ludwig-Maximilians Universität
A Case of Psychological Dualism: Philo's Interpretation of the Instruction of the Two Spirits in QEx I 23 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Enno Edzard Popkes, Friedrich-Schiller Universität-Jena
The Anthropology of the Gospel of Thomas: A New Impulse for the Discussion (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ward Blanton, University of Glasgow
The New Testament and Hellenistic Anthropology: The Future of a Modern Paradigm (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-11

Early Christian Families Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Children and Childhood in Antiquity*

Rebecca Krawiec, Canisius College, Presiding

Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo
Children Crying in the Academia: Potentials and Challenges within Research on Childhood in Antiquity and Early Christianity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Fanny Dolansky, Brock University
Children at the Saturnalia (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cornelia Horn, Saint Louis University-Dumbarton Oaks
Children at the Intersection of Classical and Early Christian Popular Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame
Children and Childhood in the Thought of John Chrysostom (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael L. Satlow, Brown University
Childhood in Early Judaism (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-12

Early Jewish and Christian Mysticism Section / Religious Experience in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Kevin Sullivan, Illinois Wesleyan University
Review of Andrei Orlov, From Apocalypse to Merkavah Mysticism: Studies in the Slavonic Pseudepigrapha *(Brill, 2006) (15 min)*

Andrei Orlov, Marquette University
Response (15 min)

Catherine Playoust, Independent Scholar
Review of Frances Flannery Dailey, Dreamers, Scribes, And Priests: Jewish Dreams in the Hellenistic and Roman Eras *(Brill, 2004) (15 min)*

Frances Flannery-Dailey, James Madison University
Response (15 min)

Break (15 min)

Silviu N. Bunta, Marquette University
Review of Kelley Coblentz Bautch, A Study of the Geography of 1 Enoch 17-19: No One Has Seen What I Have Seen*, (Brill, 2003) (15 min)*

Kelley N. Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University
Response (15 min)

James D. Tabor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Review of Jane D. Schaberg, Resurrection of Mary Magdalene: Legends, Apocrypha, and the Christian Testament *(Continuum, 2004) (15 min)*

Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit Mercy
Response (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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S18-13

Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Paula Fredriksen's* Augustine and the Jews: The Story of Christianity's Great Theologian and His Defense of Judaism *(Doubleday, 2008): A Discussion*

Andrew Jacobs, University of California-Riverside, Presiding

Philip Rousseau, Catholic University of America, Panelist (20 min)

Jeffrey Trumbower, Saint Michael's College, Panelist (20 min)

Christine Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Panelist (20 min)

Ra'anan Boustan, University of California-Los Angeles, Panelist (20 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Boston University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-14

Formation of Luke-Acts Section

9:00 AM-11:15 AM

Theme: *Using Sources Beyond the Septuagint*

Paul Elbert, Church of God Theological Seminary, Presiding

Robert Lee Williams, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Pauline Peter of Acts 10 and 15: Theology and Purpose (25 min)

Andrew W. Pitts, McMaster Divinity College
The Citation of Authoritative Literature in Greco-Roman Historiography and in Luke-Acts (25 min)

Jae Hyung Cho, Claremont Graduate University
The Influence of Odysseus' Transfiguration on Jesus' Transfiguration in Luke 9:28–36 (25 min)

Heikki Leppa, University of Helsinki
Luke Reading the Other Gospels (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-15

Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Synchronic and Diachronic Approaches in Dialogue*

A. Joseph Everson, California Lutheran University, Presiding

Roy F. Melugin, Texas Christian University
Zion in a Synchronic Reading of Isaiah: An Analysis of Isaiah 49:14–20; 54:1–17; 57:3–13 and 60:1–22 (30 min)

Roy D. Wells, Birmingham-Southern College
"They All Gather, They Come to You": History, Utopia, and the Reading of Isaiah 49:18–26; 60:4–16 (30 min)

Chris Franke, College of Saint Catherine
Isaiah 58: Past, Present, and Future Realities: What Has the Mouth of the Lord Spoken? (30 min)

Gary Stansell, Saint Olaf College
Isaiah 60-62 as the "Kernel" of Chapters 56-66: Synchronic and Diachronic Perspectives on Final Form of Trito-Isaiah (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-16

Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Inter-Species Sex and Other Relations*

Hugh S. Pyper, University of Sheffield
Conversations with Donkeys: Stubborn Sexuality and Unexpected Speech (25 min)

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
"The Ostrich Leaves Her Eggs to the Earth" (Job 39:14): Queer Animals of God in the Book of Job (25 min)

Susan E. Haddox, Mount Union College
"Like a Stubborn Heifer": Animal Imagery and the Construction of Identity in Hosea (25 min)

David Tabb Stewart, Southwestern University
Kila'yim: Hybridity versus Hierarchy in Inter-Species Sex (25 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S18-17

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Esther Hamori, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Sam Meier, Ohio State University
The Spoils of War (30 min)

Eugen J. Pentiuc, Hellenic College-Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
The Hebrew Sheol and the Emarite Shuwalu (30 min)

Nili Shupak, University of Haifa
"He Subdued the Water Monster": God's Battle with the Sea according to Egyptian Sources (30 min)

Aliza Schachter, University of Pennsylvania
Princess as Political Pawn (30 min)

S18-18

Hellenistic Judaism Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Philosophy and Wisdom in Hellenistic Judaism*

Allen Kerkeslager, Saint Joseph's University, Presiding

George H. van Kooten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Man as the Image of God in Hellenistic Judaism (20 min)

Matthew E. Gordley, Regent University
Didactic Hymnody and the Wisdom of Solomon (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Steve Young, McHenry County College
Marketing Martyrdom: De/Colonizing Philosophy as Faith in 4 Maccabees (20 min)

Erin Roberts, Brown University
Philo, Wealth, and Stoic Ethics (20 min)

Philippa Townsend, Princeton University
Being Jewish under Rome: Philo on Greeks and Egyptians (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-19

History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Aryeh Cohen, University of Judaism, Presiding

Eszter K. Fuzessy, University of Chicago
"Dialogues between Sages and Outsiders to the Tradition": Creation of Difference as a Literary Method of Religious Polemics in Rabbinic Literature (22 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Uzi Leibner, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Galilee in the Fourth Century and the Cessation of the Talmud Yerushalmi (22 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Barry Wimpfheimer, Northwestern University
The Sanhedrin on Trial: A Comparison (22 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Azzan Yadin, Rutgers University
Midrash, Extra-Scriptural Traditions, and the Question of Esoteric Knowledge (22 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S18-20

International Greek New Testament Project

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

David Parker, University of Birmingham, Presiding (15 min)

Bruce Morrill, University of Birmingham
The Profiling and Grouping of Greek Manuscripts: Test Passages from John 1-10 and 18 (15 min)

P. J. Williams, University of Aberdeen-Scotland
Editing the Syriac Versions: Problems and Programme (15 min)

Philip Burton, University of Birmingham
Constructing a Critical Apparatus of the Latin Manuscripts and Versions (15 min)

Ulrich B. Schmid, Free University
The Edition of the Majuscule Manuscripts (15 min)

Roderic L. Mullen, University of Birmingham
The Database of Greek Patristic Citations (15 min)

Bruce Morrill, University of Birmingham
Transcribing the Greek Minuscule Manuscripts (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S18-21

Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Characterization of God in the Book of Hosea*

Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Walter Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point
Hosea's (In)Fertility God (30 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
Reading Hosea and Imagining God (30 min)

Carolyn Sharp, Yale University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-22

Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Presiding

William R. Herzog, II, Andover Newton Theological School
Hospitality as Resistance (24 min)

James R. Harrison, Wesley Institute
Who Is the "Lord of Grace"?: Jesus' Parables in Imperial Context (24 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Philip Ruge-Jones, Texas Lutheran University and Thomas E. Boomershine, United Theological Seminary
Barabbas or Jesus: The Pilate Trial in the Aftermath of the Jewish War (24 min)

Steven Di Mattei, Cornell University
Jesus in the Political and Social Context of Jewish Revolts against the Roman Empire: Reflections on Mark 15:7 (24 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mark Kiley, Saint John's University
John and Sibling Rivalry (24 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-23

John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Slaves, Violence, Ethics, and Interpretation*

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University, Presiding

Craig R. Koester, Luther Seminary
Roman Slave Trade and the Critique of Babylon in Revelation 18 (25 min)

Stewart Moore, Yale University
With the Sword of His Mouth: Graphic Depictions of Violence in Revelation and Other Post-70 C. E. Apocalypses (25 min)

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Pieter G. R. De Villiers, University of the Free State
The Ethical Implications of Violent and Vengeful Language in Revelation 18 (25 min)

Susan E. Hylen, Vanderbilt University
Metaphor and Ethics in Revelation (25 min)

Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego
Dueling Eschatologies: Strategic Positioning to Influence the Interpretation of the Apocalypse in the East (25 min)

Stephen J. Davis, Yale University
Angelic Vision: An Arabic Christian Commentary on Revelation (25 min)

S18-24

Josephus Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Text, Commentary, and Audience: From Antiquity to the Postmodern World*

Honora Chapman, California State University, Fresno, Presiding

Paul Spilsbury, Canadian Theological Seminary
Reading Josephus Reading the Bible (25 min)

Harold Attridge, Yale University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (15 min)

John M. G. Barclay, Durham University
Josephus' against Apion and the Commentary Genre (25 min)

Gregory Sterling, University of Notre Dame, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Papers will be posted at *http://pace.cns.yorku.ca/York/york/index.htm*.

S18-25

Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

W. Randall Garr, University of California-Santa Barbara, Presiding

Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies
Word Classes in Biblical Hebrew: A Cognitive Approach (30 min)

Christo H. J. van der Merwe, University of Stellenbosch
Reconsidering the Biblical Hebrew Focus Particle Gam (30 min)

Cristian Rata, Torth Trinity, Seoul, South Korea
The qatal *in the Book of Job (30 min)*

Yoo-Ki Kim, Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary
The Origin of the Biblical Hebrew Infinitive Construct (30 min)

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Copenhagen Lutheran School of Theology
Argument Realization in Biblical Hebrew (30 min)

S18-26

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM-11:15 AM

Theme: *Texts, Problems, and Scholarly Trajectories in "Gnosticism"*

Nicola Denzey, Harvard University, Presiding

Michael Kaler, McMaster University and University of Toronto
The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Christ and His Disciples in Gnostic Dialogues (20 min)

Benjamin Dunning, Fordham University
What is this Luminous Woman?: Thinking Sexual Difference in On the Origin of the World *(20 min)*

Dylan Burns, Yale University
Apophatic Strategies in Allogenes (20 min)

Pamela Mullins Reaves, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
True Testimony: Gnostic Martyrdom and Competing Christian Identities (20 min)

Bas van Os, University of Groningen
The Flesh of Jesus in the Gospel of Philip and the So-Called Eastern School of Valentinianism (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-27

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Interpretation and Translation*

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding

Wilma Ann Bailey, Christian Theological Seminary
The Hebrew New Testament of Franz Delitzsch (40 min)

Frederick E. Greenspahn, Florida Atlantic University
Jewish Biblical Theologies (40 min)

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
The Term "Shoah" in the Hebrew Bible: A Teaching Lesson (40 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-28

Paul and Politics Group / Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Economy and Slavery*

John Lanci, Stonehill College, Presiding

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
Ideologies of Work and Slave Labor: Does Gender Make a Difference? (25 min)

Steven J. Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Brandon Cline, University of Chicago, and Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago
A Resource Scale for Roman Imperial Populations, or, the Further Adventures of Friesen's Poverty Scale (25 min)

Richard Saller, Stanford University, Respondent (30 min)

Walter Scheidel, Standford University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-29

Quran and Biblical Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Muslim Biblical Studies*

Peter Wright, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Critical Approaches to the "Farewell Khutba" in Ibn Ishaq's Life of the Prophet *(20 min)*

David Vishanoff, University of Oklahoma
A Muslim Rewriting of Psalm 2: Interreligious Resistance and Intrareligious Critique (20 min)

Alan Guenther, Briercrest College
Sir Syed Ahmad Khan's Commentary on the Bible (20 min)

Brannon Wheeler, United States Naval Academy, Respondent (20 min)

S18-30

Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Interpretation of Sacrifice*

Christian Eberhart, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

James W. Watts, Syracuse University
The Rhetoric of Sacrifice (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Wes J. Bergen, Wichita State University
The Afterlife of Atonement: "Sacrifice" as Cryptic Discourse (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jamal-Dominique Hopkins, Crichton College
The Heavenly Cult: The View of Sacrifice in the Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen Finlan, Fordham University
Spiritualization of Sacrifice in the New Testament (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-31

SBL Forum: Women and/in the Bible and/in Popular Culture

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Dan Clanton, Denver, CO, Presiding

Linda Schearing, Gonzaga University
Selling Eve: Genesis 2-3 and Advertising (30 min)

Jane Webster, Barton College
Giving up on Life: Jephthah's Daughters (30 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College
Apocalyptic String Theory: Death and the End in Recent Fantasy (30 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S18-32

Semiotics and Exegesis Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

David Odell-Scott, Kent State University, Presiding

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield
Judith and Medusa: Gaze, Text, and Identity (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Bennie H. Reynolds, III, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Symbolism and Realism in the Book of Daniel (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Yung Suk Kim, Virginia Union University
Exploring Theological Themes of Three Figurative Body Discourses in 1 Corinthians (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alissa Jones Nelson, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
Contrapuntal Hermeneutics: Semantics, Edward W. Said, and a New Approach to Biblical Interpretation (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-33

Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Community and Identity: Vows, Oaths, Curses*

Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University, Presiding (5 min)

Nathaniel Desrosiers, University of Missouri-Columbia
The Early Christian Anti-Oath Polemic and Social Cohesion (30 min)

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University
Curse Rhetoric and the Politics of Identity in Early Judaism and Christianity (30 min)

David Levinsky, Stanford University
Mediterraneanization: Samson's Nazarite Vow and Religio-Cultural Change (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S18-34

Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Sociological Methods Applied to Israelite Society*

Ronald Simkins, Creighton University, Presiding

David Chalcraft, University of Derby
Herbert Spencer, John Garstang, and the Processes of Structural Functional Differentiation in Ancient Israel (35 min)

Victor H. Matthews, Missouri State University
Cognition and Conversation as Social Indicators in the Story of Judah and Tamar (35 min)

Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill University
"Used as an Excuse": Biblical Women Facilitate Underhanded Dealings by Their Menfolk (35 min)

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Patricia Dutcher-Walls, Vancouver School of Theology
The Clarity of Double Vision: Seeing Ancient Israel in Sociological and Archaeological Perspective (35 min)

S18-35

Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Theme: *The Bible in Politics and Fiction*

Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

Yiyi Chen, Peking University
The Use and Misuse of the Bible by the Taiping Rebellions (30 min)

Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Mbeki's Bible: The Bible in the South African Public Realm after Liberation (30 min)

Jacques Berlinerblau, Georgetown University
A Foreign Policy in Christ?: Assessing Claims that the Bible Influences American Statecraft (30 min)

Zeba A. Crook, Carleton University
The Great Betrayer: Portrayals of Judas Iscariot in Modern Fiction (30 min)

Ann Jeffers, Heythrop College
From Tradition to Redemption: Images of Eve in Philip Pullman's Northern Lights *(30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-36

Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Job and Biblical Wisdom Literature*

Peter Enns, Westminster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Scott C. Jones, Covenant College
Of Treasures and Tropes: Job 28 and Gilgamesh (25 min)

F. Rachel Magdalene, Augustana College
Law, Death, and Job's Compositional History (25 min)

David Penchansky, University of St. Thomas
The Meaning of the Book of Job (25 min)

Henrietta L. Wiley, Denison University
They Save Themselves Alone: Faith and Loss in the Stories of Abraham and Job (25 min)

Gerald A. Klingbeil, Theological Seminary, Adventist International Institute for Advance Study
"Apples of Gold in Settings of Silver": History in Wisdom Literature? (25 min)

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The Preservation and Transmission of Wisdom in Sirach (25 min)

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Women in the Profession: Where We've Been, Where We're Going

9:00 AM-10:30 AM

Panelists reflect on the successes of the past and the hopes for and challenges of the future.

Co-sponsored by the SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the AAR Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University, Panelist

Rita Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good, Panelist

Katie Cannon, Union Theological Seminary-Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Panelist

Elizabeth Clark, Duke University, Panelist

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Panelist

Carolyn Osiek, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Panelist

Rosemary Radford Reuther, Claremont Graduate University, Panelist

Emilie Townes, Yale University, Panelist

S18-38

SBL *Review of Biblical Literature* Editorial Board Meeting

9:30 AM-10:30 AM

S18-50

Reflections on Brevard Childs (1923-2007)

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

A panel of scholars, in light of Childs' death in July 2007, is being assembled that will reflect on the contributions of Brevard Childs' career. Among the topics to be covered will be his influence on form criticism, reception history, Old Testament introductions, New Testament studies, and theology.

S18-51

Asian and Asian American Hermeneutics Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Asian and Asian American Hermeneutics: Interpreting the Text*

Uriah Kim, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

Chloe Sun, Logos Evangelical Seminary
From Margin to Center: Joseph's Navigation and Negotiation of His Own Identity and Its Implications for Asian American Identity (30 min)

Janette Ok, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Necessity and Glory of Suffering in Romans 5:1–5: A Korean American Hermeneutic of (30 min)

Moa Imchen, Graduate Theological Union
An Ecological Reading of Psalm 8 with New Eyes through Naga Creation Myth (30 min)

S18-52

Assyriology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

More than eighty-five years in the making, with 9,107 octavo pages in 18 volumes in print, the *Chicago Assyrian Dictionary* project ranks among the great lexicographic achievements of the twentieth century. Akkadian, the sole representative of East Semitic, decisively weights biblical Hebrew and imperial Aramaic lexicography due to historical overlap and the sheer magnitude of the text corpus. In this session, Martha T. Roth, the final editor-in-chief of the *CAD*, will describe the history and scope of the project in conversation with a distinguished panel of Hebrew and Aramaic specialists.

Theme: *The Chicago Assyrian Dictionary Project (1921–2007) and the Art of Biblical Research*

Steven Holloway, American Theological Library Association, Presiding

Martha T. Roth, University of Chicago
The Chicago Assyrian Dictionary: A Century of Lexicography (45 min)

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
A Hebraist Reads the Chicago Assyrian Dictionary (20 min)

Stephen A. Kaufman, Hebrew Union College
The Significance of the Work of the CAD for Biblical Studies and the Lexicography of the Other Major Ancient Near Eastern Languages (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Baruch A. Levine, New York University
CAD*: The Gateway to Expanded Context in Biblical Hebrew Lexicography (20 min)*

Edward L. Greenstein, Bar Ilan University
What I Learn from the CAD *and What the* CAD *Can Learn from Me (20 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

S18-53

Bible and Cultural Studies Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Margins, Passages, and Intersections*

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Presiding

Fiona Black, Mount Allison University
"Obeah Man Come Back": Reflections on the Bible, Bahamians, and the "Evil Other" (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Lynne St. Clair Darden, Drew University
The Strangeness of Home: African American Biblical Hermeneutics through the Understanding of Homi Bhabha's Middle Passage (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jean K. Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary
Mrs. Pilate: A First-Century Memsahib? A Postcolonial Reading of Matthew 27:19 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kathleen Brennan, Texas Christian University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-54

Bible and Visual Art Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Visual Biblical Interpretation*

Heidi J. Hornik, Baylor University, Presiding

Zsuzsanna Gulacsi, Northern Arizona University
Dura from the East: Considering Mesopotamian Jewish Biblical Narrative in Light of Third-Century Manichaean and Buddhist Analogies (30 min)

David Arthur Sanchez, Loyola Marymount University
The Barrio Virgin and Revelation 12 (30 min)

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield
Reading Salomé: Caravaggio and the Gospel Narratives (30 min)

Richard G. Walsh, Methodist University
"Realizing" Paul's Call: Caravaggio and Paxton's Frailty (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

For more information about the Bible and Visual Art Section, see our web site at *http://filebox.vt.edu/users/malbon/BibleandVisualArt/index.html*.

S18-55

Book Review Session: *True To Our Native Land: An African American New Testament Commentary*

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Brian Blount, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Presiding

Peter Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist

Cornel West, Princeton University, Panelist

Katie Cannon, Union Theological Seminary - Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Panelist

Obery Hendricks, New York Theological Seminary, Panelist

Carol Newsom, Emory University, Panelist

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Panelist

William S. Epps, Second Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California, Panelist

S18-56

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section / Literature and History of the Persian Period Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Ezra, Nehemiah, and Context(s)*

Jacob Wright, University of Heidelberg, Presiding

Deirdre N. Fulton, Pennsylvania State University
Post-Exilic Biblical Genealogies: Exclusive or Inclusive? (30 min)

Don Polaski, College of William and Mary
The Scribe Makes a Blurred Copy: Ezra, Mimicry, and Imperial Discourse (30 min)

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Joshua Berman, Bar Ilan University
The Rhetorical Purpose of Aramaic Narrative in Ezra 4:8–6:18 (30 min)

Diana Edelman, University of Sheffield
Ezra 1-6 as Utopian Literature (30 min)

Ken Ristau, Pennsylvania State University
Nehemiah 5 and the Economic Conditions in Yehud (30 min)

S18-57

Computer Assisted Research Section

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Theme: *Pedogogical Resources for Teaching the Bible*

Robert Duke, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Robert R. Cargill, University of California-Los Angeles
The Archaeology of Qumran: The Digitally Reconstructed Settlement and a Proposed Occupation Model (30 min)

Mark Goodacre, Duke University
The Future of the New Testament Gateway (30 min)

Joel Harlow, Reformed Theological Seminary
Planning and Designing Distance Courses: A Crash Course in the Basics (30 min)

Elizabeth Ann Pollard, San Diego State University
Raising the Stakes: Witchcraft on Wikipedia (30 min)

S18-58

Contextual Biblical Interpretation Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Community, Place, and Power*

Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Yung Suk Kim, Virginia Union University
Rereading Basileia *and* Dikaiosune *from a Communal Perspective (Matthew 6:25–34) in a Korean and African-American Context (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

James P. Grimshaw, Carroll College-Waukesha
Resisting the Food Regime in the First Gospel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Rohun Park, Vanderbilt University
Scare and Scarcity: Reading Inter(con)textually of Spirit and Inheritance in Romans 8:12–17 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Louise Lawrence, Exeter University
Texts of Land, Sea, and Hope: Contextual Bible Study in the South West of England (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Derek M. H. Tovey, St. John's College
Doxa *(glory) and Mana: An Exploration of Concepts with Reference to the Use of* Doxa *in John's Gospel (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

The papers in this session will be available on the web at *http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AnS/religious_studies/ContextualInter.htm*. Proposals of topics for next year and their potential relationship to the book series will be discussed by members of the steering committee at the end of the session.

S18-59

Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Ancient Medical Texts and the New Testament*

Troy Martin, Saint Xavier University, Presiding

Loveday C. A. Alexander, University of Sheffield
Canon and Exegesis in the Medical Schools of Antiquity (25 min)

Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen
Physical, Spiritual, and Mental Illness: Rufus of Ephesus' De Melancholia *and the New Testament (25 min)*

Annette Weissenrieder, University of Heidelberg
The Concept of the "Inner Human Being" in Light of Philosophical-Medical Concepts and (Early) Christianity (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Teun Tieleman, University of Utrecht
The Body and the Head in the New Testament (With Special Reference to 1 Corinthians and Colossians) (25 min)

Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-60

Digging up New Horizons: The Work of Eric M. Meyers

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Co-hosted by the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Schools of Oriental Research

C. Thomas McCollough, Centre College, Presiding (5 min)

Douglas R. Edwards, University of Puget Sound
Archaeology and the Galilee: Eric Meyers and the Setting of New Paradigms (30 min)

Carol Meyers, Duke University
Grinding to a Halt: Gender and the Technology of Flour Production in Roman Galilee (30 min)

Sean Freyne, Trinity College, Dublin
The Contribution of Eric Meyers' Work to the Study of the Historical Jesus (30 min)

Eric Meyers, Duke University, Respondent (25 min)

S18-61

Early Christian Families Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Defining Ancient Families*

J. Albert Harrill, Indiana University, Presiding

Morten Hoerning Jensen, University of Aarhus
Family Life and Family Dwellings in First-Century Rural Galilee (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Zsuzsanna Varhelyi, Boston University
"Family Values" in the First- and Second-Century Greek East of the Roman Empire (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Mariko Yakiyama, Claremont Graduate University
The Emergence of Non-Sexual Affection among Married Couples in the Second- and Third-Century Christian Literature (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-62

Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *From Palestine to Syria: Jews, Christians, and Context*

Lynn Cohick, Wheaton College, Presiding

Steven Fine, Yeshiva University
"Israelite"-Christian Relations in Late Antique Palestine: Samaritan, Jewish, and Christian Schools during the Fourth-Sixth Centuries C. E. (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joshua Ezra Burns, Yale University
Social Conflict and the Epistemology of Difference: The Separation of Judaism and Christianity in Provincial Syria (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kevin M. Vaccarella, Florida State University
The Secondary Law of the Didascalia Apostolorum *(20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Elena Narinskaya, Durham University
Ephrem, a "Jewish" Sage: A Comparison of the Exegetical Writings of St. Ephrem the Syrian and Jewish Traditions (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Lawrence Lahey, Tulane University
St. Simeon the Stylite and the Destruction of Synagogues in Fifth-Century Syria (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-63

Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Hyun Chul Paul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen
A Synchronic or a Diachronic Reading of Isaiah 40-55: Does it Differ? (30 min)

Matthew R. Schlimm, Duke University
The Necessity of Newness in Isaiah 65:16b-25: Why the Book of Isaiah Requires a New Creation (30 min)

Jake Stromberg, Oxford University
The "Root of Jesse" in Isaiah 11:10: Post-Exilic Judah, or Post-Exilic Davidic King? (30 min)

Annemarieke van der Woude, Radboud University Nijmegen
"Is There a Fifth Servant Song?": On the Anonymity of the Servant in Second Isaiah (30 min)

Craig D. Bowman, Rochester College
Yahweh, A Lion against Zion: Isaiah 31:4–5 (30 min)

S18-64

Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Transformation of Feminist Biblical Studies*

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona
Gender and Biblical Studies: Recent Theoretical Trends (20 min)

Judith McKinlay, University of Otago
Feminist Postcolonialism: Is Stalking Colonial Leopards in the Biblical Texts a Different Approach? (20 min)

Renate Jost, Augustana University
Gender and Sexuality in the Book of Judges (20 min)

Madipoane J. Masenya, University of South Africa
Making Africa Visible: Re-Reading Some Wisdom Texts the Bosadi Way (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Roland T. Boer, Monash University
Marxism and Masculinities (20 min)

Susanne Scholz, Merrimack College and Dora R. Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary
Biblical Feminisms: The Next Generation (20 min)

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University-San Marcos
Whoring after Cripples: On the Intersection of Gender and Disability Imagery in Jeremiah (20 min)

S18-65

Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Steven Grosby, Clemson University, Presiding

Rob Barrett, Durham University
YHWH's Threats against Israel in Deuteronomy: A Modern Nation-State Analogy (30 min)

David A. Bosworth, Barry University
Did King David Read Machiavelli? (30 min)

Margaret S. Odell, Saint Olaf College
Consent as Rebellion: Thomas Hobbes's Biblical Critique of Political Consent (30 min)

Aaron Koller, Yeshiva University
Swords into Plowshares and Nations into States: Isaiah 2/Micah 4 in the Contexts of Assyrian Hegemony and Political Theory (30 min)

Taylor D. Halverson, Brigham Young University
Did Northern Israel Collapse because It Failed to Evolve from Charismatic to Bureaucratic Leadership?: Weberian Categories Provide New Views from Old Eyes (30 min)

S18-66

Hellenistic Judaism Section / Josephus Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Josephus*

Tessa Rajak, University of Reading, Presiding

Fabian Eugene Udoh, University of Notre Dame
*Joseph as a Prototype of the Enslaved: Philo (*De Iosepho*) and Josephus (*Antiquities of the Jews *2.39-90) (20 min)*

Jason von Ehrenkrook, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Statues, Space, and the Poetics of Idolatry in Josephus' "Jewish War" (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Kenneth R. Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa
Queen Salome Alexandra's Neglected Contributions to Hellenistic Judaism (20 min)

Jan W. van Henten, University of Amsterdam
Herod as Tyrant: Assessing Josephus' Parallel Passages (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)
Everyone is invited to the business meeting at the end of the session to discuss future directions for the Hellenistic Judaism Section.

S18-67

History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Anthropological Approaches to Rabbinic Literature*

Natalie Dohrmann, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Jordan D. Rosenblum, Brown University
"One Food": Early Rabbinic Commensality Regulations and Identity Construction (20 min)

Yair Furstenberg, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Greco-Roman Religious Concepts in Rabbinic Law: The Case of Idolatry Annulment (20 min)

Matthew A. Kraus, Wright State University
Zechariah's Blood and the Destruction of the Temple: An Anthropological Reading of Lamentations 23 (20 min)

Naftali Cohn, University of Pennsylvania
Constructing the Temple in a Rabbinic Image: A Literary-Anthropological Reading of the Mishnah's Ritual Narratives (20 min)

Madeline Kochen, University of Michigan Law School
Marcel Mauss and the Study of Talmudic Property Law (20 min)

David Kraemer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-68

History of Interpretation Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Jewish and Christian Exegesis*

Laura Lieber, Middlebury College, Presiding

Bogdan Bucur, Marquette University
Wirkungsgeschichte of Matthew 18:10 (25 min)

Phillip Michael Sherman, Maryville College
Babel in Another Voice: Praising the Generation of the Dispersion (25 min)

Robert Williamson, Jr., Emory University
"Falling Down with Open Eyes": Balaam, Bestiality, and the Impossibility of Gentile Prophecy (25 min)

Kelly Whitcomb, Graduate Theological Union
Your Brother's Blood Cries Out to Me: A Medieval Rus' Interpretation of the Cain and Abel Story (25 min)

Mark Gignilliat, Beeson Divinity School, Samford University
Die Zeit der Erwartung: Karl Barth's Christological Understanding of the Nature and Role of the Old Testament as Christian Scripture (25 min)

S18-69

Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Gods and Goddesses of Canaan and Israel*

Daniel Belnap, University of Chicago
What's For Dinner?: Feasting and the Establishment of Order in the Baal Myth (25 min)

Brian Doak, Harvard University
A Re-Evaluation of the Iconographic Motifs of the Ta'anach Cult Stand (25 min)

Shawna Dolansky, Northeastern University
Text and Context: Considerations on the Iconography of Goddesses in Ancient Israel (25 min)

K. Lawson Younger, Jr., Trinity International University
Some Aspects of Aramean and Luwian Religion in Light of Recent Discoveries (25 min)

R. Scott Chalmers, Chestnut Hill College
The Significance of the Deity Bethel in Israelite Religion (25 min)

S18-70

John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Reading and Responding to the Apocalypse's Violence*

David Barr, Wright State University, Presiding (10 min)

Juan Hernández, Jr., Bethel College
Whitewashing the War-Waging Angels of the Apocalypse (25 min)

Lynn Huber, Elon College
Reading Revelation's Violence in the Visions of Hildegard and Hadewijch (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Judith L. Kovacs, University of Virginia
Opening the Seven Seals: Interpretations Ancient and Modern (25 min)

Laura Copier, University of Amsterdam
"Preposterous Violence": End of Days and Revelation (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-71

Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Rethinking Eucharistic Origins: The Work of Andrew McGowan*

Jonathan Brumberg-Kraus, Wheaton College, Presiding

Andrew B. McGowan, University of Melbourne
Rethinking Eucharistic Origins (15 min)

This paper has been distributed in advance to seminar members and will be summarized at the beginning of the session. We will reserve time at the end of the session for questions from the floor.

S18-72

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Theme: *The Hebrew Verb: Advances in Linguistics and Pedagogy*

Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding (10 min)

Barry L. Bandstra, Hope College
Multi-Functionality of the Biblical Hebrew Verb: Theory and Pedagogy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Naama Zahavi-Ely, College of William and Mary
Teaching the Biblical Hebrew Verb (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John A. Cook, Eisenbrauns
What's a Subjunctive?: Teaching Verb Modality to Elementary Hebrew Students (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeremy Thompson, University of Stellenbosch
Properly "Phrasing" Verbal Instruction in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sheri Klouda, Taylor University
The Poetic Verb in Biblical Hebrew: Research, Reflection, and Pedagogy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-73

New Testament Textual Criticism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Honoring the Work of William L. Petersen*

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University, Presiding

Peter Williams, University of Aberdeen-Scotland, Panelist (30 min)

Ulrich Schmid, Free University, Amsterdam, Panelist (30 min)

Lucas Van Rompay, Duke University, Panelist (30 min)

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Panelist (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-74

Paleographical Studies in the Ancient Near East Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *New Inscriptions, New Methods, and Reflections on Literacy*

Christopher Rollston, Emmanuel School of Religion, Presiding (5 min)

Esther Eshel, Bar Ilan University
The Corpus of Hellenistic Inscriptions from Maresha (30 min)

Hanan Eshel, Bar Ilan University
A Late Iron Age Hebrew Letter Containing the Word Nôqedim *(30 min)*

Ryan Byrne, Rhodes College
Habeas Corpus!: Ossuaries, Palaeography, and Prosopography in the New World Order (30 min)

Christopher A. Rollston, Emmanuel School of Religion
Literacy in Ancient Israel: The Old Hebrew Epigraphic Evidence (30 min)

Aaron Demsky, Bar Ilan University
From Writing Exercise to Literary Composition: The Book of Lamentations (25 min)

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S18-75

Paul and Scripture Seminar

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Scripture and Righteousness in Romans*

Mark Given, Missouri State University, Presiding

Douglas Campbell, Duke University
Tit for Tat: A Rhetorical and Apocalyptic Analysis of Paul's Intertextuality in His Justification Texts (10 min)

Neil Elliott, Augsburg Fortress Press
Blasphemed among the Nations (10 min)

Diana M. Swancutt, Yale University
'O Dikaios Ek Pistews Zesetai *in Intercultural Translation: "Living Justly" as Paul's Jewish Paidea to Roman Greeks (10 min)*

Discussion (120 min)

Papers will be summarized, not read. Papers will be available in advance of the meeting at *http://www.westmont.edu/~fisk/paulandscripture/Papers.html*.

S18-76

Pentateuch Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *New Perspectives on the Entanglement of Pentateuch and Deuteronomistic History*

Marc Brettler, Brandeis University, Presiding

Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich
The Emergence and Disappearance of the Separation between Pentateuch and Deuteronomistic History in Old Testament/Hebrew Bible Studies (30 min)

Thomas C. Römer, University of Lausanne
How Many Books (teuchs): Pentateuch, Hexateuch, Deuteronomistic History, or Enneateuch? (30 min)

Erhard Blum, University of Tübingen
How to Determine Scopes of Literary Works in Genesis to Kings (30 min)

David McLain Carr, Union Theological Seminary
What Might "Empirical" Comparison Yield for Analysis of the Relationship of the Pentateuch and the Former Prophets? (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-77

Poster Session

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Audrey West, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

Robin Branch, Crichton College, Presiding

John Hull, Bethany College and Katrina Hull, Boston University
Laypersons' Ratings of Passages Attributed to and Not Attributed to Jesus

Eric G. Hansen, Independent Scholar
Likenesses of the Egyptian Opening of the Mouth Ritual in the Bible and the Book Mormon

Lee Irons, Fuller Theological Seminary
Romans 2:13: Is Paul Coherent?

Pandora L. Patton, University of the Nations Jerusalem
Pesher Habakkuk: Identities in Formation among the Believing Groups

S18-78

Qumran Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Qumran Texts and Contexts*

Lawrence H. Schiffman, New York University, Presiding

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University
Refining Sociological Models for Understanding Scribal Practices in the Biblical Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Eibert Tigchelaar, Florida State University
Reading the Wiles of the Wicked Woman (4Q184 1) in Its Manuscript Context (30 min)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver
"From the Wilderness to a Door of Hope": Thematic (Re)conceptualization of the Wilderness in Liturgical Texts (4QBarkiNapshi and 4QWords of the Luminaries) (30 min)

Steven D. Fraade, Yale University
Qumran Yahad and Rabbinc Havurah: A Comparison Reconsidered (30 min)

Vered Noam, Tel Aviv University
Ancient Halakhic Homilies in the Writings of the Qumran Sect and of the Tannaim (30 min)

S18-79

Quran and Biblical Literature Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Kathryn Kueny, Fordham University, Presiding

Brannon M. Wheeler, United States Naval Academy
Mecca in the Bible (20 min)

Franz Volker Greifenhagen, Luther College, University of Regina
A Synoptic Tool for Comparison of the Bible and the Qur'an (20 min)

Erica Martin, Graduate Theological Union
Qur'anic Noahs (20 min)

Nevin El-Tahry, University of Toronto
The Qur'anic Talut and the Rise of the Ancient Israelite Monarchy: An Intertextual Reading (20 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S18-80

Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *From Eudocia to Mary Baker Eddy: Female Interpreters from Late Antiquity to the Nineteenth Century*

Nancy Calvert-Koyzis, McMaster University, Presiding

Brian Sowers, University of Cincinnati
Retelling and Misreading Jesus: Eudocia's Homeric Cento (30 min)

Caryn A. Reeder, University of Cambridge
Vindicating Womankind: Aemilia Lanyer's Salve Deus Rex Judaeorum *(30 min)*

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College
Reading the Psalms with Nineteenth-Century Women (30 min)

Heather E. Weir, University of Toronto
Reading Nature before Reading Scripture (30 min)

Barry Huff, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education
Ephesians versus Eddy: Contrasting Interpretations of Paul and of the Role of Women (30 min)

S18-81

Scripture as Artifact Consultation

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Theme: *The Ancient and Early Medieval World*

Brian Malley, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Text, Artifact, and Meanings (25 min)

Larry W. Hurtado, University of Edinburgh
Early Christian Manuscripts of Biblical Texts as Artifacts (30 min)

Stephen Reed, Jamestown College
Physical and Visual Features of Dead Sea Scroll Scriptural Texts (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Eduard Iricinschi, Princeton University
"A Thousand Books Will Be Saved": Manichean Manuscripts and Religious Propaganda in the Roman Empire (25 min)

Thomas J. Kraus, Willibald Gluck Gymnasium
"He that Dwelleth in the Help of the Highest": Septuagint Psalm 90 and the Iconographic Program on Byzantine Armbands (25 min)

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Syracuse University
The Bible as Icon: Myths of the Divine Origins of Scripture (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-82

Semiotics and Exegesis Section

1:00 PM-2:45 PM

Song-Mi (Suzie) Park, Harvard University
Genesis 30:25-43: Transformation and Demarcation of Jacob's "Flocks" (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Zeev Elitzur, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
Is the Medium the Message?: Developments of the Attitude towards Scripture in Late Antiquity (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-83

Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Social-Cultural Context of the New Testament*

Alicia Batten, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding (5 min)

Harry O. Maier, Vancouver School of Theology
"Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Hearts": Roman Imperial Military Iconography, Moral Transformation, and the Construction of Christian Identity in Colossians (30 min)

Dennis C. Duling, Canisius College
Making Sense of Scents: Ancient Mediterranean and Biblical Osmologies from a Social-Scientific Perspective, with a Focus on the New Testament (30 min)

Richard L. Rohrbaugh, Lewis and Clark College
Foreignizing Translation (30 min)

Pieter F. Craffert, University of South Africa
Jesus' Resurrection in Social-Scientific Perspective: Can Anything New be Said? (30 min)

Rachel Gostenhofer, University of Toronto
Fences and Neighbors: The LimIts of Paul's Communities (25 min)

S18-84

Society for Pentecostal Studies

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Charismatic Perspectives on the Hebrew Bible*

J. Ayodeji Adewuya, Church of God Theological Seminary, Presiding

Lee Roy Martin, Church of God Theological Seminary
Tongues of Angels, Words of Prophets: Means of Divine Communication in the Book of Judges (50 min)

April Westbrook, Vanguard University of Southern California
"Why Are You Here, Elijah?": Divine Dialogue as Admission Torah in 1 Kings 19:9–18 (50 min)

Donald R. Vance, Oral Roberts University
The Charismatic World View of Proverbs (50 min)

S18-85

Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Theme: *Wisdom Literature in Egypt and in Israel*

Richard Clifford, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Susan Tower Hollis, SUNY Empire State College
Ancient Egyptian Instructional Literature in Its Social Setting: Instructional Texts and Rites of Passage (40 min)

Richard Parkinson, British Museum
"A Few Fine Words": The Purpose and Reception of Wisdom Texts in Ancient Egypt (40 min)

Bernd U. Schipper, University of Bremen
In Search of Wisdom: The Wisdom Tradition in the Hebrew Bible in the Light of the Ancient Near East (40 min)

Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Amenemope in Israel (40 min)

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S18-86

Writings from the Ancient World
Editorial Board Meeting
3:00 PM-4:30 PM

S18-101

Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Sandra Gravett, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Franz Volker Greifenhagen, Luther College, University of Regina
Teaching with the Bible in One Hand and the Qur'an in the Other (35 min)

Arnold Betz, Doane College
The Sensory Safari and the Ethics of Reading (35 min)

Break (10 min)

Roundtable Discussion

Don Ashley, Wayland Baptist University and Jim Waller, Wayland Baptist University
Vygotsky: A Forgotten Voice (50 min)

S18-102

Art and Religions of Antiquity Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Visual Representations of Worship in Ancient Rome, Pompeii, Herculaneum, and Ostia (First and Second Centuries C. E.)*

Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

John Clarke, University of Texas at Austin
Visual Representations of Worship in Ancient Rome, Pompeii, Herculaneum, and Ostia: First and Second Centuries C. E. (50 min)

Steven Fine, Yeshiva University, Respondent (20 min)

David Balch, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S18-103

Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Theory and Practice*

Jeffrey Kuan, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Rajkumar Boaz Johnson, North Park University Theological Seminary
Use of the Old Testament in Indian Christian Theology with Focus on Some Recent Trends (30 min)

Surekha John Nelavala, Drew University
Autobiography as a Method and Motif: Towards Dalit Feminist Hermeneutics (30 min)

Thanh V. Nguyen, Catholic Theological Union
Reading "The Friend at Midnight" (Luke 11:5–8) from an Asian Perspective (30 min)

S18-104

Assessing the Legacy of Robert W. Funk

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Andrew Scrimgeour, Drew University, Presiding

Kent Richards, Society of Biblical Literature

Introduction (5 min)

Lane McGaughy, Willamette University
Greek Grammar (20 min)

James Robinson, Claremont Graduate University
Hermeneutics (20 min)

Bernard Brandon Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary
Parables (20 min)

John Dominic Crossan, DePaul University
Historical Jesus (20 min)

Harold W. Attridge, Yale University
The Jesus Seminar (20 min)

James Wiggins, Syracuse University
Transformation of the Academy and Publications (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-105

Bible and Cultural Studies Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Borderland Readings*

Jason Coker, Drew University, Presiding

Leticia A. Guardiola-Sáenz, Drew University
A Cultural Reading of the Prologue of John: Race, Hybridity, and Interdependency (25 min)

Gregory Cuellar, Texas A&M University
The Vision of Exile in Second Isaiah and Mexican Immigrant Corridos (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Athena E. Gorospe, Asian Theological Seminary
From Marginality to Liminality: Moses' Reverse Migration and the "Journey of Achievement" of Filipino Migrants (25 min)

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University-Fresno
Rais/zing Walls on la Frontera: Is there No Sin in Malintzin or a Bomb in Gilead? (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-106

Bible and Visual Art Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Text and Image/Faith and Unfaith*

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Harris Lenowitz, University of Utah
Contributions of Hebrew Script to Reading Artworks (30 min)

Alice M. Sinnott, University of Auckland
Colin McCahon's Biblical Interpretations (30 min)

Debra Band, Honeybee in the Garden, LLC
I Will Wake the Dawn: Crafting a Visual Interpretation of Psalms (30 min)

John Harvey, University of Wales
Visual Blasphemy: Definitions and Defamations (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

For more information about the Bible and Visual Art Section, see our web site at *http://filebox.vt.edu/users/malbon/BibleandVisualArt/index.html*.

S18-107

Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Myth and History*

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College, Presiding

Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology
Myth and History in Ezekiel's Oracle Concerning Tyre (Ezekiel 26-28) (30 min)

Herbert Basser, Queen's University
Ancient Interpretations of the Mythic Structures of Sacred History (30 min)

James E. Miller, Madison, WI
Classical Greek Demythologizing (30 min)

Kune Biezeveld, Leiden University
Beyond the Dichotomy between Myth and History (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-108

Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Poetics of Israel's Cry to the Lord*

Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland, Presiding

Mark J. Boda, McMaster University
"Uttering Precious Rather than Worthless Words": Divine Patience and Impatience with Lament in the Prophetic Corpus (25 min)

LeAnn Snow Flesher, American Baptist Seminary of the West at the Graduate Theological Union
Prayers of Lamentation in the Proto- and Apocalpytic Literature of the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Joshua Berman, Bar Ilan University
Lamentations 1 as the Drama of Spiritual Rehabilitation (25 min)

Andrew Davies, Mattersey Hall
My God … Why?: Criticising the Actions and Inaction of God in the Psalms (25 min)

Hee Suk Kim, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
A Critique against the Lord?: Reading Psalm 80 in the Context of Vindication (25 min)

Jason Radine, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Hear this Word that I Take up over You in Lamentation (Amos 5:1): Lamentation Themes in the Book of Amos (25 min)

S18-109

Biblical Lands and Peoples in Archaeology and Text Section

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Andrew G. Vaughn, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

Ellen J. van Wolde, Tilburg University
When Archaeology Meets Linguistics (Illlustrated in a Study of Genesis 28) (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Utrecht
Imagination in the Study of the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Elna K. Solvang, Concordia College, Moorhead
Gendered Spaces in Texts and Archaeology: The "House of Women" in the Book of Esther (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

David Ben-Gad Hacohen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"Across" or "By" the Jordan: Biblical Criticism from a Geographer's Viewpoint (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Megan Bishop Moore, Wake Forest University
The Archaeology of the Ancient Near East: Israel as a Case Study? (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

S18-110

Biblical Law Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Law in Deuteronomy*

Cheryl Anderson, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

William S. Morrow, Queen's Theological College
"To Set the Name" in the Deuteronomic Centralization Formula: Assyrian Borrowing or Native Development? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Diana Lipton, King's College London
Terms of Endearment: A (Very) Fresh Look at Biblical Law (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Peter Zaas, Siena College
Matthew's Birth Story: An Early Milepost in the History of Jewish Marriage Law (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Papers for the open session will be read partially or fully with 20-25 minutes to allow for at least 10 minutes of discussion. Copies of the full papers are available in advance of the meeting (from October 15) through the Biblical Law section's website: *www.biblicallaw.org*. (The abstracts of the papers will be available on the website beginning in April.)

SUNDAY EVENING

S18-111

Biblical Lexicography Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Issues in Lexicography: Evidence from Later Sources*

James Aitken, University of Cambridge, Presiding
Greek Lexicography (25 min)

Cameron Boyd-Taylor, University of Cambridge
Evidence from the Margins (25 min)

Julia Krivoruchko, University of Cambridge
Judeo-Greek Biblical Glossaries as Lexicographical Sources (25 min)

John A. L. Lee, Macquarie University-Sydney
The First Lexicon of the New Testament (1514): Sources and Methodology (25 min)

David A. Lambert, Yale University
The Semantics of Voluntarism at Qumran and in the Bible (25 min)

Al Wolters, Redeemer University College
The Meaning of Tsanterot *(Zechariah 4:12) (25 min)*

S18-112

Contextual Biblical Interpretation Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Discussion of* A Post-Colonial Commentary on the New Testament Writings*, ed by Fernando Segovia and R. C. Sugirtharajah (T&T Clark, 2007)*

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Villanova University, Presiding

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University, Panelist (17 min)

Mary Ann Tolbert, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (17 min)

Ernest M. Ezeogu, Spiritan International School of Theology, Nigeria, Panelist (17 min)

Robert Tannehill, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Panelist (17 min)

Wai Ching Wong, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Panelist (17 min)

R. S. Sugirtharajah, University of Birmingham, Respondent (17 min)

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (17 min)

Discussion (31 min)

S18-113

Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Christopher Mount, DePaul University, Presiding

Donald Dale Walker, University of Wyoming
Second Sophistic and the Epistle of Jude (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago
"This Book Has Been Forged!": Interpolation, Mutilation, and Forgery in the Transmission and Publication of the Hippocratic Corpus and the Works of Galen (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Katherine Veach, Vanderbilt University
A Happy Tragedy: Luke's Jericho Exchange as a Retelling of Euripides' Bacchae *(20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Frank Shaw, University of Dayton
Romans 8:28: Remnants of an Attic Proverb? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eric Scherbenske, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Marcion's Antitheses as an Isagogic Text (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-114

Deuteronomistic History Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Redaction of the Book of Kings*

A. Graeme Auld, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Philippe Hugo, University of Fribourg
Text History as a Research Tool on Literary Development in the Books of Kings: The Case of 1 Kings 17-19 in the Masoretic Text and Septuagint (10 min)

Francesca Stavrakopoulou, University of Exeter
Ideological Dynamics in Kings: Identity and Religious Practice (10 min)

Dagmar Pruin, Humboldt University
Mapping the Simultaneity of Randomness: Announcement and Fulfilment in the Narratives about the Omride Dynasty (10 min)

Jeffrey C. Geoghegan, Boston College
The Preexilic Redaction of Kings and Priestly Authority in Jerusalem (10 min)

Michael Pietsch, University of Hamburg
Prophetess of Doom: Hermeneutical Reflections on the Huldah Oracle (2 Kings 22) (10 min)

Klaus-Peter Adam, University of Marburg
"Break your Treaty…!": Implicit Judgements in the Sources of the Book of Kings (10 min)

Discussion (90 min)

S18-115

Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Texting the Jew: Reading "Judaism" in "Christian" Texts*

Tim Horner, Villanova University, Presiding

Will Rutherford, University of Edinburgh
Becoming Christian in Asia Minor: Reimagining the Role of "Judaism" in Shaping "Christian" Identity at Philadelphia and Magnesia (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Megan Nutzman, University of Chicago
Mary in the Temple: A New Look at Jewish Women in the Protevangelium of James (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Claire Clivaz, University of Lausanne
"Only It Was Never Said by Christ, 'And the Angel, which Spoke within Me, Said unto Me'": Forgotten Perception of Jesus (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Susanna Drake, Duke University
Sexing the Jew: How Origen Reads Jewishness (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Richard A. Layton, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
The "Jews" in Origen's Commentary on John and the Homilies on John of John Chrysostom (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-116

Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Tania Oldenhage, Protestant Academy of Boldern
Monstrous Births: A Queer Reading of Jesus' Passion (30 min)

Joseph A. Marchal, California State University-Northridge
Inconsistent Consistencies and Improper Uses: Recent Approaches to Gender, Romans 1, and the Need for a Feminist, Postcolonially Queer Analysis (30 min)

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona
Feminist Methodologies in Biblical Hermeneutics: Re-Reading Jephthah's Daughter (30 min)

SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union
Woman Wisdom, Strange Woman, and Job: A Deconstructive/Reconstructive Reading of Biblical Wisdom Texts through a Postcolonial and Feminist Literary Approach (30 min)

Robert Williamson, Jr., Emory University
"Set Me as a Seal upon Your Heart": Divinity and Femininity in Jewish Interpretation of the Song of Songs (30 min)

S18-117

God in Public?

4:00 PM-5:00 PM

N. T. Wright, Durham Cathedral
God in Public? The Bible and Politics in Tomorrow's World (45 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-118

Greco-Roman Religions Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Mythmaking, Fictionalising, Entextualizing: Creative Moments in Graeco-Roman Religious Reality*

James Hanges, Miami University, Presiding

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa
Myth, Fiction, Text: Reading "Religion" between the Lines (15 min)

Nancy A. Evans, Wheaton College
From Mad Ritual to Philosophical Inquiry: Ancient and Modern Fictions of Continuity and Discontinuity (15 min)

Tennyson Wellman, University of Pennsylvania
Paradosis or Akoe?: Or, Making a Tradition of an Ass (15 min)

Gail Evelyn Armstrong, Brown University
Sacrificial Iconography: Creating History, Making Myth, and Negotiating Ideology on the Ara Pacis *(15 min)*

Pieter J. J. Botha, University of South Africa
The Quotidian of Mythology: Aspects of Place and Visual Environment in Redescribing Greco-Roman Antiquity (15 min)

Daniel Ullucci, Brown University
Before Animal Sacrifice: A Myth of Innocence (15 min)

Willi Braun, University of Alberta, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

Papers will only be summarized. They will be available beforehand electronically from 15 October 2007 at either *http://post.queensu.ca/~rsa* or *http://www.unisa.ac.za* or *http://vandenheevers.users.lantic.net* or can be requested from Gerhard van den Heever at *vandenheevers@lantic.net* or *vdheega@unisa.ac.za*. It is strongly recommended that colleagues interested in the discussion download the papers before the Annual Meeting.

S18-119

Historical Jesus Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Rene A. Baergen, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto
Jesus "By the Sea": Galilean Regionalism and the Historical Jesus (30 min)

Tobias Hagerland, Goteborg University
Blasphemy or Prophecy?: Assessing the Historicity of Mark 2:6–7 (30 min)

Suzanne Watts Henderson, Salem College
The Messianic Community: The Mission of Jesus as Collective Christology (30 min)

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology
Scripture, Interpretation, or Authority?: Tracing the Motives in Jesus' Conflicts on Legal Issues (30 min)

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo
Shifting Paradigms in Historical Jesus Research: From Unique Personality to Charismatic Movement (30 min)

S18-120

Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Intertextuality in the Israelite Prophets*

Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University, Presiding

Christopher B. Hays, Emory University
Prophecy, Intertextuality, and the Comparative Method (35 min)

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SUNDAY EVENING

Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles
Building Houses and Planting Vineyards: The Late Inner-Biblical Discourse of an Ancient Israelite Wartime Curse (35 min)

Douglas Watson, Emory University
Beyond the Marriage Metaphor: Jeremiah's Use of Hosea (35 min)

Shawn Zelig Aster, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Isaiah 2:2–4 and Micah 4:1–5: The Vision of the End of Days as a Reaction to Assyrian Power (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-121

Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Between Human and Divine*

Jonathan Greer, Pennsylvania State University
Drinking the Dregs of the Divine: Neo-Assyrian Libation Rituals and Israelite Religion (25 min)

Nili S. Fox, Hebrew Union College
Divine Design, Tattooed Images: The Prohibition of Leviticus 19:28 and Beyond (25 min)

Anne Marie Kitz, Kenrick School of Theology
Cursing, "Leprosy," and the Wrath of Yahweh (25 min)

Theodore J. Lewis, Johns Hopkins University
The Effective Power of Words: Incantations in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Robert S. Kawashima, University of Florida
"You Shall Love the Lord Your God": On the Interpellation of the Ancient Israelite Subject (25 min)

S18-122

Making the Text Speak to the Future

4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Robert Hodgson, American Bible Societies, Presiding

Anthony Pym, Universitat Rovira i Virgili
Bible Translation and the Philosophy of Dialogue: Making the Text Speak to the Future (45 min)

S18-123

Midrash Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Nehemia Polen, Hebrew College
Derashah as Performative Exegesis in Tosefta and Mishna (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alex P. Jassen, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
The Origins of the Flood in Second Temple and Rabbinic Interpretation (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Eszter K. Fuzessy, University of Chicago
"Dialogues between Sages and Outsiders to the Tradition": Creation of Difference as a Literary Method of Religious Polemics in Rabbinic Literature (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John T. Townsend, Harvard University
The Demise of the School of Shammai (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-124

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Assessing Proficiency in Biblical Hebrew*

Helene Dallaire, Denver Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Jennifer Quast, Hebrew Union College, Jewish Institute of Religion
Defining Proficiency in Biblical Hebrew (30 min)

Randall Buth, Biblical Language Center, Jerusalem
Testing Half a Language: A Language Neutral, Standardized Biblical Hebrew Exam (30 min)

Donald R. Vance, Oral Roberts University
The Role of Institutional Objectives in Evaluating Proficiency in Classical Hebrew: Two Case Studies (30 min)

Miles V. Van Pelt, Reformed Theological Seminary
Assessing Proficiency in Biblical Hebrew: Seminary and the Pastor (30 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-125

New Testament Textual Criticism Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Memorial Session in Honor of Bruce Metzger*

Beverly Roberts Gaventa, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Panelist (25 min)

Gordon Fee, Regent College, Panelist (25 min)

Michael Holmes, Bethel University, Panelist (25 min)

J. M. Roberts, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Harold Scanlin, United Bible Societies, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-126

Panel Discussion of *Border Crossings: Cross-cultural Hermeneutics. Essays presented in Honor of R. S. Sugirtharajah* (Orbis, 2007), ed. by D. N. Premnath

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Devadasan N. Premnath, St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry, Presiding (10 min)

Norman Gottwald, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (15 min)

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University, Panelist (15 min)

Stephen B. Reid, Bethany Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Mary Foskett, Wake Forest University, Panelist (15 min)

Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Panelist (15 min)

Response by Volume Contributors (30 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-127

Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

David Martinez, University of Chicago, Presiding

Don Barker, Macquarie University-Sydney
How Big and How Old is Papyrus Oxyrhynchus 1353? (30 min)

Peter Arzt-Grabner, Universitaet Salzburg
"I Was Intending to Visit You, but …": Clauses Explaining Delayed VisIts and Their Importance in Papyrus Letters and in Paul (30 min)

Annette Bourland Huizenga, University of Chicago
Advice to the Bride: Moral Exhortation for Young Wives in Two Ancient Letters (30 min)

S18-128

Philo of Alexandria Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Philo in Context*

Hindy Najman, University of Toronto, Presiding

Julia Annas, University of Arizona
Philo and Plato's Laws (35 min)

Robert A. Kraft, University of Pennsylvania
Looking for Philo's Abraham in All the Wrong Places (35 min)

Allen Kerkeslager, Saint Joseph's University
Rome as an Alternative to Alexandria in the Early Transmission of Philo's Works and Philonism (35 min)

C. T. Robert Hayward, University of Durham
Philo, Jerome, and Jewish Exegesis of Genesis 49:14–15 (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-129

Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Constructs of Prophecy in the Latter Prophets and in Daniel*

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Jill Middlemas, University of Oxford
The Shape of Things to Come?: Editorial Strategies in the Early Persian Period (30 min)

Christoph Levin, University of Münich
Zephaniah: How this Book Became Prophecy (30 min)

David L. Petersen, Emory University
Israel and the Nations in the Later Latter Prophets (30 min)

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen
Ezekiel the Man, the Prophet, the Priest, and the Watchman (30 min)

Lester L. Grabbe, University of Hull
Daniel: Sage, Seer... and Prophet? (30 min)

S18-130

Psychology and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Aha! of a Ha!: Psychological Insights into Biblical Humor*

Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Presiding (5 min)

Howard R. Macy, George Fox University
Psychological Roots of the Bible's Humor (20 min)

Jesper Svartvik, Lund University
"Those Who Passed by Derided Him": Scornful Laughter as a Moral Criterion (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Adrien J. Bledstein, Chicago, IL
Laughter in the Book of Job? (20 min)

Michael Willett Newheart, Howard University
Cleaning the Lepered Skins: A Pun-Filled Perspective on Luke 17:11–19 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Harold Ellens, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Papers for this session will be available at the PsyBibs website, *http://psybibs.org*.

S18-131

Q Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Harry Fleddermann, Alverno College, Presiding (5 min)

Yair Furstenberg, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Rhetoric of Anti-Pharisaic Polemics: The Form of Q Woe-Sayings in Light of a Parallel Dispute (25 min)

Joseph Verheyden, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Judgement of Israel in Q (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Raimo Hakola, University of Helsinki
The Q People and Burdens Hard to Bear: Polemic against the Pharisees and the Lawyers in Q 11:39–52 (25 min)

SUNDAY EVENING

Ken Olson, Duke University
The Mechanics of Composition on the Two Document Hypothesis and Farrer Theories: Similarities and Differences (25 min)

Steve Black, Toronto School of Theology
*One Really Striking Minor Agreement: "*tis estin ho paisas se*" in Matthew 26:68 and Luke 22:64 (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

S18-132

Qumran Section

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Theme: *The Dead Sea Scrolls at Sixty: The San Diego Natural History Museum Exhibition*

Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding (15 min)

Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University
Three Ways of Interpreting the Bible at Qumran (35 min)

James C. VanderKam, University of Notre Dame
In Those Days (35 min)

Carol Newsom, Emory University
Communion with the Angels at Qumran (35 min)

S18-133

Quran and Biblical Literature Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Approaches to Biblical Genealogy in Muslim Societies*

John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding

Arnold Franklin, Hunter College
Sharif of the Jews: The Importance of Davidic Ancestry in the Medieval Islamic World (20 min)

Carol Bakhos, Princeton University
Ishmael's Genealogy in Judaism and Islam (20 min)

Sarah Savant, Aga Khan University
Genealogical Representation amidst Iran's Conversion to Islam (20 min)

Zoltan Szombathy, Eotvos Lorand University
Ham and His Offspring: The Genealogies of Africans in Muslim Cultures (20 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S18-134

Reading, Theory and the Bible Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Bible Bending*

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, Presiding

Michelle Krejci, University of Sheffield
Bible Bending: Examining the Hows and Whys of Biblical Rhetoric (30 min)

Caroline Vander Stichele, University of Amsterdam
Read It as a Woman, Write It Like a Man: Gender and the Production of Knowledge (30 min)

Adam Kotsko, Chicago Theological Seminary
Philosophical Reading beyond Paul: Jean-Luc Nancy on the Epistle of James (30 min)

Jan William Tarlin, Capital University
The Voice of the Infinite Circle: The Vanishing Subject of the Elijah Cycle (30 min)

Charles Rix, Drew University
Moses and YHWH: Suffering Faces of a Text in Pain (30 min)

S18-135

Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Sacrifice and Sacrificial Imagery*

William Gilders, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary
Interpreting Sacrifice and Atonement in the Scriptures of Reverence (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ayse Tuzlak, University of Calgary
The Primordial Cloth and the Civilized Ox: Sacrifice and Labour in the Pentateuch (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark F. Whitters, Eastern Michigan University
The Tearing of the Temple Curtain and Cultic Self-Sacrifice (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ross E. Winkle, Pacific Union College
"You Are What You Wear": The Dress and Identity of Jesus as High Priest in John's Apocalypse (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-136

Synoptic Gospels Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Empire and Post Colonial Hermeneutics*

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College, Presiding

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
Matthew and Empire (30 min)

Stephen D. Moore, Drew University
An SS Officer at the Foot of the Cross?: Mark, Empire, and Judaism (30 min)

Laura S. Nasrallah, Harvard University Divinity School
Luke-Acts and the Empire of God (30 min)

Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, Respondent (15 min)

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-137

Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Ezekiel and Its Reception History*

Tamar Kamionkowski, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Presiding (5 min)

Robert A. Harris, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
The Reception of Ezekiel among Twelfth-Century Northern French Rabbinic Exegetes (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Andrew Mein, Westcott House
Ezekiel's Women in Christian Interpretation (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Michael Lieb, University of Illinois at Chicago
"Above Top Secret": The Prophecy of Ezekiel, the Nation of Islam, and the Advent of the "Mother Plane" (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Dale C. Allison, Jr., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Those wishing to receive papers in advance by electronic circulation should please contact *paul.joyce@theology.ox.ac.uk*.

S18-138

Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Panel discussion of Richard A. Horsley,* Scribes, Visionaries, and the Politics of Second-Temple Judea *(Westminster John Knox, 2007)*

Robert Doran, Amherst College, Presiding

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University, Panelist (20 min)

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University, Panelist (20 min)

Werner Kelber, Rice University, Panelist (20 min)

George Nickelsburg, University of Iowa, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-139

The Media, Scholars and Sensational Finds

4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Jonathan Reed, University of La Verne, Panelist

Eric Meyers, Duke University, Panelist

James Barat, Film Director, Panelist

Ross Kraemer, Brown University, Panelist

S18-140

Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board Meeting

4:30 PM-6:00 PM

S18-141 (=A18-300)

The Tenure Book(s): How to Strategize Your Publications to Increase Your Chances of Tenure and Promotion

4:30 PM-6:30 PM

In the good old days, tenure was a given if you pumped out a few well-received articles. Now, the expectation is sometimes for junior scholars to write two books and several articles, all of which need to make an impact in their field and be timed appropriately to help their tenure bids. As the bar is raised ever higher, how can junior faculty strategize their publications to further the goal of tenure? In this session, scholars from three different types of institutions will speak to the tenure expectations in their schools, while two editors from university presses will discuss the changing demands for the scholarly book in the marketplace. Questions addressed will include the following: How have scholarly expectations changed about the number and nature of pre-tenure publications? Do I need to publish a second book, and what does the second book have to be? How is it possible to publish two highly academic books when many prestigious university presses are seeking to acquire commercially appealing books over limited-audience scholarly monographs? How should I time my tenure book (or books) for maximum impact? How much is a revered university press imprimatur worth in getting tenure? Does an edited anthology count toward tenure? As always for the PW session, forty-five minutes will be allotted for audience questions.

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Jana Riess, *Publishers' Weekly*, Presiding

Lauren Winner, Duke Universtiy Divinity School, Panelist

David Weaver-Zercher, Messiah College, Panelist

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University, Panelist

Henry Carrigan, Northwestern University Press, Panelist

Sharmila Sen, Harvard University Press, Panelist

Tour (=A18-301)

Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit at San Diego Natural History Museum

4:45 PM-8:00 PM

Separate registration required. See our website at *www.sbl-site.org/pdf/dsstourform.pdf*.

S18-142 (=A18-326)

Disability Studies and Healthcare in the Bible and Near East Section

5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Hermeneutics and Pastoral Theologies of Disability*

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University, Panelist (15 min)

F. Rachel Magdalene, Augustana College, Panelist (15 min)

John Swinton, University of Aberdeen, Panelist (15 min)

Samuel Wells, Duke University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-143

Book Review: *Celebrating the Torah: A Women's Commentary* (URJ Press, 2007), ed. by Tamara Cohn Eskenazi and Andrea Weiss

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Tamara Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch), Presiding

Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (New York Branch), Panelist

Carol Meyers, Duke University, Panelist

Judith R. Baskin, University of Oregon, Panelist

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Panelist

Sue Levi Elwell, Union for Reform Judaism, Panelist

Hara Person, URJ Press, Panelist

Edward Greenstein, Bar Ilan University, Respondent

Carol Newsom, Emory University, Respondent

Discussion

S18-144

Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

John Fitzgerald, University of Miami, Presiding

Walter Scheidel, Stanford University
The Ancient Economy Since Moses Finley (40 min)

Discussion (15 min)
Looking Ahead to the Boston Meeting

Business Meeting (30 min)

This session marks the launch of a new program unit, to begin in 2008.

S18-145

Ideological Criticism Section

7:00 PM-9:30 PM

"Trading the Future" is a video essay or hybrid documentary by B. H. Yael that questions the inevitability of apocalypse and its repercussions on environmental urgencies. Starting with a personal account addressing the Christian narrative for the end of times, the video draws connections to Jewish and secular apocalypticism and questions our ready acceptance of a cataclysmic end. The video also challenges the philosophical and practical underpinnings of science and progress, the market place, and the symbolic of death while proposing possible alternatives in activism, biodiversity, and the idea of natality.

Documentary: "Trading the Future" by B. H. Yael

Janet Ross, McMaster University, Presiding

Film Viewing (60 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Panelist

Lee Quinby, City University of New York, Panelist

B. H. Yael, Ontario College of Art and Design, Respondent

Break (10 min)

Film Viewing (60 min)

S18-146

International Members Reception

7:00 PM-8:00 PM

S18-147

John, Jesus, and History Group / Johannine Literature Section

7:00 PM-9:00 PM

Theme: *John and Qumran: Sixty Years of Discovery and Dialogue*

Mary Coloe, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
John and Qumran: Discovery and Interpretation over Sixty Years (20 min)

James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary
To What Extent and Through What Means Have Qumran Unique Terms and Concepts Influenced the Johannine Community? (20 min)

Eileen Schuller, McMaster University
Reflections on John and Qumran (20 min)

Discussion (60 min)

John Ashton, Oxford, UK
The Concept of "Mystery" in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Fourth Gospel

George J. Brooke, University of Manchester
The Scrolls and the Luke/John Overlaps

Brian Capper, Canterbury Christ Church University
John, Qumran, and Virtuoso Religion

Jorg Frey, Ludwig-Maximilians Universität
The Spirit-Paraclete in John: Qumran Parallels and Early Christian Background and Theological Function

Hannah K. Harrington, Patten University
Purification in John in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls

Loren Stuckenbruck, Durham University
Prayer for One's Descendants and Jesus' Prayer in John 17

S18-148

Panel Discussion of *A People's History of Christianity* series (Fortress Press, 2006-2007)

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Denis R. Janz, Loyola University of New Orleans, Presiding

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts, Panelist

Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University, Panelist

Mary Farrell Bednarowski, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Panelist

S18-149

Retired Members Reception

7:00 PM-8:00 PM

S18-150

Books on the Gospel of Judas: An Evening with the Authors

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Michael Williams, University of Washington, Presiding

Marvin Meyer, Chapman University, Panelist (5 min)

Gregor Wurst, University of Augsburg, Panelist (5 min)

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Panelist (5 min)

James Robinson, Claremont Graduate University, Panelist (5 min)

N. T. Wright, Durham Cathedral, Panelist (5 min)

Gerd Luedemann, Georg-August-Universität, Panelist (5 min)

Elaine Pagels, Princeton University, Panelist (5 min)

Karen King, Harvard University, Panelist (5 min)

Stanley Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Panelist (5 min)

Simon Gathercole, University of Cambridge, Panelist (5 min)

April DeConick, Rice University, Panelist (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Michael Williams, University of Washington

Summation of Discussion (10 min)

Books by Panelists:

Rudolphe Kasser, Marvin Meyer, and Gregor Wurst, with additional commentary by Bart Ehrman, *The Gospel of Judas* (Washington D.C.: National Geographic, 2006).

Rudolphe Kasser, Gregor Wurst, Marvin Meyer, and Fancois Gaudard, *The Gospel of Judas, Critical Edition, Together with the Letter of Peter to Philip, James, and a Book of Allogenes from Codex Tchacos* (Washington D.C.: National Geographic, 2007).

Bart Ehrman, *The Lost Gospel of Judas Iscariot: A New Look at Betrayer and Betrayed* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006).

James Robinson, *The Secrets of Judas: The Story of the Misunderstood Disciple and His Lost Gospel* (San Francisco: Harper, 2006).

N.T. Wright, *Judas and the Gospel of Jesus: Have We Missed the Truth about Christianity?* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2006).

Gerd Lüdemann, *Das Judas-Evangelium und das Evangelium nach Maria. Zwei gnostische Schriften aus der Frühzeit des Christentums* (Stuttgart: Radius, 2006).

Elaine Pagels and Karen King, *Reading Judas: The Gospel of Judas and the Shaping of Christianity* (New York: Viking, 2007).

Stanley E. Porter and Gordon L. Heath, *The Lost Gospel of Judas: Separating Fact from Fiction* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007).

Simon Gathercole, *The Gospel of Judas: Rewriting Early Christianity* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007).

April D. DeConick, *The Thirteenth Apostle, What the Gospel of Judas Really Says* (London: Continuum, 2007).

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-1

SBL Women Members' Breakfast, Hosted by CSWP

7:00 AM-9:00 AM

Come Luddites! Come Geeks! Meet other women scholars and teachers and share informal conversation about the challenges and opportunities of what has become a pervasive aspect of both teaching and scholarly presentation. Find a flagged table where you can discuss such topics as blogging, threaded discussions, art on the web, powerpoint, distance learning, or technology-enhanced presentations. Or just come to meet your friends, your mentors, or our travel grant recipients.

Make sure you bring your business cards or address labels to share. A continental breakfast is provided. All women members of the SBL are invited.

During the breakfast Sharon H. Ringe will be honored for her role as mentor.

Theme: *Technology and the Profession*

Claudia Camp, Texas Christian University, Presiding

S19-2

SBL Book Series Editors Meeting

8:00 AM-9:00 AM

S19-3

African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Transgressing Boundaries*

Wilda Gafney, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Presiding

Stacy Davis, Saint Mary's College
Assimilation 101?: The Curse of Canaan and Nella Larsen's Passing (30 min)

Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University
Crossing Boundaries: The Exile of the Jews as a Formation Paradigm (30 min)

A. J. Evans, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University
African-American Intra-Community Social Justice: A Reading of Nehemiah 5:1–13 (30 min)

Theodore Burgh, University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Is God Funky or What? (30 min)

Love L. Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary
Race Traitor and Anti-Semite?: Paul and the Jewishness of Jesus in 2 Corinthians 5:16–17 (30 min)

S19-4

Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

In the Wake of the Goddesses: Women, Culture and the Biblical Transformation of Pagan Myth was among the first sustained attempts to negotiate the manifold roles of Sumerian and Assyro-Babylonian goddesses and their (non)counterparts in the biblical tradition; it continues to be widely cited to this day. Papers in two sessions (one open, one by invitation) will address gender and divinity in Mesopotamia and the Bible in conversation with the work of the late Tikva Frymer-Kensky (1943–2006), including such topics as mother-goddesses, sex-goddesses, goddesses and state-sponsored cultus, Yahwism and gender, gender-equality in the Bible, Asherah, the arts of civilization as mediated by women and goddesses, woman as metaphor in the Bible, and sexuality as the unfinished task of monotheism.

Theme: *The Legacy of Tikva Frymer-Kensky*

Steven Holloway, American Theological Library Association, Presiding

Meira Kensky, University of Chicago
In the Wake of my Mother (15 min)

Joann Scurlock, Elmhurst College
Not Just Housewives: Goddesses after the Old Babylonian Period (15 min)

Steve A. Wiggins, Gorgias Press
A Reassessment of Tikvah Frymer-Kensky's Asherah (15 min)

Diana Edelman, University of Sheffield
In the Wake of the Wake (15 min)

Ilona Zsolnay, Brandeis University
Do Mythological Constructions of Gender Mirror Human Constructions of Gender? (15 min)

Ann Guinan, University of Pennsylvania
"Godwomen": A Reevaluation (15 min)

Diane M. Sharon, Academy for Jewish Religion
In the Wake of the Goddesses: Theology, the Humanities, and the Education of Seminarians (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-5

Best Practices in Teaching Workshop

9:00 AM-10:30 AM

Theme: *Teaching the Old Testament/ Hebrew Bible Introduction Course*

David Baker, Ashland Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University, Panelist (15 min)

Carleen Mandolfo, Colby College, Panelist (15 min)

Sam Meier, Ohio State University, Panelist (15 min)

John Walton, Wheaton College, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Four experienced teachers from a variety of institutional settings will share syllabi, goals, classroom strategies, teaching tips, etc. Packets of material will be distributed.

S19-6

Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

This session will examine the implications of performance for how we engage the biblical text. First-Century Mediterranean culture was primarily oral; as a result, written texts would have been experienced by the majority of people as oral performance. This invites reflection on how the experience and interpretation of orally performed text differs from the experience and interpretation of written text. In this session, professional storyteller Pam Faro (M.Div. Iliff, specializing in cross-cultural storytelling) will perform a major section from the Gospel of Mark. Panelists will consider, e.g., how the structure of the text informs performance, what elements are necessary to make performance an act of communication, how the interaction between performer and audience impact performance, how performanc alters our experience of text [for further information see articles by David Rhoads posted at *academic.she.edu/btb/vol36/btb06.html*]. This will be followed by a general discussion of the implications of performance criticism for exegesis of the biblical text.

Theme: *Performance Criticism*

Kristin Zingler, Harvard University, Presiding

Pam Faro, Storyteller
Performance of the Gospel of Mark (60 min)

Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary, Panelist

David Rhoads, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Panelist

Joanna Dewey, Episcopal Divinity School, Panelist

Richard Swanson, Augustana College, Panelist

S19-7

Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

LeAnn Snow Flesher, American Baptist Seminary at the Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Naama Zahavi-Ely, College of William and Mary
The Poetics of Vocabulary and Morphology in Biblical Hebrew Poetry (25 min)

John J. Schmitt, Marquette University
What if Israel never Became a Woman? (25 min)

Paul R. Raabe, Concordia Seminary
Puzzling over Prophetic Poetry: Isaiah 18 (25 min)

David T. Tsumura, Japan Bible Seminary
Vertical Grammar of Parallelism in Hebrew and Ugaritic Poetry (25 min)

Kevin Chau, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Untangling Metaphors and Text-Critical Problems in Jeremiah 6:27–30 (25 min)

Jennifer Pfenniger, University of Toronto
The Art of Beholding: Song of Songs According to Lexical Recurrences within the Hebrew Text (25 min)

S19-8

Biblical Lands and Peoples in Archaeology and Text Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ann E. Killebrew, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Nathan MacDonald, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
Feasting Fit for a King: The Role of Feasting in the Development of the Israelite Monarchy (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amir Eitan, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
The Rise of "Israel": Common Denominator of "Mixed Multitude" (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Avraham Faust, Bar Ilan University
The Extent and Intensity of Sennacherib's Campaign to Judah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Kaplan, Harvard University
The Mesha Inscription and Iron Age II Water Systems: A Revised Proposal (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brad Crowell, University of Toledo
Was there Wisdom in Edom? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Harold Betton, New Light Baptist Church
Postexilic Judaism and a Silent Persian Crown: Did the Satrapy System Usurp Central Persian Authority? Unraveling the Judean-State Dilemma in the Post-Nehemiah 12 Period (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-9

Christian Theology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Calvin and the Bible*

Russell Reno, Creighton University, Presiding (10 min)

Donald McKim, Germantown, TN, Panelist (15 min)

R. Holder, Saint Anselm College, Panelist (15 min)

David Steinmetz, Chapel Hill, NC, Panelist (15 min)

Randall Zachman, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (15 min)

Barbara Pitkin, Stanford University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-10

Construction of Christian Identities Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Non-Canonical Texts and the Birth of Christianity*

Mauro Pesce, University of Bologna, Presiding (5 min)

Luigi Walt, University of Bologna
A Non-Canonical Jesus in Paul? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brent C. Landau, Harvard University
The Unknown Apostle: A Pauline Agraphon in Clement of Alexandria's Stromateis *(25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Benjamin Dunning, Fordham University
"Liken Yourselves to Strangers": Debating Outsider Identity in the Apocryphon of James (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Creech, Loyola University of Chicago
Not as Moses Said: Identity Formation through the Rejection of Scripture (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-11

Disability Studies and Healthcare in the Bible and Near East Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Disability in the Prophets and Early Christian Texts*

Jeremy Schipper, Siena College, Presiding

Saul M. Olyan, Brown University
Disability in the Prophetic Utopian Vision (25 min)

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary
Incapacity and Submergence in Ezekiel 24:15–27: The Death of Ezekiel's Wife and His Release from Speechlessness (25 min)

Martin C. Albl, Presentation College
"For Whenever I am Weak then I am Strong": Paul's Letters and Disability Studies (25 min)

Nicole Kelley, Florida State University
Epilepsy in Late Antique Christian Writings (25 min)

Jon Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)



MONDAY MORNING

S19-12

Disputed Paulines Section

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Theme: *Gender Issues in the Disputed Paulines*

Margaret MacDonald, St. Francis Xavier University, Presiding

Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
Male Headship in Pauline Texts (25 min)

B. J. Matthews, Durham University
Christian Maturity in Ephesians and Colossians: Distinctly Masculine or Gender-Relativised in Christ? (25 min)

Ben Witherington, Asbury Theological Seminary
Pedagogical Problems in the Pastorals: 1 Timothy 2:8–15 (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Kenneth L. Waters, Azusa Pacific University
Revisiting Virtues as Children: 1 Timothy 2:15 as Centerpiece for an Egalitarian Soteriology (25 min)

Lloyd K. Pietersen, University of Bristol
Women as Gossips and Busybodies: Another Look at 1 Timothy 5:13 (25 min)

Gail Streete, Rhodes College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-13

Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Rethinking Jewish-Christian Relations in Syria*

Adam Becker, New York University, Presiding (5 min)

Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University
Purification and Baptism: Enacting the Borders of Judaism and Christianity in Syria (20 min)

Lucas Van Rompay, Duke University
Jewish and Syriac-Christian Biblical Interpretation: Communalities and Differentiation (Fourth-Seventh Centuries C. E.) (20 min)

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

John G. Gager, Princeton University
Christians and Jews in the Late Antique Synagogue (20 min)

Christine Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Reading Regional "Realities": Fourth-Century Judaizers in Antioch and Edessa (20 min)

Judith Lieu, Cambridge University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-14

Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Ceremonies and Their Spaces*

Kimberly Bowes, Fordham University
Shrinking the City: Private Chapels, Reserved Eucharists, and Ritual Miniaturization in the Sixth-Century East (25 min)

Rachel Neis, University of Michigan
The Temple as Panopticon in Rabbinic Culture (25 min)

Shira L. Lander, The Ecumenical Institute, St. Mary's Seminary
Women's Work?: Martyr Cult Rituals and Their Arenas in Late Antique North Africa (25 min)

Dayna Kalleres, University of California, San Diego
Exorcism in Antioch: Understanding the Ritualization of Urban Space in Late Antiquity (25 min)

Fritz Graf, Ohio State University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-15

Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Engaging the Bible in a Gendered World: An Introduction to Feminist Biblical Interpretation in Honor of Katharine Doob Sakenfeld*

Joseph Kozar, University of Dayton, Presiding

Jean Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary, Panelist

Richard Weis, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Panelist

Valerie Bridgeman-Davis, Memphis Theological Seminary, Panelist

Sharon Ringe, Wesley Theological Seminary, Panelist

Linda Day, Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Respondent

Carolyn Pressler, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Respondent

S19-16

Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Theoretical Issues*

Lee Martin McDonald, Acadia Divinity College, Presiding

James A. Sanders, Ancient Biblical Manuscript Center
Non-Masoretic Literature in Early Judaism and Its Function in the New Testament (20 min)

Craig Evans, Acadia Divinity College, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Book of the People from the People of the Book (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lee Martin McDonald, Acadia Divinity College
What Do We Mean by "Canon"?: A Look at Some Ancient and Modern Questions (20 min)

Loren Johns, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ken M. Penner, Acadia Divinity College
Citation Formulae as Indices to Canonicity in Early Jewish and Early Christian Literature (20 min)

Jonathan Soyars, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah L. Schwarz, Haverford College
Pseudepigrapha among the Pagans?: Exploring the Boundaries of Audience (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-17

Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Topos on Household Management*

L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Karin Lehmeier, University of Giessen
Re-Reading Xenophon and Aristotle: The First Aristotelian Treatise on Household Management and Its Use of Greek Tradition (30 min)

Voula Tsouna, University of California, Santa Barbara
Philodemus, On Property Management *(30 min)*

Ilaria Ramelli, Catholic University of Milan
Roman Stoicism and Household: Hierocles, Musonius, and the Christians (30 min)

Ronald F. Hock, University of Southern California
Household Management in the Greek Novels (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-18

History of Interpretation Section / Quran and Biblical Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Contextualized Interpretations in Jewish and Muslim Exegesis*

Alan M. Cooper, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Deuteronomy 32 as the Road Map of Jewish History (25 min)

Mariano Gomez-Aranda, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas
Abraham ibn Ezra and the Midrashic Interpretations on the Book of Esther: Two Perspectives in Contrast (25 min)

S19-19

Ideological Criticism Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Bible and the Ideology of Violence after 9/11*

Jan William Tarlin, Capital University, Presiding

Simon Staffell, University of Sheffield
Angels and Antichrists: Popular Culture and Biblical Architectures of Enmity (30 min)

Hyo Lee, Shenandoah University
Neither in Mount Gerizim nor in Jerusalem, but in Spirit and Truth (30 min)

Shelina Kassam, University of Toronto
Apocalypse Now: Hegemonic Discourse, Veiling, and Everyday Violence in the Post 9/11 World (30 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Respondent (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

This session will reflect on the appropriation of biblical scripture in both the rationalization of and the resistance to the use of violence to defend national, religious, or ethnic communities from what they perceive to be threats to their existence.

S19-20

Ideology, Culture, and Translation Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Scott Elliott, American Bible Society, Presiding

Anthony Pym, Universitat Rovira i Virgili
Who Translates?: On Formation of a Professional Interculture in Sixteenth-Century Missionary Mexico (35 min)

Bill Mitchell, United Bible Societies
The Bible in the History of Peru (25 min)

Steven M. Voth, United Bible Societies
Bible Translation and Masculinity in Latin America (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Christina Petterson, Macquarie University-Sydney
Configuring the Language to Convert the People: The Greenlandic Bible Translations (25 min)

Jason Coker, Drew University
Postmodern Contextual Translation: A Proposal/Question (25 min)

S19-21

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Cameron Boyd-Taylor, University of Cambridge
Echoes of the Septuagint in Byzantine Judaism (30 min)

W. Edward Glenny, Northwestern College-St. Paul
Syria and Samaria in Septuagint Amos (30 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Graduate Theological Union
Jonah's Transformation and Transformation of "Jonah" from the Bakhtinian Perspective of Authoring and Re-Authoring (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

MONDAY MORNING

S19-22

John, Jesus, and History Group / Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Past, Present, and Future of Johannine Studies, Part I: The Fourth Gospel as/in History*

Craig Koester, Luther Seminary, Presiding

D. Moody Smith, Duke University
The Problem of History in John (10 min)

Craig S. Keener, Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University
Genre, Sources, and History (5 min)

J. Louis Martyn, Union Theological Seminary
The Johannine Community among Jewish and Other Early Christian Communities (10 min)

Adele Reinhartz, University of Ottawa
Reading History in the Fourth Gospel (5 min)

Urban C. Von Wahlde, Loyola University of Chicago
The Road Ahead: Reflections on Johannine Scholarship (10 min)

Felix Just, Santa Clara University
Combining Key Methodologies in Johannine Studies (5 min)

Peder Borgen, University of Trondheim
The Scriptures and the Words and Works of Jesus (10 min)

Michael Labahn, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Living Words and the Bread of Life (5 min)

John F. O'Grady, Barry University
Into the Whirlwind: The Prologue and Chapter 17 of John (10 min)

Dorothy Ann Lee, United Faculty of Theology
The Prologue and Jesus' Final Prayer (5 min)

John Ashton, Oxford, UK
Second Thoughts on the Fourth Gospel (10 min)

Wendy North, Durham University
Why Should Historical Criticism Continue to Have a Place in Johannine Studies? (5 min)

Discussion (50 min)

Break (10 min)

S19-23

Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Biblical Hebrew in Typological Perspective*

Robert D. Holmstedt, University of Toronto
The Biblical Hebrew Relative Clause in Typological Perspective (30 min)

John A. Cook, Eisenbrauns
The Hebrew Participle in Typological Perspective (30 min)

Richard C. Benton, University of Wisconsin-Madison
The Niphal and Hitpael in Typological Perspective (30 min)

Elitzur Avraham Bar-Asher, Harvard University
Marginal Predicative Possessive Constructions in Biblical Hebrew (30 min)

Cynthia L. Miller, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Biblical Hebrew Ellipsis in Typological Perspective (30 min)

S19-24

Literature and History of the Persian Period Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Local Governance and Diaspora Communities in the Persian Empire*

David Vanderhooft, Boston College, Presiding

Annalisa Azzoni, Vanderbilt University
Evidence of Foreigners from the Persian Heartland (25 min)

Laurie Pearce, University of California Berkeley
West Semites in First Millennium Babylonia (25 min)

Jan Dušek, Charles University
Institutions of Samaria in the Persian Period (25 min)

Vadim Jigoulov, University of Michigan
Administration of Phoenicia in the Achaemenid Empire: A Case for Managed Autonomy (25 min)

Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University, Manfred Oeming, University of Heidelberg, and Yuval Gadot, Hebrew Union College (Jerusalem)
Ramat Rahel as an Administrative Center in Judah during the Late Iron Age and Persian Periods (25 min)

John Kessler, Tyndale Seminary, Canada
Diaspora and Homeland in the Early Achaemenid Period: Community, Geography, and Demography in Zechariah 1-8 (25 min)

S19-25

Mark Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Individual Variants and the Broad Picture in Mark*

James Voelz, Concordia Seminary-Clayton, Presiding

Peter M. Head, University of Cambridge
The Gospel of Mark in Codex Sinaiticus (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton College
"Angered" or "Moved"?: Mark 1:41 in Light of Mark's Exodus Motif (15 min)

Vicki Cass Phillips, West Virginia Wesleyan College
Jesus, Anger, and Impurity: Investigating Mark 1:40–45 (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

Leroy Andrew Huizenga, Wheaton College
Mark 14:62 in Light of Markan Narrative Dynamics (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

The papers will be summarized, not read. Papers may be obtained for reading in advance by e-mail request to the chair, Tom Shepherd, at *toshephe@ucollege.edu*.

S19-26

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Timothy David Finlay, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Brian L. Webster, Dallas Theological Seminary
TekScroll: An Interactive Program for Learning Biblical Hebrew (35 min)

David E. S. Stein, Redondo Beach, CA
The Grammar of Social Gender in Biblical Hebrew (35 min)

John F. Hobbins, Trinity United Methodist Church
How Well Do You Know Biblical Hebrew?: Reflections on the Pedagogy of Menahem Mansoor (35 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-27

Paul and Politics Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Politics and Poverty*

Ray Pickett, Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest, Presiding

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University
How Can an Apocalypticist Have a Directly Political Agenda? (25 min)

Jacob Cherian, Princeton Theological Seminary
Paul, Poverty, and "Equality": A Plutocritical Reading of 2 Corinthians 8:1–15 (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Jessica Van Denend, Taycheedah Correctional Institution
The People versus the State: Understanding Romans 13:1–7 in a Maximum Security Women's Prison (30 min)

Noelle Damico, University of the Poor School of Theology
Poor People Read Paul (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-28

Pauline Epistles Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Paul and Empire*

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

John M. G. Barclay, Durham University
Why the Roman Empire was Insignificant to Paul (40 min)

N. T. Wright, Bishop of Durham
Paul's Counter-Imperial Theology (40 min)

Robert Jewett, University of Heidelberg, Respondent

S19-29

Pauline Soteriology Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Book of Isaiah and Pauline Soteriology*

A. Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

J. Ross Wagner, Princeton Theological Seminary
"Now Is the Day of Salvation": Paul and Isaiah as Heralds of the Gospel (40 min)

Francis Watson, University of Durham
The Hermeneutics of Salvation: Paul, Isaiah, and the Servant (40 min)

Break (5 min)

Joel Marcus, Duke University, Respondent (10 min)

Christopher Seitz, University of St. Andrews-Scotland, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-30

Pseudepigrapha Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

John C. Reeves, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Presiding

Peter T. Lanfer, University of California-Los Angeles
Paradise in the Pseudepigrapha (25 min)

The Parascriptural Dimensions of Biblical Women

Vered Hillel, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Women's Genealogies in Hellenistic Literature: The Descent of Bilhah (25 min)

Mary Bader, College of Wooster
Dinah in the Pseudepigrapha (25 min)

Rivka Nir, Open University of Israel
Aseneth as the "Prototype of the Church of the Gentiles" (25 min)

Troy A. Miller, Crichton College
Surrogate, Slave, and Deviant?: "Hagar" in Jewish Interpretive Traditions and Paul's Use of the Figure in Galatians 4:21–31 (25 min)

S19-31

Psychology and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *From Anger to Atonement, Inadequacy to Grace: Emotional Transference and Transformation in the Bible*

Dereck Daschke, Truman State University, Presiding (5 min)

Deena Grant, New York University and Hofstra University
Human Anger in Biblical Literature (20 min)

Robin Gallaher Branch, Crichton College
The Power of Anger: Tiptoeing Around Xerxes (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Angella Son, Drew University
Inadequate Innocence, Audacious Inadequacy (20 min)

Dan Merkur, University of Toronto
The Transference onto God (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Benjamin Abelow, Great Neck, NY, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Papers from this session will be available on the PsyBibs website, *http://psybibs.org*.



MONDAY MORNING

S19-32

Qumran Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Eileen Schuller, McMaster University, Presiding

Armin Lange, University of Vienna
In the Second Degree (30 min)

Bennie H. Reynolds III, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
4QApocryphon of Jeremiah C and the Problem of Genre (30 min)

Albert Hogeterp, Catholic University of Leuven
Resurrection and Biblical Tradition: The Relation between the Pseudo-Ezekiel Fragments and Ezekiel 37 Reconsidered (30 min)

Hanne von Weissenberg, University of Manchester
The Centrality of the Temple in 4QMMT (30 min)

Stephane Saulnier, University of Notre Dame
X and Duqah *in Some Calendrical Scrolls: Are We any Closer to an Identification? (30 min)*

S19-33 (=A19-112)

Reading, Theory, and the Bible, Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *After "After Theory"?*

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Glasgow and Stephen D. Moore, Drew University
After "After Theory" and Other Apocalyptic Conceits in Literary and Biblical Studies (30 min)

Jennifer Bird, Vanderbilt University and Joseph A. Marchal, California State University-Northridge
After the Eagleton has Landed: Assessing an Encounter Between Biblical Studies and Critical Theories of Interpretation (30 min)

Timothy K. Beal, Case Western Reserve University
The End of the Word as We Know It, and I Feel Fine: The Bible in the Twilight of Print Culture (30 min)

Regina Schwartz, Northwestern University
Theories of Justice (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-34

Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

C. Jan Swearingen, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Giovanni Battista Bazzana, University of Milan
The Laborer Is Worth His Wage: A Socio-Rhetorical Analysis of Q 10:7 (30 min)

Barbara Hawk, Baylor University
Synkrisis of the Parents of John and Jesus in Luke (30 min)

Carl Toney, Loyola University Chicago
Paul's Rhetorical Strategy in Romans 14-15 (30 min)

Timothy W. Seid, Earlham School of Religion
The Rhetorical Function of Comparison in Hebrews (30 min)

Andrew W. Pitts, McMaster Divinity College
Hellenistic Schools in Jerusalem and Paul's Rhetorical Education (30 min)

S19-35 (=A19-119)

Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Constructions of Masculinity in Christian and Jewish Antiquity*

Cynthia Baker, Santa Clara University, Presiding (5 min)

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo
Where Is Masculinity?: Kingdom of Heaven and Construction of Masculinity in Matthew 19 (25 min)

Stephanie Cobb, Hofstra University
"They Were Absent from the Flesh": Masculinity, Martyrdom, and Pain (25 min)

Caroline T. Schroeder, Stanford University
Queer Eye for the Ascetic Guy?: Homoeroticism, Children, and the Making of Monks (25 min)

Daniel Boyarin, University of California-Berkeley
Rabbi Yoh-anan and Resh Lakish: On the Cultural Backgrounds of a Talmudic Story (25 min)

Dale Martin, Yale University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-36

Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Power Structures in Ancient Israel*

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Presiding

Doris J. Garcia-Mayol, Seminario Intercultural Mayense
Prophecy and Identity Formation: A Frame Analysis of Judean Oracles against Foreign Alliances (35 min)

Mark A. Christian, Sewanee, The University of the South
Priestly Power that Empowers: Cross-Denominational Alliance and "Popular Religious Groups" in Israel (35 min)

Roger S. Nam, University of California-Los Angeles
"Let Me Give You a Gift!": The Economics of Polanyian Reciprocity in the Book of Kings (35 min)

John R. Jackson, Milligan College
Management and Labor: The Irony of Qoheleth's Lament over the Fate of his "Labor" (35 min)

S19-37

Society for Pentecostal Studies

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *A Panel Discussion of Robby Waddell,* The Spirit of the Book of Revelation *(JPTS 30; Deo, 2006)*

John Thomas, Church of God Theological Seminary, Presiding

Richard Bauckham, University of St. Andrews-Scotland, Panelist (20 min)

Ronald Herms, Northwest University, Panelist (20 min)

Frank D. Macchia, Vanguard University, Panelist (20 min)

Robby Waddell, Southeastern University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (70 min)

S19-38

Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *J. Z. Smith's* To Take Place: Toward Theory in Ritual *After Twenty Years*

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Richard D. Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara, Panelist (15 min)

Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Panelist (15 min)

Steven Weitzman, Indiana University at Bloomington, Panelist (15 min)

Burton Mack, Claremont Graduate University, Panelist (15 min)

Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

S19-39

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM-12:15 PM

Brian Schultz, Fresno Pacific University
Numbers 24:24: An Ever-Evolving Oracle (35 min)

Lamont T. Conyers, Liberty Theological Seminary
A Textual Critical Solution of Psalm 18/2 Samuel 22 (35 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa
The Elohistic Psalter and the Writing of Divine Names at Qumran (35 min)

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University
More Ethiopian Manuscripts in North America (35 min)

David Ben-Gad Hacohen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Biblical Criticism from a Geographer's Viewpoint (35 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S19-40

Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Book of Proverbs*

Christine Yoder, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Hee Suk Kim, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Is It Democratization?: The Identity of the Audience in Proverbs 1-9 in Relationship to the Expressions "My Son," "Sons," and "Humanity" (25 min)

Samuel L. Adams, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education
Rethinking the Use of Yahweh-Language in Proverbs (25 min)

Paul Overland, Ashland Theological Seminary
Summons: The Rhetoric of Attention-Getting Devices as Segment Markers in Proverbs (25 min)

Knut M. Heim, The Methodist Church and The Queen's Foundation
Variant Repetition in Proverbs and the Nature of Biblical Parallelism (25 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Vernon Hills, IL
The Rhetoric of Desire and Choice in the Book of Proverbs (25 min)

Eve Levavi Feinstein, Harvard University
Praise of Perfection: Wisdom and Passion in Proverbs 31:10–31 and the Song of Songs (25 min)

S19-41

SBL Forum Advisory Board Meeting

9:30 AM-10:30 AM

S19-42

SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board Meeting

11:45 AM-12:45 PM

S19-43

Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon and Panel Discussion

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Theme: *Hiring and Retaining Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Faculty: Institutional Strategies and Challenges*

Mary Foskett, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Maxine Clarke Beach, Drew University, Panelist

Barbara Holmes, Memphis Theological Seminary, Panelist

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Panelist

William McKinney, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist



MONDAY AFTERNOON

Tour (=A19-200)

Sacred and Religious Sites of San Diego Bus Tour

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Peter W. Williams, Miami University of Ohio, and Jeanne H. Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding

Separate registration required.

S19-51

First Esdras Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

David Noel Freedman, University of California-San Diego, Presiding (25 min)

Ralph W. Klein, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Rendering of 2 Chronicles 35-36 in 1 Esdras (25 min)

Lester L. Grabbe, University of Hull
The Origins of 1 Esdras: Redivivus Noch Einmal *(25 min)*

Tessa Rajak, University of Reading and Yale University
1 Esdras in the Hands of Josephus (25 min)

James C. VanderKam, University of Notre Dame
Literary Questions between Ezra, Nehemiah, and 1 Esdras (25 min)

Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Why the Story of the Three Youths in 1 Esdras? (25 min)

S19-52 (=A19-203)

Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Teaching Reflectively in Theological Contexts: A Panel Discussion among Theological Disciplines*

Mary Hess, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Matthew Skinner, Luther Seminary, Panelist

Stephen Brookfield, University of Saint Thomas, Panelist

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary, Panelist

Janet Ramsey, Luther Seminary, Panelist

Alvin Luedke, Luther Seminary, Panelist

Frieder Ludwig, Luther Seminary, Panelist

David Lose, Luther Seminary, Panelist

This will be an interactive session, where the panel will also involve participants in discussion of several issues: modeling pastoral leadership to learners; building trust with learners when a clear imbalance of power exists between faculty and students; negotiating the complex dynamics of team-teaching; balancing one's commitment to truth-telling with a commitment to encouraging students to question received truth; teaching through discussion; engaging learners through the use of humor and self-disclosure; fostering transformative learning within classrooms; teaching in the face of racial, gender, and class diversity; and teaching responsively in ways that acknowledge and build on mistakes.

S19-53

Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Realism in Ancient Narrative*

Ruben Dupertuis, Trinity University, Presiding

Chris Shea, Ball State University
The Mythical Map II: Geographical Realism in Ancient Novelistic Narratives (25 min)

Anne Moore, University of Calgary
Cantankerous Grandmothers: Anna in the Protevangelium of James (25 min)

A. J. Droge, University of Toronto
Did "Luke" Write Anonymously? (25 min)

Anna C. Miller, Harvard University
Democracy, Love, and Resistance: The Civic Ekklesia in the Romance "Chaereas and Callirhoe" (25 min)

Eros in the Apocryphal Acts

J. R. C. Cousland, University of British Columbia
Sexuality and Subversion in the Acts of Thomas (25 min)

John Marshall, University of Toronto
Trophy Wives of Christ: Tropes of Seduction and Conquest in the Apocryphal Acts (25 min)

S19-54

Aramaic Studies Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From Joseph to Daniel to Antiochus: The Literary Development of Daniel 2 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert R. Phenix, Jr., Saint Louis University
Investigation of Ezra 4:12 in Light of Syntax of Aramaic of Ezra (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alejandro F. Botta, Southern Methodist University
Looking for Some Satisfaction: Egyptian Antecedents of ybbl by+ (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michal Bar-Asher Siegal, Yale University
The Syriac Translation of the Book of Ben Sira: Differences between the Hebrew and the Syriac Texts Reconsidered (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elitzur Avraham Bar-Asher, Harvard University
Syriac and the Other Eastern Aramaic Dialects (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-55

Assyriology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: In the Wake of the Goddesses *(1992): The Legacy of Tikva Frymer-Kensky, and Beyond*

Joann Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding

John Gee, Brigham Young University
An Egyptian Version of Atramhasis? (25 min)

Cynthia R. Chapman, Oberlin College
Natal Siblings and the Brokering of Marriage in the Ancient Near East (25 min)

David B. Weisberg, Hebrew Union College
Notes on Nebuchadnezzar's 37th Year (25 min)

Karen Sonik, University of Pennsylvania
Mother, Goddess, Monster: Tiamat and the Monstrous Feminine in Mesopotamia (25 min)

Aliza Schachter, University of Pennsylvania
Princess as Political Pawn (25 min)

Elna K. Solvang, Concordia College, Moorhead
The First Orientalist?: Fantasy and Foreignness in the Book of Esther (25 min)

S19-56 (=A19-218)

Bible and Cultural Studies Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Critical Cultural Studies of Western Law and Political Theology*

Robert A Yelle, University of Memphis, Presiding

Christian Beattie, Roehampton University
"Justice Enacted Not These Human Laws" (Antigone): Religion, Natural Law, and Women's Rights

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University
The Politics of Sacredness: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Narrative of "Inherent Human Dignity"

Patrick Riches, University of Nottingham
The Theo-politics of Nomos (Toward a Sapiential Legality)

Erin Runions, Pomona College
Theologico-political Resonance: Carl Schmitt between the Neocons and the Theonomists

Bruce Rosenstock, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Respondent

S19-57

Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Jesus, the Gospels, and Cinematic Imagination is intended to be a teaching tool for those who wish to use film in the classroom. The book focuses on the eighteen "Hollywood" films that are currently available on DVD (1905-2004) and includes plot summaries, a "Gospel Parallels" for the eighteen films, a listing of DVD chapters, and description of DVD "Extras." Panelists will discuss the book from the perspectives of the Bible in non-print media, teaching, and cultural criticism.

Theme: *Review of* Jesus, the Gospels, and Cinematic Imagination: A Handbook to Jesus on DVD *by Jeff Staley and Richard Walsh (Westminster John Knox, 2007)*

Andrew Adam, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Adele Reinhartz, University of Ottawa, Panelist (25 min)

Arthur Dewey, Xavier University, Panelist (25 min)

Tat-Siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (25 min)

Bernard Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Jeffrey Staley, Seattle University, Respondent (10 min)

Richard Walsh, Methodist College, Respondent (10 min)

S19-58

Bible Translation Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Translator's Intent*

Lenart de Regt, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Sung Uk Lim, Graduate Theological Union
Jonah's Transformation and Transformation of "Jonah" from the Bakhtinian Perspective of Authoring and Re-Authoring (30 min)

Alena Nye-Knutson, University of Virginia
Septuagint versus Targum: Defining Translation (30 min)

Kent P. Jackson, Brigham Young University
The Bible Translations of Noah Webster, Alexander Campbell, and Joseph Smith: Three Nineteenth-Century American Bible Translations in Context (30 min)

Colin Yuckman, United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington
The Cultural Hermeneutics of the NRSV Translating Committee (30 min)

Steven M. Voth, United Bible Societies
Towards an Ethic of Bible Translation (30 min)

S19-59

Biblical Lands and Peoples in Archaeology and Text Section

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Ann E. Killebrew, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Adam Kolman Marshak, Yale University
Glorifying the Present through the Past: Herod the Great and His Jewish Royal Predecessors (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Patrick Scott Geyer, University of San Diego
Foods from the Cellars of First-Century Gamla (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Jonathan David Lawrence, Canisius College
Water, Water, Everywhere: Jewish and Christian Bathing Practices in India (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

R. Steven Notley, Nyack College
The Myth of an Essene Quarter in Jerusalem (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

S19-60

Biblical Law Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Sources of Law in the Torah*

Richard Averbeck, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Presiding

Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Sabbath in the Torah Sources (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University
Recovering Biblical Courtroom Vocabulary: Arguing the Case for Adversarial "Yahad" (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

David P. Wright, Brandeis University
The Compositional Logic of the Talion, Miscarriage, and Slave Laws of Exodus 21:22–27 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mark Leuchter, Hebrew College
The Manumission Laws in Leviticus and Deuteronomy: The Jeremiah Connection (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Papers for the open session will be read partially or fully within 20-25 minutes to allow for at least 10 minutes of discussion. Copies of the full papers are available in advance of the meeting (from October 15) through the Biblical Law section's website: *www.biblicallaw.org*. (The abstracts of the papers will be available on the website beginning in April.)

S19-61

Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Discussion of* Character Ethics and the Old Testament: Moral Dimensions of Scripture *(WJK, 2007) and* Character Ethics and the New Testament *(WJK, 2007)*

M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Robert Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Bruce Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola College in Maryland, Panelist (25 min)

Timothy Beach-Verhey, Davidson College, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-62

Christian Apocrypha Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Christopher Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Presiding

Antti Marjanen, University of Helsinki
Does the Gospel of Judas Rehabilitate Judas Iscariot? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Edward Dixon, Emory University
A Hope for Status Inversion in the Acts of Thomas (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Derek S. Dodson, Baylor University
Dream Magic: The Dream of Pilate's Wife and the Accusation of Magic in the Acts of Pilate (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer A. Glancy, Le Moyne College
Mary in Childbirth (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paul G. Schneider, University of South Florida
A Johannine Trajectory for the Lord's Secret Sacrament (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-63

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Christology, Violence, and Resurrection*

Alan Padgett, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University
Paul, the Resurrection, and the End of Violence (20 min)

Luke Tallon, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
The Implications of the Resurrection for the Priestly Office of Jesus Christ (20 min)

Sarah Morice Brubaker, University of Notre Dame
Christ's Resurrected Body as Key to a Nonviolent Theology of Location (20 min)

Joseph A. Bracken, Xavier University
Christology, Violence, and Resurrection (20 min)

Kevin Hart, University of Virginia
Response (20 min)

S19-64

Construction of Christian Identities Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Edmondo Lupieri, University of Udine, Presiding (5 min)

Bruce J. Malina, Creighton University
The Identity of Jesus: Identity in Anti-Introspective Cultures. Or: Who Do They Say that I am: Tell Me Quickly (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Adriana Destro, University of Bologna and Mauro Pesce, University of Bologna
When Jesus Became a Christian (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Larry W. Hurtado, University of Edinburgh
Reflections on the Relevance of Early Jesus Devotion for the Identity of Jesus (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Panel Discussion of *Jesus the Israelite was Neither a Jew Nor a Christian. On Correcting the Nomenclature*, by John H. Elliott

Dennis Duling, Canisius College, Panelist (10 min)

Claudio Gianotto, University of Torino, Panelist (10 min)

John Elliott, University of San Francisco, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S19-65

Disability Studies and Healthcare in the Bible and Near East Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Ideology of Disability in Second Temple Judaism*

David Stewart, Southwestern University, Presiding

Thomas Cason, Florida State University
Erasure, Reformulation, and Punishment: Rhetorical Strategies for Representing Male Disability in Second Temple Judaism (25 min)

Micah Kiel, Princeton Theological Seminary
Tobit's Theological Blindness (25 min)

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University-San Marcos
A Place at the End: Disability in Prophetic and Apocalyptic Eschatology (25 min)

Yonder M. Gillihan, Boston College
"Comprehensive Coverage" in the Dead Sea Scrolls Sect: The Ideology of Care in the Damascus Rule and the Rule for the Congregation (25 min)

Eibert Tigchelaar, Florida State University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-66

Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Group

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Craft of Memory in Late Antique Religions*

Georgia Frank, Colgate University, Presiding (5 min)

Arthur Urbano, Providence College
Tracing the Lines: Porphyry, Eusebius, and the Renewal of Platonism (25 min)

Paul Dilley, Yale University
Hagiography, Commemoration, and the Ritual Production of Kinship (25 min)

Nicola Denzey, Harvard University
Crafting Memory in the Roman Catacombs (25 min)

Todd Krulak, University of Pennsylvania
"It's a Small World": Statue Animation and Platonic Cosmogony in Proclus' Commentary on the Timaeus (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-67

Graduate Biblical Studies: Ethos and Discipline Seminar

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

This panel will discuss the institutional and intellectual changes necessary to prepare graduate biblical education for the future and it will do so from the perspective of the minoritized.

Theme: *The Future of Biblical Studies*

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

Abraham Smith, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Panelist

Sze-kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, Panelist

Kent Richards, Society of Biblical Literature, Respondent

S19-68

Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Stoicism and Early Christianity*

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University, Presiding

George H. van Kooten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
The Godlikeness of the Human Mind as an Incentive to Morality in Hellenistic Philosophy (30 min)

Gail Evelyn Armstrong, Brown University
"Ta Stoicheia": Galatians and Hellenistic Moral Philosophy (30 min)



MONDAY AFTERNOON

J. Albert Harrill, Indiana University
The Structured Self in Stoicism and 2 Peter: The Eschatological Destruction of "the Ignorant and Unstable" in Light of Stoic Moral Philosophy (30 min)

Stephanie Cobb, Hofstra University
Stoicism and the Problem of Pain in Early Christian Martyrdom (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-69

History of Interpretation Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Pre-Modern and Modern Social and Political Contexts for Biblical Interpretation*

D. Jeffrey Bingham, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jeffrey L. Morrow, University of Dayton
The Politics Behind Thomas Hobbes's Early Modern Biblical Criticism (25 min)

Ed Noort, University of Groningen
Händel, Joshua, and Violence (25 min)

J. David Pleins, Santa Clara University
Darwin on Genesis: Rethinking Darwin's Impact on the Interpretation of the Creation Story (25 min)

Dan W. Clanton, Jr., Denver, CO
Biblical Interpretation and Christian Domestic Terrorism: The Exegeses of Reverend Michael Bray and Reverend Paul Hill (25 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S19-70

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Ken M. Penner, Acadia Divinity College
Peculiarities of the Codex Vaticanus Manuscript of Isaiah (30 min)

Robert J. Littman, University of Hawaii
Some New Lines of the Septuagint (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Larry Perkins, Northwest Baptist Seminary
Proper Names, the Article, and the English Translation of Kyrios *in the Greek Exodus (30 min)*

Armin Lange, University of Vienna
"Considerable Proficiency " (Letter of Aristeas 121): The Relationship of the Letter of Aristeas to the Prologue of Ecclesiasticus (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-71

John, Jesus, and History Group / Johannine Literature Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *The Past, Present, and Future of Johannine Studies, Part II: The Sources and Structure of John's Narrative*

Jan van der Watt, University of Pretoria, Presiding

Thomas L. Brodie, Dominican Biblical Centre, Limerick
Three Revolutions, a Funeral, and Glimmers of a Challenging Dawn (10 min)

Catrin Williams, University of Wales
John's Engagement with Sources (5 min)

John M. Painter, Charles Sturt University
The Signs of the Messiah and the Quest for Eternal Life (10 min)

Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
From One Quest to Another: The Johannine Conception of Authentic Faith as a Response to the Divine Initiative (5 min)

Robert T. Fortna, Vassar College
The Gospel of John and the Signs Gospel (10 min)

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University
The Fourth Gospel in First Century Media Culture (5 min)

Gilbert Van Belle, Catholic University of Leuven-Belgium
Tradition and the Leuven Hypothesis (10 min)

Peter J. Judge, Winthrop University
The Leuven Hypothesis in C/catholic Perspective (5 min)

Francis J. Moloney, Salesians of Don Bosco
Into Narrative and Beyond (10 min)

Mary L. Coloe, Australian Catholic University
Beyond the Beyond (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (65 min)

S19-72

Latter-day Saints and the Bible Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Pivotal Passages in the Old Testament*

Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University, Presiding

David R. Seely, Brigham Young University
Latter-day Saints and the Five Books of Moses (20 min)

Margaret Barker, Cambridge University
Melchizedek, Priest of God Most High (35 min)

Dana M. Pike, Brigham Young University
Exploring the Biblical Phrase "God of the Spirits of All Flesh" (Numbers 16:22) (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Taylor Halverson, Indiana University
Why Isn't Adam the First Monotheist? (20 min)

Donald W. Parry, Brigham Young University
*Eve's Role as a "Help" (*ezer*) Revisited (20 min)*

Alden Thompson, Walla Walla College
Sacred Time in the Pentateuch (20 min)

S19-74

Methodological Reassessments of the Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Consultation

1:00 PM-3:45 PM

Theme: *Jude and 2 Peter: Discussion of Papers*

Betsy Bauman-Martin, Saint Norbert College, Presiding

Gene L. Green, Wheaton College
Intertextuality and Sociology in Early Christianity: A Study of 2 Peter and Jude (30 min)

Jeremy F. Hultin, Yale University

Bourdieu Reads Jude (30 min)

Break (5 min)

James C. Miller, Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology
Social Identity and 2 Peter (30 min)

Dennis Sylva, Saint Francis Seminary
The Visualization of "Knowledge" in Second Peter: A Study in Socio-Rhetorical Interpretation's Rhetorographical Blending (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

Each paper will be discussed by the panel of presenters first and then by the audience. For copies of the papers please contact Robert Webb at *webbr@mcmaster.ca*. (Note: if you have received papers in the last two years from this consultation, there is no need to request them again. They will be sent to you.)

S19-75

New Testament Textual Criticism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Wayne Kannaday, Newberry College, Presiding

Tommy Wasserman, Örebro Theological Seminary
Two Verses Plucked From the Fire: Jude 22-23 (30 min)

Matti Myllykoski, University of Helsinki
POxy 4009: Case Closed (30 min)

Gerald Donker, Macquarie University-Sydney, Australia
The Pauline Epistles in Athanasius: A Contribution to the Alexandrian Text Type (30 min)

Peter M. Head, University of Cambridge
Notes on P Oxy 4497 (P113): The Smallest Portion of the New Testament Ever Identified (30 min)

Geert van Oyen, University of Utrecht and Jan Kraus, Vrije Universiteit-Amsterdam
Codex Boreelianus Revisited: A Fresh Look at Codex F (09) after 160 years (30 min)

S19-76

Pentateuch Section / Deuteronomistic History Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

David Petersen, Emory University, Presiding

Danny Mathews, Interpretation/Union-Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Edication
"A New King Arose over Egypt Who Did Not Know Joseph": The Joseph Novella as Prologue to the Moses Biography (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard J. Clifford, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Is "the Joseph Story" a Misnomer for Genesis 37-50? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Martien A. Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia
Pentateuch and Exile (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathan Lane, Baylor University
YHWH's Mercy and Wrath: The Contribution of Exodus 34:6–7 to the Canonical Shape of the Torah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark A. Christian, Sewanee, The University of the South
Integrating the Alien (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-77

Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Performance Criticism*

Glenn Holland, Allegheny College, Presiding

Elizabeth Reitz Mullenix, Miami University of Ohio
Performing Theory and Theorizing Performance: A Contextual Look at Performance Studies Across the Disciplines (25 min)

Martin Revermann, University of Toronto
Performance Criticism in Classics: Past, Present, and Future (25 min)

Shimon Levy, Tel Aviv University
Theatricality and the Balaam Scene in Numbers 22 (25 min)

Terry Giles, Gannon University and William J. Doan, Miami University
The Book of Jashar: The Song Scroll (25 min)

Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College
Agonistic Insults in the Fourth Gospel: Performance, Transgression, and Resistance (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-78

Pseudepigrapha Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Addressing the Challenges of the* Commentaries on Early Jewish Literature Series *(Walter de Gruyter)*

John Levison, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Dale Allison, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

David E. Aune, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (10 min)

Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Panelist (10 min)

John Endres, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, Panelist (10 min)

Judith H. Newman, University of Toronto, Panelist (15 min)

Pieter van der Horst, University of Utrecht, Panelist

Loren T. Stuckenbruck, University of Durham, Panelist (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Panelist responses

Discussion (30 min)

Audience responses

Discussion (35 min)

S19-79

Psychology and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Psychology and the Bible in Practice: Clinic and Classroom*

Wayne Rollins, Hartford Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

J. Harold Ellens, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Grace Theology in Psychotherapy (20 min)

Ronald R. Clark, Jr., George Fox Evangelical Seminary
Many Psychologists Can Bring Victory: Really! (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Susan Harris Howell, Campbellsville University
Students' Perceptions of Jesus' Personality (20 min)

Barbara Mei Leung Lai, Tyndale Seminary
Fostering a "Whole-Brained" Scholastic Experience in Classroom Teaching (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

Papers from this session will be available at the PsyBibs website, *http://psybibs.org*.

S19-80

Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Forces to be Reckoned with: Nineteenth-Century Female Interpreters of the Bible*

Christiana De Groot, Calvin College, Presiding

Nancy Calvert-Koyzis, McMaster University
Motherhood as Hermeneutic: Mary the Mother of Jesus according to Nineteenth-Century Female Interpreters of the Bible (30 min)

Beth Bidlack, University of Chicago
Olympia Brown: Reading the Bible as a Universalist Minister and Pragmatic Suffragette (30 min)

J. Glen Taylor, Wycliffe College
Julia Joanna Greswell: A Forgotten Hebrew Scholar (30 min)

Agnes Choi, University of Toronto
An Island Unto Herself?: The Male and Female Influences on Lucy Meyer and the Chicago Training School (30 min)

Bernon Peng Yi Lee, Grace College
A Clergyman's Daughter Battles for the Bible (30 min)

S19-81

Ritual in the Biblical World

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University
The "Procreation"-Festival to the Goddess Katahha in [Hattusha]: An Initiation Rite for a Hittite Crown Prince? (IBoT 1.29) (25 min)

Russell C. D. Arnold, DePauw University
"And They Answered and Said": Reading Ritual Practice at Qumran (25 min)

Teresa L. Reeve, Andrews University
Divine Ritualizing and the Transformation of Paul in Acts 9 (25 min)

Jonathan D. Schwiebert, Washington University
Beyond Victor Turner: Theorizing the Process in Pauline Baptism (25 min)

Jason T. Lamoreaux, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
Artemis in Philippi: Women, Ritual, and Christianity (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-82

Romans through History and Cultures Group / Bible in the Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Traditions Consultation

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Greek Fathers' Readings of Romans*

Vahan Hovhanessian, St. Nersses Theological Seminary, Presiding

Vasile Mihoc, Theological School Sibiu
St. Paul and the Jews in John Chrystostom's Commentary on Romans 9-11 (20 min)

Bruce Lowe, Macquarie University-Sydney and Reggie McReynolds Kidd, Reformed Theological Seminary
What Does Proecho Really Echo in Romans 3:9? (Re-evaluating Arethas and Photius' Ninth–Tenth-Century Greek Interpretations) (20 min)

Stelian Tofana, Babes Bolayi University
The Interdependency between Destiny and Humankind and Creation According to Romans 8:18–23: An Orthodox-Patristic Perspective (20 min)

Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (15 min)

Tom O'Loughlin, University of Wales Lampeter, Respondent (15 min)

Khiok-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

Papers will be summarized at the session; they are available previous to the meeting (from 1. October) under *http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AnS/religious_studies/sbl2007*.

S19-83

Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section / Book of Psalms Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Psalms in Judaism and Christianity: Studies in the History of Interpretation of the Psalter*

Esther Menn, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

Medieval Jewish Psalms Interpretation

Adele Berlin, University of Maryland College Park, Panelist (30 min)

Alan Cooper, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Panelist (30 min)

Moshe Bernstein, Yeshiva University, Respondent (10 min)

Heidelberg Psalms Project

Manfred Oeming, University of Heidelberg, Panelist (20 min)

Andreas Wagner, University of Heidelberg, Panelist (20 min)

Joachim Vette, Ruprecht-Karls Universität, Heidelberg, Panelist (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-84

Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Mark Matson, Milligan College, Presiding

Robin Griffith-Jones, Temple Church
Going Back to Galilee to See the Son of Man: Mark's Gospel as an Upside-Down Apocalypse (30 min)

Crispin H. T. Fletcher-Louis, St. Mary's Bryanston Square
Luke 13:31–35: Jesus the Winged Shekinah and the Temple's Desolation (30 min)

Rafael Rodriguez, Johnson Bible College
Elijah and Elisha on the Tip of Jesus' Tongue (30 min)

Christopher Hays, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
Hating Wealth and Wives: An Examination of Discipleship Ethics in the Third Gospel (30 min)

Matthias Klinghardt, TU Dresden Germany
The Marcionite Gospel and the Synoptic Problem (30 min)

S19-85

The Biblical Scholar as....: Careers Outside the Classroom

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Alice Hunt, Associate Dean, The Divinity School, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (15 min)

George I. Paganelis, Curator, Tsakopoulos Hellenic Collection California State University, Sacramento Library, Panelist (15 min)

John Kutsko, Acquisitions Editor, Abingdon Press, Panelist (15 min)

S19-86

Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Anson F. Rainey, Tel Aviv University
Redefining Ancient Hebrew (25 min)

Robert D. Holmstedt, University of Toronto
The Relative Clause in Northwest Semitic Inscriptions (25 min)

David T. Tsumura, Japan Bible Seminary
Is Albright's Emendation of KTU 1.23:64 Correct?: Revisiting the "Seven" Good Gods of Fertility in Ugarit (25 min)

Grace Jeongyeon Park, University of California, Los Angeles
KTU 1.23: Outback into Sown (25 min)

Kelly Murphy, Emory University
Myth-as-Reality and the Goddess Anat (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Wayne T. Pitard, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
The Baal Cycle as a Succession Narrative (25 min)

William D. Barker, University of Cambridge
Dining on Death: The Ugaritic Banqueting Theme, the Funerary Marzeah, and Isaiah's Eschatological Banquet (25 min)

Katie M. Heffelfinger, Emory University
Like the Sitting of a Mountain: The Significance of Metaphor in KTU 1.101's Description of Ba'al (25 min)

James R. Getz Jr., Brandeis University
Hurrying the Analogy: The Analogical Function of Hurrians and Beds in CAT 1.132 (25 min)

S19-87

Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section / Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Early Jewish and Christian Perspectives on Torture*

Cavan Concannon, Harvard University, Presiding

Elizabeth Penland, Yale University and Smith College
Sexualized Torture in Eusebius' Martyr Narratives (20 min)

Chris Frilingos, Michigan State University
Random Acts of Violence: Pagans, Christians, and Jews Write Back (20 min)

Jan W. van Henten, University of Amsterdam
Martyrs and Power: Barbarism in Multiple Perspective (20 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University
Sacred Text and Symbolic Violence in the Epistles of Ambrose of Milan (20 min)

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University
Ambivalence and Justification: Problematizing Torture in Antiquity (20 min)

Philip Sellew, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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MONDAY EVENING

S19-88

Women in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Theme: *Female Prophets and Their History of Interpretation*

Mary Ann Beavis, St. Thomas More College, Presiding

Joy A. Schroeder, Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Capital University
Domesticating Deborah: Disputes about Women's Religious Leadership in Early Christian Interpretations of Judges 4-5 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rachel Ben Dor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Devorah: A Hornet or a Honeybee? Disputes about Women's Leadership in Rabbinic Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Wil Gafney, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
"Women-Prophets Will Inherit the Earth": Female Prophets in Mesopotamia and Biblical Israel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Steve Cook, Vanderbilt University
Women Prophets in Ancient Israel: Gone with the Men? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

N. Clayton Croy, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Mantic Mary: The Virgin Mother as Prophet in Luke 1:26–56 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-101

African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Panel Discussion: *Strategies of Africana Reading and Interpretation (120 min)*

Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Rodney Sadler, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education at Charlotte

Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa

Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center

Cheryl Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University Divinity School

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-102 (=A19-306)

Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Place of Theories of Myth in Biblical Studies*

Neal Walls, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen
The Indispensability of Theories of Myth to Biblical Studies

Adela Collins, Yale University, Respondent

Peter Machinist, Harvard University, Respondent

David L. Miller, Syracus University, Respondent

IvanStrenski, University of California, Riverside, Respondent

S19-103

Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Kevin Chau, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding

Charles L. Echols, University of Cambridge
The Contribution of Heroic Poetry to the Identification of a New Genre in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Lisa M. Wolfe, United Theological Seminary
"Your Neck Is Like the Tower of David": Biblical and Contemporary Flattery (25 min)

Paul Niskanen, University of Saint Thomas
The Poetics of Adam: The Creation of Adam in the Image of Elohim (25 min)

Guadalupe Seijas de los Rios-Zarzosa, Universidad Complutense de Madrid and Francisco J. del Barco, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Series of Woes in Preexilic Prophecy: A Study on Syntax and Semantics (25 min)

John F. Hobbins, Trinity United Methodist Church
The Phenomenon of Parallelism in Ancient Hebrew Verse: A Review of Recent and Ongoing Research (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S19-104 (=A19-308)

Biblical Law Section / Women in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Looking for Hope: Feminist and Historical Studies in Memory of Tikva Frymer-Kensky.*

Martha Roth, University of Chicago, Presiding

Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam
Tikva Frymer-Kensky's Studies in Bible and Feminist Criticism: An Assessment (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Noble, Harvard University
Women as Israel and a Feminine David: Narrative Themes in the History of David's Rise and 2 Samuel 6:20–23 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
The Concept of "Impure Birth" in Fifth-Century Athens and Judea (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cornelia Wunsch, School of Oriental and African Studies
Caring for Women's Needs: Legal and Economic Realities in Sixth-Century (B. C. E.) Babylonia (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

The last thirty minute discussion session will be devoted to reflections on the Life and Work of Tikva Frymer-Kensky.

Discussion (30 min)

S19-105

Biblical Lexicography Section

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Semantic Domains and Lexicography*

Erik Eynikel, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen, Presiding

A. Dean Forbes, Palo Alto, CA
Semantic Roles in Biblical Hebrew: "When to Split and When to Quit" (30 min)

Sean A. Adams, McMaster Divinity College
Barr, Lexicography, and Semantic Domains: Some Issues and Refinement of Semantic Domain Theory for the Development of Lexicons (30 min)

Randall Buth, Biblical Language Center, Jerusalem and Sharon Alley, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Lexicography of the First Century: Two Approaches to a Semantic Domain (30 min)

Alexandra Anne Thompson, University of Cambridge
Response from a Fifth–Fourth-Century B. C. E. Perspective (30 min)

David E. S. Stein, Redondo Beach, CA
The Noun 'ish *in Biblical Hebrew: A Term of Affiliation (30 min)*

Aaron Koller, Yeshiva University
Lexicography of Realia: Two Examples from the Semantic Field of Blades (30 min)

S19-106

Christian Apocrypha Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Abraham Terian, St. Nersess' Armenian Seminary
The Armenian Gospel of the Infancy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Claire Clivaz, University of Lausanne
Madness, Philosophical, or Mystical Experiment?: A Weird Text, Recognitions 2:61-69 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Päivi Vähäkangas, University of Helsinki
The Doctrine of Creatio ex Nihilo *in Pseudo-Clementine Literature (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Caleb Webster, Claremont Graduate University
Taking Over Thomas: The Subversion of Judas Didymus Thomas in the Edessene Abgar Tradition (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S19-107

Christian Theology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Reading Scripture with the Church*

Kathryn Greene-McCreight, St John's Episcopal Church, Presiding (10 min)

David Ford, University of Cambridge, Panelist (20 min)

Amy Laura Hall, Duke University, Panelist (20 min)

Andrew Adam, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola College in Maryland, Respondent (15 min)

Francis Watson, University of Aberdeen - Scotland, Respondent (15 min)

Kevin Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

S19-108

Computer Assisted Research Section

4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Theme: *Standards and Structures: Let's Not Reinvent the Wheel*

Heleina Haskins, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Patrick Durusau, Snowfall Software
Standards, Scholars, and Archiving (30 min)

Sean Boisen, Logos Research Systems
Integrating Greek and English Digital Resources (30 min)

James Libby, Decision Support Sciences
An Introduction to the Use of Advanced Data Reduction Approaches to Address Longstanding Issues in Biblical Studies (30 min)

S19-109

Didache in Context Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Didache: Text and Composition in a Changing Community*

Jonathan A. Draper, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Presiding

Clayton N. Jefford, Saint Meinrad School of Theology
Review of Nancy Pardee, The Genre and Development of the Didache: A Text Linguistic Analysis *(Mohr-Siebeck, 2006) (25 min)*

Nancy Pardee, Saint Xavier University, Respondent (10 min)

William Varner, Master's College and Seminary
The Didache as a Christian Enchiridion (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Dietrich-Alex Koch, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Eucharistic Prayers in Didache 9 and 10 and the Riddle of Didache 10:6 (25 min)

Huub van de Sandt, Tilburg University
Why is the Eucharist Referred to as a "Sacrifice" in Didache 14? (25 min)

John Clabeaux, Pontifical College Josephinum, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

MONDAY EVENING

S19-110

Disputed Paulines Section

4:00 PM-6:45 PM

James Aageson, Concordia College-Moorhead, Presiding

Matthew E. Gordley, Regent University
The Colossian Hymn and the Imperial Cult (25 min)

Daniel C. Claire, Catholic University of America
The Gifts of the Divine Warrior: Ephesians 4:7–11 (25 min)

Minna Shkul, University of Wales Lampeter
Contested Reputations and Revealing the Eternal Plans of God: Communal Legitimation in Ephesians (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Jonathan Hall, University of Virginia
The Influence of Isaiah 57 on Ephesians 2 (25 min)

Julien C. H. Smith, Baylor University
Ethical Exhortation, Identity Formation, and Authority: The Function of the Two Ways Form in Barnabas 18-21 and Ephesians 4:17–5:21 (25 min)

Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, University of Oslo and A. Rebecca Solevag, University of Oslo
Who Loves the Pastorals and Why? (25 min)

S19-111

Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Case Studies*

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt, Presiding

C. D. Elledge, Gustavus Adolphus College
Rewriting the Sacred: Some Problems of Textual Authority in Light of the Rewritten Scriptures from Qumran (20 min)

Brent Strawn, Emory University, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David A. deSilva, Ashland Theological Seminary
"Like Noble Athletes of Piety": 4 Maccabees as Source of Inspiration for Ignatius, Martyrdom of Polycarp, and Origen's Exhortatio (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeremy F. Hultin, Yale University
Jude and 1 Enoch (20 min)

Leslie Walck, Colfax Lutheran Church, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Simon Lee, Harvard University
Competition between the Holy Scriptures of the Lord and the Oral Traditions: Examination of the Transfiguration Account in Acts of Peter (Second Century C. E.) (20 min)

Henry Rietz, Grinnell College, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon
Between Scripture and Tradition: The Marian Apocrypha of Early Christianity (20 min)

George Zervos, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-112

Graduate Biblical Studies: Ethos and Discipline Seminar

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Kent Richards, Society of Biblical Literature, Presiding

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College, Panelist

R. S. Sugirtharajah, University of Birmingham, Panelist

Elisabeth Schuessler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Respondent

S19-113

Hellenistic Judaism Section / First Esdras Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Philosophy and Wisdom in Hellenistic Judaism*

Allen Kerkeslager, Saint Joseph's University, Presiding

Discussion (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-114

Ideological Criticism Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Ideology, Activism, and Biblical Interpretation II*

Randall Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Alicia Batten, Pacific Lutheran University
Reading the Bible in Occupied France: André Trocmé and Le Chambon (30 min)

Avaren E. Ipsen, University of California-Berkeley
Widows and Prophets: Sexual Moral Economy in the Elijah/Elisha Cycle (30 min)

Raj Nadella, Union Theological Seminary-Virginia
Special Economic Zones as Latifundialization: A Rereading of the Parable of Tenants in Indian Context (30 min)

Jin Young Choi, Vanderbilt University
Like Dogs under the Table: A Minority Reading of the Bible with Bourdieu and Certeau (30 min)

Alice W. Hunt, Vanderbilt University
No More Double-Speak: The Bible and Immigration (30 min)

This session will address the use of the Bible to support or oppose activism on issues of social justice, war, the 'isms' (including racism, classism, sexism), economic justice, etc.

S19-115

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Septuaginta-Deutsch Project*

Wolfgang Kraus, University of the Saarland
Presentation of Septuaginta-Deutsch (Part I) (20 min)

Martin Karrer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal
Presentation of Septuaginta-Deutsch Part II (20 min)

Martin Roesel, University of Rostock
The Greek-German Pentateuch in Retrospect (20 min)

Siegfried Kreuzer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal, Barmen School of Theology
The Historical Books: Their Characteristics in the Septuagint and Its Revisions and in Septuaginta-Deutsch (20 min)

Martin Meiser, Universität des Saarlandes
The Septuagint of Samuel: Observations in Exegesis and Theology (20 min)

Florian Wilk, Georg-August Universität-Göttingen
Translating and Annotating the Septuagint of Isaiah in Septuaginta-Deutsch: A Preliminary Evaluation (20 min)

Septuaginta-Deutsch (LXX.D) started in 1999. The aim is a two volume work: One with the tranlsation and a second one with linguistic, lexical, theological and historical annotations. The Hebrew vorlage (when there is one existing) is always taken into consideration. The differences between the Hebrew and the Greek text are printed in italics in the translation volume and explained in the accompanying volume. The textual basis of LXX.D is the Septuaginta Gottingensis as far as it has appeared. For the other books we use the revised edition of A. Rahlfs (the revision by R. Hanhart appeared in 2006). There are some 80 contributors for the translation and the accompanying volume working in small teams on the books of the LXX plus ten advisors (scholars working in the fields of History, Greek language, Old and New Testament Theology, Orthodox Studies, Judaic Studies) . ten co-editors are responsible for the different parts of the LXX such as Pentateuch, historical books, minor Prophets, and so on. There are two editors-in-chief, Martin Karrer from Wuppertal (formerly teaching New Testament in Koblenz, now since 2004) from Saarbrücken, both New Testament scholars who initiated the project. The main sponsors are the protestant church of the Rhineland and the German Bible Society. Every year there is a conference for the members of the project, the outcome of which are several research volumes. Two of them appeared in the BWANT Series (Stuttgart: Kohlhammer) *Im Brennpunkt: Die Septuaginta I* (2001) and *II* (2004). The last one was: *Septuagint Research. Issues and Challenges in the Study of the Greek Jewish Scripures*, ed. by W. Kraus and G. R. Wooden, SBL.SCS 53, Atlanta/Leiden: SBL/Brill 2006. Three more volumes are in print and will appear this year.

S19-116

Jewish Christianity Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Panel Review of Oskar Skarsaune and Reidar Hvalvik, eds.,* Jewish Believers in Jesus *(Hendrickson, 2007) and Matt Jackson-McCabe, ed.,* Jewish Christianity Reconsidered *(Fortress, 2007)*

Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University, Presiding

Definitions, Sources, and Aims:

Daniel Boyarin, University of California-Berkeley, Panelist (25 min)

Oskar Skarsaune, Norwegian School of Theology, Respondent (5 min)

Matt Jackson-McCabe, Niagara University, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

On Paul and His Competitors:

Mark Nanos, Rockhurst University and University of Kansas, Panelist (25 min)

Reidar Hvalvik, Norwegian School of Theology, Respondent (5 min)

Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

On Ebionites, Nazarenes and Their Literature:

Joseph Verheyden, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Panelist (25 min)

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-117

John, Jesus, and History Group / Johannine Literature Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Past, Present, and Future of Johannine Studies, Part III: Johannine Hermeneutics and Theologies*

Jeffrey Staley, Seattle University, Presiding

R. Alan Culpepper, Mercer University
Pursuing the Elusive (10 min)

Stan Harstine, Friends University
To What End Methodology? (5 min)

Sandra M. Schneiders, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley
Reflecting on Thirty Years (10 min)

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University
Ideologies Past and Present (5 min)

D. A. Carson, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Reflections on a Johannine Pilgrimage (10 min)

Andreas J. Kostenberger, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Progress and Regress in Recent Johannine Scholarship (5 min)

Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University
Reflections on Absence and Irruption (10 min)

Francisco Lozada, Jr., Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University
Toward an Interdisciplinary Approach to Johannine Studies (5 min)

Carsten Claussen, University of Munich
Johannine Exegesis in Transition (10 min)

Robert Kysar, Emory University
What's the Meaning of This? (10 min)

David Rensberger, Interdenominational Theological Center
Is "History" History? (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (55 min)

MONDAY EVENING

S19-118

Methodological Reassessments of the Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Letter of 2 Peter*

Peter Davids, St. Stephen's University, Presiding (5 min)

Terrance Callan, The Athenaeum of Ohio
Rhetography and Rhetology of Apocalyptic Discourse in 2 Peter (30 min)

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary
Narrative Method and the Second Epistle of Peter (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Robert Paul Seesengood, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
"Irrational Animals": Hybridity, Alterity, and Name-Calling in 2 Peter 2: A Postcolonial Reading. (30 min)

Duane F. Watson, Malone College
A Comparision of Rhetorical and Socio-Rhetorical Criticism in Relation to 2 Peter (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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S19-119

Pauline Soteriology Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Divine and Human Agency in Pauline Theology*

Douglas Campbell, Duke University, Presiding

Susan Eastman, Duke University
Philippians 2: Divine and Human Agency in Christ's Story (40 min)

J. Louis Martyn, Union Theological Seminary
The Newly-Created Moral Agent in Paul (40 min)

Break (5 min)

Alan Torrance, University of St. Andrews, Respondent (10 min)

Telford Work, Westmont College, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-120

Philo of Alexandria Group

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Interpreting Philo's* De Abrahamo

Annewies van den Hoek, Harvard University, Presiding

John Dillon, Trinity College, Dublin
A Sample Commentary on Philo De Abrahamo *119–132 (25 min)*

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley, Respondent (15 min)

Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, MA, Respondent (15 min)

David T. Runia, University of Melbourne
The Place of De Abrahamo *in Philo's Oeuvre (25 min)*

James R. Royse, San Francisco State University
The Text of Philo's De Abrahamo *(25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Other (30 min)

Copies of John Dillon's sample commentary will be available about two weeks before the meeting from the Chair, David Runia (*runia@queens.unimelb.edu.au*).

S19-121

Psychology and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Psychology and the Bible in Practice: Congregation and Community*

Jill McNish, Montclair, NJ, Presiding (5 min)

D. Andrew Kille, Interfaith Space
Four Springs that Ground an Experience of the Sacred (20 min)

Kamden Strunk, Evangel University
Spirit Baptism and Empowerment: Self- and Peer-Perceived Performance and Community Expectations (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Beth Bidlack, University of Chicago
Differentiating Elijah: A Study of 1 Kings 19 (20 min)

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary and Michael S. Koppel, Wesley Theological Seminary
Reading with Rahab: Liminality and Interpathy in Joshua 2 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Donna Lindsey, United Church of Christ, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Papers for this session will be available at the PsyBibs website, *http://psybibs.org*.

S19-122

Q Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *The Mark-Q Overlaps*

Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)

Mark Goodacre, Duke University
Taking Leave of Mark-Q Overlaps: Major Agreements in Matthew 3:7-12 // Mark 1:7-8 // Luke 3:7-9, 15-17 (25 min)

Linden Youngquist, Iowa Wesleyan College
Q+ and the Preaching of John: Raising the Questions (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Harry Fleddermann, Alverno College
John's Preaching in Q and the Synoptics (25 min)

Timothy A. Friedrichsen, Catholic University of America
The Preaching of John the Baptizer in Mark and Q (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-123

Qumran Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Methods and Theories in the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls*

Martin G. Abegg, Trinity Western University, Presiding

James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
Counterfactual History and Other New Methodologies (25 min)

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University
The Study of Qumran Doctrines: Methodological Reflections (25 min)

Maxine L. Grossman, University of Maryland
Gendered Sectarians: Some Methodological Thoughts on Gender and the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University
Sectarianism in Qumran: A Comparative Approach (25 min)

Ross Kraemer, Brown University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-124

Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Discussion of Lynn Huber's* "Like a Bride Adorned": Reading Metaphor in John's Apocalypse *(T&T Clark, 2007)*

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Lynn Huber, Elon College, Panelist (15 min)

Robert von Thaden, Mercyhurst College, Panelist (20 min)

Mary Therese Des Camp, Heart's Rest Retreat Center, Panelist (20 min)

David Aune, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (20 min)

Page A. duBois, University of California, San Diego, Panelist (20 min)

Lynn Huber, Elon College, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-125

Ritual in the Biblical World Consultation

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Review of* Bridging the Gap: Ritual and Ritual Texts in the Bible*, by Gerald A. Klingbeil (Eisenbrauns, 2007)*

Jonathan Schwiebert, Washington University, Presiding

Roy Gane, Andrews University, Panelist (25 min)

Richard DeMaris, Valparaiso University, Panelist (25 min)

Ronald Grimes, Wilfrid Laurier University, Panelist (25 min)

Gerald Klingbeil, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S19-126

Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section / Book of Psalms Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Psalms in Early Judaism and Christianity*

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Scott R. A. Starbuck, Whitworth University
Afterlives of Royal Psalm Lyrics (30 min)

Tze-Ming Quek, University of Cambridge
"I Will Give Authority over the Nations": Psalm 2:8–9 in Revelatiom 2:26c-27 (30 min)

Scot Becker, University of Aberdeen
The Magnificat among the Biblical Inset Psalms (30 min)

Aaron Canty, Saint Xavier University
The Nuptial Imagery of Christ and the Church in Augustine's Enarrationes in Psalmos *(30 min)*

Janet A. Timbie, Catholic University of America
Psalm Recitation in the White Monastery (30 min)

S19-127

Synoptic Gospels Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Disputed Characters in the Synoptic Tradition*

David Landry, University of Saint Thomas, Presiding

Bruce W. Longenecker, University of St. Andrews, Scotland
The Parable of the Samaritan and the Inn-Keeper (Luke 10:30–35) (30 min)

Matthew S. Rindge, Emory University
"Lazarus and the Rich Man": The Economics of (Mis)Reading a Parable (30 min)

Justin P. Farrell, Princeton Theological Seminary
Peter "Gets Some Exorcise" in Mark 8:27–33: Suffering, Discipleship, and Exorcism (30 min)

Susan Miller, University of Oxford
Mary Magdalene: Conflicting Interpretations of Luke 8:1–2 (30 min)

Joel F. Williams, Columbia International University
Jesus' Love for the Rich Man (Mark 10:21): A Disputed Response toward a Disputed Character (30 min)

S19-128

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section / International Organization for Masoretic Studies

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Textual Criticism and the Masorah*

Daniel Mynatt, Anderson University (SC), Presiding



MONDAY EVENING

Carmel McCarthy, University College Dublin
Masoretic Insights into the Text of Deuteronomy (35 min)

Phillip S. Marshall, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Deuteronomy 32:43 and Textual Criticism: New Proposals for an Old Puzzle (35 min)

Maria-Teresa Ortega-Monasterio, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas
All that Glitters Is Not Gold: The Masorah of Spanish Bible Manuscripts and Its Peculiarities (35 min)

Stephen C. Daley, Hebrew University, Jerusalem
Conjectural Emendations in Bible Translations: Past, Present, and Future (35 min)

Harold P. Scanlin, United Bible Societies
II.B.17: A Manuscript Ascribed to the Scribe of the Aleppo Codex (35 min)

S19-129

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Review of Joel Kaminsky,* Yet I Loved Jacob: Reclaiming the Biblical Concept of Election *(Abingdon, 2007).*

Tamar Kamionkowski, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Presiding

Benjamin Sommer, Northwestern University, Panelist (20 min)

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Ellen Frances Davis, Duke University, Panelist (20 min)

Joel Lohr, Durham University, Panelist (20 min)

Patrick Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Joel Kaminsky, Smith College, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-130

Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Anna Miller, Harvard University, Presiding

Jennifer A. Glancy, Le Moyne College
The Law of the Opened Body: Tertullian on the Nativity (20 min)

Susanna Drake, Duke University
Violence against Women and the Discourse of Alterity in Early Christianity (20 min)

Todd Russell Hanneken, University of Notre Dame
Wars from Heaven and Soldiers from Earth: Three Jewish Responses to Violence (20 min)

Steven Weitzman, Indiana University at Bloomington
Rethinking "Mimetic Rivalry" in First-Century Judaism (20 min)

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College
"And There Will Be Terrors And Great Signs From Heaven": Biblical Scholarship, Violence, and Genocide (20 min)

Shelly Matthews, Furman University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-131

Warfare in Ancient Israel Section

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

Theme: *Readings of Biblical War Texts*

Brad E. Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding

Jacob Wright, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)

Herbert B. Huffmon, Drew University
Warfare Avoidance in the Book of Jeremiah (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ovidiu Creanga, King's College London
War hrm and the Erasure of Memory in Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Reuven Kimelman, Brandeis University
The Varieties of Biblical Approaches to the War against Amalek and the Seven Nations of Canaan (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Frank Ritchel Ames, Colorado Christian University
Reading the Primary History as a Post-War Document (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Lawson G. Stone, Asbury Theological Seminary
Israel's War Heroes: Can't Live With ´Em, Can't Live without ´Em: Dialectical Responses to Heroic Violence in the Editorial Structure of the Book of Judges (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-132

Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Theme: *Qoheleth and Biblical Wisdom Literature*

Victor Hurowitz, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding

Thomas M. Bolin, Saint Norbert College
Revisiting Qohelet and the Greeks (25 min)

David U. B. Liu, Duke University
Qohelet's Iterations (25 min)

Jennifer Barbour, Oxford University
"A Time for War": Literary Allusion in Qoheleth 9:11–18 (25 min)

T. A. Perry, University of Connecticut
Qohelet and the French School: Levinas, Neher, Blanchot (25 min)

David A. Lambert, Yale University
Caring for Parents as a Wisdom Ideal (25 min)

J.R. Dodson, University of Tübingen
Sophia and the Gang: An Investigation of Lady Wisdom in Light of Other Personifications in the Wisdom of Solomon (25 min)

S19-133

SBL Research and Publications Committee Meeting
4:30 PM-6:00 PM

S19-134

Book Review: *Pauline Christology: An Exegetical-Theological Study* (Hendrickson, 2007) by Gordon D. Fee
7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Shirley Decker-Lucke, Hendrickson Publishers, Presiding

Douglas Moo, Wheaton College, Panelist

Ralph Martin, Azusa Pacific University, Panelist

Cynthia Kittredge, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Panelist

Michael Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Panelist

Gordon Fee, Regent College, Respondent

S19-135

Wayne Meeks and the Study of Paul: From the First to the Second Edition of *The Writings of St. Paul*—and Beyond to a "Third Edition"
7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University, Presiding

John Fitzgerald, University of Miami, Panelist

John Barclay, Durham University, Panelist

Dale Martin, Yale University, Panelist

Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago, Panelist

Alan Segal, Barnard College, Columbia University, Panelist

Wayne Meeks, Yale University, Respondent

Discussion

S19-136

FILM: *The Mystery of Paul*
8:30 PM-10:30 PM

Title: "The Mystery of Paul" (France, 1999; 105 min., color)

Director: Abraham Ségal (director of "The Abraham File")

Language: English, French, Hebrew, and Italian, with English sub-titles

This documentary in the style of a road movie explores the seemingly contradictory life and legacy of Saul of Tarsus, a Jewish zealot, who became the Christian apostle Paul on the road to Damascus.

Who really was this man, whose deeds and messages, even after he became an apostle, appear to be contradictory? What is his legacy? And how was his world, at the beginning of the first century, similar to ours as we enter the third millennium?

The charismatic French actor Didier Sandre investigates, traveling to some of the most vibrant places in the modern world, from Jerusalem to Manhattan, questioning leading Jewish and Christian theologians of many denominations (including UC Berkeley historian Daniel Boyarin), as well as ordinary people and agnostic historians.

S19-137

Book Review: Adele Reinhartz, *Jesus of Hollywood* (Oxford University Press, 2007)
7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Join us for a discussion of *Jesus of Hollywood*, including film clips from the book and favorite film clips of the panelists.

W. Barnes Tatum, Greensboro College, Panelist

Paula Fredriksen, Boston University, Panelist

Adele Reinhartz, University of Ottawa, Panelist

S19-138

Book Reivew Session: Christopher R. Seitz, *Prophecy and Hermeneutics: Toward a New Introduction to the Prophets* (Baker, 2007)
7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Panelist

David L. Petersen, Emory University, Panelist

Christopher Seitz, University of St. Andrews-Scotland, Respondent

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S20-1

SBL Program Unit Chairs Breakfast/Meeting
7:30 AM-8:30 AM

S20-2

Book of the Twelve Prophets Section
9:00 AM-11:30 AM

G. Andrew Tooze, Pfeiffer University
Condemnation of the Priests in Hosea and Malachi: An Intertextual Connection (30 min)

Jeffrey R. Stackert, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Altar Asylum and the Divine Avenger in Amos 9:1–4 (30 min)

Tim Meadowcroft, Bible College of New Zealand
The Lineage of Haggai: Intertextuality in the Haggai Narrative (30 min)

Bradley R. Trick, Duke University
The Piercing of the Prophet in Zechariah 13:3: A Just or Unjust Execution? (30 min)

Martin Proebstle, Seminar Schloss Bogenhofen
The Reception of the Israelite Credo in the Twelve (30 min)

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TUESDAY MORNING

S20-3

Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Passion/Resurrection Narratives*

Ann Graham Brock, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Tony Chartrand-Burke, York University
Heresy Hunting in the New Millennium (30 min)

Pierluigi Piovanelli, University of Ottawa, Respondent (10 min)

Marvin Meyer, Chapman University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Judith Hartenstein, Philipps Universität-Marburg
Non-Canonical Appearance Stories and the Development of the Resurrection Tradition (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cornelia Horn, Saint Louis University-Dumbarton Oaks
Qur'anic Perspectives on Jesus' Life and Death in the Light of the Transmission and Reception History of Apocryphal Christian Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Timothy P. Henderson, Marquette University
The Gospel of Peter and Early Objections to the Resurrection of Jesus (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-4

Christian Theology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *New Proposals in Christian Theology and Bible*

Stephen Fowl, Loyola College in Maryland, Presiding (10 min)

Mark Elliott, University of St. Andrews-Scotland
Theological Insights on and from Leviticus 1-7 (30 min)

Gregory W. Lee, Duke University
Calvin and the New Perspective: Covenant as Ground for a Nuanced View of the Law (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Clayton Libolt, River Terrace Church
A Conversation with Nicholas Wolterstorff's Divine Discourse (30 min)

George C. Heider, Valparaiso University
Atonement and the Gospels (30 min)

S20-5

Deuteronomistic History Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Judah Kraut, University of Pennsylvania
Deciphering the "Shema": A New Approach to Deuteronomy 6:4 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sara J. Milstein, New York University
"When There Was No Judge in Israel": The Deuteronomist's Transformation of Israel's Heroes into Judah's Judges (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John T. Willis, Abilene Christian University
The Strategic Rhetorical Position of 2 Samuel 7 in the Deuteronomistic History (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Patricia Dutcher-Walls, Vancouver School of Theology
Queen Mothers and Royal Politics of the Seventh Century B. C. E. (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amy Gohdes-Luhman, Saint Olaf College
Jezebel and the Deuteronomists Who Created Her (25 min)

Break (5 min)

S20-6

Greco-Roman Religions Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Hybridization and Creolization in the Greek and Roman Worlds*

Nancy Evans, Wheaton College, Presiding

James Constantine Hanges, Miami University
Hybridity and the Roman Mystery Cult of Palaimon at Isthmia (25 min)

Barbette Stanley Spaeth, College of William and Mary
The Epigraphical Evidence for the Prevalence of Roman Cult in Ancient Corinth (25 min)

Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound
Ludi and the Development of Roman Identity (25 min)

Bradford A. Kirkegaard, University of Pennsylvania
Aphrodite at Aphrodisias: A Case Study in Greco-Anatolian and Roman Hybridization (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S20-7

Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Theme: *Archaeology, Texts, and Inscriptions*

Max van de Wiel, Tilburg University
Job 29: The Search for an Integration of Archeological and Semantic Data in a Cognitive Study (25 min)

Simcha Shalom Brooks, London, UK
New Insight into Gibeon as a Center of Worship at the Time of Saul (25 min)

William D. Barker, University of Cambridge
Slaying the Hero to Build the Temple: A New Assessment of the Tell Asmar Cylinder Seal (25 min)

Ralph K. Hawkins, Bethel College
Gilgal or Gilgalim?: Fortified Encampments in the Israelite Settlement (25 min)

Meir Lubetski, City University of New York, Bernard M. Baruch College
Decoding the Epigraphy and Icons of an Egyptian-Inspired Hebrew Seal Impression (25 min)

Carl E. Savage, Drew University
Sacred Space at the Gate: The High Places at the Gate of Et-Tell/Bethsaida (25 min)

Zvi Lederman, Tel Aviv University and Shlomo Bunimovitz, Tel Aviv University
The Hanan Clan: Epigraphic Evidence for Iron Age Canaanite Continuity in the Northern Shephelah of Judah (25 min)

S20-8

Hellenistic Judaism Section / Pseudepigrapha Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Exemplarity and Perfection in Hellenistic Judaism*

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley, Presiding

Annette Yoshiko Reed, McMaster University
The Construction and Subversion of Patriarchal Perfection (20 min)

Andrei Orlov, Marquette University
Enoch and the Anthropos: Restoration of the Glory of Adam in 2 (Slavonic) Enoch (20 min)

William Adler, North Carolina State University
Exemplary figures in the Palaea Historica *(20 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Hindy Najman, University of Toronto
Education and Transformation in 4 Ezra (20 min)

Benjamin G. Wright, III, Lehigh University
Ben Sira on the Sage as Exemplar (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S20-9

John, Jesus, and History Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Jesus and John 13-21*

Jaime Clark-Soles, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Presiding (10 min)

Mark A. Matson, Milligan College
The Historical Plausibility of John's Passion Chronology: A Reconsideration (35 min)

Jeffrey Paul Garcia, Nyack College
See My Hands and Feet: Fresh Light on a Johannine Midrash (35 min)

Michael Labahn, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
John 21 and the Adoption of Sinners: Developing Meaning Between Johannine Repetitions/Variations, Relecturing John, and Memorizing Jesus (35 min)

R. Alan Culpepper, McAfee School of Theology
John 21:24–25: The Johannine Sphragis *(35 min)*

S20-10

Mark Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Textual Beginnings and Endings in Mark*

Tom Shepherd, Union College, Presiding

Dean B. Deppe, Calvin Theological Seminary
Markan Christology and the Omission of yiou theou *in Mark 1:1 (15 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

Clinton Wahlen, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies
The Freer Logion and Early Eschatological Reflection (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Marie Noonan Sabin, Bristol, ME
A New Ending for Mark? (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

The papers will be summarized, not read. Papers may be obtained for reading in advance by e-mail request to the chair, Tom Shepherd, at *toshephe@ucollege.edu*.

S20-11

Methodological Reassessments of the Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Letter of Jude: Discussion of Invited Papers*

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto, Presiding

Betsy J. Bauman-Martin, Saint Norbert College
Postcolonial Perversions in the Epistle of Jude (30 min)

J. Daryl Charles, Union University
Polemic and Persuasion: Literary-Rhetorical Perspectives on the Epistle of Jude (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Darian Lockett, The King's College, New York City
Purity and Polemic in Jude (30 min)

Robert L. Webb, McMaster University
Rhetography in the Rhetoric of Jude: A Sociorhetorical Reading (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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S20-12

Midrash Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Modes of Interpretation in Syriac, Rabbinic, and Islamic traditions*

Robert R. Phenix, Jr., Saint Louis University
The Sermons on Joseph of Balai of Qennešrin (Early Fifth Century C. E.) as a Witness to the Transmission History and Interpretive Development of Joseph Traditions (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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TUESDAY MORNING

Michael Pregill, New York, NY
The Ox, the Chariot, and the Glory: Islamic and Jewish Traditions on the Golden Calf (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Steven D. Sacks, Cornell College
The Shadow of Abraham's Camel: An Examination of Shared Traditions in Late Midrash and Early Islam (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S20-13

New Historicism and the Hebrew Bible Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Harold C. Washington, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Jacob Erickson, Yale University
The Ambiguity of Jehu: A Reexamination of Sanctioned Violence in 2 Kings 9-10 (30 min)

C. Shaun Longstreet, University of California, Irvine
Recentering Esther: Identity Politics in Jerusalem at the End of the Persian Period (30 min)

Robert D. Miller, II, Mount Saint Mary's Seminary
New Cultural History and the Zion Hymns as Constructive of Identity (30 min)

Chesung Ryu, Graduate Theological Union
The Silence of Jonah: A Postcolonial Reading (30 min)

S20-14

Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *The Former Prophets in the Pentateuch and the Pentateuch in the Former Prophets*

Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich, Presiding

Marc Brettler, Brandeis University
The Voice is (Nearly) the Voice of the Deuteronomist: The Deuteronomistic Editing of the Enneateuch (30 min)

Thomas B. Dozeman, United Theological Seminary
The Golden Calf in the Enneateuch (30 min)

Albert De Pury, University of Geneva
Undoing Pg: The Corrective and Restraining Trends in the Reception of P (30 min)

Suzanne Boorer, Murdoch University
The Envisioning of the Land in the Priestly Material: Fulfilled Promise or Future Hope? (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-15

Religious Experience in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Communal Religious Experiences in Paul's Churches*

Rodney Werline, Barton College, Presiding

Nicolae Roddy, Creighton University
"Fill Your Stomach with It": Hierophagy as Religious Experience (25 min)

Dan W. Clanton, Jr., Denver, CO
The Hairy Situation at Corinth: Androgyny and Eschatology in 1 Corinthians 11:2–16 (25 min)

Bert Jan Lietaert Peerbolte, Protestant Theological University
Baptism in Paul: A Life Changing Experience? (25 min)

Rollin Ramsaran, Emmanuel School of Religion
Religious Experience "In Christ": A Modest Pauline Appraisal (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting to Follow

S20-16

Romans through History and Cultures Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Focal Points in Readings of Romans: Eschatology, Apocalyptic, Messianism*

Cristina Grenholm, Karlstad University, Presiding (5 min)

Alf Christophersen, Ludwig-Maximilians Universität
Erik Peterson's Concept of Eschatology (20 min)

William S. Campbell, University of Wales Lampeter
Kaesemann on Romans: The End of an Era or the Way to the Future? (20 min)

Douglas Harink, The King's University College
"Messianic Time" and Readings of Romans by Giorgio Agamben, Karl Barth, and N. T. Wright (20 min)

Hans-Ulrich Weidemann, University of Tübingen, Respondent (15 min)

Ian Rock, Codrington College, Respondent (15 min)

Kathy Ehrensperger, University of Wales Lampeter, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

Papers will be summarized; they are availble from 1 October under *www.vanderbilt.edu/AnS/religious_studies/sbl2007*.

S20-17

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Richard J. Saley, Harvard University
Revisiting 4QJeremiah-a,c vis-a-vis 4QJeremiah-b,d (35 min)

Rick Van de Water, San Francisco State University
Qumran, Masada and the Text of Ezekiel (35 min)

Harry F. van Rooy, North-West University
The Minor Versions and the Text of Ezekiel (35 min)

Francisco J. del Barco, Universidad Complutense de Madrid and Maria-Teresa Ortega-Monasterio, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Textual Criticism of the Bible during the Spanish Renaissance (35 min)

S20-18

Bible and American Popular Culture Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Ruben Dupertuis, Trinity University, Presiding

David G. Garber, Jr., McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University
From Nahum 3 to "Number Six": The Biblical Motif of the Tortured Woman in American Popular Culture (30 min)

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University
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Matthew S. Rindge, Emory University
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Future of the Past: Biblical and Cognate Studies for the Twenty-First Century Group

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *What Biblical Scholars Need to Know About Comparative Approaches to Ancient Mediterranean Religions*

Dennis MacDonald, Institute of Antiquity and Christianity, Presiding

David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire, Respondent (10 min)

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S20-20

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Theology and Trauma*

Juliana Claassens, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding

Samuel Balentine, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Panelist (20 min)

Kathleen O'Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University, Panelist (20 min)

Cathy Caruth, Emory University, Respondent (25 min)

Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

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Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Theme: *Assyrian, Egyptian, and Judean Apocalyptic in a Comparativist Perspective*

Peter Machinist, Harvard University, Presiding

Kaisa Vaittinen, University of Helsinki
Prophecy, Apocalyptic Literature, and Literary Predictive Texts: How to Read and Why? (20 min)

Matthew Neujahr, Yale University
Cuneiform Perspectives on Daniel and the Development of the Genre Apocalypse (20 min)

Paul-Alain Beaulieu, University of Toronto
The Babylonian Roots of the Motif of the Fiery Furnace in Daniel 3 (20 min)

Matthias Henze, Rice University
Apocalyptic Appropriation of Ancient Near Eastern Mythology in Daniel 7–12 (20 min)

Bernd U. Schipper, University of Bremen
Between Tradition and Propaganda: Apocalyptic Literature from Ptolemaic Egypt (20 min)

John Collins, Yale University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)



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- Offer members opportunities for mutual support, intellectual growth, and professional development as teachers and scholars
- Organize congresses for scholarly exchange
- Facilitate broad and open discussion from a variety of perspectives
- Encourage study of biblical literature and its cultural contexts
- Collaborate with educational institutions and other appropriate organizations to support biblical scholarship and teaching
- Develop resources for diverse audiences, including students, religious communities, and the general public
- Publish biblical scholarship

These strategic goals are, in turn, pursued through a number of SBL programs and initiatives under the leadership of SBL volunteers and staff.

Programs and Initiatives

Congresses

The Society's meetings bring together scholars from around the world to foster biblical scholarship by:

- showcasing the latest in biblical research
- fostering collegial contacts
- advancing research
- highlighting a wide range of professional issues

Annual Meeting

The North American Annual Meeting is the largest international gathering of biblical scholars in the world. Each meeting highlights the study of the Bible, archaeology, related languages and literatures, theology, religion, and contemporary issues such as the Bible in American public education. The Annual Meeting also features the world's largest exhibit of books and digital resources for biblical studies—all of which are also for sale at this congress. Members benefit from the meetings of other organizations that convene at the same time.

International Meeting

The International Meeting is held annually outside North America. The size and varying locales of this meeting provide a unique and intimate forum for scholarly discourse across continents. The program draws attention to the regional interests of biblical scholarship, both in our host institution and as represented in the institutions of our attendees. The meeting usually takes place between the beginning of July and the middle of August.

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SBL Publications offers a wide variety of resources for biblical studies specialists as well as students in colleges, universities, and seminaries; leaders in church and synagogue settings; and members of the general public. Books published include major reference works, commentaries, text editions and translations, scholarly monographs, tools for teaching and research, and works of general interest. In addition, the SBL serves as the exclusive distributor of all Brown Judaic Studies volumes and as the North American distributor of works by Sheffield Phoenix Press. The *Journal of Biblical Literature* is one of the oldest and most distinguished journals in biblical scholarship, while the online *Review of Biblical Literature* offers the most comprehensive review of biblical studies publications. The Society also sponsors the online journal *TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism* and *The Online Critical Pseudepigrapha.* Finally, the Society continues to provide leadership for font development, markup standards, and digitization of primary sources through partnerships with museums and related institutions.

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The Status of Women in the Profession Committee encourages the participation of women in all areas of biblical studies. In pursuit of this mandate, the committee focuses its efforts in the areas of mentoring, networking, and opening biblical studies to greater participation by women. Funding is given for a limited number of non–North American women to attend congresses.

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The Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has long supported the recruitment and mentoring of racial and ethnic minority students from among the African American, Asian, Hispanic, and Native American populations.

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- facilitate a greater connection between students and the Society with a view toward lifetime membership, volunteer involvement, and leadership
- provide resources and programming specifically geared toward student members
- to develop and groom the next generation of leaders

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The Society's Career Services encompasses *Openings* and an employment center at the Annual Meeting. *Openings: Employment Opportunities for Scholars of Religion* is published electronically each month and is available through the SBL website at no cost to members. The Employment Information Services Center operates each year at the Annual Meeting and offers a central location for job candidates and institutions to meet, along with other helpful events such as panel reviews of pertinent topics that focus on the "how to" of the application and job-interview process.

Regions

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The eleven regions identify exemplary new scholars, particularly women and underrepresented minorities, for consideration and selection as one of the Society's Regional Scholars. A maximum of six regional scholars are selected each year and given stipends to cover a portion of the cost of attending the Annual Meeting.

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In partnership with the Louisville Institute, the Society will be offering Religious Leadership Seminars on a regional basis in the coming year. Each of these Seminars will be focused on current topics and will provide an update on the latest scholarship for religious leaders from the local community.

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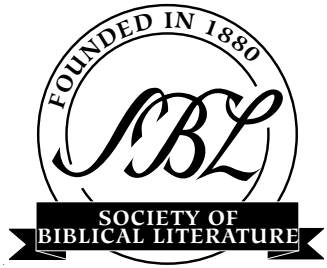
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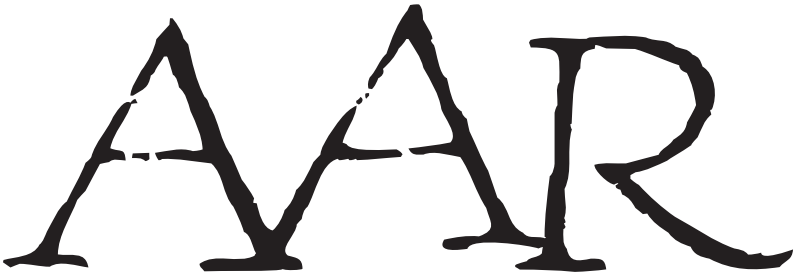
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Welcome to the 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. This Annual Meeting brings together a remarkable group of scholars, from the US and from abroad, and a dazzling collection of scholarly organizations which study religion from a wide variety of perspectives. During our stay in San Diego, you will have the opportunity to network with friends, participate in scholarly discourses, attend committee gatherings and annual business meetings, participate in professional development programs, take tours, seek employment or participate in faculty searches, and have access to the finest collections of scholarly publications in our field. It is my hope that this gathering will nurture you mind and spirit, and that you will take full advantage of the host of resources that have gathered here in San Diego.

As planning for future meetings moves forward, I welcome comments and suggestions from our members, friends, and associates about the ways the American Academy of Religion can support your work in the study of religion and theology. Please feel free to contact me or other staff colleagues at our Executive Offices. Until then, with every good wish for a productive and enjoyable Annual Meeting, I am

Sincerely yours,

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AAR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Plenary Addresses



The Covenant with Black America (A17-132)

Saturday, 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Tavis Smiley, Los Angeles, CA

From his celebrated conversations with world figures, to his work to inspire the next generation of leaders, as a broadcaster, author, advocate, and philanthropist, Tavis Smiley continues to be an outstanding voice for change. Smiley hosts the late night television talk show, *Tavis Smiley* on PBS, and radio show, *The Tavis Smiley Show* on Public Radio International, making him the first American ever to simultaneously host signature talk shows on both public television and public radio. He also created the Tavis Smiley Foundation, whose mission is to enlighten, encourage and empower black youth, as well as Tavis Smiley Presents, a subsidiary of The Smiley Group, Inc., that brings ideas and people together through symposiums, seminars, forums, and town hall meetings. In addition, he has authored ten books, and he made publishing history when the book he edited, *The Covenant with Black America,* reached #1 on the New York Times bestseller list.



Presidential Plenary and Awards Ceremony: The Folly of Secularism (A17-404)

Saturday, 7:45 pm-9:00 pm

Jeffrey Stout, Princeton University

Jeffrey Stout is the author of *The Flight from Authority, Ethics after Babel*, and *Democracy and Tradition*, as well as co-editor of *Grammar and Grace: Reformulations of Aquinas and Wittgenstein*. He is now working on a sequel to *Democracy and Tradition,* tentatively titled *Walking in Our Sleep*. Stout's interests include theories of religion, religious and philosophical ethics, philosophy of religion, social criticism, political thought, modern theology, and film. He is a contributing editor of the *Journal of Religious Ethics*.

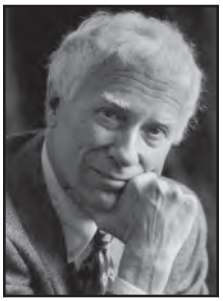


Isobel Coleman (A18-226)

Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Isobel Coleman, Council on Foreign Relations

Isobel Coleman, Senior Fellow for US Foreign Policy and Director of the Women and Foreign Policy Program at the Council on Foreign Relations, will be interviewed by Zayn Kassam, Pomona College. Coleman's forthcoming book, *Paradise beneath Her Feet: Islamic Feminism in the Middle East*, examines the role of women in bringing reform to the Muslim world—specifically in Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan, and Afghanistan—and in determining whether these societies can transition to functioning democracies with modern economies. She holds a D.Phil. in international relations from Oxford University and was an adjunct professor at American University. Dr. Kassam is the author of *Introduction to the World's Major Religions: Islam*, and she has published several articles, lectured widely, and is working on a book on gender issues in the Muslim world. Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University, will preside. The program includes substantial time for questions from the audience.



How Social Justice Got to Me, and Why It Never Left (A18-402)

Sunday, 7:15 pm-8:15 pm

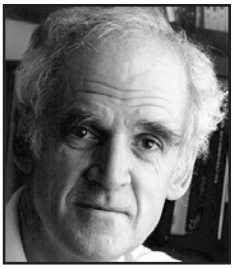
Nicholas Wolterstorff, Yale University

Nicholas Wolterstorff received his B.A. from Calvin College in 1953 and his Ph.D. in philosophy from Harvard University in 1956. Before taking up his current position as Noah Porter Professor of Philosophical Theology at Yale, he taught for thirty years at his alma mater, Calvin College. After concentrating on metaphysics at the beginning of his career, he spent a good many years working primarily on aesthetics and philosophy of art. In more recent years, he has been concentrating on epistemology, philosophy of religion, and political philosophy. In the fall of 1993 he gave the Wilde Lectures at Oxford University, and in the spring of 1995 he gave the Gifford Lectures at St. Andrews University. He has been president of the American Philosophical Association (Central Division) and of the Society of Christian Philosophers.

Religious Mobilizations (A18-403)

Sunday, 8:30 pm-9:30 pm

Charles Taylor, Northwestern University, McGill University



Charles Taylor, Northwestern University and McGill University, is the 2007 Templeton Prize winner for his long-standing efforts to examine the role of spiritual thinking in modern society. His work is a standard in philosophy, theology, and the social sciences, and it provides a map of the central issues of debate in the historical development of the understanding of the self and the relations between the religious and the secular. Taylor argues against the idea that the rational movement that began in the Enlightenment renders morality and spirituality as anachronisms. Problems such as violence and bigotry can only be solved by considering their secular and spiritual dimensions, and wholly depending on secularized viewpoints leads to fragmented, faulty results. Taylor insists that a narrow, reductive sociological approach wrongly denies the full account of how and why humans strive for meaning. Taylor's latest book, *A Secular Age*, was published by Harvard University Press.



Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions (A19-300)

Monday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mu-Chou Poo, Academia Sinica

Mu-chou Poo was born and educated in Taiwan, received a B.A. in History from National Taiwan University in 1975 and a Ph.D. in Egyptology from The Johns Hopkins University in 1984. He is a Research Fellow at the Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, and adjunct professor at the Graduate Institute of Religion, National Cheng-chih University, Taipei. He has taught as visiting professor at University of California, Columbia University, Grinnell College, and Hong Kong Chinese University. His research interests include society and religion in ancient Egypt and China. His recent research takes a comparative approach to ancient history and religion. He has published both in Chinese and English. Major English publications include *Wine and Wine Offering in the Religion of Ancient Egypt* (Kegan Paul International, 1995); *In Search of Personal Welfare: A View of Ancient Chinese Religion* (State University of New York Press, 1998); *Enemies of Civilization: Attitudes toward Foreigners in Ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt, and China* (State University of New York Press, 2005).

Welcoming the Stranger: Why Immigrants Are More Than a Luxury (A19-400)

Monday, 7:15 pm-8:45 pm

Ernesto J. Cortés, Jr., Austin, TX



Ernesto J. Cortés, Jr. serves as Southwest regional director of the Chicago-based Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), and he has worked to organize communities in the poor neighborhoods of Texas and throughout the Southwest. Mr. Cortés founded the first IAF affiliate in Texas, Communities Organized for Public Service (COPS), in his hometown of San Antonio. Possessed of a deep respect for the dignity of the people he seeks to help, he adheres to what he calls the "iron rule" of community activism: Never do for others what they can do for themselves. Rather than seek to impose an outsider's view of what a community needs, he helps citizens to organize into trusting relationships and to develop the tools they need to exercise power on their own behalf. Ernesto Cortés has successfully translated his passion for justice into helping the politically disenfranchised of all races and faiths discover their political strength.

Pre-Conference Workshops

Chairs Workshop: *Best Practices: Diversifying Your Faculty—Honest Conversations* (A16-100)

Friday, 9:00 am-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

The workshop will deal with issues on how to diversify the academic institution, specifically the student body and the administration. Based on the *Career Guide for Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession*, the program will be an honest and open discussion on good practices to follow along with pitfalls to avoid. Plenary, panels, and interactive break-out sessions will be featured. Featured speakers include Sharon Watson Fluker, Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Edwin Aponte, and Fumitaka Matsuoka. Breakout sessions will be led by Edwin Aponte, Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Akintude Akinade, and Miguel A. De La Torre.

Separate registration is required. Please see page 128 for registration form.

Leadership Workshop: *The Religion Major and Liberal Education* (A16-101)

Friday, 9:00 am-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Teagle Foundation

Amid changing global and academic contexts, what is the nature and role of the religion major? What are its goals, and how do they relate to the goals of a liberal education? How do we know if we are succeeding in meeting these goals? The workshop will bring together a distinguished group of experts to lead a day-long, interactive discussion of the religion major. Through plenaries, panels, and breakout sections, participants will explore and share challenges, best practices, success stories, and failures. The workshop is part of an eighteen-month-long joint AAR/Teagle Foundation project to study the religion major.

The workshop will benefit a range of participants: faculty, administrators, and graduate students. The goal is to bring a diverse group of AAR members together in a lively and open discussion about what it means to major in religion, what our field contributes (and should contribute) to the education of our students, and how we can be better at what we do.

Separate registration is required. Please see page 130 for registration form.

Religion and Media Workshop: *Religion and New Media—Old Tools or New Trajectories?* (A16-104)

Friday, 10:00 am-6:00 pm

From stone tablets to scrolls, printing presses to the Internet, artists, journalists, and believers of all stripes have used the advanced technology of their age. However, the question arises as to whether these new media are merely tools, or actually arbiters of religious change itself. This day-long workshop begins with questions such as: How is the representation of religion effected in new media incarnations, from the Internet to gaming? How is new media changing traditional journalism, and what are the effects on religion reporting? Could new media even be changing religion itself, in terms of what it means to those who practice it—or even how it is practiced? These are some of the issues covered in presentations by Jeff Sharlet, writer/editor of *The Revealer, Harpers, Rolling Stone*; Eddo Stern, game designer; Tracy Fullerton, game designer, University of Southern California; Ryan Bolger, co-author, *Emerging Churches*; and Heidi Campbell, author, *When Religion Meets New Media*.

Separate registration is required. Please see page 126 for registration form.

Women's Caucus Workshop (A16-105)

Friday, 12:00 pm-3:00 pm

Sponsored by the Women's Caucus

Includes three mini-sessions on Strategies for Women in the Profession, Women and Online Teaching, and Women in the Classroom.

EIS Center Orientation (A16-400)

Friday, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the EIS Advisory Committee

The EIS Center orientation will feature a short presentation which will include an overview of the center, an explanation of how to best utilize the center, and a question and answer session. After the presentation, the center will be open for use, with the exception of the Interview Hall. Employers will be able to review candidate credentials, leave messages for registered candidates, and make reservations for booth space. Candidates will be able to pick up their copy of the Annual Meetings Special Edition of *Openings* and leave messages for employers. The center will also accept on-site registrations at this time. Employers and candidates are encouraged to participate in orientation but are not required to attend.

Special Topics Forums

What's My Job? Academic Citizenship and the Well-Being of Schools, Departments, and Programs (A17-100)

Saturday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee

Professors' jobs are often described as "three-legged stools" supported by scholarship, teaching, and service. This session reframes "service" as "citizenship" and what it means to be a good citizen of the academy. Topics will include understanding and effectively engaging in shared governance, collaboration and collegiality, and representing the Academy in/to the public. As a special focus, we will ask about the impacts of the growing percentage of part-time and temporary faculty members in our institutions: (e.g., how does this affect the citizenship requirements of the shrinking tenure-line faculty, what citizenship responsibilities accompany part-time and temporary faculty work, what responsibilities do tenure-line faculty have toward part-time and temporary faculty as fellow citizens of our institutions?)

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Studies of World Religions in Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan (A17-101)

Saturday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Visiting scholars participating in the 2007 international focus on China will speak about the state of the field in China in the study of various religious traditions, including Chinese religious traditions, Christianity, and Islam. The participants will include Archie Lee, Weichi Zhou, Yen-zen Tsai, and Mu-chou Poo. Kwok Pui Lan and Jin Hee Han will moderate the session.

ATLA Career Alternatives Luncheon: Focus on Religion and Journalism (A17-133)

Saturday, 11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and American Theological Library Association

Students in religion and theology often find creative and rewarding career alternatives to the life of a professor. This year, our ongoing Career Alternatives series focuses on the intersection of religion and the media: what career opportunities exist for people interested in both religion and communicating ideas about religion using the expanding varieties of news media? Come listen to talented and experienced writers discuss their lives in religion and journalism.

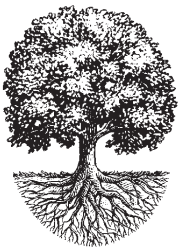
AAR student members interested in attending must RSVP online ASAP (first-come, first-served basis) at *www.aarweb.org/Meetings/Annual_Meeting/Current_Meeting/RSVP/ATLA*. Online registration deadline is noon on Wednesday, November 14.

Introduction to the AAR (A17-200)

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

The American Academy of Religion sponsors a broad umbrella of programs, affiliations, and subgroups: the Theological Programs Initiative, mentoring programs for women and ethnic minorities, the Graduate Student Committee and Student Liaison Group, a multitude of associated regional meetings, the Employment Information Service, and various publishing enterprises, to name just a few. If you're confused by the AAR's alphabet soup (TPI, REM, SWP, GSC, SLG, EIS, and more), or if you've ever wondered what else the AAR does besides the Annual Meeting, come hear about the wide range of services and opportunities for service offered to all AAR members.



Sustainable Theological Education (A17-201)

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee, the Theological Education Steering Committee, and SBL

As the declining health of the earth reaches a critical point, religious people from a wide variety of traditions are beginning to respond. It has been forty years since Lynn White issued what many saw as a wake-up call. Institutions of theological education should be providing vigorous, visionary leadership on this issue, but are they?

Six of the prophetic voices that have encouraged both churches and seminaries to address the worsening ecological crisis have been asked to reflect on the significant role of theological education in leading the faith community to respond. What leadership can seminaries provide through scholarship, academic programs, community life, building and grounds, and institutional practices? What unique opportunities and challenges does theological education face in meeting the environmental challenge? Ample time will be allowed for discussion. See *www.webofcreation.org* for more on this session and what some schools are already doing.

Interdisciplinary, Theoretical, and Ideological Implications of the AAR and SBL Split (A17-300)

Saturday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Program Committee, the Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group, and SBL

This session examines the theoretical, ideological, and interdisciplinary implications of the decision to discontinue joint meetings of the AAR and SBL. The four panelists reflect on the origin and history of the decades-long relation between these two important professional associations and implications of the upcoming shift in that relationship. This involves discussing the historical development of Religious and Biblical Studies as academic fields and of parallels and contrasts in their methodological and theoretical allegiances.

Race and Environmental Justice (A17-301)

Saturday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

This panel will explore the intersections between race and environmental justice. While the field of environmental ethics often raises themes of sustainable community and nature/animal quality of life, religious and theological perspectives on how racism contributes to environmental injustice are not often addressed. Panelists will discuss theo-ethical perspectives on environmental racism by providing an overview of current discourse in the field. They will also discuss intersections among environmental racism, injustice, and globalization. Methodologies from eco-feminist and eco-womanist perspectives will uncover parallel oppressions faced by women around the globe and endured by the earth. These perspectives, as well as a critical Buddhist ethical response, will offer new constructive models of earth care that can be applied to resist environmental racism.

Fifty Years of Women in the AAR and SBL: The Battles of Yesterday and the Challenges of Tomorrow (A18-100)

Sunday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the AAR Status of Women in the Profession Committee and SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession

Panelists Rebecca Alpert, Rita Nakashima Brock, Katie Cannon, Liz Clark, Kwok Pui Lan, Carolyn Osiek, Rosemary Radford Reuther, and Emilie Townes reflect on the successes of the past and the hopes for and challenges of the future.

Teaching the Introductory Theology Course in Theological Schools (A18-101)

Sunday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Theological Education Steering Committee

What makes for a good Introduction to Theology course in the context of a theological school? Four theologians in different types of theological schools will share how they structure their courses—syllabi and all—and why they do it that way, what their goals are for the courses, what pedagogical methods they have found most effective, what resources they have found useful, and how they assess whether the courses achieve their goals.

Wabash Center and AAR Student Teacher Luncheon (A18-132)

Sunday, 11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and the Wabash Center

The Wabash Center and AAR Graduate Student Committee cordially invites AAR and SBL graduate student members to this lunch gathering with experienced faculty mentors to share in a conversation about teaching. Participation is by advance registration only, limited to the first 50 doctoral student members whose registration the AAR receives at *www.aarweb.org/Meetings/Annual_Meeting/Current_Meeting/RSVP/Wabash.*

The Marty Forum: Robert N. Bellah (A18-200)

Sunday, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

The recipient of the 2007 Martin Marty Award for contributions to the public understanding of religion is Robert N. Bellah, Elliott Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Berkeley. Bellah has authored or co-authored numerous influential books and articles in the sociology of religion, including *Beyond Belief; The Broken Covenant; The New Religious Consciousness; Varieties of Civil Religion and Uncivil Religion; Habits of the Heart;* and *The Good Society*. The Marty Forum provides an informal setting in which Bellah will talk about his work with Randall Balmer, Columbia University, and engage in discussion with the audience.

How to Propose a New AAR Program Unit (A18-277)

Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Program Committee

Join the chair of the Program Committee and the AAR Annual Meeting Program Director for an informal chat about upcoming Annual Meeting initiatives as well as the guidelines and policies for proposing a new Annual Meeting program unit.

A Conversation with Stacey Floyd-Thomas, 2007 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner (A18-229)

Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Join us for a conversation with about teaching with Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School, winner of the 2007 AAR Excellence in Teaching award. Floyd-Thomas will post some of her teaching materials at *www.aarweb.org* a few weeks before the annual meeting.

The Tenure Book(s): How to Strategize Your Publications to Increase Your Chances of Tenure and Promotion (A18-300)

Sunday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Program Committee, *Publishers Weekly,* and SBL

In the good old days, tenure was a given if you pumped out a few well-received articles. Now, the expectation sometimes is for junior scholars to write two books and several articles, all of which need to make an impact in their field and be timed appropriately to help their tenure bids. As the bar is raised ever higher, how can junior faculty strategize their publications to further the goal of tenure? In this session, scholars from three different types of institutions will speak to the tenure expectations in their schools, while two editors from university presses will discuss the changing demands for the scholarly book in the marketplace. Questions addressed will include the following: How have scholarly expectations changed about the number and nature of pre-tenure publications? Do I need to publish a second book, and what does the second book have to be? How is it possible to publish two highly academic books when many prestigious university presses are seeking to acquire commercially appealing books over limited-audience scholarly monographs? How should I time my tenure book (or books) for maximum impact? How much is a revered university press imprimatur worth in getting tenure? Does an edited anthology count toward tenure? As always for the *Publishers Weekly* session, forty-five minutes will be allotted for audience questions.

A Conversation with Bill Viola, 2007 AAR Religion and the Arts Award Winner (A18-302)

Sunday, 5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Bill Viola is considered a pioneer in the medium of video art and is internationally recognized as one of today's leading artists. He has been instrumental in the establishment of video as a vital form of contemporary art, and in so doing has helped to greatly expand its scope in terms of technology, content, and historical reach. Viola's video installations—total environments that envelop the viewer in image and sound—employ state-of-the-art technologies and are distinguished by their precision and direct simplicity. Viola uses video to explore the phenomena of sense perception as an avenue to self-knowledge. His works focus on universal human experiences—birth, death, the unfolding of consciousness—and have roots in both Eastern and Western art as well as spiritual traditions, including Zen Buddhism, Islamic Sufism, and Christian mysticism. Using the inner language of subjective thoughts and collective memories, his videos communicate to a wide audience, allowing viewers to experience the work directly, and in their own personal way.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Roundtable on *The Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* (A18-303)

Sunday, 5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*

Published in 2005, *The Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* offers a rich and wide-ranging study of the relationships among humans, their religions, and their natural environments. This roundtable discussion provides an opportunity for various critical reflections on the aims of the encyclopedia, the material and methodological advances it offers, and the challenges it faces and/or uncovers for future scholarship.

Daoist Studies in China (A19-100)

Monday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Leading Chinese and non-Chinese scholars will consider the state of Daoist studies within China and abroad today.

Teaching with, against, and to Faith (A19-101)

Monday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

This panel will discuss the impact of faith issues in the religion classroom, in both religious studies and theological settings. The panelists will give short presentations on the question: How does your own, your students', your community's, and your institution's religious commitments or lack thereof influence your teaching? Panelists will also articulate a specific strategy they employ in dealing with faith issues.

Religion and Education in Europe: The REDCo Research Project (A19-201)

Monday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion in the Schools Task Force

The European Union commissioned a three-year study (2006-2009) of the impact of teaching about religion in schools across Europe to assess whether learning about religion in specific national contexts promotes dialogue and/or conflict. The study targets students between the ages of 14-16 in eight European countries and focuses on 1) students' perceptions of the role of religion in promoting conflict and/or dialogue and 2) an analysis of observed teaching practices in both dialogue and conflict situations. Wolfram Weisse from the University of Hamburg is the project leader, and the following eight European countries are involved: Estonia, Russia, Norway, Germany, the Netherlands, France, England, and Spain. Professor Weisse will give an overview of the project and highlight the main results from the first year of the study. Diane L. Moore, Harvard University, and a scholar of religion and education from the southern hemisphere will serve as respondents.

Going Public on Religion: Paradise or Pitfall? (A19-202)

Monday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Panelists will discuss their experiences with the news media and mainstream publishing to further our collective reflection on our role as scholars of religion. What does it mean for us to participate in broader public debates about the role of religion in current events and public life? As religious studies scholars are increasingly asked to reach broader audiences, and are sought by the mainstream media and trade presses, what is lost and what is gained? Or, as we learn to talk in sound bites, what perils or pitfalls await us? These are some of the questions that panelists will address in this special topics forum.

How to Publish Your Book: Advice from Oxford University Press and from the Editors of the AAR Book Series and *JAAR* (A19-301)

Monday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

Founded on the premise that scholars know best what books are needed in the fields of religion and theology, the AAR publishing program with Oxford University Press produces quality scholarship for religion scholars and their students. OUP is a premier international publisher, and the AAR has published hundreds of titles, many of which have become essential tools in the development of our field and in the training of new scholars. AAR/OUP books are published in five series: Academy Series; Religion, Culture, and History Series; Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series; Teaching Religious Studies Series; and Texts and Translations Series. The *JAAR* editor will also discuss essay publishing. This panel provides the opportunity to hear from experienced OUP and AAR editors and ask any and all questions you might have about publishing in the AAR/OUP Series. There will also be an opportunity to speak individually with an editor.

Section Highlights

War and Religion in North America (A17-105)

Saturday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the North American Religions Section and History of Christianity Section

This interactive discussion, featuring, W. Clark Gilpin and Jeffrey Stout as moderators, explores the intersection of religion and war in the history and life of the United States. American historians have long seen wars as turning points in the American journey. From the "radicalism" of the American Revolution to the current "war on terror," wars have fueled dramatic changes in the social, economic, and political lives of Americans. Yet many narratives of religion in the United States do not see war as a primary component in the making of American religion. Just how have wars shaped religious life and practice in the United States? And how, in turn, has religion shaped war, including its military, social, and cultural dimensions? This lively session asks its participants to muster their expertise in service to a critical issue in the life of the AAR and its members.

Images and Narratives of Violence (A17-204)

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

The Arts, Literature, and Religion Section's session on "Images and Narratives of Violence" analyzes the relationship between representations of violence and religious beliefs and practices. Discussing images ranging from photographs from the Revolutionary Association of Women in Afghanistan to the television show *24* and representations of martyrdom, crucifixion, and torture in genres ranging from accounts of the saints to pornography, presenters think about the complex ways in which humans represent and respond to images of suffering bodies and violence, and how religion shapes our viewing and responses to such images.



Chinese Scholarship on the Dunhuang Manuscripts: New Perspectives on Buddhism (A17-205)

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Buddhism Section

The cache of more than 40,000 manuscripts discovered near Dunhuang (Gansu province, northwestern China) in the early 1900s casts new light on the complex religious life of a large Buddhist community on the Silk Road that flourished between 400 and 1000 C.E. Despite a century of study, the Dunhuang corpus remains under-studied, even by specialists in Chinese Buddhism. Since 1980, a new generation of scholars in China has pushed the field in new directions. This panel takes the Dunhuang region as an example of one particular Buddhist cultural formation in the medieval period, asking what it can tell us about the study of Buddhism elsewhere. Specific topics include Buddhist congregations of laypeople organized by local monks acting as priests, concepts of morality and karmic retribution that filtered into secular poetry written in the vernacular language, and the intermixing of Buddhist deities and gods deriving from the local pantheon.

Spectacles of Crucifixion (A17-302)

Saturday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Christian Systematic Theology Section and Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

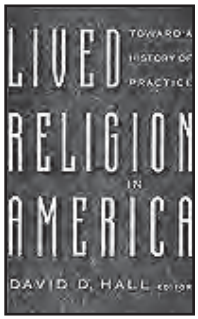
Each year the Christian Systematic Theology Section organizes its sessions around a general theme, which this year is Sin, Grace, and Redemption. These interlinked topics include reflection on the death of Jesus Christ, whose crucifixion is central for much Christian thought and culture. Our co-sponsored session with the Arts, Literature, and Religion Section looks at "Spectacles of Crucifixion." Presenters will discuss various images of Christ's torture, the effects of looking at them, their afterlife in the work of artists ranging from Mel Gibson to Robert Mapplethorpe (by way of Madonna), and their perceived resonance in the photos of torture at Abu Ghraib.

Embodying Bhakti: Devotional Bodies, Fertile Bodies, and Bodies of Desire (A17-306)

Saturday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion in South Asia Section

Hindu traditions provide extensive, elaborate, and multiform discourses of the body, and a sustained investigation of these discourses can contribute in significant ways to scholarship on the body in the history of religions as well as in the human sciences generally. This session is concerned with interrogating the manifold ways in which the body has been represented, disciplined, regulated, and cultivated in bhakti (devotional) traditions. The session comprises four papers, together with a response, that examine discursive representations and practices pertaining to embodiment in a variety of bhakti contexts. The four papers employ various methodologies (historical, textual, ethnographic) in order to explore the connections between bhakti and embodiment in diverse religious communities in different historical periods (medieval to contemporary) and different geographic regions in India (Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Tamilnadu) and the diaspora (Cambodia, United States).



Lived Religion in America Revisited: Current Cases and Theoretical Developments (A18-107)

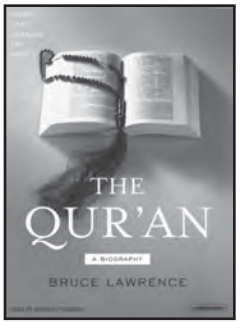
Sunday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Religion and the Social Sciences Section

To mark the tenth anniversary of the publication of *Lived Religion in America: Toward a History of Practice*, the Religion and Social Sciences Section of the AAR would like to recognize this influential work with a panel that explores recent work that takes a lived religion approach to the study of religion in America. Additionally, we particularly hope that this session will make a contribution toward furthering our theoretical understanding of this approach.

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A Book of Signs Over Time: Conversations about the Qur'an with Bruce Lawrence (A18-259)

Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Study of Islam Section

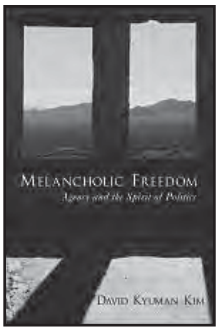
The Study of the Qur'an has entered a dynamic phase of scholarship. Without abandoning the traditional areas of strengths in the genre of tafsir, it has recently expanded to include the multiple and fluid ways in which the Qur'an continues to be a presence in the lives of Muslims globally. This panel is a conversation with one of the leading scholars of Islam, Bruce Lawrence, regarding his recent publication titled *A Book of Signs Over Time*. In this panel, Professor Lawrence will engage a number of leading scholars of Islam about ways of reading and contesting the Qur'an in Islamic(ate) civilizations.

Native, Immigrant, or Refugee? Cultural Identity in a Shifting Environment (A19-105)

Monday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Ethics Section, Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group, and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

San Diego is a city of massive cultural and demographic flow from Latin America and Asia. What are the ethical issues raised by immigration and its impact on the encounter of cultures?

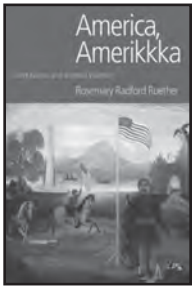


Author Meets Critics: David Kyuman Kim, *Melancholic Freedom: Agency and the Spirit of Politics* (A19-106)

Monday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Philosophy of Religion Section

The panel considers the challenges in David Kyuman Kim's book, *Melancholic Freedom: Agency and the Spirit of Politics* (Oxford, 2007). *Melancholic Freedom* focuses on the contemporary discourse on agency and the dimensions of this discourse that evoke religious dispositions, attitudes, and experiences that allow us to operate under conditions in which freedom and agency appear as a paradox; that is as both achievement and loss. Through a critical engagement with the work of Judith Butler, Charles Taylor, and Stanley Cavell, Kim argues that late modern and postmodern agency is found in "projects of regenerating agency" or critical and strategic responses to loss. Agency as melancholic freedom begins and endures through the moral and psychic losses associated with a broad range of experiences, including the moral identities shaped by secularized modernity and forms of alienation experienced by those who suffer the indignities of racial, gender, class, and sexuality discrimination and oppression.



America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence (A19-110)

Monday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Women and Religion Section and Theology and Religious Reflection Section

The purpose of this panel is to honor the many contributions of Rosemary Radford Ruether in the field of feminist theology, focusing on her most recent book, *America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence.*

"Turning Back" to Conversion: Identity, Space, and Power in Religious Transformation (A19-204)

Monday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Comparative Studies in Religion Section

The papers for this session all engage the concept of conversion, not assuming that there is some easily recognizable religious category or process to which conversion refers, but indeed, highlighting the fact that the word itself is a site of contestation. The papers all question how the term is used and why the definition of conversion—presumably applicable across traditions—can be so fluid. At the same time, each of these papers demonstrates that the term "conversion" has great currency, by virtue of its acceptance, rejection, or manipulation by religious practitioners. While interrogating the usefulness of conversion as a rubric, we consider the role of spatial metaphors in the negotiation of religious identity and questions of power—chiefly involving ethnicity, race, and gender—related to changes in affiliation. In so doing, we wish to open up a larger discussion regarding what "conversion" takes for granted regarding issues of belief, practice, value, and authority.

Art, Ecology, and Mindfulness: Creative Intersections (A19-303)

Monday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

The presentations in this session invite us to a new level of creativity and integration in the teaching of religious studies. Five experienced teachers share their successful use of pedagogical strategies that seek to enlighten students' ecological awareness, bring out students' artistic potential, and cultivate students' inner and relational knowingness through mindfulness practice. The session will include practical "how to" techniques as well as the timely issue of how to assess students' learning in the visual and inner arts. The audience members will be encouraged to participate with their questions and contributions.

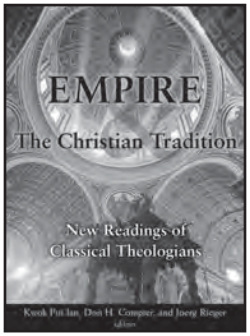


Looking for Hope: Feminist and Historical Studies in Memory of Tikva Frymer-Kensky (A19-308)

Monday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Study of Judaism Section and SBL Biblical Law Section

This session has been organized in memory of Tikva Frymer-Kensky (1943-2006), who was Professor of Hebrew Bible and History of Judaism at the University of Chicago's Divinity School at the time of her death, having earlier taught at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College and Wayne State University. She was the author of *In the Wake of the Goddesses: Women, Culture and the Biblical Transformation of Pagan Myth* (1992) and *Reading the Women of the Bible: A New Interpretation of Their Stories* (2002). Many of her articles were collected in *Studies in the Bible and Feminist Criticism* (2005), a volume in the Jewish Publication Society's esteemed Scholar of Distinction series. The panelists on this session will assess Frymer-Kensky's contribution to the fields of Biblical studies, feminist theology, and the study of antique religion, as well as reflect on her extensive influence by using her insights to ground their own scholarship.



Critical Responses to *Empire and the Christian Tradition: New Readings of Classical Theologians*, Don Compier, Kwok Pui Lan, Joerg Rieger, eds. (Fortress Press, 2007) (A19-309)

Monday, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Theology and Religious Reflection Section

September 11, 2001 and the so-called "war against terrorism" has reminded American churches and the wider public of the growing need to wrestle with questions about the global responsibilities of the United States and American imperialism. While scholars in religion and the Bible have engaged in rigorous debates on the relations among religion, the Bible, and empire, theologians have been slower in responding to critical challenges posted by the neoliberal economy, empire expansion, war and violence, and escalating militarism. This panel will critically assess the contributions of *Empire and the Christian Tradition: New Readings of Classical Theologians*, an anthology that seeks to scrutinize classical theological writings through two millenia in their particular historical and theological contexts from the perspectives of empire, globalization, and colonialism and its aftermath.

Teaching with Texts in the History of Christianity: Textbooks and General Histories for a Changing Field (A20-105)

Tuesday, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the History of Christianity Section

This panel will bring together a group of scholars who have recently published textbooks or general histories of Christianity for a lay audience. They will consider the methodological, historical, and pedagogical issues involved in framing the broad field of the history of Christianity in such a format. Panelists will reflect on their experiences and on the state of the field, considering such topics as the role of author and editor, teaching with a textbook, decisions on inclusion and exclusion, and the opportunity to reframe the history of Christianity in light of contemporary concerns and research. Panelists will consider the pedagogical and historical effects of foregrounding theological controversies, institutional structures and authority, "popular" religion, gender, or local and global Christianities. Patricia O'Connell Killen, the AAR's Excellence in Teaching award recipient for 2006, will comment. The session will include ample time for general discussion.

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Arts Series And Tours



Golden States of Grace: Prayers of the Disinherited (A18-404)

Sunday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

How do those on the margins of society find faith, sanctuary and community? Through *Golden States of Grace: Prayers of the Disinherited*, a photo-documentary and traveling exhibit hailed by the *Los Angles Times* as "A veritable United Nations of spirituality," social documentarian Rick Nahmias sums up three years of work documenting eleven different marginalized groups, across eight faith traditions. From the elderly to the executable, sex workers to refugees of genocide, the rural poor to recovering addicts, *Golden States of Grace* artfully looks at religion from the bottom up, smashing stereotypes and asking questions about who "belongs" in our society and houses of worship. Nahmias will present a multi-media program created exclusively for this event, combining images, audio and music from the project, as well as insight into how the body of work came together logistically and creatively. There will be a question and answer period following the presentation. For more info please visit: *goldenstatesofgrace.com*.

Chinese Dancers (A18-405)

Sunday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Join us for an exciting evening featuring a Los Angeles Chinese folk dance troupe. Dancers will performand information on the dances and thier religious connotations will be available.



San Diego Zoo Tour (A17-130)

Saturday, 9:30 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Science, Religion, and Technology Group

The San Diego Zoo is a world-famous destination with more than 4,000 animals and 800 species in residence. The tour offers a great mini-introduction to the zoo's mammal, bird, and plant collections. It includes a 90-minute private bus tour and one off-exhibit area. The tour is led by a zoo guide and is appropriate for ages 3 and up. Tour fee includes zoo ticket, transportation, and special behind-the scenes access to the zoo.



San Diego Chinese Historical Museum Walking Tour (A17-131)

Saturday, 10:30 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Chinese Religions Group

The San Diego Chinese Historical Museum is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to collect, preserve, and share the Chinese-American experience and Chinese history, culture, and art to educate the community and visitors. The museum was founded in 1996 by the San Diego Chinese Historical Society. Since opening, the museum has presented more than thirty-nine exhibits highlighting the rich tradition of Chinese culture and history in San Diego and the world. The museum also features a library on Chinese culture and a tranquil garden with a koi pond.



Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit at San Diego Natural History Museum (A18-301)

Sunday, 4:45 pm-8:00 pm

The San Diego Natural History Museum's exhibition of the Dead Sea Scrolls is the largest, longest, and most comprehensive ever assembled in any country. Spanning two floors and 12,000 square feet, twenty-seven Dead Sea Scrolls— ten exhibited for the first time—will be on display. The six-month exhibition brings together materials never before shown together: Dead Sea Scrolls from Israel and Jordan reunited for the first time in 60 years, ancient Hebrew codices from the Russian National Library, medieval manuscripts from the British National Library, and modern interpretations of the texts. Tracing the scrolls and their meaning through time, the exhibition connects the ancient world to the modern world. The tour fee includes exhibit ticket, transportation, and a special informational booklet. The exhibit is self-directed and generally takes 90 minutes. Tickets for the tour will be at appointed times between 4:30 pm and 8:30 pm due to exhibit occupancy limitations. You will be contacted to choose an appointment time after your tour reservation form is received.



Sacred and Religious Sites of San Diego Bus Tour (A19-200)

Monday, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

This bus tour will visit a diverse selection of historically and architecturally significant religious sites in the San Diego area, including: Mission San Diego de Alcala, the first of the string of California missions founded by Junipero Serra (1769); the campus of Katherine Tingley's Point Loma Theosophical Society (1896), now part of Point Loma Nazarene University; St. George Serbian Orthodox Church; and St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral (1951).

Films

Jesus Camp (A16-401)

Friday, 7:30 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

This documentary film provides a window into life at the Pentecostal youth camp "Kids on Fire" and by extension also portrays some of the most controversial religious and political aspirations of evangelical Christians in America today. Discussing the making of the film, the directors have expressed their affection for the people they filmed; however, the barrage of heated commentary surrounding the film has raised questions about the objectivity of the filmmakers in their selection and presentation of material. The film therefore provides a window not only into a segment of conservative Christianity but also into the challenges of religious documentary filmmaking. Directed by Rachel Grady and Heidi Ewing, 2006.

King of Masks (A16-402)

Friday, 7:30 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the Daoist Studies Consultation, Confucian Traditions Group, and Women and Religion Section

This touching and provocative film, set in a remote part of China during the 1930s, tells the story of an elderly street performer who makes a marginal living by plying a unique craft which has passed from father to son for generations. Mindful that he has failed his familial duties by having no male heir, the old man reluctantly visits a harrowing black market, where he adopts/purchases a young boy to carry on the family name, as well as the ancient family art of silk masks. However, the boy is hiding a secret, one which challenges the old man's most deeply ingrained beliefs. *King of Masks* offers an intriguing glimpse into Chinese family values, gender relations, and the sometimes dysfunctional legacy of Confucian ethics. In Mandarin Chinese, with English subtitles. Directed by Tian-Ming Wu, 1996.

The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery (A17-405)

Saturday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Chinese Religions Group

The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery documents a sacrificial ceremony as it is performed today in central Hunan province. It is based on a local epic of Han Xin's revenge against the first emperor of the Han Dynasty, Gaozu. Han Xin had been a loyal general who aided Gaozu's rise to power, but the emperor grew jealous of his popularity and had him assassinated for plotting against the throne. The tradition says that upon his death, the sky turned black and his spirit was swept up into the beyond. Han Xin's apotheosis became one of the great Daoist mysteries of the Hunan region. Directed by Patrice Fava, 2005.

Magnolia (A17-406)

Saturday, 9:00 pm-10:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Magnolia's moving portrayal of 24 hours in San Fernando suburbia is an unlikely theological gem. Through narrating the converging lives of a dying television producer, his mourning trophy wife and estranged celebrity son, a quiz show presenter and his crack-addicted daughter, a boy genius struggling without his father's love, and a maudlin ex-boy genius with love to give, *Magnolia* draws out biblically epic themes of sin, regret, hope, reconciliation, and redemption. With its denouement of divine intervention, the film asks questions about the significance of our choices and calls attention to the ways we participate in stories over which we have no control. Directed by Paul Thomas Anderson, 1999.

Water (A18-406)

Sunday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Water (2005) is the third in the elemental trilogy (the first two being *Fire* and *Earth*) directed by Deepa Mehta. Based in 1938 India, *Water* tells the story of the second-class status of widows in Hindu society, delving into the notions of oppression, cultural norms, and Hindu practices. A widow in India during this time period was offered three choices: to throw herself upon her husband's funeral pyre; to marry her husband's brother; or to live the rest of her life in isolation and seclusion. Within the subtext of *Water* and its portrayal of ancient religious practices, the movie brings forward issues of family economy, greed, and the role women play within and on the fringes of society. Directed by Deepa Mehta, 2005.

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Renewal (A19-401)

Monday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group

The *Renewal* multimedia project will include the first documentary to provide an in-depth look at America's emerging religious-environmental movement. Centered on the actions of people of faith who are working to care for the earth and reverse the damage that humans have done to the environment, the story is both surprising and inspiring. Surprising, for the common vision being discovered in two seemingly separate realms—ecology and religion. Inspiring, for its vivid accounts of personal transformation. The two-hour documentary will present dynamic profiles of people acting out of deep, religious conviction to reduce environmental degradation and build more sustainable communities. Produced by Marty Ostrow and Terry Kay Rockefeller, 2006.

The Mormons (A19-402)

Monday, 8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Mormon Studies Consultation

On April 30 and May 1, 2007, *American Experience* and *Frontline* aired *The Mormons*, what PBS called "a four-hour exploration into the richness, the complexities, and the controversies of the Mormons' story as told through interviews with members of the church, leading writers and historians, and supporters and critics of the Mormon faith." The film examines both Mormon theology and the lived religion of the Latter-day Saints. It probes the Mormon experience with polygamy, analyzes its missionary program, and engages its emphasis on temples. It confronts tragedies like the 1857 Mountain Meadows massacre as well as highlights the church's extensive humanitarian initiatives today. Given the breadth and depth of its coverage it is hardly surprising that the documentary has generated a wide-ranging response. This screening of various segments from the documentary will be interspersed with conversation among producer Helen Whitney, scholars on Mormonism and film, and the audience. Directed by Helen Whitney, 2007.

Sessions on Professional Practices and Institutional Learning

Strengthening the profession, qua profession is a continuing focus for the Academy. This year's Annual Meeting includes new opportunities to engage a range of issues around professional practices and the relationship between institutional location and intellectual identity.

Chairs Workshop: Best Practices: Diversifying Your Faculty—Honest Conversations (A16-100)

Leadership Workshop: The Religion Major and Liberal Education (A16-101)

Women's Caucus Workshop (A16-105)

What's My Job? Academic Citizenship and the Well-Being of Schools, Departments, and Programs (A17-100)

What Happens When a Body Teaches a Body? (A17-102)

ATLA Career Alternatives Luncheon: Focus on Religion & Journalism (A17-133)

Sustainable Theological Education (A17-201)

Teaching Mormon Studies: Theory, Topics, and Texts (A17-227)

The Religion Major and Liberal Education (A17-230)

Teaching the Introductory Theology Course in Theological Schools (A18-101)

Womens' Caucus/Status of Women in the Profession Mentoring Lunch (A18-131)

Wabash Center and AAR Student Teacher Luncheon (A18-132)

Mentoring Undergraduate Research in Religious Studies: A Panel Discussion (A18-205)

Pedagogy and Power: Teaching Toward Transformation in Feminist/Womanist Theory and Theology (A18-213)

AAR Excellence in Teaching Forum (A18-228)

The Place of the Practitioner in the Academy (A18-250)

How to Propose a New AAR Program Unit (A18-277)

The Tenure Book(s): How to Strategize Your Publications to Increase Your Chances of Tenure and Promotion (A18-300)

Teaching with, against, and to Faith (A19-101)

Contemplative Studies: Something Old and Something New in the Academy (A19-102)

Teaching Reflectively in Theological Contexts: Promises and Contradictions (A19-203)

How to Publish Your Book: Advice from Oxford University Press and from the Editors of the AAR Book Series and *JAAR* (A19-301)

Teaching Art, Ecology, and Mindfulness: Creative Intersections (A19-303)

Teaching Religion as an Academic Discipline in Indonesia (A19-307)

Contested Issues in Christian Higher Education: Academic Freedom, Denominational Identity, and the Culture of Business (A19-327)

Uncomfortable Places, Transformative Spaces: Teachers and Students Learning Together (A20-100)

Teaching with Texts in the History of Christianity: Textbooks and General Histories for a Changing Field (A20-105)

Screening and Streaming Japanese Religions: Integrating Visual Media into the Classroom (A20-117)

Sessions With a Focus on Chinese Scholars and Scholarship

King of Masks (A16-402)

Studies of World Religions in Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan (A17-101)

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The Power of "Religion" in China (A17-212)

Self-Representation/Misrepresentation: Muslims in the Chinese Cultural Context (A17-309)

Performing Harmony: Interpreting Daoist Ritual (A17-326)

The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery (A17-405)

Regional Religion, Local Society, and Ritual Practice: A Consideration of Patrice Fava's film *The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery* (A18-114)

Tibetan Religion in China: Past and Present (A18-124)

The Problem of Evil in Neo-Confucianism (A18-211)

China's "Isms": Studies in the Production of Difference and Unity (A18-212)

Electronic Resources for the Study of Chinese Religions: Reflections on Current and Future Impact and Directions (A18-264)

Decoding Dunhuang: Material Culture and Religious Worlds along the Silk Route (A18-271)

The Reformed Presence in China: New Perspectives on Mission (A18-325)

Christianity in Chinese Society (A18-328)

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Daoist Studies in China (A19-100)

Establishing "Authority" and "Legitimacy" in Twentieth-Century Chinese Buddhism: Modernity in the Reinvention of Tradition (A19-103)

Confucianism: What Is at Stake in It as a Religion (A19-214)

Daoism, Medicine, and Healing (A19-225)

Sacred Space in China: Past and Present (A19-227)

Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions (A19-300)

New Perspectives on Chinese Religions (A20-104)

Books Under Discussion

G.W.F. Hegel, *The Phenomenology of Spirit* (A17-106)

Saba Mahmood, *The Politics of Piety: The Islamic Revival and the Feminist Subject* (A17-115)

Catherine L. Albanese, *A Republic of Mind and Spirit* (A17-305)

Aaron Stalnaker, *Overcoming Our Evil: Human Nature and Spiritual Exercises in Xunzi and Augustine* (A17-311)

Friederich Schleiermacher, *Glaubenslehre* (A17-321)

Gerald J. Larson and Ram Shankar Bhattacharya, eds., *Yoga: India's Philosophy of Meditation* (A17-330)

David D. Hall, *Lived Religion in America* (A18-107)

Stephen Schloesser, *Jazz Age Catholicism* (A18-121)

David Kelsey, *Imagining Redemption* (A18-218)

Bruce Lawrence, *The Qur'an: A Biography—A Book of Signs Over Time* (A18-259)

Bron Taylor, ed., *The Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* (A18-303)

Stephanie Mitchem, *African American Folk Healing* (A18-316)

David Kyuman Kim, *Melancholic Freedom: Agency and the Spirit of Politics* (A19-106)

Rosemary Radford Reuther, *America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence* (A19-110)

Terry Eagleton, *After Theory* (A19-112)

Don Compier, Kwok Pui Lan, Joerg Rieger, eds., *Empire and the Christian Tradition: New Readings of Classical Theologians* (A19-309)

Yudit Greenberg, ed., *The Encyclopedia of Love in World Religions* (A19-313)

Thomas Tweed, *Crossing and Dwelling: A Theory of Religion* (A19-314)

Planning Sessions For New Program Units

Narrative, Memory, and History Consultation Planning Session (A18-202)
Sunday, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Lutheran Studies Consultation Planning Session (A18-252)
Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sikhism Consultation Planning Session (A18-253)
Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Wildcard Sessions

Wildcard sessions are one-time sessions proposed by individual AAR members on topics outside of the Annual Meeting program unit structure.

Radical Life Extension: Implications for Eschatological Visions of the Religions (A17-202)

The Religion Major and Liberal Education (A17-230)

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The Holy Child: Traditions of the Infant and Child Jesus (A18-225)

The Place of the Practitioner in the Academy (A18-250)

Theological Readings of Economics (A18-251)

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Martin Luther and the Lutheran Theological Tradition: Current Issues (A18-307)

Southeast Asia: Transforming Religion and Religious Identities (A18-308)

Is Humanism a Dead Topic in the Study of Religion? (A19-302)

Religious and Theological Reflection upon Musical Meaning (A19-328)

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Receptions

International Members' Breakfast (A17-4)

Saturday, 7:45 am-8:45 am

All AAR international attendees are invited to an information session and continental breakfast hosted by the AAR's International Connections Committee.

Journal of the American Academy of Religion Editorial Board Meeting and Reception (A17-400)

Saturday, 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Meeting of the *JAAR* Editorial Board (5:00 pm-6:00 pm) followed immediately by a reception in honor of the Board and *JAAR* authors in 2007 (6:00 pm-7:00 pm).

Friends of the Academy Reception (A17-402)

Saturday, 5:45 pm-7:00 pm

Individuals whose generosity allows us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors.

AAR Racial and Ethnic Minority Members' Reception (A17-403)

Saturday, 6:30 pm-7:45 pm

The Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee invites interested persons to a reception celebrating the contributions of racial and ethnic minority scholars in the Academy.

Women's Caucus Reception (A17-407)

Saturday, 9:00 pm -11:00 pm

The Women's Caucus and Claremont Graduate University School of Religion welcome all friends to join us in honoring Rosemary Radford Ruether and the panelists from the session on Ruether's most recent book, *America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence.*

AAR Members' Reception (A17-408)

Saturday, 9:00 pm -11:00 pm

AAR members are invited to join one another at the AAR Members' Reception for jazz music and collegiality. Don't forget the free drink ticket mailed with your name badge!

Student Members' Reception (A17-409)

Saturday, 9:30 pm -11:00 pm

AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by for conversation with fellow students. Snacks will be provided. Don't forget your free drink ticket!

Religion and the Arts Award Inaugural Reception (A17-412)

Saturday, 9:00 pm-11:00 pm

A special reception celebrating the inaugural AAR Award in Religion and the Arts. During this reception, there will be a tribute to Jane Dillenberger, honoring her many contributions as a teacher, author, curator, and advocate of religion and art.

AAR New Members' Continental Breakfast (A18-1)

Sunday, 7:30 am-8:45 am

New (first-time) AAR members in 2007 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

Womens' Caucus/Status of Women in the Profession Mentoring Lunch (A18-131)

Sunday, 11:30 am-1:00 pm

The Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a brown bag lunch with more than thirty womanist and feminist mid-career and senior AAR and SBL scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued.

AAR Sterling Circle Reception (A18-400)

Sunday, 5:45 pm-6:45 pm

All members who have been with the AAR continuously for at least twenty-five years are part of our Sterling Circle. In honor of your long-term support, John R. Fitzmier, executive director, and Jeffrey Stout, AAR president, invite you to celebrate at an open house.

AAR Program Unit Chairs' Breakfast (A19-1)

Monday, 7:15 am-8:45 am

Program unit chairs are invited to a continental breakfast, which features a brief meeting on upcoming program initiatives.

AAR Program Unit Chair and Steering Committee Members' Reception (A19-403)

Monday, 9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Program unit chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the Program Committee.

Especially For Students

AAR Students' Lounge

Saturday-Monday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm

Student Liaison Group Annual Business Meeting (A17-6)

Saturday, 7:30 am-9:00 am

Student Liaison Group members will gather to discuss business.

ATLA Career Alternatives Luncheon: Focus on Religion & Journalism (A17-133)

Saturday, 11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and American Theological Library Association

This year, our ongoing Career Alternatives series focuses on the intersection of religion and the media. Come listen to talented and experienced writers discuss their lives in religion and journalism.

AAR student members interested in attending must RSVP online ASAP (first-come, first-served basis) at *www.aarweb.org/annualmeet/2007/RSVP/ATLA*. Online registration deadline is noon on Wednesday, November 14.

Introduction to the AAR (A17-200)

Saturday, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Come hear about the wide range of programs and opportunities for service offered to all AAR members.

Student Members' Reception (A17-409)

Saturday, 9:30 pm -11:00 pm

AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by for conversation with fellow students. Snacks will be provided. Don't forget your free drink ticket!

Wabash Center and AAR Student Teacher Luncheon (A18-132)

Sunday, 11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and the Wabash Center

The Wabash Center and AAR Graduate Student Committee cordially invites AAR and SBL graduate student members to this lunch gathering with experienced faculty mentors to share in a conversation about teaching. Participation is by advance registration only, limited to the first 50 doctoral student members whose registration the AAR receives at *www.aarweb.org/annualmeet/2007/RSVP/Wabash/*.

AAR Awards

Presented prior to the Presidential Address (A17-404), Saturday, 7:45 pm.

Excellence Awards in the Study of Religion

The AAR is pleased to announce the 2007 award recipients for outstanding books in religion:

Analytical-Descriptive Studies

David Frankfurter, *Evil Incarnate: Rumors of Demonic Conspiracy and Satanic Abuse in History* (Princeton University Press, 2006).

Constructive-Reflective Studies

John D. Caputo, *The Weakness of God: A Theology of the Event* (Indiana University Press, 2006).

John Clayton (deceased); Compiled by Anne Blackburn and Thomas Carroll, *Religions, Reasons, and Gods: Essays in Cross-cultural Philosophy of Religion*. Cambridge Studies in Religious Traditions (Cambridge University Press, 2006).

Historical Studies

Catherine Albanese, *A Republic of Mind and Spirit: A Cultural History of American Metaphysical Religion* (Yale University Press, 2006).

Caroline Walker Bynum, *Wonderful Blood: Theology and Practice in Late Medieval Northern Germany and Beyond* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2006).

Textual Studies

Kristofer Schipper & Franciscus Verellen, Editors, *The Taoist Canon: A Historical Companion to the Daozang* (University of Chicago Press, 2004).

The AAR thanks Malcom David Eckel, Boston University, Coordinator of Juries and the other jurors for their contributions to this awards program.

Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion

This year's award for significant contributions to the public understanding of religion goes to Robert N. Bellah, University of California, Berkeley.

The AAR thanks Sarah Pike, University of California, Chico, chair of the Public Understanding of Religion Committee, and other members of the committee for their contribution to this awards program.

Excellence in Teaching Award

This year's award for excellence in teaching at the college/university level goes to Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School.

The AAR thanks Eugene V. Gallagher, chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee, and other members of the committee for their contribution to this awards program.

Religion and the Arts Award

The inaugural award for significant achievement in Religion and the Arts goes to Bill Viola, Long Beach, CA.

The AAR thanks S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, chair of the Religion and Arts Award Jury, and jury members for their contributions.

2007 Best In-Depth Reporting on Religion Awards

News Outlets with Circulations more than 100,000:

First Place: Jennifer Green, *Ottawa Citizen*

Second Place: Jennifer Garza, *The Sacramento Bee*

Third Place: Omar Sacirbey, freelancer, Boston, MA

News Outlets with Circulations less than 100,000:

First Place: Jason Byassee, *The Christian Century*

Second Place: G. Jeffrey MacDonald, *The Christian Science Monitor*

Third Place: Adam Parker, *The Post and Courier* (Charleston, SC)

Opinion Writing:

First Place: Robert Sibley, *Ottawa Citizen*

Second Place: Asra Q. Nomani, freelancer, Morgantown, WV

Third Place: Kevin Eigelbach, *The Cincinnati Post*

The AAR thanks the jurors:

News Outlets with Circulations more than 100,000 Contest:

Ronald Thiemann, Harvard University

Gayle White, reporter at *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*

Larry Witham, former reporter at *The Washington Times*

News Outlets with Circulations less than 100,000 and Opinion Writing Contests:

David Gibson, former reporter at *The Star-Ledger* (Newark, NJ)

Cecile Holmes, former reporter at *The Houston Chronicle*

Ronald Thiemann, Harvard University

RELIGION & MEDIA WORKSHOP

Religion and New Media—Old Tools or New Trajectories? (A16-104)

Friday, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

From stone tablets to scrolls, printing presses to the Internet, artists, journalists, and believers of all stripes have used the advanced technology of their age. However, the question arises as to whether these new media are merely tools, or actually arbiters of religious change itself. This day-long workshop begins with questions such as: How is the representation of religion effected in new media incarnations, from the Internet to gaming? How is new media changing traditional journalism, and what are the effects on religion reporting? Could new media even be changing religion itself, in terms of what it means to those who practice it -- or even how it is practiced? These are some of the issues covered in presentations by Jeff Sharlet, writer/editor: *The Revealer, Harpers, Rolling Stone*; Eddo Stern, game designer; Tracy Fullerton, game designer, University of Southern California; Ryan Bolger, co-author, *Emerging Churches*; and Heidi Campbell, author, *When Religion Meets New Media*.

Questions about the workshop should be directed to S. Brent Plate, *b.plate@tcu.edu*.

Prices: $55 pre-registration, $70 onsite. Registration price includes lunch. Registration deadline is October 31.

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RELIGION AND MEDIA WORKSHOP

Friday, November 16, 2007
10:00 am–6:00 pm

Participation is limited to the first 50 registrants.

Name _____

Institution _____

Mailing Address _____

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Phone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____

Registration is US$55 before November 1, 2007, or US$70 onsite (fee includes lunch).

Payment Method:

❑ Check (payable to "AAR Annual Meeting") ❑ Visa ❑ MasterCard ❑ American Express ❑ Discover

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date (mm/yy) _____

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Name on Card (print) _____

Register by fax: 1-330-405-8807

Register by mail: Religion and Media Workshop, c/o Experient, Inc., 2451 Enterprise Pkwy E, Twinsburg, OH 44087

CHAIRS WORKSHOP

BEST PRACTICES:
Diversifying Your Faculty — Honest Conversations

An Annual Meeting Chairs Workshop

Friday, November 16, 9:00 am–4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

The workshop will cover issues of recruiting majors, recruiting and retaining faculty of color, and realities facing faculty of color. Breakout session topics include helping pretenured faculty; thinking through institutional citizenship and mentoring; and issues from the *AAR Career Guide for Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession*, upon which the workshop is based. Miguel A. De La Torre, Associate Professor at Iliff School of Theology and editor of the *Career Guide*, will lead the workshop. The *Guide* is available online at *www.aarweb.org/About_AAR/Committees/Status_of_Racial_and_Ethnic_Minorities/Career_Guide/* and will be distributed to participants in book form.

Leader:
Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

Panelists:
Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School
Sharon Watson Fluker, Fund for Theological Education
Edwin Aponte, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Fumitaka Matsuoka, Pacific School of Religion

Breakout Session Leaders:
Akintunde Akinade, High Point University
Edwin Aponte, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary

Preliminary Agenda:

Legal issues, conflicts, and life cycles will be addressed for individual, department, and administration concerns.

9:00 am	Welcome – Miguel A. De La Torre
9:15 am	Recruitment of Majors – Sharon Watson Fluker
10:00 am	Reality of Faculty of Color – Stacey Floyd-Thomas
10:45 am	Break
11:00 am	Recruitment of Faculty of Color – Edwin Aponte
11:45 am	Lunch
12:30 pm	Retention of Faculty of Color – Fumitaka Matsuoka
1:15 pm	Break-out sessions: Helping Pre-tenured Faculty – Edwin Aponte Think through Institutional Citizenship & Mentoring – Grace Ji-Sun Kim and Akintunde Akinade *AAR Career Guide for Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession* – Miguel A. De La Torre
2:00 pm	Break
2:15 pm	Panel discussion with four major speakers

Colleagues in your institution, such as chairs, faculty being developed to assume leadership responsibilities, deans, and other faculty may be interested in attending this workshop. Chairs may want to bring a team of faculty or send a designated faculty person.

Registration includes the entire day of sessions, lunch, and a copy of the *Career Guide*.

See the registration form on the following page.

BEST PRACTICES:
Diversifying Your Faculty — Honest Conversations

An AAR Annual Meeting Chairs Workshop

Friday, November 16, 9:00 am–4:30 pm

To Register:

Complete the information below, arrange payment, and send via fax or surface mail.

Badge and Address Information:

Name/Title _____

Department _____

Institution _____

Serving as chair since _____

of faculty in dept _____

Please provide the following information if you are not a current AAR member. (You may check your membership status at *www.aarweb.org/Members/My_Account*.)

Fax _____ E-mail _____

Mailing Address _____

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Participation is limited to the first 75 registrants. Send your registration form and payment of US$75 before October 31, 2007 (US$100 onsite). The second and subsequent registrations from the same institution are US$50 each before October 31 (US$65 onsite).

Payment Method:

- ❑ Check (payable to "AAR Annual Meeting," Memo: "Chairs Workshop")
- ❑ Visa ❑ MasterCard
- ❑ American Express ❑ Discover

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* Required for Discover cards. 4 digits on front of Amex; 3 digits on back of other cards.

Cardholder Signature

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Name on Card (please print) _____

Register by fax: 1-330-963-0319

Register by mail: AAR Chairs Workshop
c/o Experient
2451 Enterprise Parkway E
Twinsburg, OH 44087

Register online as part of Annual Meeting registration: *www.aarweb.org/Meetings/Annual_Meeting/Current_Meetings*

For more information, contact Kyle Cole, Director of College Programs, at *kcole@aarweb.org* or by phone at 1-404-727-1489.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The Religion Major and Liberal Education

An Annual Meeting Leadership Workshop

Friday, November 16, 9:00 am–4:30 pm

Amid changing global and academic contexts, what is the nature and role of the religion major? What are its goals, and how do they relate to the goals of a liberal education? How do we know if we are succeeding in meeting these goals? This workshop will bring together a distinguished group of experts to lead a day-long, interactive discussion of the religion major. Through plenaries, panels, and breakout sessions, participants will explore and share challenges, best practices, success stories, and failures. The workshop is part of an eighteen month-long joint AAR/Teagle Foundation project to study the religion major.

Leaders and Panelists will include:

Richard Carp, Interdisciplinary Studies, Appalachian State University

Dena Pence, Executive Director of the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Stephen Prothero, Chair of Religious Studies, Boston University, and author of *Religious Literacy*

Timothy Renick, Chair of Religious Studies, Georgia State University, and principal investigator for the AAR/Teagle initiative on the Religion Major and Liberal Arts

Working Group Members, AAR/Teagle initiative on the Religion Major and Liberal Arts

Preliminary Agenda:

Introduction: Why Religious Studies?

Establishing the Religious Studies Major: Stories from the Trenches (interactive session)

Religious Studies Across the Curriculum: The Interdisciplinary Nature of the Major (panel discussion)

Lunch

The Major in Different Institutional Contexts/Different Models for the Major (interactive session)

What Has Worked? What Has Not? (panel discussion followed by a break-out session)

Summary: What Have We Learned—as a Discipline and Today?

The workshop will be of benefit to a range of participants: faculty, administrators, and graduate students. The goal is to bring a diverse group of AAR members together in a lively and open discussion about what it means to major in religion, what our field contributes (and should contribute) to the education of our students, and how we can be better at what we do.

See the registration form on the following page.

The Religion Major and Liberal Education

An AAR Annual Meeting Leadership Workshop

Friday, November 16, 9:00 am–4:00 pm

To Register:

Complete the information below, arrange payment, and send via fax or surface mail.

Badge and Address Information:

Name/Title _____

Department _____

Institution _____

Please provide the following information if you are not a current AAR member. (You may check your membership status at *www.aarweb.org/Members/My_Account*.)

Fax _____ E-mail _____

Mailing Address _____

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2007 PROGRAM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

A16-100

Chairs Workshop: Best Practices: Diversifying Your Faculty—Honest Conversations

9:00 am-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panelists:

Edwin Aponte, Lancaster Theological Seminary

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary

Akintunde Ebunolu Akinade, High Point University

Sharon Watson Fluker, Fund for Theological Education

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School

Fumitaka Matsuoka, Pacific School of Religion

Separate registration is required. See page 115 for a description.

A16-101

Leadership Workshop: The Religion Major and Liberal Education

9:00 am-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee and the Teagle Foundation

Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard M. Carp, Appalachian State University

Nadine S. Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

Separate registration is required. See page 115 for a description.

A16-103

AAR Board of Directors Meeting

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

A16-104

Religion and Media Workshop: Religion and New Media—Old Tools or New Trajectories?

10:00 am-6:00 pm

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Kaley Middlebrooks Carpenter, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Theological Seminary, City University of New York, Presiding

Jeffrey Sharlet, New York University

Eddo Stern, Los Angeles, CA

Tracy Fullerton, University of Southern California

Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University

Separate registration is required. See page 115 for a description.

A16-105

Women's Caucus Workshop

12:00 pm-3:00 pm

Sponsored by the Women's Caucus

Julie J. Kilmer, Olivet College, Presiding

Harriet Luckman, College of Mount St. Joseph, Presiding

Paula Trimble-Familetti, Chapman University, Presiding

Melissa Stewart, Adrian College
Intersections between Women's Studies and Religious Studies

Barbara J. Searcy, Lee University
Organizing Women's Groups on College Campuses

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming
Online Teaching: What Five Years Have Taught Me

Ruth Fitzgerald, Grand Ledge, MI
Distance Learning—More Than Theology: A Student Perspective

Nancy L. Eiesland, Emory University
Accessing Feminist Theology: The Missing Subjectivity of Women with Disabilities

Kathryn A. Lyndes, Chicago Theological Seminary, Elmhurst College
Contemporary Strategies for Adjunct Classroom Teaching

A16-106 (=M16-13)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

9:00 am-11:30 am

A16-107 (=M16-14)

North American Paul Tillich Society

9:00 am-11:15 am

Marcia MacLennan, Kansas Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Jewish Thought*

Bryan Wagoner, Harvard University
Judaism in the Life and Thought of Paul Tillich

Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie Protestante, Brussels, Institut Catholique de Paris
Liberal Theology, Zionism, and Christian Nationalism: A Topical Inquiry into the Dialogue between Paul Tillich and Martin Buber

Stephen Butler Murray, Skidmore College
The Relevance of Paul Tillich to the Future of the Jewish-Christian Dialogue

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON

A16-108 (=M16-16)

North American Paul Tillich Society

11:30 am-1:15 pm

Loye Ashton, Tougaloo College, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian*

Ron MacLennan, Bethany College
Paul Tillich: Biblical Theologian of Connectedness

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Tillich as a New Testament Theologian?

Matthew Lon Weaver, Duluth, MN
The Existential Reception of Revelation: Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian

A16-200 (=M16-50)

International Bonhoeffer Society: Editorial Board, Annual Meeting, Board of Directors

1:00 pm-6:30 pm

A16-201 (=M16-53)

North American Association for the Study of Religion

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theme: *Ritual Transformation of Agency*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University and University of Heidelberg
Mimesis, Fractal Dynamics, and Agency in Yoruba Spirit Possessions

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Priestly, Institutional, and Material Agency in Roman Catholic Sacramental Practice

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College and Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo
Patronage and Distributed Agency in Brazilian Spirit-possession

Responding:

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

A16-202 (=M16-57)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

A16-203 (=M16-58)

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

1:00 pm Business Meeting

2:00 pm Eric G. Flett, Eastern University

Persons, Powers, and Pluralities: Thomas F. Torrance's Trinitarian Ontology of Culture

See *www.tftorrance.org* for more information.

A16-204 (=M16-60)

North American Paul Tillich Society

2:15 pm-4:00 pm

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Religious Pluralism*

Christian Danz, University of Vienna
Christianity and the Encounter of World Religions: The Contribution of Paul Tillich to Current Discussions in the Theology of Religion

John Starkey, Oklahoma City University
The Human Predicament and Salvation in Tillich and Thatamanil

Andrew Yan, Hope College
Paul Tillich's Encounters with Buddhism: An Implication for His Systematic Theology

Luis Pedraja, Middle States Commission on Higher Education
The Tao of Tillich

A16-205 (=M16-61)

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

2:00 pm-4:00 pm

A16-300 (=M16-103)

North American Association for the Study of Religion

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Novelty, Presence, and History: Brief Pre-Modern Discourses on Method and Theory*

Alison Frazier, University of Texas, Austin
Saintly Presence: The Wager of Latin Hagiography in Renaissance Italy

Nancy Levene, Indiana University, Bloomington
Traces of History in St. Anselm

Constance Furey, Indiana University, Bloomington
Utopian History

Responding:

Nathan Rein, Ursinus College

A16-301 (=M16-106)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Theme: *Teaching for Justice: Research and Teaching Strategies in Higher Theological Education*

Given that we are to live and work toward justice within most faith traditions' perspectives, how does our scholarship and practice encourage "teaching for justice" within institutions of higher education? A panel of scholar-teachers will respond to this question with observations (via programming, syllabi, and/or course assignments) from their research and teaching of spirituality. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

A16-302 (=M16-107)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Harry Wells, Humboldt State University, Presiding

Theme: *In or Out: Homosexuality, the Church, and the Sangha*"

Robert Fastiggi, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit
The Catholic Church and Homosexuality

Ilene Stanford, Harvard University
In or Out? Marriage as a Social Practice

José Ignacio Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara
Is Homosexual Sex Sexual Misconduct? Critical Reflections on Some Classical Indo-Tibetan Sources

Michael Sweet, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Shameless Discretion: Insider and Outsider Perspectives of Homoeroticism in the Sangha

Responding:

Richard Reilly, St. Bonaventure University

6:00 pm Business Meeting

A16-303 (=M16-111)

Polanyi Society

4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Jere Moorman, Polanyi Society, Presiding

4:00 pm William Coulson, Center for Studies of the Person
On Having Misread Polanyi's Theory of Personal Knowledge

Responding:

Dale Cannon, Western Oregon University

Philip Rolnick, St Thomas University

5:15 pm William Kelleher, La Canada, CA
Personal Knowledge as Pure Self-Reflection

Responding:

Phil Mullins, Western Missouri State University

Diane Yeager, Georgetown University

A16-304 (=M16-114)

Karl Barth Society of North America

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mark McInroy, Harvard University
Karl Barth and Personalist Philosophy: A Critical Appropriation

John McDowell, Edinburgh University
Christology and Prayer in Karl Barth's Theology

A16-305 (=M16-115)

North American Paul Tillich Society

4:15 pm-6:30 pm

David Nikkel, University of North Carolina, Pembroke, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich, Ethics, and Theology*

Daniel Puchalla, University of Chicago
The Limits of Love, Power, and Justice: Tillich's Ontology and Theology against "Full-Spectrum" Military

Annekatrien Depoorter, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Doing Theology in a Context of Religious and Cultural Pluralism: A Comparison and Evaluation of Paul Tillich's Method of Correlation and the Theological Method of Edward Schillebeeckx

Jennifer L. Baldwin, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Erotic Play: A Trip into the Secret Lives of Girls, Feminist Theologies of the Erotic, and the Theological Thought of Paul Tillich

Sigridur Gotmarsdottir, Drew University
The Apophatic "God above God": Tillich and the Poststructuralist Critique of Negative Theology

A16-306 (=M16-116)

Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet

6:00 pm-10:00 pm

Athens Market Taverna
109 West "F" Street

6:00 pm Social Hour

7:00 pm Banquet (Contact Lee Barrett at *lbarrett@lancasterseminary.edu*)

8:00 pm K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen

Using the New Translation of the Journals and Notebooks

A16-400

EIS Center Orientation

7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the EIS Advisory Committee

Shelly C. Roberts, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

See page 115 for more information.

A16-401

Film: *Jesus Camp*

7:30 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College, Presiding

See page 123 for a description.

A16-402

Film: *King of Masks*

7:30 pm-9:00 pm

Sponsored by the Women and Religion Section, Confucian Traditions Group, and Daoist Studies Consultation

Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University, Presiding

See page 123 for a description.

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FRIDAY EVENING

A16-403 (=M16-121)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

A16-404 (=M16-122)

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Theme: *How We Do Hindu-Christian Studies*

This panel seeks broad audience participation in a discussion of methods, theories, and approaches in the field of Hindu-Christian studies. Panelists will make brief remarks based on papers that will be made available in advance on the HCS listserv, and audience members will then be invited to join in the discussion. To sign up for the listserv or to get copies (after Nov. 2), please email: *cbauman@butler.edu*.

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding

Harold Coward, University of Victoria
Hindu-Christian Studies: A Retrospective

Susan Abraham, Harvard Divinity School
Theological Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Brian K. Pennington, Maryville College
Historical-Critical Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Arvind Sharma, McGill University
Hindu-Christian Studies through the Lens of Ethics

Catherine Cornille, Boston College
Missiology and Hindu-Christian Studies

Kristin Bloomer, University of Chicago
Ethnography and Hindu-Christian Studies

Responding:

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University
The Future of Hindu-Christian Studies

A16-405 (=M16-128)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

7:00 pm-9:30 pm

Theme: *Dying to Live: A Film and Conversation about Spirituality on the Borderlands*

How does "crossing the border" affect one's spirituality? In this session, the short film *Dying to Live* will be shown, followed by a panel discussion with Mexican migrants and others whose lives are profoundly shaped by the tense reality of the US-Mexican border. All are welcome to attend and to stay after the discussion to view displays and share conversation. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

A17-1

AAR Regional Officers Breakfast

7:00 am-8:45 am

Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

A17-2

Theological Education Steering Committee Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A17-3

Academic Relations Committee Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

A17-4

International Members' Breakfast

7:45 am-8:45 am

Richard M. Jaffe, Duke University, Presiding

A17-5

Publications Committee Meeting

8:00 am-11:30 am

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University, Presiding

A17-6

Student Liaison Group Annual Business Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding

A17-7 (=M17-6)

International Schleiermacher Society

7:00 am-11:30 am

8:00 am Coffee and breakfast (bring your own)

9:00 am Wendy Farley
"Mind Reduced to the Necessity of Seeking": Opportunities for Buddhist—Christian Dialogue in Schleiermacher's Theological Anthropology

10:00 am *Ethics Series I*: (papers pre-distributed beginning in July; contact Ted Vial, *tvial@iliff.edu*)

Peter Foley, University of Arizona
Schleiermacher's Critique of Previous Ethical Theories in the 1803 Grundlinien

Jeffery Kinlaw, McMurray University
Schleiermacher's Critique of Fichte's Political Philosophy

11:15 am Planning

11:45 am-12:45 pm Adjourn to nearby restaurant for lunch

A17-100

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Academic Relations Committee

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding

Theme: *What's My Job? Academic Citizenship and the Well-being of Schools, Departments, and Programs*

Panelists:

Mark Schwehn, Valparaiso University

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Claremont School of Theology

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University

See page 115 for a description.

A17-101

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Studies of World Religions in Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan*

Panelists:

Archie Lee, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Weichi Zhou, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Yen-zen Tsai, National Chengchi University

Mu-Chou Poo, Academia Sinica

Responding:

Jin Hee Han, New York Theological Seminary

See page 116 for a description.

A17-102

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Rodger Nishioka, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *What Happens When a Body Teaches a Body?*

Joel Dubois, California State University, Sacramento
Teaching Religion in "Real-time": Applying the Calendrical Approach to Asian Religious Traditions

Stanford J. Searl, Union Institute and University
Embodied Knowledge: Teaching and Listening as Informed Spiritual Practices

Lynne Westfield, Drew University
Teaching in the Flesh: Experimenting with Incarnational Practices in Seminary Classrooms

G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
Stepping across Boundaries: Ritual Praxis Inside (and Outside) the Religious Studies Classroom

Jack A. Hill, Texas Christian University
The Borderlands as Liminal Context of Revelatory Experience: Embodied Pedagogies from Faculty of Color

A17-103

Christian Systematic Theology Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Stephen G. Ray, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Theme: *Sin*

Amy Carr, Western Illinois University
Enduring Radical Distrust: Sin and Redemption among the Sinned Against

Chris Boesel, Drew University
Contextualizing That by Which We Are Contextualized: The Aporiatic Predicament of a Systematic Treatment of Sin

Brian Robinette, Saint Louis University
Transfiguring the Victim: Jon Sobrino, René Girard, and the Resurrection

Krista Hughes, Drew University
Moving Violation: A Feminist Reclamation of the Incurvatio

A17-104

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Religion in South Asia Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Encounters in Ethnography Today*

Panelists:

Amy Allocco, Emory University

Neil Dalal, University of Texas, Austin

Karen Pechilis, Drew University

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University

Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

Janet Gunn, University of Ottawa

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago

Selva J. Raj, Albion College

A17-105

History of Christianity Section and North American Religions Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago, Presiding

Harry Stout, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *War and Religion in North America*

Panelists:

Edward J. Blum, San Diego State University

Ira Chernus, University of Colorado

Brandi Denison, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Andrew Murphy, Valparaiso University

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SATURDAY MORNING

A17-106

Philosophy of Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *G.W.F. Hegel: 200 Years after* The Phenomenology of Spirit

Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University
Projection in Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit

Christopher Roberts, Reed College
From the Slaughterbench of History to the Golgotha of Absolute Spirit: Hegel's Sacrificial Rhetoric and Philosophy's Sublation of Religion

Andrew Hass, University of Stirling
Hegel and the Art of Negation

Alison Bjerke, University of California, Santa Barbara
Love and the Dialectic

A17-107

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Carol B. Duncan, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Food*

Lynne Gerber, Graduate Theological Union
The Christian Dieter's Dilemma: Navigating Abundance and Restriction in Christian Weight Loss Programs

William Schanbacher, Claremont Graduate University
Food Security and Food Sovereignty: Poverty and the Material Foundations of the Global Politics of Food

Laura Hartman, University of Virginia
Let Them Eat Cake: Food Prices, Fair Trade, and Christian Ethics

Mary Ann Clark, Prescott, AZ
There Is No Orisha As Lucky As The Stomach: Feasting and Feeding within Santería Ritual Practice

A17-108

Study of Islam Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

James W. Laine, Macalester College, Presiding

Theme: *Tradition, Reform, and Modernity in South Asian Islam: Perspectives on the Deoband Madrasa*

SherAli Tareen, Duke University
Internal Debates on Democracy, Pluralism, and Secularism in the Islamic Tradition: The Case of the Deoband Madrasa in India

Brannon Ingram, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
An Indian Scholar between Tradition and Modernity: The Fatawa of Rashid Ahmad Gangohi (d. 1905) on the Sufis

Kelly L. Pemberton, George Washington University
An Islamic Discursive Tradition on Reform as Seen in the Writing of Deoband's Maulana Taqi Uthmani

Fareeha Khan, University of Michigan
Madhhab Structure as Tool for Reform: Maintaining Interpretive Authority While Redefining Women's Right to Divorce

Fuad Naeem, International Islamic University
Sufism and Revivalism in South Asia: An Evaluation of Their Relationship in the Light of the Writings of Were Mawlānā Ashraf 'Alī Thānvī of Deoband and Mawlānā; Ahmad Raza Khān of Bareilly

Responding:

Ebrahim Moosa, Duke University

A17-109

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Hjamil A. Martinez Vazquez, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Sighting Whiteness: The Presence in Absence of Whiteness in White Theology and the Academy*

Panelists:

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary

Elaine Robinson, Brite Divinity School

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

Responding:

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago

Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School

A17-110

Women and Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Women in the American Religious Imagination*

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University
"This Woman Is a Pagan, But a Very Good Friend": Chinese Women in the American Religious Imagination

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
Embodiment, Elimination, and the Role of Toilets in Struggles for Social Justice

Nami Kim, Spelman College
From "Helpless Heathens" to "Deserving Victims": "Asian Women" in the American Religious Imagination

Wilis Rengganiasih Endah Ekowati, Florida International University
Official DeNUNciation: Theravāda Buddhist Nuns in Indonesia Struggling to Define Identity

Responding:

E. Ann Matter, University of Pennsylvania

Business Meeting:

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University, Presiding

A17-111

Afro-American Religious History Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kamasi Hill, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Go West: African Americans and Religion in the West*

Larry G. Murphy, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Thematic Prisms for Exploring African American Religious History in the US West

Julius Bailey, University of Redlands
Imagining the American West: Benjamin T. Tanner and the Politics of Racial Destiny in the AME Church

Lerone Martin, Emory University
"It Is Wonderful!" out West: Father Divine, the Peace Mission Movement, and California

Responding:

Randi Jones Walker, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

Moses N. Moore, Arizona State University, Presiding

A17-112

Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Martin Rumscheidt, Atlantic School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Appraising Bonhoeffer: Pastoral Resistance*

Peter Frick, St. Paul's College, University of Waterloo
Who Is Bonhoeffer: Theologian, Philosopher, Exegete, or Pastor?

Rachel Payne, Baylor University
Chronos, Kairos, and Jubilee in Dietrich Bonhoeffer and André Trocmé: Nonviolent Revolution Realized through Eschatologically Reading Scripture

Nancy Lukens, University of New Hampshire
The Language of Non-Religious Interpretation in Bonhoeffer's Prison Writings

A17-113

Buddhist Philosophy Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University, Presiding

Theme: *Dignāga in China*

Zhihua Yao, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Empty Terms in Buddhist Logic: Dignāga and His Chinese Commentators

Dan Lusthaus, Brookline, MA
Dignāga's Svasamvitti Re-examined through the Chinese Sources

Chen-Kuo Lin, National Chenchi University
The Object of Cognition in Dignāga's Ālambanaparikṣavṛttihi: On the Controversial Passages in Paramārtha's and Xuanzang's Translations

Junjie Chu, University of Vienna
Dignāga on the Object of Cognition

Business Meeting:

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University, Presiding

John D. Dunne, Emory University, Presiding

A17-114

Comparative Religious Ethics Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Current Work in Comparative Ethics: Religious Liberalism, Moral Virtuosity, and the Experience of Limits*

Elizabeth Barre, Florida State University
The Possibility of Religious Liberalism: The Common Good and Civil Society in Catholic and Islamic Political Thought

Nathaniel Barrett, Boston University
Musicality and Ren: An Examination of the Early Confucian Ideal of Moral Virtuosity and Its Applicability to Multicultural Societies of Late Modernity

Peter T. C. Chang, Harvard University
Comparative Study of Conscience: Joseph Butler and Wang Yang-ming

David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame
Persons as Religious Classics: Green, Tracy, and the Theology of Bridge Concepts

Responding:

Sumner B. Twiss, Florida State University

A17-115

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

Theme: *Discussion of Saba Mahmood's* The Politics of Piety: The Islamic Revival and the Feminist Subject

Panelists:

Janet R. Jakobsen, Columbia University

Amina Wadud, Virginia Commonwealth University

Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, Grinnell College

Responding:

Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley

Business Meeting:

Rosemary P. Carbine, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

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SATURDAY MORNING

A17-116

Hinduism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Brian A. Hatcher, Illinois Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Producing Vaishnavism: Texts, Practices, and Devotees in the Colonial Context*

James P. Hare, Columbia University
Garlanding Hinduism: Nabhadas's Bhaktamal *in the Colonial Context*

Rebecca Manring, Indiana University, Bloomington
Advaita's Nineteenth-Century Reconstruction

Varuni Bhatia, Columbia University
Instructions for Worship: Vaishnava Ritual Manuals and Everyday Practice in Colonial Bengal

Jason Fuller, DePauw University
Bhaktivinoda Thakura and the Recovery of Gaudiya Vaisnavism in Late Nineteenth-Century Bengal

Business Meeting:

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

A17-117

Law, Religion, and Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

Theme: *Authority and Representation in Legal and Religious Contexts*

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado, Boulder
Miming Manu: Women and Authority in Relation to Manu's Law Book

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Boulder
Social Lives of the Dead: Contestation and Continuities in Hawaiian Repatriation

Ruth Mas, University of Colorado, Boulder
Sedimenting Secularity in Contemporary France: Law and Muslim Bodies that Matter

Paul R. Powers, Lewis and Clark College
"When the Scrolls Shall Be Unrolled": Turning Deeds into Words in Classical Islamic Legal and Eschatological Thought

Responding:

Bruce Lincoln, University of Chicago

A17-118

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *Foundations of Neoplatonism*

John Bussanich, University of New Mexico
The Triumph of the Archaic: Peter Kingsley on Orphic-Pythagorean Mysticism

John Peter Kenney, Saint Michael's College
Pagan Monotheism and the Foundations of Christian Platonism

Dylan Burns, Yale University
Hellenic-Christian Polemics between Pseudo-Dionysius' Celestial Hierarchy *and Julian's* Contra Galileos

Sarah Pessin, University of Denver
Tracking the Ps. Empedoclean "First Element": Revising the Plotinian Cosmos in Judeo-Islamic Neoplatonism?

Business Meeting:

Willemien Otten, University of Chicago, Presiding

A17-119

Practical Theology Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Dale P. Andrews, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Worship Practices and Social Activism*

Claire Wolfteich, Boston University
Division in the Body: Prayer and the Public Struggle over Abortion

Peter R. Gathje, Memphis Theological Seminary
Rituals of Resistance: Creating Conversion and Community for Abolition of the Death Penalty

Peter Gordon Slade, Ashland University
Grits and Grace: Mission Mississippi's Interracial Ecumenical Prayer Breakfasts as a Practice of Racial Reconciliation and Social Transformation

Jeremy Posadas, Emory University
"I Have a Dream," "People Power," "¡Sí, se puede!": Worship, Politics, and Repertoires of Performed Public Life in US and Philippine Contexts

Responding:

William T. Cavanaugh, University of Saint Thomas

A17-120

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

David Lamberth, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Richard Bernstein's Pragmatism*

Curtis Hutt, Brown University
Bernstein, Rorty, and Dewey on the Ethics of Historical Belief

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado, Boulder
Continuing the Argument: Tradition, Plurality, and Bernstein's "Engaged Pragmatism"

Kevin Schilbrack, Wesleyan College
Moral Realism, Metaphysics, and Pragmatism

Responding:

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University

A17-121

Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion, Media, and Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

Theme: *Born Digital and Born Again Digital: Religion in Virtual Gaming Worlds*

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Columbia, Brian Moynihan, and Vincent Gonzalez, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Born Digital

Pamela Mullins Reaves, Shanny Luft, and Anne Blankenship, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Born Again Digital

A17-122

✯ *New Program Unit*

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Nelson Maldonado-Torres, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Research Sites, Opportunities, and Problems in Borderlands Pentecostalism*

Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University
Strangers at Our Gates: Latino Pentecostal Migrants and the Assemblies of God in the Borderlands

Daniel Ramirez, Arizona State University
Yanking Out the "Royal Telephone": Borderlands Pentecostal Musics

Ethan Sharp, University of Texas, Pan American
Conjunto Conversions: Musical Adaptations in Mexicano Pentecostal Communities

Responding:

Jesse Miranda, Vanguard University

A17-123

Science, Technology, and Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Soap, Coal, and Rayon: Miraculous Elements of Modern Industry*

Kathryn Lofton, Indiana University, Bloomington
Saving Suds: Soap Promotions and the Moral Culture of American Cleanliness

Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri, Columbia
The Power of Coal: Development and Enchantment in Central Appalachia

Chad Seales, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Chemical Fluid to Rayon: The Miracle of Industrial Conversion in the Modern American South

Responding:

John Corrigan, Florida State University

A17-124

Western Esotericism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Allison P. Coudert, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *Esotericism and Transgression*

Wendy Rachele Terry, University of California, Davis
"Outside the Court of Your Secrets": Marguerite Porete's Transgression

Geoffrey McVey, Miami University, Ohio
Acceptable Transgressions: Mysticism and Esotericism at the Margins

Taylor Hines, University of California, Santa Barbara
Conservative Transgression: Swedenborgian Sectarianism in Unitarian Boston

Matthew Rogers, Northwestern University
Black Magic in British Columbia

Grant H. Potts, University of Pennsylvania
Creativity, Exchange, and Institutionalization in a Ritual Magic Lodge

A17-125

Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Seminar

9:00 am-11:30 am

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding

Theme: *Rituals in Indian and Chinese Cultures*

Panelists:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College

Paul R. Goldin, University of Pennsylvania

Tanya Storch, University of the Pacific

Business Meeting:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding

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SATURDAY MORNING

A17-126

Animals and Religion Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Forrest Clingerman, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

Theme: *Visioning Animal-Human Relationships through the Religious Studies Looking Glass*

Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico
"Liberation's Crusade Has Begun": Hare Krishna Hardcore Youth and Animal Rights Activism

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa
"Bearly" Understandable: Transformation from Human to Bear and Man to Woman

Joanne Pierce, College of the Holy Cross
The "Rainbow Bridge": Animals as Sharers in Human Immortality (or Eternal Life in Cyberspace)

Aaron Gross, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Animal, Critical Theory, and the Study of Religion

Responding:

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Laura Hobgood-Oster, Southwestern University, Presiding

A17-127

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Judith Gundry-Volf, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Children and Sacred Texts*

Jennifer E. Beste, Xavier University
Catholic Children's Encounter with the Bible through "Catechesis of the Good Shepherd"

Russell Dalton, Brite Divinity School
Children's Bible Texts of Terror: Abraham and Isaac, Jephthah's Daughter, and Elisha and the She-bears in US Children's Bible Storybooks, 1860-2006

Laurel Koepf, Union Theological Seminary
Calling for Children: A Childist Interpretational Hermeneutic

Annemie Dillen, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Good News for Children? Towards a Biblical Hermeneutic of Texts of Terror

Responding:

John Carroll, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

Business Meeting:

Barbara Pitkin, Stanford University, Presiding

A17-128

Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University, Presiding

Theme: *Continuing Bonds with the Dead*

Stephen Potthoff, Wilmington College
Refreshment and Reunion in Paradise: Near-Death Experiences as Vehicles of Individual and Communal Healing in Early North African Christianity

Robert Ross, University of Massachusetts, Boston
The Dead among the Living: The Presence of Ancestors in the Music of a Culture

Melissa Kelley, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Continuing Bonds and Attachment to God

Rhon Manigault, Wake Forest University
Talking to the Dead: Performative Memory as Living Practice among Gullah/Geechee Women

Business Meeting:

Christopher Moreman, St. Francis Xavier University, Presiding

A17-129

Rethinking the Field Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Theology, and the Arts*

Part 1: A Dynamic Method in Religious and Theological Aesthetics

Panelists:

Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Loyola Marymount University

Naoko Frances Hioki, Graduate Theological Union

Bobbi Dykema Katsanis, Graduate Theological Union

David Patten Friend, Graduate Theological Union

Jenny Gargiulo, Graduate Theological Union

Frank Burch Brown, Christian Theological Seminary

Alejandro Garcia-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley

Part 2: Theology and Film: Challenging the Sacred/Secular Divide

Sara Anson Vaux, Northwestern University

Christopher Deacy, University of Kent

Gaye Williams Ortiz, Augusta State University

Maia Kotrosits, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:

Bradley L. Herling, Marymount Manhattan College, Presiding

A17-130

San Diego Zoo Tour

9:30 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Science, Technology, and Religion Group

Separate registration required. See page 122 for a description.

A17-131

San Diego Chinese Historical Museum Walking Tour

10:30 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Chinese Religions Group

Separate registration required. See page 122 for a description.

A17-132

Plenary Address

11:45 am-12:45 pm

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *The Covenant with Black America*

Panelists:

Tavis Smiley, Los Angeles, CA

Responding:

Emilie M. Townes, Yale University

Cornel West, Princeton University

See page 113 for a description.

A17-133

Special Topics Forum

11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and American Theological Library Association

Kimberly Bresler, St. Joseph's University, Presiding

Theme: *ATLA Career Alternatives Luncheon: Focus on Religion and Journalism*

Panelists:

Debra Mason, Religion Newswriters Association

Douglas Todd, *Vancouver Sun*

Sandi Dolbee, *San Diego Union-Tribune*

Separate registration is required at *www.aarweb.org/Meetings/Annual_Meeting/Current_Meeting/RSVP/ATLA/*. See page 116 for more information.

A17-134 (=M17-12)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

9:00 am-11:30 am

9:00 am Welcome

Wilson Yates, SARTS President

9:10 am Presentations by 2006 SARTS Fellowship Award Winners:

Maureen O'Connell
Stephen Lösel
Rebecca Davis
David Friend

Winners of the 2006 SARTS Fellowship Awards will present their projects, ranging from murals in inner-city Philadelphia to the music of Mozart, and from the cuadros of Peruvian women to Reformation architecture in Europe.

10:50 am Break

11:00 am Business Meeting

For additional information regarding this session, visit us online at *www.SARTS.org*, or contact Kimberly Vrudny at 1-651-962-5337, *kjvrudny@stthomas.edu*.

A17-135 (=M17-18)

Søren Kierkegaard Society

9:00 am-11:30 am

Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard in Dialogue with Non-Christian Religions*

K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen
Kierkegaard's Understanding of Non-Christian Religions

Andrew J. Nicholson, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Hinduism-Buddhism: Skillful Means and Bold Assertions

Karen C. Carr, Lawrence University
Daoism: Sin, Spontaneity, Nature, and God

A17-136 (=M17-19)

La Communidad / The Community

9:00 am-11:30 am

A17-137 (=M17-24)

North American Association for the Study of Religion

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *Taxonomies in the Study of Religion*

Craig Martin, Syracuse University
Strategic Uses of "Religion": Taxonomy and Metonymy in Political Discourse

Leah Payne, Vanderbilt University
Time on Their Side: Using Philosophy of Time to Understand Distinctions between Early American Pentecostals and Fundamentalists

Thomas B. Ellis, Appalachian State University
Spirituality Redescribed, Self-esteem Misrecognized

Responding:

Aaron Hughes, University of Calgary

A17-138 (=M17-27)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

9:00 am-11:30 am

9:00 am 2007 Presidential Address

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University
Lost in the Mystery of God: Childhood and the History of Christian Spirituality

10:30 am Business Meeting

Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union, President-elect, Presiding

All are welcome. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

A17-139 (=M17-29)

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

A17-140 (=M17-30)

North American Paul Tillich Society and Polanyi Society

9:00 am-11:30 am

Walter Gulick, Montana State University, Billings, Presiding

Theme: *How Tillich's Recently Retrieved Paper, "Participation and Knowledge: Problems of an Ontology of Cognition," Engages Polanyi's Thought*

Co-Presenters:

Durwood Foster, Pacific School of Religion

Richard Gelwick, Bangor Theological Seminary

Responding:

Donald Musser, Stetson University

Robert Russell, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences

11:15 am Business Meeting:

Walter Mead, Illinois State University, Presiding

A17-141 (=M17-34)

Karl Barth Society of North America

9:00 am-11:30 am

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Discusson of Alyssa Lyra Pitstick,* Light in Darkness: Hans Urs von Balthasar and the Catholic Doctrine of Christ's Descent into Hell *(Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2007)*

Panelists:

Paul J. Griffiths, University of Illinois, Chicago

David Lauber, Wheaton College

John Webster, Aberdeen University

Responding:

Alyssa Lyra Pitstick

A17-200

Special Topics Forum

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee

Kimberly Bresler, St. Joseph's University, Presiding

Theme: *Introduction to the AAR*

Panelists:

Richard Amesbury, Claremont School of Theology

Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College

Bradley L. Herling, Marymount Manhattan College

Maurice Lee, Harvard University

Myesha D. Jenkins, American Academy of Religion

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A17-201 (=S17-78)

Special Topics Forum

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the AAR Academic Relations Committee, AAR Theological Education Steering Committee, and SBL

David Rhoads, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, and Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

Theme: *Sustainable Theological Education*

Panelists:

John B. Cobb, Claremont School of Theology

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Calvin DeWitt, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Sallie McFague, Vancouver School of Theology

Norman Habel, Flinders University

Larry Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary, New York

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A17-202

Wildcard Session

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Calvin Mercer, East Carolina University, Presiding

Theme: *Radical Life Extension: Implications for Eschatological Visions of the Religions*

Panelists:

Aubrey de Grey, Methuselah Foundation

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Derek Maher, East Carolina University

Terence L. Nichols, University of St. Thomas

Arvind Sharma, McGill University

Brent Waters, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

A17-204

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Presiding

Theme: *Images and Narratives of Violence*

S. T. Campagna-Pinto, California State University, Bakersfield
Veiled Perception: Religion and Violence in Photographic Images from the Revolutionary Association of Women of Afghanistan

Kathryn Reklis, Yale University
"Torture Education" and the Imagination of Redemption: Suffering Heroism in 24

J. Cayenne Claassen-Luttner, Emory University
Pure and Violated Female Bodies: Martyrdom Images, Pornography, and Imitation

Alexei Khamin, Drew University
Ignatius of Antioch: A Postcolonial Reading

A17-205

Buddhism Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Chinese Scholarship on the Dunhuang Manuscripts: New Perspectives on Buddhism*

Panelists:

Chunwen Hao, Capital Normal University

Chu Xiang, Sichuan University

Xin Yu, Fudan University

Responding:

Paul Copp, University of Chicago

A17-206

Christian Systematic Theology Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Kathlyn A. Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Theme: *Cross Examinations: Interrogating the Cross and Atonement for Their Meaning Today*

Panelists:

S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological School

J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton University

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University

Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good

Responding:

Marit Trelstad, Pacific Lutheran University

Business Meeting:

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding

A17-207

Ethics Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Ronald Green, Dartmouth College, Presiding

Theme: *Innovative Methods in Religious Ethics: Social Scientific Perspectives*

Ulla Schmidt, Centre for Church Research
Understanding "Religious Ethics": A Case-Study of Survey Data

John Senior, Emory University
What to Do with Practice? Interpreting Ethnographic Data in Constructive Theological Ethics

Kerry Danner-McDonald, Graduate Theological Union
How Cognitive Linguistics Supports a Virtue Method

John Teehan, Hofstra University
Religious Ethics: An Evolutionary Analysis

Business Meeting:

Jane Hicks, Colgate Rochester Crozier Divinity School, and Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

A17-208

History of Christianity Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Teresa M. Shaw, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Texts and Contexts: Exegesis in the History of Christianity*

Russell C. Kleckley, Augsburg College
Following the Star: Matthew 2 as Guiding Light in Early Modern Theology and Natural Philosophy

Franklin Harkins, Valparaiso University
Inscribing Supersessionism into the Scriptural Text: Esau and Jacob in the Glossa Ordinaria

Ariel Bybee Laughton, Duke University
Avoiding the Bridegroom: Negotiating Masculinity in Ambrose of Milan's De Isaac vel Anima

Cameron Partridge, Harvard University
Teleios Anthropos and "No Male and Female": The Exegesis of Galatians 3:28 in Maximus the Confessor

Jeffrey W. Barbeau, Oral Roberts University
Thoughts "Too Refined to be Popular": Sara Coleridge, Biblical Exegesis, and Theological Method

Business Meeting:

Teresa M. Shaw, Claremont Graduate University, and Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding

A17-209

Study of Islam Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Dorothea Kahena Viale, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Women's Religious Authority, Islam, and Agency*

Zahra Ayubi, Atlanta, GA
"Of All the Lawful Acts the Most Detestable to Allah Is Divorce": American Muslim Women Challenging Traditional Views and Reinterpreting Islamic Divorce

Bahar Davary, University of San Diego
A Twentieth-Century Shi'a Mujtahida: Images and Self Images

Jamillah Karim, Atlanta, GA
American Muslim Youth Networks: Negotiating Sisterhood, Gender, and Generation

Sara Omar, Harvard University
Al-Qubaysiyyat: A Female Religious Authority in Damascus

Responding:

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

A17-210

Augustine and Augustinianisms Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Kim Paffenroth, Iona College, Presiding

Theme: *Augustine and Psychology*

Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University
Ubuntu and Augustine's Understanding of the Self: A Comparative Exploration

Nathan Hieb, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Great Physician: Augustine's Soteriology in Dialogue with Modern Psychology

John Penniman, Emory University
Pilgrims in the Valley of Weeping: Augustine and the Function of Sorrow in the Life of Faith

Howard B. Rhodes, University of Iowa
Augustinian Moral Psychology and the Purposes of Law: A Reading of Augustine's De Trinitate

Business Meeting:

Robert P. Kennedy, St. Francis Xavier University, Presiding

A17-211

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Methods for the Study of Women and Buddhism*

Danielle Lefebvre, University of Toronto
In and Out of Feminism: Defining the Terms for the North American Study of Women in Buddhism

Alice Collett, York St. John University
Contextual, Rhetorical, and Unbecoming Hermeneutics: Interpretive Strategies in the Study of Women in Buddhist Literature

Sarah Jacoby, Columbia University
Reading Tibetan Women's Religious Auto/biography: Reflections on Methodology

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego
Ethnology and Activism: Reassessing Methodologies for the Study of Women and Buddhism

Responding:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

John J. Makransky, Boston College, and Roger Jackson, Carleton College, Presiding

A17-212

Confucian Traditions Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *The Power of "Religion" in China*

T. J. Hinrichs, Cornell University
Northern Song (960-1126 CE) Policies to Transform Southern Peoples

Sarah Schneewind, University of California, San Diego
The Religious Vocabulary of Local Honors for Ming Magistrates

Ya-pei Kuo, Tufts University
Before the Term: Confucianism, "Religion," and Redefinition of Orthodoxy, 1890-1911

Rebecca Nedostup, Boston College
Contesting Ritual in the Age of Chinese Mass Politics

Responding:

Robert Campany, University of Southern California

A17-213

Ecclesiological Investigations Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Michael A. Fahey, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Communion and Otherness: Contemporary Challenges of "Impaired Communion"*

Travis Ables, Vanderbilt University
Other and Not-Other: On the Logic of Western Pneumatology and the Communion Ecclesiology of John Zizioulas

Radu Bordeianu, Duquesne University
Communion Ecclesiology as a Response to Eucharistic Ecclesiology: Zizioulas and Staniloae

Eddy Van der Borght, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Ethnicity and "Impaired Communion": an Evaluation of the Work of Miroslav Volf

Richard Clutterbuck, Edgehill Theological College
The Irish Churches and the Possibilities for Koinonia in the Midst of Otherness

Wendy Dackson, Ripon College
Integrity, Alternative Aggressions, and Impaired Communion

Brian Flanagan, Boston College
Jean-Marie Tillard's Communion Ecclesiology as a Resource for Intradenominational Otherness

Georgia M. Keightley, St. Anselm College
The "Otherness" of the Church's Laity: "Gifts that Differ" or Source of Division?

A17-214

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Donna Berman, Charter Oak Cultural Center, Presiding

Theme: *Virtual Sex, Virtual Identities: New Erotics and Religious Perspectives in the Age of the Internet*

Panelists:

Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ

King Mott, Seton Hall University

Peter Savastano, Seton Hall University

Terry Todd, Drew University

Responding:

Mark D. Jordan, Emory University

A17-215

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Teologías en Conjunto: A Fiestaschrift Celebrating the Work of Orlando Espín*

Panelists:

Alejandro Garcia-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley

Daisy L. Machado, Lexington Theological Seminary

Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco

Nestor Medina, University of Toronto

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union

Maria Clara Lucchetti Bingemer, Pontifícia Universidade Católica, Rio de Janeiro

Responding:

Orlando Espin, University of San Diego

A17-216

Mysticism Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Laura Weed, College of Saint Rose, Presiding

Theme: *Art and Music in Mysticism*

Ann M. Caron, St. Joseph College
Devotion to the Face of Christ and the "Veronica": Image and Word

Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley
Bodies of Perfection: Byzantine Representations of Theosis and Tibetan Visualization Practices

Arianne Conty, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Medieval Icon: Showing the Invisible

Patricia Margaret Alice Davis, Graduate Theological Union
The Mystcal Gift of Songs in Dreams

Business Meeting:

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

A17-217

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Nineteenth-Century Interpretations of Earliest Christianity*

Darrell Jodock, Gustavus Adolphus College
Albrecht Ritschl's Portrait of the New Testament and the Early Church

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College
"A Pinch of Common Sense": Nineteenth-Century Feminist Biblical Interpretation

James Swan Tuite, Bates College
Friedrich Nietzsche's Uses of Jesus, Paul, and Priestly Judaism in Der Anti-Christ

Ward Blanton, University of Glasgow
Provincializing Europe's Damascus Road: Modernity's Paul as a Response to Nascent Globalization

The annual business meeting of the Nineteenth-Century Theology Group will be held Sunday morning at 7:00 am in the Program Unit Chairs Lounge. Please bring your own breakfast; coffee will be provided.

A17-218

Reformed Theology and History Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Robert Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Open Table: Cheap Grace or Gospel Imperative?*

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary
The "Gospels" behind the Arguments: Biblical Arguments for and against Allowing Communion before Baptism

Oliver Crisp, University of Bristol
Jonathan Edwards and the Closing of the Table: Must the Eucharist be Open to All?

Robert Vosloo, University of Stellenbosch
The Welcoming Table? Reforming Body Practices

Gordon S. Mikoski, Princeton Theological Seminary
On the Pedagogical Implications of Moving the Fence: From Unfinished Reforms to Mystagogical Catechesis in the PCUSA

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

A17-219

Religion, Media, and Culture Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Diane Winston, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Sleeper Cell: Viewing Religion, Race, and Terrorism in a Post-9/11 World*

Panelists:

Kamran Pasha, Santa Monica, CA

Horace Newcomb, University of Georgia

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Anthea Butler, University of Rochester

Business Meeting:

Gordon Lynch, Birkbeck, University of London, and Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

A17-220

Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Marla J. Selvidge, University of Central Missouri, Presiding

Theme: *Revolutionary Approaches to International Peacemaking*

James L. Rowell, Flagler College
An Islamic Gandhi

Mita Cut, Florida International University
Mixing Religious Rituals and Mystical Experience with Modern Democracy: Indonesia, Sultan, and Religious Peace and Tolerance

Devin Kuhn, Claremont Graduate University
Making Peace Trendy: Fashion and Material Culture as Modes of Resistance

Paul Alexander, Azusa Pacific University
Praise the Lord but Don't Pass the Ammunition: Pentecostal Pacifism and Resistance to Imperialism

Lane Van Ham, University of Arizona
Sanctuary Revisited: Central American Refugee Assistance in the History of Faith-based Immigrant Advocacy

A17-221

Roman Catholic Studies Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Daniel Speed Thompson, Saint Mary's University, Presiding

Theme: *Catholicism in Asia: Historical and Theological Engagements*

Adam Darlage, University of Chicago
Mass Conversions or "Going Native?": The Missionary Strategies of St. Francis Xavier in India, Indonesia, and Japan (1542-1551)

David Grumett, University of Exeter
De Lubac, Christ, and the Buddha

Naoko Frances Hioki, Graduate Theological Union
Wu Li (1632-1718) and the Beginning of Chinese Catholic Poetry in the Early Qing China

Paul Crowley, Santa Clara University
Transcendental Thomism and the Pacific Rim: Rahner Revisited

Business Meeting:

Vincent J. Miller, Georgetown University, and Daniel Speed Thompson, Saint Mary's University, Presiding

A17-222

Science, Technology, and Religion Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University, Presiding

Theme: *Perspectives on Gender and Sexuality: Evolutionary Biology and Religion*

Panelists:

Joan Roughgarden, Stanford University

Teresa J. Hornsby, Drury University

Patricia Beattie Jung, Loyola University, Chicago

Wesley Wildman, Boston University

A17-223 (=S17-75)

Signifying (on) Scriptures Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Ethnologies of Scriptural Readings among Communities of Color in the United States*

Panelists:

Efrain Agosto, Hartford Seminary

Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion

Velma Love, Florida A&M University

Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Matthew Stiffler, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Responding:

Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Linda E. Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

A17-224

Wesleyan Studies Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

K. Steve McCormick, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Tercentenary Celebration: Charles Wesley*

S. T. Kimbrough, United Methodist Church
The Holistic Soteriology of Charles Wesley

Kenneth Loyer, Southern Methodist University
Memorial, Means, and Pledge: Eucharist and Time in the Wesleys' Hymns on the Lord's Supper

Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, Ohio
"And We the Life of God Shall Know": Appreciating Charles Wesley as Theologian at the Tercentenary of His Birth

Responding:

Richard P. Heitzenrater, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School, Ohio, Presiding

A17-225

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: *Bound for Justice: Engaging Womanist Theory and the Parallel Concerns of How Women's Bodies Are Signified from Womanist, Latina, Asian, and White Feminists' Perspectives*

Panelists:

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Teresa Delgado, Iona College

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Santa Clara University

Kate Ott, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Jenna Tiitsman, Auburn Theological Seminary, City University of New York

A17-226

Contemporary Pagan Studies Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Chas S. Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

Theme: *Pagan Borderlands*

Barbara Davy, Ottawa, ON
Reading Ourselves into the Land

Candace Kant, Community College of Southern Nevada, and Anne R. Key, California Institute of Integral Studies
Sacred Land in the Midst of Modernity: The Temple of Goddess Spirituality Dedicated to Sekhmet

Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach
Borders and Badlands: The Goddess Temple of Orange County

Laurel Zwissler, University of Toronto
Paganism as Interfaith and Every Faith: Christian Ritual Borrowing

Business Meeting:

Michael York, London, United Kingdom, and Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach, Presiding

A17-227

Mormon Studies Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Laurie Maffly-Kipp, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Mormon Studies: Theory, Topics, and Texts*

Panelists:

Mathew N. Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross

Thomas W. Simpson, Carthage College

Jana Riess, *Publishers Weekly*

Brian Birch, Utah Valley State College

Stephen Taysom, Indiana University

Business Meeting:

Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Presiding

A17-228

☆ *New Program Unit*

Religion and Colonialism Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Caleb Elfenbein, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Formations of Religion and State in Colonial and Postcolonial Contexts*

Mayfair Yang, University of California, Santa Barbara
Sovereignty and Disenchantment: Religion, Modernity, and the State in China

Khurram Hussain, Yale University
Secularism and Other Political Rituals: Religion, Power, and the Sacred in the Post-colonial Indian State

Raja Abillama, City University of New York
Religious Sensibility and Secular Sovereignty: The Order of Personal Status in Lebanon

Lindsey Harlan, Connecticut College
On Hindu Weddings: A Legacy of Insecurity in Trinidad

Business Meeting:

Mark Elmore, New York University, Presiding

A17-229

Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

Theme: *Spatial Constructions of Religious Identity Across World Traditions*

Jared Lindahl, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Production of Buddhist Spaces in Modern Mongolia

Brian Campbell, Emory University
Mapping Power at Stone Mountain, Georgia: Nature, Culture, and the Commodification of a Southern Sacred Site

Juan Campo, University of California, Santa Barbara
Negotiating Muslim and Hindu Identities at a Shared South Indian Pilgrimage Center

Responding:

Kathleen Malone O'Connor, University of South Florida

Business Meeting:

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, Presiding

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SATURDAY EVENING

A17-230

Wildcard Session

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Religion Major and Liberal Education*

Katherine Janiec Jones, Wofford College
The Religious "Other" and the Goals of the Liberal Arts

Anthony Mansueto, Collin County Community College
For Sapiential Literacy: The Role of Religion at Public Colleges

David C. Ratke, Lenoir-Rhyne College
The Place and Purpose of Religion at a Church-Related College

Steve Young, McHenry County College
Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Religious Studies and the Community College

David Reinhart, DePaul University
A Reconnaissance of Religious Studies in Three Settings: Developing Discursive Values

A17-231 (=M17-50)

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

A17-300 (=S17-113)

Special Topics Forum

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by AAR Program Committee, AAR Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group, and SBL

Dale B. Martin, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Interdisciplinary, Theoretical, and Ideological Implications of the AAR and SBL Split*

Panelists:

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University

Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Bowdoin College

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College

Karen L. King, Harvard University

Responding:

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

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A17-301

Special Topics Forum

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Moravian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Race and Environmental Justice*

Panelists:

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Laura Stivers, Pfeiffer University

Carlton Waterhouse, Florida International University

Responding:

Larry Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary, New York

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A17-302

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Christian Systematic Theology Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Spectacles of Crucifixion*

Sarah Sentilles, Harvard University
"He Looked Like Jesus Christ": Crucifixion, Torture, and the Limits of Empathy as a Response to the Photographs from Abu Ghraib

Gerard Loughlin, Durham University
The Blood and the Beauty: On Watching Gibson Torture Christ

Kent Brintnall, Emory University
The Crucifixion of Masculinity: Georges Bataille, Robert Mapplethorpe, and the Cross

Anne-Marie Korte, University of Tilburg
Carnal Blasphemy or Incarnational Imagination? Visualizing Female Crucifixion in Western Culture

A17-303

Buddhism Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking the Forest-Village Dichotomy in South Asian Buddhism*

Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas, Austin
Beyond the Middle Way: Buddhist Ascetics in the Early Pāli Texts

David Drewes, University of Manitoba
Mahayana Outside the Forest

Daniel Boucher, Cornell University
Wilderness Dwelling in the Early Mahayana: A Sociological Perspective

Jeffrey Samuels, Western Kentucky University
In Awe of the Forest? Ambivalent Attitudes toward the Forest Monastics in Contemporary Sri Lanka

Responding:

John S. Strong, Bates College

Business Meeting:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University, and Charles Hallisey, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Presiding

A17-304

History of Christianity Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Saints and Social Worlds: Historical Perspectives on Christian Holy Folk*

Patricia Appelbaum, Amherst, MA
St. Francis in the Nineteenth-Century

Amy Slagle, University of Pittsburgh
All-American Saints: Depictions and Meanings of Eastern Orthodox Sainthood in Contemporary North America

Jennifer Hughes, University of California, Riverside
Romero Present! Popular Devotion to Saint Oscar Romero

Anna Harrison, Loyola Marymount University
"Thousands and Thousands of Lovers": The Holy Dead and the Nuns of Helfta

Mark S. Clatterbuck, Catholic University of America
From Savage Demons to Indian Saints: The Quest for a Native American Catholic Utopia

Laura Grimes, California State University, Fullerton
Mothers and Martyrs in Early Christianity: The Contested Legacy of Perpetua and Felicity

A17-305

North American Religions Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Stephen J. Stein, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Catherine L. Albanese's* A Republic of Mind and Spirit

Panelists:

Mary F. Bednarowski, United Theological Seminary, Minnesota

John Corrigan, Florida State University

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

Grant Wacker, Duke University

Responding:

Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Philip K. Goff, Indiana University/ Purdue University, Indianapolis, and Kathleen Flake, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A17-306

Religion in South Asia Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Embodying Bhakti: Devotional Bodies, Fertile Bodies, and Bodies of Desire*

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
Bhakti and Embodiment: Embodying Kṛṣṇa in Text, Place, Image, and Performance

Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College
Bodies of Desire, Bodies of Lament: Marking Emotion in a Messenger Poem of Medieval South India

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago
Fruitful Austerity: Embodied Devotion in Women's Vrata Performances

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
Body of the Deity, Embodiment of the Devotee: Temple Traditions in South India, Cambodia, and the United States

Responding:

John Hawley, Columbia University

A17-307

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *Women's Interreligious Dialogue in a Polarized World*

Panelists:

Maura O'Neill, Chaffey College

Ursula King, University of Bristol

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College

Liora Gubkin, California State University, Bakersfield

Responding:

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego

Allison Stokes, Women's Interfaith Institute in the Finger Lakes

A17-308

Women and Religion Section and Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good, Presiding

Theme: *Off the Menu: Asian and Asian North American Women's Religion and Theology*

Panelists:

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Santa Clara University

Letty M. Russell, Yale University

Katie G. Cannon, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

Tat-siong Benny Liew, Pacific School of Religion

A17-309

Chinese Religions Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jonathan A.C. Brown, University of Washington, Presiding

Theme: *Self-Representation/ Misrepresentation: Muslims in the Chinese Cultural Context*

Kristian Petersen, University of Washington
The Seven Subtleties of the True Heart: A Spiritual Physiology by Wang Daiyu

Yufeng Mao, George Washington University
"Chinese Islamic Progressive Association" and Muslim Activism in Early Republican China

Haiyun Ma, Georgetown University
Ahun Rebellions in Eighteenth-Century Northwest China

James Frankel, Columbia University
Eclecticism and Syncretism in the Sources and Theories of Liu Zhi

Responding:

John Voll, Georgetown University

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SATURDAY EVENING

A17-310

Christian Spirituality Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Wendy Wright, Creighton University, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Spirituality and Multiple Religious Belonging*

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
Multiple Religious Belonging and the Practice of Interreligious Reading

Christian Krokus, Boston College
History, Method, and Co-orientation in the Catholic and Islamic Spirituality of Louis Massignon

Beverly Lanzetta, University of Arizona
Intercontemplative Dialogue: Spiritual Pluralism and Global Theosis in Thomas Merton and Bede Griffiths

Christopher Denny, St. John's University, New York
Trinity and Interreligious Belonging in the Writings of Raimundo Panikkar

A17-311

Comparative Religious Ethics Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lee H. Yearley, Stanford University, Presiding

Theme: *What Does It Mean to Do Comparative Religious Ethics? A Panel Discussion on Aaron Stalnaker's* Overcoming Our Evil: Human Nature and Spiritual Exercises in Xunzi and Augustine

Panelists:

Erin M. Cline, University of Oregon

Weichi Zhou, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Kurt Anders Richardson, McMaster University

Andrew Zhonghu Yan, Hope College

Fei Lan, University of Toronto

Responding:

Aaron D. Stalnaker, Indiana University, Bloomington

Business Meeting:

Aaron D. Stalnaker, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

A17-312

Islamic Mysticism Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jamal J. Elias, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *Sufism and Philosophy*

Scott Girdner, Boston University
Philosophical Content in Qur'ānic Context: The Significance of Philosophy in al-Ghazālī's Mishkāt al-Anwār (The Niche of Lights)

Kenneth Garden, Yale University
Towards a New Narrative of the Life and Thought of Abū Ḥāmid al-Ghazālī

Nahyan Fancy, DePauw University
Soul and Spirit in Ḥayy ibn Yaqzān: Aristotelianism, Monistic Mysticism, and the Problem of Individuation

G. A. Lipton, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Muhibb Allah Illahabadi's The Equivalence Between Giving and Receiving (Al-Taswiya bayna al-Ifada wa-l-Qabul)*: Avicennan Neoplatonism and the School of Ibn `Arabi in South Asia*

Yuan-Lin Tsai, National Chengchi University
The Construction of Islamic "Mind-Nature" (Xin-Xing) Philosophy in Liu Zhi's Tianfang Xingli*: A Creative Dialogue between Neo-Sufism and Neo-Confucianism*

A17-313

Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Wanda Warren Berry, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *Sources of Religious Pluralism in Kierkegaard's Writings*

David J. Gouwens, Brite Divinity School
Kierkegaard on the Universally Religious and the Specifically Christian as Resources for Interreligious Conversation

Avron Kulak, York University
Between Singularity and Plurality: Kierkegaard and The Paradox of Absolute Difference

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Kierkegaard on Conversing with "Mystical" Religions

Timothy Dalrymple, Harvard University
Kierkegaard on Suffering: A Basis for Interreligious Dialogue?

Carl Hughes, Emory University
The Constructive Significance of The Book on Adler *in an Age of Pluralism*

Responding:

Christopher Nelson, South Texas College

Business Meeting:

Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico, and Marilyn Piety, Drexel University, Presiding

Members of either the Kierkegaard Society or the AAR Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group may obtain by mid-October a bound copy of the papers for the sessions of both units by contacting Andrew Burgess, *aburgess@unm.edu*, or David Possen, *dp@uchicago.edu*. The cost for the papers will be $20 ($15 for members of the Kierkegaard Society).

A17-314

Men's Studies in Religion Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mark Justad, Guilford College, Presiding

Theme: *Competing Models of Men in Religion and Describing and Defining Men's Studies in Religion*

C. John Powers, Australian National University
Manly Monks and Lustful Ladies: Images of Masculinity, Sexuality, and the Body in Indian Buddhism

Nathan Schneider, University of California, Santa Barbara
New Manhood and New Order: Gandhi and bin Laden against the Great Powers

Theme: *Men's Studies in Religion: Method and Future*

Panelists:

Stephen B. Boyd, Wake Forest University

David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College

Business Meeting:

David James Livingston, Mercyhurst College, Presiding

A17-315

Native Traditions in the Americas Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Native American Religious Traditions: The Future of the Field and the Influence of Inés Talamantez*

Panelists:

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Chris Jocks, Fort Lewis College

Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder

Lawrence W. Gross, Bemidji, MN

Michael McNally, Carleton College

Responding:

Ines Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis

A17-316

New Religious Movements Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Benjamin Zeller, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

Theme: *Emergent and Alternative: The Breadth of New Religions Study*

Z. Kermani, Harvard University
"Don't Eat the Incense": Children's Participation in Contemporary Pagan Practice

Joe Laycock, Decatur, GA
Gathering Data with the Vampire: Analyzing Causes and Effects of an Introspective Survey by the Vampire Community

Darnise Martin, Loyola Marymount University
Not Your Grandmother's Christian Church: How New Thought Religion Might Be Saving American Christianity

Gabriella V. Smith, University of Kansas
Gwinevere Rain: Spiritual Literacy and Adolescent Empowerment

Paul Thomas, Rockhurst University
Interstellar Ishtar: UFO Mythologies as Myths of Origin

A17-317

✯ *New Program Unit*

Qur'an Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College, Presiding

Theme: *The Qur'an and Interpretation*

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University
"By the Land Made Safe...": The Concept of Sacred Land in the Qur'an

Yasir Ibrahim, Montclair State University
Continuity and Change in Qur'ānic Readings: A Study of the Qur'ānic Manuscript Garret 38

Andrew J. Lane, University of Toronto
Shawâhid in Tafsîr: Some Remarks on the Use of Poetry in Qur'ānic Exegesis

Todd Lawson, University of Toronto
Duality and Opposition in the Qur'an: The Apocalyptic Substrate

Devin J. Stewart, Emory University
Three Medieval Texts on "Poetic License" in the Qur'an

Mark Wagner, University of Southern Mississippi
Two Qur'anic Verses on Legal Pluralism (5:42 and 5:48) and Their Interpretation

Business Meeting:

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, Georgetown University, and Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

A17-318

✯ *New Program Unit*

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group and Religion and Migration Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Creative Crossings: Religious Transmutations in Latin America and the Caribbean*

Meritxell Martin-i-Pardo, University of the South
New Hindu Death Rites for Secular France

Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Pfeiffer University
Migration and Religious Identity in Mexico: An Ethnography of Migrant Patterns from Chichoalco, Guerrero to Cuernavaca, Morelos

Kathryn Moles, Florida International University
A Comparative Analysis of New-Pentecostal/Neo-Charismatic Colombian-Majority Churches in South Florida

Jeffery Gonzalez, Florida International University
Transnational Impacts on Lukumi Ritual

Responding:

Thomas Pearson, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Business Meeting:

Nelson Maldonado-Torres, University of California, Berkeley, and Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

AAR

SATURDAY EVENING

A17-319

Religion, Politics, and the State Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Democracy, and Political Engagement: Challenges in Theology and Practice*

John Senior, Emory University
Towards a Thicker Conception of the Public Religious Self

L. Benji Rolsky, Claremont School of Theology
Eisenhower, Religion, and the Founding Fathers: A Response to Communism

Paul Rasor, Virginia Wesleyan College
Public Prophetic Religion and the Separation of Church and State

Robert F. Shedinger, Luther College
Wall of Separation or Barrier to Justice? Valuing an Islamic Approach to "Church-State" Separation

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston
The "Religion" of the Religion Clauses and Deliberation about the Common Good

A17-320

Ritual Studies Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lee Gilmore, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Theorizing Ritual Agency, Destabilizing Fields*

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary
"I Do" So We Are: Same-sex Unions as Rite of Passage or Strategic Practice?

Gabriel Robinson, University of Chicago
Calling the Bull to Mass: Ritual Practice and Defense Against Superstition in Seventeenth-Century Spain

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo
Transformation of Core Rituals in the Wake of World Christianity: Possession and/or Sacrifice?

Grant H. Potts, University of Pennsylvania
The Persistence of the Social: Ritual Theory, Improvisation, Determinacy

Responding:

Barry Stephenson, Wilfrid Laurier University

A17-321

Schleiermacher Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lori K. Pearson, Carleton College, Presiding

Theme: *Prolegomena to the* Glaubenslehre*: The Last of a Four-Year Reinvestigation of Schleiermacher's Magnum Opus*

Paul Edward Capetz, United Theological Seminary, MN
Christianity as a Religion: A Controverted Topic in the "Introduction" to Schleiermacher's Glaubenslehre

Paul Dafydd Jones, University of Virginia
Friedrich Schleiermacher and Post-liberalism: Rereading the "Introduction" of The Christian Faith

Christopher Ganski, Marquette University
The Feeling of Freedom and the Feeling of Dependence: Sorting out Schleiermacher's Critique of the Catholic Notion of Cooperative Grace

Philip Stoltzfus, Saint Olaf College
Propositions Borrowed from Aesthetics? Schleiermacher's Lectures on Aesthetics as a Hidden Resource for Glaubenslehre *§3-§6*

Business Meeting:

Brent Sockness, Stanford University, Presiding

In order to facilitate discussion, papers for this session will be posted in mid-October at the Schleiermacher Group's Yahoo website. AAR members wishing to join the Schleiermacher Group and access the papers should contact Brent Sockness at *sockness@stanford.edu*.

A17-322

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding

Theme: *Agamben, Decreation, and Witnessing*

Lissa McCullough, Muhlenberg College
"Decreation" in Agamben and Simone Weil

David Kangas, Florida State University
What Remains of Fulfillment? Agamben's Remnant

B. Keith Putt, Samford University
Height, Exteriority, Remnant: Levinas, Ricoeur, and Agamben on the Undecidability of Testimony

William Robert, Syracuse University
Witnessing: From an Impossible Place

A17-323

Biblical/Contextual Ethics Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Reflection on the Prophetic Calling*

Anne Collier-Freed, Salt Lake Theological Seminary
Mothering as a Social Practice: Liberating Evangelical Mothers to Pursue Their Prophetic Calling

Cecilia Nahnfeldt, Karlstad University
The Way God Is Calling Women and Men: A Feminist Perspective and the Gospel of Matthew

Jerry Nwonye, Fuller Theological Seminary
Martin Luther King, Jr. and Tokenism in America Today

Stephanie Smith, Monrovia, CA
The Righteousness of Christ and Human Rights: Karl Barth's Prophetic Interpretation of Isaiah 11:1-4

Business Meeting:

Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

A17-324

✯ *New Program Unit*

Buddhism in the West Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Duncan Williams, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *New Perspectives on Buddhist Modernism in the West*

Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Duke University
Swedenborg: A Modern Buddha?

David McMahan, Franklin & Marshall College
A Brief History of Interdependence

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union
Traditionalist Representations of Buddhism

Natalie Quli, Graduate Theological Union
The Place of Jhāna in Western Theravāda

Responding:

Richard M. Jaffe, Duke University

Business Meeting:

Jeff Wilson, University of Waterloo, Presiding

A17-325

Coptic Christianity Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Chrysi Kotsifou, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Theme: *Coptic Material Culture in Various Expressions*

Iain Gardner, University of Sydney
The Coptic Documents from Ismant el-Kharab (Ancient Kellis)

Stephen J. Davis, Yale University
Archaeology at Ancient Scetis: New Excavations at the Monastery of St. John the Little in the Wadi al-Natrun

Dawn McCormack, University of Pennsylvania
The Search for Monastic Activity in the Upper Desert of the Abydos Region

Darlene Brooks Hedstrom, Wittenberg University
Making a Monastic Map: The Rediscovery of a Coptic Monastery in Sohag, Egypt

Business Meeting:

Lois Farag, Luther Seminary, Presiding

A17-326

Daoist Studies Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: *Performing Harmony: Interpreting Daoist Ritual*

Panelists:

Fong-Mao Lee, Academia Sinica

Yu-Kun Lee, Guangyuan Tan

Julius N. Tsai, San Diego State University

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College

Responding:

Thomas A. Wilson, Hamilton College

A17-327

Open and Relational Theologies Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lynne Faber Lorenzen, Augsburg College, Presiding

Theme: *What God Does, Chooses Not to Do, or Cannot Do*

R. Daren Erisman, Graduate Theological Union
Reinterpreting God's Power: Kenosis in Light of the Pre-Islamic Virtue of Hilm

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University
An Open and Relational Theory of Divine Power: Between Voluntary Divine Self-Limitation and Divine Limitation by Those External to God

Kathlyn A. Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University
From Impassibility to Intimacy: Conceptions of God's Power and Christian Marriage

David Wilkinson, Durham University
Open Creation and New Creation

Business Meeting:

Lynne Faber Lorenzen, Augsburg College, Presiding

A17-328

Religion and Sexuality Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kecia Ali, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual Purity, Danger, and Taboo: Current Debates about Children, Marriage, and the Family Across Multiple Cultures*

Ann Pellegrini, New York University
Going Bad: Sex, Developmental Narratives, and the Ends of Childhood Innocence

Monique Moultrie, Vanderbilt University
It's Crowded under Here: Between the Sheets, the Black Church, and Women's Sexuality

Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
Gendered Sexual Practices in Zulu Culture: Theological Implications in a Context of HIV and AIDS

Juan Herrero Brasas, California State University, Northridge
Same-Sex Marriage in a "Catholic" Country: Sexuality, Religion, and Cultural Conflict in Spain

Responding:

Mark D. Jordan, Emory University

Business Meeting:

R. Marie Griffith, Princeton University, and Catherine Roach, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

AAR

SATURDAY EVENING

A17-329

Religion in Europe Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding

Theme: *The Roles and Relevance of Religion in a Modernizing Europe*

Todd Green, Vanderbilt University
Reexamining the Effects of Functional Differentiation on Religious Institutions: The Significance of the Swedish Deaconessate for Health Care and Nursing in the Nineteenth-Century

Angela Ilic, Temple University
Caught between Two Worlds: The Role of Religious Communities in Preserving the Identity of Hungarians in Vojvodina

Maria Jansdotter, Karlstad University
God, Humanity, and Nature among Women Ordained within the Lutheran Church of Sweden: A Pilot-Study

Wolfgang Schuerger, Augustana-Hochschule Neuendettelsau
The Christian West and Its Multireligious Reality—A Plea for New Theological Reflection

Business Meeting:

Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Presiding

Andrii Krawchuk, University of Sudbury, Presiding

A17-330

Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding

Theme: *Review Session on* Yoga: India's Philosophy of Meditation*, Edited by Gerald J. Larson and Ram Shankar Bhattacharya*

Panelists:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University

Knut Axel Jacobsen, University of Bergen

Lloyd W. Pflueger, Truman State University

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Northwestern University

Ian Whicher, University of Manitoba

Responding:

Gerald J. Larson, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, and Stuart R. Sarbacker, Northwestern University, Presiding

A17-331 (=M17-101)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

SARTS hosts a conversation with author Robin Margaret Jensen, Luce Chancellor's Professor of the History of Christian Worship and Art in the Divinity School at Vanderbilt University. Her most recent books include: *The Substance of Things Seen: Art, Faith, and the Christian Community* (Eerdmans, 2004) and *Face to Face: Portraits of the Divine in Early Christianity* (Augsburg Fortress, 2005).

A17-332 (=M17-104)

African Association for the Study of Religions

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kathleen O'Brien Wicker, Presiding

4:00 pm *Celebration of AASR's Fifteenth Anniversary*

Panelists:

Jacob Olupona

Rosalind Hackett

Teresia Hinga

Bella Mukonyora

4:30 pm Business Meeting

Elom Dovlo, AASR President, Welcome

Afe Adogame, AASR Secretary's Report

Kathleen Wicker, AASR-NA Report

5:10 pm *Report on the Botswana Conference*

Teresia Hinga, AASR-NA Representative to the Botswana Conference

5:40 pm Bella Mukonyora
Understanding Death and Healing: Masowe Apostolic Story of Liberation

Discussion following

7:00 pm AASR-African Religions dinner off-site

For additional information regarding this session, contact Kathleen Wicker at 1-909-399-9971 or *kwicker@scrippscollege.edu*.

A17-333 (=M17-106)

Association of Practical Theology

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Susan Dunlap, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogies in Practical Theology: Inter-religious Perspectives on Teaching Spiritual Practices*

Panelists:

John Makransky, Boston College

Abdullah T. Antepli, Hartford Seminary

Kathleen Dolphin, St. Mary's College

6:15 pm Business Meeting

Kathleen A. Cahalan, Saint John's University, Presiding

For additional information contact Kathleen Cahalan, *kcahalan@csbsju.edu*, or Claire Wolfteich, *cwolftei@bu.edu*.

A17-334 (=M17-108)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *The Thought and Legacy of Masao Abe*

Panelists:

Donald W. Mitchell, Purdue University

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University

James Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University

John B. Cobb, Jr., Claremont School of Theology

Stephen Rowe, Grand Valley State University

William R. LaFleur, University of Pennsylvania

Steven Heine, Florida International University

Discussion

A17-335 (=M17-111)

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Teaching the Holocaust in a Seminary or Religious Studies Course*

Holocaust studies is an interdisciplinary field that offers rich resources for seminary education and religious studies. Join us for a roundtable consultation on incorporating this history in courses on ethics, systematic theology, church history, biblical studies, and interfaith issues. For additional information regarding this session, contact Victoria Barnett at 1-202-488-0469 or *vbarnett@ushmm.org*.

A17-400

Journal of the American Academy of Religion Editorial Board Meeting and Reception

5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, Presiding

A17-402

Friends of the Academy Reception

5:45 pm-7:00 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

Individuals whose generosity allows us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors.

A17-403

AAR Racial and Ethnic Minority Members' Reception

6:30 pm-7:45 pm

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University, Presiding

The Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee invites interested persons to a reception celebrating the contributions of racial and ethnic minority scholars in the Academy.

A17-404

Presidential Plenary and Awards Ceremony

7:45 pm-9:00 pm

Emilie M. Townes, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Presidential Plenary and Awards Ceremony—Jeff Stout*

Panelists:

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University

See page 113 for a description.

A17-405

Film: *The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery*

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Chinese Religions Group

James Robson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding

See page 123 for a description.

A17-406

Film: *Magnolia*

9:00 pm-10:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Tony S. L. Michael, York University, Presiding

See page 123 for a description.

A17-407 (=S17-136)

Women's Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Sponsored by the AAR Status of Women in the Profession Committee, SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, and the Women's Caucus

Julie J. Kilmer, Olivet College, Presiding

The Women's Caucus and Claremont Graduate University School of Religion welcome all friends to join us in honoring Rosemary Radford Ruether and the panelists from the session on Ruether's most recent book, *America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence*.

A17-408

AAR Members' Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

AAR members are invited to join one another at the AAR Members' Reception for jazz music and collegiality. Don't forget the free drink ticket mailed with your name badge!

A17-409 (=S17-137)

Student Members' Reception

9:30 pm-11:30 pm

AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by for conversation with fellow students. Snacks will be provided. Don't forget your free drink ticket!

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SATURDAY EVENING

A17-410 (=M17-116)

Evangelical Philosophical Society

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Michael Licona, University of South Africa, Presiding

Theme: Resurrecting Jesus, *by Dale Allison*

Panelists:

Stephen T. Davis, Claremont-McKenna College

William Lane Craig, Talbot School of Theology

Gary Habermas, Liberty University

Responding:

Dale Allison, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Audience discussion to follow.

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith, *scott.smith@truth.biola.edu*.

A17-411 (=M17-129)

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

A17-412

Religion and the Arts Award Inaugural Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

A special reception celebrating the inaugural AAR Award in Religion and the Arts. During this reception, there will be a tribute to Jane Dillenberger, honoring her many contributions as a teacher, author, curator, and advocate of religion and art.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

A18-1

AAR New Members' Continental Breakfast

7:30 am-8:45 am

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

New (first-time) AAR members in 2007 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A18-2

Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Presiding

A18-3

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University, Presiding

A18-4

Religion in the Schools Task Force Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Diane L. Moore, Harvard University, Presiding

A18-100 (=S18-37)

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the AAR Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

Theme: *Fifty Years of Women in the AAR and SBL: The Battles of Yesterday and the Challenges of Tomorrow*

Panelists:

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University

Rita Nakashima Brock, Faith Voices for the Common Good

Katie G. Cannon, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

Elizabeth Clark, Duke University

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Carolyn Osiek, Brite Divinity School

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Emilie M. Townes, Yale University

See page 117 for a description.

A18-101

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Theological Education Steering Committee

David H. Kelsey, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching the Introductory Theology Course in Theological Schools*

Panelists:

Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Serene Jones, Yale University

Amy Plantinga Pauw, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

See page 117 for a description.

A18-102

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Program Committee

Theme: *Posters Session*

Cyrus Schleifer, Duke University
American Religions Timeline

Tobin Shearer, Northwestern University
Chaotic Encounters: Using Chaos to Deepen Student Learning in the Religion Classroom

Carolyne Mary Call, Cornell University
Elements of a Spiritually Healthy Community

David Reinhart, DePaul University
Envisioning the Invisible: Issues and Options in The Working Poor: Invisible in America

Gregory Ellis, Moravian Theological Seminary
Game Theory and Theology

Brendan Pietsch, Duke University
Measuring Time: Fundamentalism, Quantification, and Millennialism

Victor Blake, Morehouse School of Medicine
Spirituality, Religiosity, and Cancer Coping among African Americans

Sang Bok Lee, Kangnam University
The Therapeutic Effects of Shaman's Healing Performance on Wounded Emotion: A Neuroreligious and Cognitive Neuroscience Perspective

Hisho Uga, Azusa Pacific University
Theology of Hikikomori

Stephen Fugitt, Missouri State University, Columbia College
From Word to Image: Seeing God in the Poetry of Phillis Wheatley

A18-103

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

David Morgan, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Word and Image*

Jennifer Eichman, Seton Hall University
Unregulated Religious Space: Contemporary Buddhist-Inspired Calligraphy

David Need, Duke University
Bringing God into Being: Rainer Maria Rilke's Use of Visual Art

Regina Schwerd, University of California, Berkeley
Ekphrasis and the Mystic: A Reconsideration of Julian of Norwich's Revelations of Divine Love

Lisa Bitel, University of Southern California
The Environment of Christian Vision in Early Medieval Europe

Business Meeting:

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, and S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University, Presiding

A18-104

Buddhism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Mark L. Blum, University at Albany, Presiding

Theme: *New Horizons in Buddhist Studies*

Galen Amstutz, Ryukoku University
The Ômi Merchants of Japan

Amy P. Langenberg, Columbia University
The Problem with Mom: Embryology as Practice in an Early Mahayana Sutra

Karin Meyers, University of Chicago
Karma, Cetanā, and Free Will in Buddhaghosa and Vasubandhu

Pierce Salguero, Johns Hopkins University
Jivaka, the Buddhist Medicine King, and the Question of Indian Influence on Chinese Medicine and Surgery Reconsidered

Nicole Willock, Indiana University, Bloomington
Negotiating New Territory: The Life of Monastic Scholar Tshetan Zhabdrung Jigmé Rigpé Lodrö (1910-1985)

Melissa Conroy, Muskingum College
Seeing with Buddha's Eyes: Understanding the Cinematography of Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter... and Spring

A18-105

Ethics Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Hooray for Hollywood? Ethics and Entertainment*

Barbra Barnett, University of Chicago
The Science Fiction Dystopia: Battlestar Galactica*'s Contributions to Contemporary Discussions of Human Dignity*

Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry
Disrupting the End of the World: Ethical Crisis and the Possibility of Hope in Alfonso Cuaron's Children of Men

Crystal Downing, Messiah College
The Ethics of The Queen*: Betraying Hollywood*

Donna Yarri, Alvernia College
Ethical Values in The Sopranos

Jennifer Ayres, Emory University
"Good Evening, Godless Sodomites": Comedy Central's Contribution of Religious and Political Satire to the Public Sphere

A18-106

Philosophy of Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

William Schweiker, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Living in a Secular Age: Charles Taylor and the Philosophy of Religion*

F. B. A. Asiedu, Middlebury College
The Post-Secular Condition: The Usefulness of Belief in the Philosophy of Charles Taylor

Jennifer A. Herdt, University of Notre Dame
Secularization, Recomposition, and Bad Faith in Contemporary Christian Ethics

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, University of Chicago
Re-examining the Secularization Hypothesis

Robert N. Bellah, University of California, Berkeley
Taylor on Religion and Modernity

Responding:

Charles Taylor, Northwestern University

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SUNDAY MORNING

A18-107

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: Lived Religion in America *Revisited: Current Cases and Theoretical Developments*

Panelists:

Roberto Lint Sagarena, University of Southern California

Kathryn Lofton, Indiana University, Bloomington

Ziad Munson, Lehigh University

Marla Frederick, Harvard University

Responding:

David D. Hall, Harvard University

A18-108

Religion in South Asia Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Pauline McKenzie, Carleton University, Presiding

Theme: *Transcending Dualities and Dialectics: Capturing Jain Identities*

Panelists:

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa

Sherry Fohr, Converse College

M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University

James M. Hastings, Wingate University

Responding:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

A18-109

Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: *From "Muslims in America" to "American Muslims"*

Amina Wadud, Virginia Commonwealth University
Islam, Ethnicity, and Race in the United States: 100 Years or 400 Years: What Is Muslim American Identity?

Abbas Barzegar, Emory University
Discourse as Denomination: Problems and Prospects in the Study of Islam in the United States

Edward E. Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
The Roots and Consequences of Islamism in Black America

Liyakat Takim, University of Denver
Preserving or Extending Boundaries: The Black Shi'is of America

Rosemary Hicks, Columbia University
Muslims and Americans: Post-2001 Ethnic Dynamics among Sufis in New York City

Business Meeting:

Omid Safi, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University, Presiding

A18-110

Study of Judaism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Hindy Najman, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Performance and Prayer in Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages*

Talya Fishman, University of Pennsylvania
The Computational Prayer Practice of Medieval Jewish Pietists

Judith Newman, University of Toronto
Performing the Shirot at Qumran

Eva Mroczek, University of Toronto
Praying in David's Temple: Davidic Inspiration and Liturgical Performance in Second-Temple Judaism

A18-111

Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Valerie Bridgeman-Davis, Memphis Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *"Gating the Nation": Biblical Ideologies of the Wall*

Panelists:

Faustino Cruz, Franciscan School of Theology

Gregory Cuellar, Texas A&M University

Joanne Doi, Graduate Theological Union

Leticia Guardiola-Saenz, Western Michigan University

Alice Hunt, Vanderbilt University

Justine Smith, Harvard University

Frank Yamada, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

A18-112

Bioethics and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Stephen E. Lammers, Lafayette College, Presiding

Theme: *Bioethics and Borderlands*

Dena S. Davis, Cleveland State University
Male and Female Genital Cutting: Legal, Ethical, Religious Considerations

Margaret R. McLean, Santa Clara University
Bioethics without Borders: Ethical Responsibility in a Time of Pandemic

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific
Patients without Borders: Health, Social Responsibility, and the Scope of Bioethics

Laura Kicklighter, Lynchburg College
Empirical Bioethics and the Marginalization of the Theologian

Business Meeting:

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University, and Aline Kalbian, Florida State University, Presiding

A18-113

Black Theology Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Theme: *Black Theology, Youth, and Hip-Hop*

Monica Miller, Chicago Theological Seminary
From Black Power to Hip-Hop: Assessing the Relevance of Black Theology for the Twenty-First Century

Margarita Simon, Rice Universtiy
Untapped Resources: An Interpretation of Female Rap Lyrics on Religion and Sexuality through a Hermeneutic of Life Meaning

Josef Sorett, Harvard University
Blackness, Bibles, and Break Beats: Stephen Wiley and the Contours of Christian Rap

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary
Tupac Shakur as Ogou Achade: Hip-Hop Anger and Postcolonial Rancor Read from the Other Side

Responding:

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University

Business Meeting:

Stephen G. Ray, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, and Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

A18-114

Chinese Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

James Robson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding

Theme: *Regional Religion, Local Society, and Ritual Practice: A Consideration of Patrice Fava's film* The Revenge of Han Xin: A Daoist Mystery

Panelists:

Alain Arrault, École Française d'Extrême-Orient

Laurel Kendall, American Museum of Natural History

Edward Davis, University of Hawai'i

Kenneth Dean, McGill University

David Holm, University of Melbourne

Business Meeting:

Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas, Presiding

A18-115

Comparative Theology Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Allan M. Keislar, Forman Christian College, Lahore, Presiding

Theme: *Pushing the Boundaries: Exploring New Methods and Theories in Comparative Theology*

Kerry San Chirico, University of California, Santa Barbara
From Meta-Theology of Religions to Contextualist Comparative Theology: Thinking with Jacques Dupuis Towards a New Methodology

Jon Paul Sydnor, Boston College
Shaivism's Nataraja and Picasso's Crucifixion*: An Essay in Comparative Visual Theology*

Anthony J. Watson, University of Cambridge
Listening to God: A Categorical Analysis of Event-based Revelation in a Comparative Theistic Context

Ithamar Theodor, University of Cambridge
Towards the Articulation of a Meta Comparative Theology Theory

Responding:

C. Peter Slater, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Deepak Sarma, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

A18-116

Japanese Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *New Ways of Thinking about Shinbutsu Bunri (Differentiation of Kami and Buddhist Deities and Practices) in Japan*

Takami Inoue, Otani University
Shinbutsu Bunri as a Radical Disembedding of Local Religions: The Case of Ono Village in the Northern Ina Valley

Dominick Scarangello, University of Virginia
Shinbutsu Bunri and Its Aftermath: Transforming, Redefining, and Recapturing the Bodies of the Deities

Heather Blair, Harvard University
Junking the Treasures of the Mountain King, or How Kinpusen's God Came to the National Museum

Gaynor Sekimori, University of Tokyo
Legends of the Fall: The Iconoclasm of Sacred Space

Lucia Dolce, Leiden University
Did Shinbutsu Bunri Irremediably Change Japanese Religion? Perspectives on the Creation of Contemporary Forms of Associative Practices

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

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SUNDAY MORNING

A18-117

Religion and Disability Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University, Presiding

Theme: *Disability Studies across Religious Studies*

Mary Caygill, Trinity Methodist Theological College, University of Auckland
Of Equal Worth: Towards a Liberating Theological Anthropology

Tracy Allison Demmons, University of St. Andrews
Persons with Disabilities: Oppressed Minority in Need of Liberation? Questioning the Praxis and Paradigms of Disability Theology

Jason Hays, Brite Divinity School
Listening Eyes: Sign Languages as Media for Constructing Visual Narratives of Meaning and Identity

Amos Yong, Regent University
Disability, Love, and Wisdom: De-stabilizing, Re-forming, and Per-forming Philosophy of Religion

Responding:

Kent A. Eaton, Bethel Seminary

A18-118

Religion and Ecology Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Theme: *New Directions in Religion and Ecology*

Willis Jenkins, Yale University
Christian Environmental Ethics Forty Years after Lynn White: The Historic Roots of a Theological Crisis

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College
The Greening of China: The "Constructive Postmodern" Movement in the People's Republic of China

Bron Taylor, University of Florida
Dark Green Religion: Gaian Earth Spirituality, Neo-Animism, and the Transformation of Global Environmental Politics

Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont
Rachel Carson's Sense of Deep Time: Experiencing Maine

Business Meeting:

David L. Barnhill, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, and John A. Grim, Yale University, Presiding

A18-119

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

Theme: *Engaging the Affective: Music, the Senses, and Subjectivity in Film Experiences*

Theodora Hawksley, Liverpool Hope University
"But It Did Happen": Sound as Deep Narrative in P. T. Anderson's Magnolia

Linda Schubert, Anderson University
What Should Jesus' Soundtrack Do? The Role of Music in Constructing Images of Jesus in Three Films

Scott Dunbar, University of Saskatchewan
Orientalism in Outer-space: Sanskrit Mantras in Modern Science Fiction Soundtracks

Stefanie Knauss, Fondazione Bruno Kessler
A "Sensual" Approach to the Study of Film and Religion

Alyda Faber, Atlantic School of Theology
"Love's Work": Religious Subjectivity and the Ethical Opportunity of Film

A18-120

Religion, Media, and Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *Using (and Not Using) Media Technologies to Shape Religious Purposes and Practices*

Dorothea Schulz, Indiana University, Bloomington
"Touched by Divine Truth": Islamic Revival, Media Consumption, and Reconfigurations of Spiritual Experience in Mali, West Africa

Angie Heo, University of California, Berkeley
Tele-visuality, Dreams, and Intercession among Coptic Orthodox of Contemporary Cairo

Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa
Writing the History of Non-users: Toward a Dialogic Approach to Religion, Media, and Culture

Responding:

Birgit Meyer, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam

A18-121

Roman Catholic Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Nancy Dallavalle, Fairfield University, Presiding

Theme: *Stephen Schloesser's* Jazz Age Catholicism*: Author Meets Critics*

Panelists:

Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University

John McGreevy, University of Notre Dame

Francisca Cho, Georgetown University

Vincent J. Miller, Georgetown University

Responding:

Stephen Schloesser, Boston College

A18-122

Scriptural Reasoning Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University, Presiding

Theme: *Pragmatism and Biblical Hermeneutics: A Discussion of the Work of Peter Ochs*

Panelists:

David Lamberth, Harvard University

Leora Batnitzky, Princeton University

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Nicholas Adams, University of Edinburgh

Responding:

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia

A18-123

Tantric Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College, Presiding

Theme: *Outsourcing Salvation, Importing Aesthetics: Literary Alliances and Technologies of Tantra*

E. H. Jarow, Vassar College
Kavya as Mandala

Deven Patel, University of Pennsylvania
Mantra in Poetic Motion: Tantric Readings of Court Poetry

John R.B. Campbell, Columbia University
Going Forth into Bliss and Other Literary Moves: Modeling Mahayoga-Tantra Hermeneutics in Early Medieval India

David Mellins, Columbia University
Empowering Poets, Generating Worlds, Purifying Selves: Sarasvati's Evolving Agency in Benedictory Verses of the Sanskrit Rhetorical Tradition

Responding:

Laura Harrington, Ashfield, MA

Business Meeting:

Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester, and Glen Alexander Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding

A18-124

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Tibetan Religion in China: Past and Present*

Sam van Schaik, British Library
The Chinese Pilgrim's Passport: A Tenth-Century Sino-Tibetan Document from Amdo and Gansu

Paul Nietupski, John Carroll University
The Fourth Belmang: Bodhisattva, Estate Lord, Tibetan Militia Leader, and Chinese Government Official

J. F. Marc des Jardins, Concordia University
Bön Institutions in Contemporary Tibetan Territories and the Dynamics of Religious Authority

Antonio Terrone, Leiden University
The New Journey to the West: The Role of Chinese Devotees in the Development of Tibetan Buddhism in Eastern Tibet

Responding:

Gray Tuttle, Columbia University

Business Meeting:

Kurtis Schaeffer, University of Virginia, Presiding

A18-125

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University, Presiding

Theme: *Tillich's Continuing Challenge to Political and Ethical Thought*

Ronald Stone, Pittsburgh, PA
Utopianism and International Relations

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary
Prophetic Spirit and Political Romanticism in the US Today

Nimi Wariboko, Princeton Theological Seminary
Toward a Theology of Money in a Globalizing World: Tillich's Trinitarian Principles

Derek Malone-France, George Washington University
Tillich on Anxiety, Faith, and Authority

A18-126

Liberal Theologies Consultation and Religion in Europe Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Robert Alvis, Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Liberal Thought and the Challenge of Pluralism*

Stephen A. Wilson, Hood College
Liberal Religion, Liberal Politics, and Empire: Victorian Christianity and the Ambivalence of Westernization

Echol Nix, Furman University
Ernst Troeltsch and Robert Neville: Two Methodological Attempts to Discern Christian Normativity

Chris Hinkle, Harvard University
Pluralism's Problematic Appeal for Religious Liberals

Gavin Hyman, University of Lancaster
Postmodern Theology and Modern Liberalism: Reconsidering the Relationship

Responding:

Friedrich Wilhelm Graf, University of Munich

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A18-127

✯ *New Program Unit*

North American Hinduism Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Presiding

Theme: *Creating (and Sustaining) North American Hinduisms*

Paul Younger, McMaster University
Canadian Hinduism

Janet Gunn, University of Ottawa
Poiesis/Praxis/Puja: Gendered Constructions of Selves and Culture in Diasporic Hindu Household Ritual

Chad Bauman, Butler University
Educating the God Man's Children: Community and Identity at the Sai Baba Center of Indianapolis

Norris Palmer, Saint Mary's College of California
The Generation of Hindu Children: Schooling Religious Identity in One North American Temple

Steven W. Ramey, University of Alabama
Sustaining Minority Hinduisms: Sindhi and Indo-Caribbean Hindu Communities in Atlanta

Business Meeting:

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College, Presiding

A18-128

Queer Theory and LGBT Studies in Religion Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Theme: *Queer Identities and Practices*

Farah Zeb, Birkbeck, University of London
From within an Islamic Framework Are Concepts of Family Law and Ethics in Contradiction with One Another in the Consideration of Same Sex Partnerships?

Ibrahim Abraham, Monash University
"A Very Complex Mix": Hybridizing Australian Queer Muslim Identities

Sharon Fennema, Graduate Theological Union
Christian (Mal)Formation: Queer Theory and the Disruption of Christian Identity in Worship

Frederick S. Roden, University of Connecticut
Jewish/Christian/Queer: Crossroads and Identities

Responding:

Janet R. Jakobsen, Columbia University

Business Meeting:

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College, Presiding

A18-129

✯ *New Program Unit*

Religion and Cities Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Lowell W. Livezey, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *The Religion Factor in Urbanization and the Structure of Cities*

Martyn Smith, Lawrence University
Representing Buildings and Society: The Urban Social System of al-Maqrizi's Khitat

Martin Stringer, University of Birmingham
Celebrating the Year of the Golden Pig: Contributions from the Chinese New Year; Celebrations to Questions of Religious Diversity in an Urban Context

Katie Day, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
The Construction of Sacred Space in the Urban Ecology

R. Scott Hanson, Temple University
Public/Private Urban Space and the Social Limits of Religious Pluralism

Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago
Beyond Savior, Victim, and Sinner: Neighborhood Civic Life and "Absent Presence" in the Religious District

Business Meeting:

Lowell W. Livezey, New York Theological Seminary, and Lawrence Mamiya, Vassar College, Presiding

A18-130

✯ *New Program Unit*

Religion and Migration Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Joseph Cheah, Saint Joseph College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion on the Move: Migration, Displacement, and Identity*

Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh
Because He Lives, I Can Face Tomorrow! Narratives of Empowerment and Identity Grid-making within New African Immigrant Religiosity

Alison R. Marshall, Brandon University
Two Bowls with Six Dumplings: Chinese Religion and Identity Construction on the Canadian Prairies

Inez van der Spek, Dominican Centre for Theology and Society, Nijmegen
Sacrifice and Survival: Michael Riley's Photography and Narratives of Displacement

Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard University
Islam and Immigration in Europe and in the United States: Discussion of the Congregational Model

Responding:

R. Stephen Warner, University of Illinois, Chicago

Business Meeting:

Jennifer B. Saunders, Denison University, Presiding

A18-131

Womens' Caucus and Status of Women in the Profession Committee Mentoring Lunch

11:30 am-1:00 pm

Julie J. Kilmer, Olivet College, Presiding

Alice Hunt, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

The Status of Women in the Profession Committee and the Women's Caucus invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a brown bag lunch with over 30 womanist and feminist mid-career and senior AAR and SBL scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and to be mentored in a context where every question is valued.

A18-132

Special Topics Forum

11:45 am-1:00 pm

Sponsored by the Graduate Student Committee and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: *Wabash Center and AAR Student Teacher Luncheon*

Separate registration is required at *www.aarweb.org/Meetings/Annual_Meeting/Current_Meeting/RSVP/Wabash/*. See page 117 for more information.

A18-133

AAR/Teagle Initiative on the Religion Major and Liberal Education Working Group Lunch

11:30 am-1:00 pm

Timothy M. Renick, Georgia State University, Presiding

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Christian Theological Research Fellowship

11:45 am-12:45 pm

A18-200

Special Topics Forum

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Lawrence Mamiya, Vassar College, Presiding

Theme: *The Marty Forum: Robert N. Bellah*

Panelists:

Robert N. Bellah, University of California

Randall Balmer, Columbia University

See page 117 for a description.

A18-201

Wildcard Session

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

James Logan, Earlham College, Presiding

Theme: *Restorative Justice and the U. S. Penal System*

Panelists:

Rima Vesely-Flad, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Vivian Nixon, City University of New York

A18-202

Narrative, Memory, and History Consultation Planning Session

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

A18-203

Wildcard Session

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Shafique Virani, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Islamicate Apocalypsis: Textual, Historical, and Methodological Considerations*

Todd Lawson, University of Toronto
The Qur'an as Apocalypse

David Cook, Rice University
Qur'an and Narrative in the Apocalyptic Fragments of the Story of Gog and Magog

Jamel Velji, University of California, Santa Barbara
Towards a Definition of Islamic Apocalypticism

Responding:

John J. Collins, Yale University

A18-205

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Bernadette McNary-Zak, Rhodes College, Presiding

Theme: *Mentoring Undergraduate Research in Religious Studies: A Panel Discussion*

Panelists:

Mark Gstohl, Xavier University, Louisiana

Nadia M. Lahutsky, Texas Christian University

John R. Lanci, Stonehill College

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University

Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College

Stephen L. Stell, Austin College

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

A18-206

Christian Systematic Theology Section

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Desire and Redemption*

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University
Honest to God: Confession and Desire

Michon M. Matthiesen, Boston College
The Necessity of Sacrifice: Contemplation and the Oblation of Desire

Daryll Ward, Kettering College of Medical Arts
Redemption is the Perfection of Desire

A18-207

Ethics Section

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Out of the Shadows, into the Light: The Church and Homosexuality*

Panelists:

Luis Leon, University of Denver

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary

Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary

Responding:

Mona West, Church of the Trinity, Metropolitan Community Church

A18-208

History of Christianity Section

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Nathan Baruch Rein, Ursinus College, Presiding

Theme: *The History of Superstition: Practice and Construct*

Panelists:

Michael D. Bailey, Iowa State University

Euan Cameron, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Dale B. Martin, Yale University

A18-209

Religion in South Asia Section

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

William P. Harman, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Presiding

Theme: *Illness and Practice: Subjectivity and Community in Four South Asian Religious Traditions*

Anthony Cerulli, Transylvania University
Dharma and the Febrile Patient: The Mythology of Fever in the Carakasamhita

Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan, Austin College
Positive Stigma: Disease, Tibetans, and Religious Experience

M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University
Dirty Karma, Magic Fluids, and Protective Amulets

Carla Bellamy, Columbia University
Hiddenness and Otherness: Illness and Healing at an Indian Muslim Saint Shrine

Responding:

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa

A18-210

Black Theology Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Anthony G. Reddie, Queens Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Black Theology: New Times, New Methods*

Joseph Tucker Edmonds, Duke University
Black Theology and Black Internationalism: The Emergence of a Black Atlantic Christian Public Sphere

Darby Kathleen Ray, Millsaps College
Christic Imagination: A Way-Making Ethic from the Margins

Brian Bantum, Duke University
Who Do You Say I Am: Black Theology and Discipleship

Ralph C. Watkins, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Reradicalization of Black Theology: Introducing an Africana Ethnographic Black Studies Method for Doing Black/Womanist Theology

Responding:

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University

A18-211

Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Confucian Traditions Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Keith Knapp, The Citadel, Presiding

Theme: *The Problem of Evil in Neo-Confucianism*

Tsingsong Vincent Shen, University of Toronto
The Problem of Evil in Early Neo-Confucian Philosophers

Franklin Perkins, DePaul University
Jiao Xun and the Problem of Moral Evil

Yong Huang, Kutztown University
Alien Qi (Ke Qi): Cheng Brothers' Explanation of the Origin of Evil

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University

A18-212

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Presiding

Theme: *China's "Isms": Studies in the Production of Difference and Unity*

Theodore Cook, Stanford University
Taxon, Container, or Label? On the Referential Functions of the Term "Daoism"

Clarke Hudson, University of Virginia
Medieval "Daoist" Polemics and the Production of Difference and Unity

Cuong Mai, Indiana University, Bloomington
Redescribing "Buddhism" and "Popular Religion": Contesting Ritual Power and Constructing Alternative Moral Communities through Buddhist Rites for the Dead in Early-Medieval China

Responding:

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University

A18-213

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Shelly Rambo, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogy and Power: Teaching toward Transformation in Feminist/ Womanist Theory and Theology*

Paula McGee, Claremont Graduate University
Pedagogy and Power: Claiming Power in the Womanist/Feminist Religion Classroom

Brandee Jasmine Mimitzraiem, Drew University
In Praise of the Self-Reliant Amazon: The Transforming Power of Black Femininity Configured through the Limits of Discourse

Karen Teel, Boston College
Christian Womanist Ethics as a Resource for Feminist Antiracist Theological Pedagogy

A18-214

Japanese Religions Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Jason Josephson, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Ethnography without Text: The Practice of Filmmaking in the Study of Japanese Shin Buddhist Religious Practices*

Panelist:

Donna S. Mote, Emory University

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

A18-215

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Luis Enrique Murillo, Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: *Varieties of Latino/a Religious Experience and Expression*

Hjamil A. Martinez Vazquez, Texas Christian University
"Reversion" as a Process for the Re-construction of Latina/o Identity: The Story of Latina/o Muslims in the United States

Elaine Padilla, Drew University
Latina Shekinah: Exile and the Hope of Homemaking

Responding:

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John's University

Business Meeting:

Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, and Benjamin Valentin, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

A18-216

Mysticism Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

Theme: *Women's Asceticism: The Mysticism of Love and Emptiness*

Joe Conti, California State University, Fullerton
The Contemplative Psychology of Bernadette Roberts: The Nature of Consciousness in Mystical Union and in the Marketplace

Kirsten Heacock Sanders, Duke University
Penance as Imitatio Christi: The Role of Sin in Discipleship in Angela of Foligno

Charlotte Radler, Loyola Marymount University
Mystical Transgressions: Asceticism, Love, and Knowledge in Catherine of Alexandria

A18-217

New Religious Movements Group and Western Esotericism Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Theme: *Exchange and Innovation: Esotericism in New Religions*

Ann Gleig, Rice University
Divine Individualism or Mystical Humanism? The Diamond Approach: American Esotericism in the Twenty-First Century

Daniel McKanan, St. John's University
Faith in the Phalanx: Esotericism, Socialism, and the American Fourierist Movement

Stephen Wehmeyer, California State University, Northridge
Reenvisioning the Visionary: The Initiatory Art of Edith V. Tenbrink

Paul Ivey, University of Arizona
The Temple of the People: Theosophy, Socialism, and Electricity at Halcyon, California

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

A18-218

Practical Theology Group and Reformed Theology and History Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

William C. Placher, Wabash College, Presiding

Theme: *Constructing Narratives of Redemption: Theological Dialogues with David Kelsey's* Imagining Redemption

John E. Thiel, Fairfield University
Promises to Keep: Some Thoughts on Kelsey's Argument in Imagining Redemption

Joy Ann McDougall, Emory University
The Freedom of the Christian and the Gendered Bondage of the I/Eye: A Feminist Reimagining of Redemption

Serene Jones, Yale University
Narratives of the Unredeemed

Don Saliers, Emory University
Liturgy and Human Redemption: Eulogistic Evasions and Eschatological Efficacy

A18-219

Religion and Ecology Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Forests of Belonging: The Contested Meanings of Trees and Forests in India*

Robert Menzies, Concordia University
Forest Paradigms in Vrat Kathas

William Elison, University of Chicago
"Bona fide Tribals": Religion and Recognition among Denizens of Mumbai's Forest Frontier

Eliza Kent, Colgate University
A Road Runs through It: Changing Meanings in a Sacred Grove in Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu

Albertina Nugteren, Tilburg University
Darubrahma: Recent Developments in the Ritual Quest for Sacred Trees and the Subsequent Production of Wooden Murtis at Puri and Bhadrak, Orissa

A18-220

Religion and Popular Culture Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, Presiding

Theme: *Playing the Game: An Interactive Exploration of Religious Games and Toys*

Panelists:

Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University

A18-221

Religion, Politics, and the State Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and the Politics of the Common Good*

Jennifer Ayres, Emory University
It's Not What You Said, It's How You Said It: Relational Political Activism among Liberal Protestants

Brantley Gasaway, Drake University
No Justice, No Good: Progressive Evangelical Interpretations of the Politics of Community and the Common Good

Seth Dowland, Duke University
Focusing on the Family: How the Religious Right Defined the Common Good, 1977-1983

Luke Bretherton, University of London
Political Theology, Broad-based Community Organizing, and Pursuit of the Common Good

Business Meeting:

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

A18-222

Science, Technology, and Religion Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University, Presiding

Theme: *Philip Hefner on Science and Theology: From Pre-history to Post-history?*

Panelists:

Philip Hefner, Lutheran School of Theology

A18-223

Tantric Studies Group

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

David Gray, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Theme: *The Tantras in East Asia: Workshop*

Panelists:

Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union

Responding:

John R. McRae, Komazawa University

A18-224

North American Hinduism Consultation and Yoga in Theory and Practice Consultation

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Presiding

Theme: *Hindu Texts in North American Contexts*

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto
Conquest of New Quarters: Rewriting the Sacred Geography of Advaita

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College
Paramahansa Yogananda and His American Editors

Mark Singleton, Cambridge University
The Classical Reveries of Neo-Hatha Yoga: Rewriting, Repression, Assimilation

Responding:

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Northwestern University

A18-225

Wildcard Session

1:00 pm-2:30 pm

Kristi Upson-Saia, Occidental College, Presiding

Theme: *The Holy Child: Traditions of the Infant and Child Jesus*

Timothy J. Horner, University of Oxford
A Little Holy Terror: Jesus in the Infancy Gospel of Thomas

Karen Koenig, Lawrence University
"Kept a Little Suckling Still": The Infant Jesus as an Object of Ridicule in the Poetry of William Prynne

Joanne Pierce, College of the Holy Cross
The "Little Prisoner of the Tabernacle": Eucharistic Images of the Child Jesus on Modern Roman Catholic Holy Cards

Russell Dalton, Brite Divinity School
The Perfect American Boy: The Child Jesus in US Children's Bibles

Mark W. Graham, College of Wooster
Historicizing, Theologizing, and Redeeming the Young Jesus: Apocryphal Narratives of Jesus' Childhood as Resource and Problem in Contemporary Novels of the Life of Jesus

A18-226

Plenary Address

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *Islamic Feminism*

Panelist:

Isobel Coleman, Council of Foreign Relations

See page 113 for a description.

A18-227 (=M18-50)

Society of Christian Philosophers

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

R. Douglas Geivett, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Stephen T. Davis'* Christian Philosophical Theology

Panelists:

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University

William Lane Craig, Biola University

Responding:

Stephen Davis, Claremont McKenna College

A18-228 (=M18-53)

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Vincent Shen, University of Toronto
The Concept of Truth in Classical Confucianism

Chenyang Li, Central Washington University
Cheng and Truth in the Zhongyong

James Wang, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Heidegger and Laozi on Truth

Jeffrey Dippmann, Central Washington University
Truth and Double Truth in Chinese Buddhism

A18-229

Special Topics Forum

Sunday, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Eugene V. Gallager, Conneticut College, Presiding

Theme: *A Conversation with Stacey Floyd-Thomas, 2007 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner*

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School

A18-250

Wildcard Session

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Louis Komjathy, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Theme: *The Place of the Practitioner in the Academy*

Panelists:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

José I. Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida

Richard King, Vanderbilt University

Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College

Responding:

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

A18-251

Wildcard Session

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Paul Oslington, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Theological Readings of Economics*

Panelists:

Alasdair John Milbank, University of Nottingham

Albino Barrera, Providence College

Kathryn Blanchard, Alma College

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University

A18-252

Lutheran Studies Consultation Planning Session

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

A18-253

Sikhism Consultation Planning Session

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

A18-254

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Frederick J. Ruf, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: *Voyages of Self and Other*

Andrea Schatz, Princeton University
Geographies of Visibility: Religion and Cultural Cross-Dressing in Jewish Travel Literature

Zhange Ni, University of Chicago
Travel: Performing Self, Playing God/dess(es)—Reading Salman Rushdie's The Satanic Verses *and Shusaku Endo's* The Deep River

Kaley Middlebrooks Carpenter, Princeton Theological Seminary
Orientalism through the Camera's Eye: Missionaries, Christian Martyrs, and American Media, 1888-1921

A18-255

Buddhism Section

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University, Columbus, Presiding

Theme: *Reading Buddhist Texts: A Collective Exercise in Critical Practices*

Panelists:

Dennis Hirota, Ryukoku University

Charles Hallisey, University of Wisconsin, Madison

A18-256

Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Law, Religion, and Culture Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Theme: *Proselytization Revisited: Rights Talks, Free Markets, and Culture Wars*

Panelists:

Asonzeh Ukah, University of Bayreuth

Jakob De Roover, Ghent University

Sarah Claerhout, Ghent University

Mark R. Mullins, Sophia University

Olga Kazmina, Moscow State University

Rachelle Scott, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University

A18-257

North American Religions Section and Anthropology of Religion Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Angela Zito, New York University, Presiding

Theme: *Practices of Religion in Contemporary North American Prisons: A Roundtable*

Tanya Erzen, Ohio State University
Bodies, Souls, and the State in the Faith-based Prison

Megan Sweeney, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Coming out of the Wilderness: Incarcerated Women's Readings of Christian Self-help Literature

Josh Dubler, Princeton University
Grouping—Religious and Otherwise—at a Maximum Security Prison

Garen Murray, Graduate Theological Union
Death Row Conversion Narratives

A18-258

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Person, Culture, and Religion Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Nancie Erhard, Saint Mary's University, Presiding

Theme: *Ecology and the Moral Imagination*

Felicity Brock Kelcourse, Christian Theological Seminary
Imagining Otherness through the Eyes of Octavia Butler: Dystopian Futures as Cautionary Ecological Tales

Kevin O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
Sustainable Development Meets Moral Development: Environmentalist Argumentation and Moral Agencies in An Inconvenient Truth *and* The Earth Charter

Responding:

Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union

A18-259

Study of Islam Section

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: A Book of Signs Over Time*: Conversations about the Qur'an with Bruce Lawrence*

Panelists:

Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

Tazim Kassam, Syracuse University

Debra Mubashshir Majeed, Beloit College

Jamal J. Elias, University of Pennsylvania

A18-260

Women and Religion Section and Bioethics and Religion Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Cristina L. H. Traina, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Other Women's Bodies: Eggs, Ethics, and the Global Marketplace*

Panelists:

Karey Harwood, North Carolina State University

Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University

Responding:

Marissa Gostanian, Northwestern University

Michal Raucher, Northwestern University

A18-261

Afro-American Religious History Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Ian B. Straker, Howard University, Presiding

Theme: *Sight and Sound, Sacred and Secular: African American Religion in Music and Film in the Twentieth Century*

David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary
Sound and the Church of God in Christ: Defining Black Religion through Sound

Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College
Hollywood Be Thy Name: African American Religion in American Film, 1929-1949

A18-262

Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Anne Joh, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Negotiating Postcolonialism/ Postcoloniality*

Panelists:

Jane Wei-Jen Liang, Drew University

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion

Nami Kim, Spelman College

Responding:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Anne Joh, Phillips Theological Seminary, and Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding

A18-263

Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College, Presiding

Theme: *Bonhoeffer in Post-Holocaust Jewish-Christian Dialogue*

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College
A Cautious Embrace: Jewish Responses to Bonhoeffer

Marc Krell, University of California, Riverside
From Brother to Other: Bonhoeffer's Legacy for a Postmodern Jewish-Christian Reality after the Holocaust

Responding:

Victoria Barnett, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

A18-264

Chinese Religions Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

John R. McRae, Hachioji-shi, Japan, Presiding

Theme: *Electronic Resources for the Study of Chinese Religions: Reflections on Current and Future Impact and Directions*

Panelists:

Morten Schlutter, University of Iowa

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado, Boulder

Huimin Bhiksu, Dharma Drum Buddhist College

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University

A18-265

Christian Spirituality Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Elizabeth Liebert, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Between Memory and Hope: Reading Psalms as Reconstructing Identity*

Panelists:

Joanne Doi, Graduate Theological Union

Jung Eun Park, Graduate Theological Union

Julia Prinz, Verbum Dei

Responding:

John Endres, Jesuit School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Arthur G. Holder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

A18-266

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Eastern Orthodox Christianity and Islam: Contemporary and Historical Theological Encounters*

David Bertaina, Catholic University of America
Melkites, Muslims, and Mutakallimun: Depicting Religious Interlocutors in Medieval Christian Arabic

Christian Krokus, Boston College
A Theological Context for the Shared Veneration of the Seven Sleepers of Ephesus in Christianity and Islam

Daniel Payne, Baylor University
The Liberationist Theologies of Sayyid Qutb and Christos Giannaras: A Comparative Study of the Influence of Neo-Orthodox Thought in the Construction of Alternative Modernities

A18-267

Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Schleiermacher Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico, Presiding

Theme: *Revisiting Kierkegaard's Relationship to Schleiermacher*

Richard Crouter, Carleton College
Revisiting Kierkegaard's Relationship to Schleiermacher

Responding:

Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University

David Possen, University of Chicago

Matt Frawley, Princeton University

The papers underlying Professor Crouter's presentation will be posted at both the Schleiermacher Group's and the Kierkegaard Group's websites. Access to these sites can be obtained by contacting Brent Sockness, *sockness@stanford.edu,* and David Possen, *dp@uchicago.edu*, respectively. Attendees of this session are encouraged to read them in advance.

A18-268

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding

Theme: *Sexual Identity/Religious Identity in Cross-Cultural Conversation*

Theresa Torres, University of Missouri, Kansas City
Latina Leaders in the Catholic Church: Creating Religious Identity and Meaning in the Context of Homophobia

Mari E. Castellanos, United Church of Christ
Still in the Borderlands after Twenty Years

Sharon A Bong, Monash University
Reimagining Marriage and Faith through the Narratives of Same-sex Partners in Malaysia

A18-269

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Theme: *Feminist Intercultural Theology: Latina Explorations for a Just World*

Panelists:

Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego

Daisy L. Machado, Lexington Theological Seminary

Jeanette Rodriguez, Seattle University

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Responding:

Nancy A. Pineda-Madrid, Boston College

Rafael Luevano, Chapman University

A18-270

Ritual Studies Group and Contemporary Pagan Studies Consultation

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Donna Lynne Seamone, Acadia University, Presiding

Theme: *Pagan Studies of Ritual*

Panelists:

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo

Sabina Magliocco, California State University, Northridge

Wendy Griffin, California State University, Long Beach

Nikki Bado-Fralick, Iowa State University

Responding:

Lesley A. Northup, Florida International University

A18-271

Sacred Space in Asia Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Xiaofei Kang, Carnegie Mellon University, Presiding

Theme: *Decoding Dunhuang: Material Culture and Religious Worlds along the Silk Route*

Panelists:

Qiang Ning, Connecticut College

D. Neil Schmid, North Carolina State University

A18-272

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Scholar's Session: Judith Butler*

Judith Butler, University of California, Berkeley
Messianism and the Critique of State-violence

A18-273

Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group and Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. Consultation

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Martin Luther King, Jr. on Issues of Global Economic Justice*

Bruce Rittenhouse, University of Chicago
Assessing the Developing World's Relationship with Global Governance Institutions in View of Paul Tillich's Proposals for Justice and Peace in an Economically Integrated World

Kenny Walden, Claremont School of Theology
Blessed Are the Poor?: The Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Psycho-spiritual Landcape of Poverty, Behavior, and Cultural Perception

Responding:

Stephen G. Ray, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

A18-274

Wesleyan Studies Group

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

F. Douglas Powe, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Methodist, Lutheran, and Catholic Agreement on Justification*

Panelists:

Michael J. Root, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary

Dennis M. Doyle, University of Dayton

William D. Mills, United Methodist Church

Sarah Heaner Lancaster, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

A18-275

Christianity and Academia Consultation and Rethinking the Field Consultation

3:00 pm-4:30 pm

Stephanie Yuhas, University of Denver, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Commitment and the Social Sciences: Never the Twain Shall Meet?*

Panelists:

Michael Cantrell, Baylor University

Michael Borer, Furman University

Nicholas Adams, University of Edinburgh

Slavica Jakelic, University of Virginia

A18-276 (=M18-104)

Theta Alpha Kappa Board Meeting and Reception

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

A18-277

Special Topics Forum

3:00 pm-4:00 pm

Aislinn Jones, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *How to Propose a New AAR Program Unit*

See page 117 for details.

A18-300 (=S18-139)

Special Topics Forum

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and *Publishers Weekly*

Jana Riess, *Publishers Weekly*, Presiding

Theme: *The Tenure Book(s): How to Strategize Your Publications to Increase Your Chances of Tenure and Promotion*

Panelists:

Lauren F. Winner, Duke University

David L. Weaver-Zercher, Messiah College

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Henry L. Carrigan, Northwestern University Press

Sharmila Sen, Harvard University Press

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A18-301

Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit at San Diego Natural History Museum

4:45 pm-8:00 pm

Separate registration required. See page 122 for a details.

A18-302

Special Topics Forum

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by AAR Religion and the Arts Award Jury

David Morgan, Valparaiso University, and Judith Weisenfeld, Vassar College, Presiding

Theme: *A Conversation with Bill Viola, 2007 AAR Religion and the Arts Award Winner*

Panelists:

Bill Viola, Long Beach, CA

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A18-303

Special Topics Forum

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *Roundtable on* The Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature

Panelists:

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Gary Lease, University of California, Santa Cruz

Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

Sarah Pike, California State University, Chico

Responding:

Bron Taylor, University of Florida

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SUNDAY EVENING

A18-305

Wildcard Session

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Howard Wiley, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Horizons in Religious Studies: Theorizing Hip-Hop*

Panelists:

Ralph C. Watkins, Fuller Theological Seminary

Elonda Clay, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

Josef Sorett, Harvard University

Monica Miller, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:

Anthony B. Pinn, Rice University

A18-306

Wildcard Session

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Thia Cooper, Gustavus Adolphus College, Presiding

Theme: *Liberation Theologies at the Dawn of the Twenty-First Century: Between Sex, Gender, Class, and Race*

Panelists:

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

Mario I. Aguilar, University of St. Andrews

Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo

Alistair Kee, University of Edinburgh

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago

Ivan Petrella, University of Miami

Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh

A18-307

Wildcard Session

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Martin Luther and the Lutheran Theological Tradition: Current Issues*

Panelists:

Stjerna Kirsi Irmeli, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg

Euan Cameron, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Kristen E. Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology

Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

Philip D. Krey, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University

A18-308

Wildcard Session

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

Theme: *Southeast Asia: Transforming Religion and Religious Identities*

Alicia Turner, University of Chicago
Schools, Monks, and the Category of Religion

Sor-Ching Low, Muhlenberg College
Transforming Religious Identities: Soka Gakkai in Southeast Asia

Mario Poceski, University of Florida
Responses to Religious Pluralism and Globalization in Singaporean Buddhism

Ali Amin, Arizona State University
Defining Religion through Indonesian Movies: Case Studies of Three Contemporary Indonesian Filmmakers

A18-309

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Twins and Twinship: Ongoing Comparative Development of a Theme*

Pashington Obeng, Wellesley College, Harvard University
Twins: Welcome and Unwelcome Dangers in Africa

Henry Walker, Bates College
The Twin Gods in Ancient India and Greece

Responding:

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College

A18-310

North American Religions Section

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Presiding

Theme: *Visions of Paradise Dancing in Our Heads: Religious Tradition and the Outsider in Hawai'i*

Charles William Miller, University of North Dakota
Representing Hawai'i, Constructing Hawai'ians: On the Formation of the Missionary Mind in Nineteenth-Century New England

D. E. Gene Mills, Florida State University
"Jesus, Meet Lono": Christianity Encounters the World of the Akua, Some Hawai'ian Responses to the Christian God

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Boulder
The Past in the Present: Theorizing Contemporary Hawai'ian Traditions

Responding:

Laurie Maffly-Kipp, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

A18-311

Philosophy of Religion Section

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Eric Boynton, Allegheny College, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Continental Thought: From Heidegger and Levinas to Vattimo, Badiou, and Cavell*

Coy Jones, University of Chicago
Levinas, Paganism, and the Anthropology of Dasein

Jason Smick, California State University, Fresno
Badiou, Vattimo, and the Philosophical Form of Life in Postmodernity

Asja Szafraniec, University of Amsterdam
Stanley Cavell's Conversions and Redemptions*: Religion, Romanticism, and Philosophy*

Responding:

Adam Graves, University of Pennsylvania

A18-312

Study of Judaism Section

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *The Talmud and Philosophy*

Benjamin Pollock, Michigan State University
Between Talmud and Philosophy: Solomon Maimon on Judaism's True Teaching

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto
Talmud and Postmodern Philosophy: Difference and Translation

Serguei Dolgopolskii, University of Kansas, Lawrence
Between Rhetoric and Philosophy: A Talmudic Perspective on the Philosophical Call

Responding:

Paul Franks, University of Toronto

A18-313

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Derek Simon, St. Thomas University, Presiding

Theme: *Theology of the Military*

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College
A Deadly Nexus: "Necessity," Christian Salvation, and War-culture

Marirose Lescher, Claremont Graduate University
Peace from Hell, Peace on Earth: Pax Americana and a Theology of In/Between

Ed Waggoner, Yale University
Let the Dragon Rise: Toward a Theology against US Military Competition with China

A18-314

Women and Religion Section and Scriptural Reasoning Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Women Reading Texts on Marriage*

Panelists:

Ayesha Siddiqua, New York University

Randi Rashkover, George Mason University

Rachel Muers, University of Exeter

A18-315

African Religions Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Danoye Oguntola Laguda, Lagos State University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Violence, and Conflict in Africa: Dynamics and Responses*

Christo Lombard, University of the Western Cape
Religion, Violence, and Conflict: A Case Study of SWAPO and the Churches in Namibia

Cyril Orji, Marquette University
Religion, Violence, and Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa: Ujaama-therapy as a Dynamic Response

Joel Cabrita, University of Cambridge
The Creation of Liturgical Communities: The South African Nazareth Baptist Church's Reponse to Rebellion and Faction Fighting in Colonial Natal

Gnimbin A. Ouattara, Georgia State University
Husband and Wife, John and Jane Wilson: The Story of an American Gendered Mission in West Africa, 1834-1852

A18-316

Afro-American Religious History Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Joan Martin, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Book Discussion:* African American Folk Healing*, by Stephanie Mitchem*

Panelists:

Yvonne Chireau, Swarthmore College

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University

Linda E. Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

Responding:

Stephanie Y. Mitchem, University of South Carolina

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SUNDAY EVENING

A18-317

Anthropology of Religion Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Timothy M. Matovina, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *American Catholic History and the New Religious Ethnography*

Panelists:

Julie Byrne, Hofstra University

Amy Koehlinger, Florida State University

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, Augustana College

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University

A18-318

Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Anne Joh, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Dangerous Crossings: Borders, Cultures, and Identities*

Panelists:

Emily Askew, Lexington Theological Seminary

Nancy Bedford, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School

Frank Yamada, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary

A18-319

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kenneth Tanaka, Musashino University, Presiding

Theme: *Current Trends in Buddhist Ethical Reflection*

Barbra R. Clayton, Mount Allison University
Buddhism's Nature: Theory and Practices in Buddhist-based Ecoforestry in Atlantic Canada

Jin Y. Park, American University
The Logic of Compassion: A Huayan-Postmodern Perspective

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College
Deploying the Dharma: Reflections on the Methodology of Constructive Buddhist Ethics

A18-320

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

Theme: *Eclecticism and Innovation in New Hindu and Jewish Movements*

Michaelson Jay, Hebrew University
Vedanta and Nonduality in Contemporary Neo-Hasidism

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University
The Beast with Two Backs: Kabbalah and Hindu Tantra in Late Victorian Sexual Magic

June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Hindu Shakta Mysticism and New Age Goddess Worship: Some Strategies of Reinterpretation

A18-321

Comparative Theology Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

John Sheveland, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Theme: *Comparative Theology and the Problem of Hegemony*

Michelle Voss Roberts, Rhodes College
Feminist Comparative Theology: Beyond the Hegemonies of Gender

Tracy Tiemeier, Loyola Marymount University
Comparative Theology and the Politics of Race/Ethnicity

Kristin Beise Kiblinger, Winthrop University
Theology of Religions Presuppositions and the Hegemony Worry in Comparative Theology

Hugh Nicholson, Coe College
Dichotomization and the Occlusion of Imperialist Forms of Discourse in Comparative Theology

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

A18-322

Evangelical Theology Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Evangelicals and Southern California: Factors Shaping Evangelical Identity*

Annie Blakeney-Glazer, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Evangelicals in Southern California: The Golden Age of Body Building and Athletes in Action

Daniel A. Rodriguez, Pepperdine University
Good News from the Barrio: Paradigm Shifts in Ministry among US-born Hispanics in Southern California

A18-323

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Daniel C. Maguire, Marquette University, Presiding

Theme: *Heterosexism: Roots and Cures in World Religions*

Panelists:

Anantanand Rambachan, Saint Olaf College

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual

Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary

A18-324

Hinduism Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *The Relevance of Hindu Law for Religious Studies*

Panelists:

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University

Donald R. Davis, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Ananya Vajpeyi, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Robert A. Yelle, University of Memphis

A18-325

Reformed Theology and History Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kang-Yup Na, Westminster College, Presiding

Theme: *The Reformed Presence in China: New Perspectives on Mission*

Panelists:

Cho Wai-Tung, Valparaiso University

Judith Liu, University of San Diego

Scott W. Sunquist, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Robert Sherman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Presiding

Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

A18-326 (=S18-140)

Religion and Disability Studies Group and SBL's Disability Studies and Healthcare in the Bible and Near East Consultation

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Hermeneutics and Pastoral Theologies of Disability*

Panelists:

F. Rachel Magdalene, Augustana College

John Swinton, University of Aberdeen

Samuel Wells, Duke University

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University

A18-327

Religion, Politics, and the State Group and Contemporary Pagan Studies Consultation

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Joyce A. Baugh, Central Michigan University, Presiding

Theme: *Pagans at the Gate: Breaking through Church/State Boundaries*

Grove Harris, Cambridge, MA
Contributions from Margin to Center: Wiccan Challenges to the Establishment of Religion

Robert Puckett, American Academy of Religion
Pastor and Priest/ess: Pagan Clerical Roles at a Crossroads

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, and Patrick McCollum, Cherry Hill Seminary
Speaking Truth to Power: Religious Accommodation of Pagan Inmates in California Correctional Institutions

Michael York, London, United Kingdom
Channeling Selena Fox on the Pentacle Quest

A18-328

World Christianity Group

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Fenggang Yang, University of Houston, Presiding

Theme: *Christianity in Chinese Society*

Jane Wei-Jen Liang, Drew University
Western Imperialism, China Modernization, and Postcolonial Christianity: The Indigenization of American Methodist China Missions (1912-1926)

Huang Jianbo, Renmin University of China
Dynamic Processes of Negotiation: The Case of a Church Property Dispute in Northwest China

Li Xiang Ping, Shanghai University
Christian Identity vs. Institutional Belonging: A Comparison of Church Organizations in Shanghai and Wenzhou Christianity

Responding:

Peter Tze Ming Ng, Chinese University of Hong Kong

A18-400

AAR Sterling Circle Reception

5:45 pm-6:45 pm

All members who have been with the AAR continuously for at least 25 years are part of our Sterling Circle. In honor of your long-term support, John R. Fitzmier, executive director, and Jeffrey Stout, AAR president, invite you to celebrate at an open house.

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SUNDAY EVENING

A18-402

Plenary Address

7:15 pm-8:15 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *How Social Justice Got to Me and Why It Never Left*

Panelist:

Nicholas Wolterstorff, Yale University

See page 114 for a description.

A18-403 (=M18-125)

Templeton Prize Plenary Address

8:15 pm-9:15 pm

Theme: *Religious Mobilizations*

Panelist:

Charles Taylor, Northwestern University

See page 114 for a description.

A18-404

Arts Series: *Golden States of Grace: Prayers of the Disinherited*

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Rick Nahmias, Los Angeles, CA, Presiding

See page 122 for a description.

A18-405

Arts Series: Chinese Dancers

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

See page 122 for a description.

A18-406

Film: *Water*

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University, Presiding

See page 123 for a description.

A18-407 (=M18-113)

Evangelical Philosophical Society

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

William Lane Craig, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Authors Meet Critics:* Naturalism*, by Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro*

Panelist:

Matthew Bagger, Brown University

Responding:

Stewart Goetz, Ursinus College

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith, *scott.smith@truth.biola.edu*.

A18-408 (=M18-124)

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

Theme: *Japanese Approaches to Ethics*

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University
Sacred Pariahs: Hagiographies of Alterity, Sexuality, and Salvation in Atomic Bomb Literature

Victor Forte, Albright College
Attainment through True Entrusting: Ethical Reflections on Shinran's Promise

James Mark Shields, Bucknell University
Irony, Contingency, and Solidarity: Three Jewels of Postmetaphysical Buddhist Criticism

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
The Specific as the Embodied Dialectic of the Many and the One: Mutai's Reading of Tanabe's Logic of the Specific

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A19-1

AAR Program Unit Chairs' Breakfast

7:15 am-8:45 am

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Program unit chairs are invited to a continental breakfast which features a brief meeting on upcoming program initiatives.

A19-2

Nominations Committee Meeting

7:30 am-9:00 am

Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University, Presiding

A19-100

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the International Connections Committee

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Theme: *Daoist Studies in China*

Panelists:

Fong-Mao Lee, Academia Sinica

You-Kun Lee, Guangyuan Tan

Li Yang, Shanghai University

Responding:

See page 118 for a description.

A19-101

Special Topics Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching with, against, and to Faith*

Panelists:

Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School

Marjorie S. Lehman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Sufia Uddin, University of Vermont

Todd C. Penner, Austin College

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary

See page 118 for a description.

A19-102

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Anne Klein, Rice University, Presiding

Theme: *Contemplative Studies: Something Old and Something New in the Academy*

Panelists:

Laurie Louise Patton, Emory University

Hal Roth, Brown University

Ann Gleig, Rice University

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

John D. Dunne, Emory University

A19-103

Buddhism Section and Chinese Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Establishing "Authority" and "Legitimacy" in Twentieth-Century Chinese Buddhism: Modernity in the Reinvention of Tradition*

Scott Pacey, Australian National University
Enlightenment in "Buddhism for the Human World": Taixu's Responses to the Western Intellectual Tradition in the Formation of his Buddhist Vision

Gray Tuttle, Columbia University
The Modern Monk Fazun: Director of the First "Regional Studies" Institute in China

Stefania Travagnin, University of London
Yinshun's Paradigm of Orthopraxy and Controversial Doctrinal Syncretism: The Strategy of Compromising Traditions for a Buddhist Recovery of the Nation

Zhiru Ng, Pomona College
Representing the Contemporary Buddha in Taiwan: Visual Polemics and Religious Legitimation in the Ciji Merit Society

Responding:

Donald S. Lopez, University of Michigan

A19-104

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

John Hawley, Columbia University, Presiding

Theme: *Globalizing South Asia: Religion, Imagination, Discourse, and Affect*

Panelists:

Tulasi Srinivas, Georgetown University

Jennifer Saunders, Denison University

Frank J. Korom, Boston University

Diana Dimitrova, Michigan State University

Responding:

Deepak Sarma, Case Western Reserve University

A19-105

Ethics Section, Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Carmen Marie Nanko-Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Theme: *Native, Immigrant, or Refugee? Cultural Identity in a Shifting Environment*

K. Christine Pae, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Making Post-colonial Christian Social Ethics in the Clash of Masculinities: Women's Migration and Military Prostitution in South Korea

Fred Glennon, Le Moyne College
Wanted but Not Welcome: An Ethical Analysis and Comparison of the Labor Abuses Generated by China's Hukou System of Internal Migration and the US "Guest Worker" Program

Kristi Laughlin, Graduate Theological Union
Latino Popular Catholicism: Shaping the Moral Vision and Ethos of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers

Jessica Wrobleski, Yale University
Borders of Hospitality: Christian Responses to Immigration

Responding:

Otto A. Maduro, Drew University

A19-106

Philosophy of Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: David Kyuman Kim,* Melancholic Freedom: Agency and the Spirit of Politics

Panelists:

Judith Butler, University of California, Berkeley

Cornel West, Princeton University

Responding:

David Kyuman Kim, Connecticut College

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MONDAY MORNING

A19-107

Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

James L. Fitzgerald, Brown University, Presiding

Theme: *Texts without Borders: Reading within and beyond the Epics*

Brian Black, University of London
Educating Shaunaka: The Mahabharata's Representation of the Veda

Arti Dhand, University of Toronto
Arti Dhand, God, and the Dharmaraja: Reading the Epics in Tandem

Adheesh Sathaye, University of British Columbia
Two Epics, One Sage: Brahmanhood, Kingship, and Intertextuality in the Epic Subnarratives of Vishvamitra

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University
The Heart of Two Epics: Visions of Love in the Bhagavad Gita *and the Bhagavata's* Rasa Lila

Business Meeting:

Parimal G. Patil, Harvard University, Presiding

A19-108

Study of Islam Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University, Presiding

Theme: *What Do Hadith Do: Approaching the Functions of Hadith in Islamic Civilization*

Scott Lucas, University of Arizona
Where Are All the Legal Hadiths? An Examination of Ibn Abi Shayba's Musannaf

Asma Sayeed, Lafayette College
Hadith Transmission and the Construction of Gender in Early Islamic History

Racha el Omari, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Place and Function of Hadith in the Classical Basran Mu'tazilite School

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia
The Question of Authenticity and the Hadiths of Sufism

Responding:

Jonathan A. C. Brown, University of Washington

A19-109

Study of Judaism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *New Feminist Approaches to Judaism*

Leah Hochman, University of Florida
Kissing a Lot of Frogs: Approaching Modern Jewish Thought, Warts And All

Gwynn Kessler, University of Florida
Something Old, Something New: Queer Theory and Rabbinics

Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester
"It Takes History to Bake Such a Cake": Culinary Pluralism and the Transformation of American Jewish Identity

Responding:

Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Arizona State University

Business Meeting:

Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, and Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Presiding

A19-110

Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Women and Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Marirose Lescher, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Theme: *America, Amerikkka: Elect Nation and Imperial Violence*

Panelists:

Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

Carter Heyward, Episcopal Divinity School

Heather Eaton, St. Paul University

Chung Hyun Kyung, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University

Catherine Keller, Drew University

Responding:

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

A19-111

Anthropology of Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

J. Shawn Landres, S3K Synagogue Studies Institute, University of California, Los Angeles, Presiding

Theme: *Resurrection, Representation, and Resistance: New Issues in Ethnographic Fieldwork and Interpretation*

Alyson Prude, University of California, Santa Barbara
Evaluating Supernatural Reports: Issues in the Study of Tibetan Revenants ('das log)

Robert Rozehnal, Lehigh University
"Are You the One Who Took the Picture of My Shaykh?": Accounting for the Miraculous in Religious Ethnography

Thomas Pearson, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion
The Uses of Ethnography

Responding:

Thomas Csordas, University of California, San Diego

Business Meeting:

Rebecca Sachs Norris, Merrimack College, and J. Shawn Landres, S3K Synagogue Studies Institute, University of California, Los Angeles, Presiding

A19-112 (=S19-33)

Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and SBL's Reading, Theory and the Bible Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Theme: *After* After Theory?

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Glasgow, and Stephen Moore, Drew University
After After Theory *and Other Apocalyptic Conceits in Literary and Biblical Studies*

Jennifer Bird, Vanderbilt University, and Joseph A. Marchal, California State Northridge
After the Eagleton Has Landed: Assessing an Encounter between Biblical Studies and Critical Theories of Interpretation

Timothy K. Beal, Case Western Reserve University
The End of the Word as We Know It, and I Feel Fine: The Bible in the Twilight of Print Culture

Regina Schwartz, Northwestern University
Theories of Justice

A19-113

Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *Icons and Images in Eastern Orthodox Theology*

Maria McDowell, Boston College
Seeing Is Becoming: "Icon" and Ethics in Orthodox Theology

Elijah Mueller, Marquette University
The Missing Icon of the Will: The Damascene's Icon Theology as a Subtext in His On the Heresies*, Chapter 100.*

Stelyios Muksuris, University of Durham
The Prothesis Rite and the Icon of the Deesis: The Eschatological Vision of Liturgy with Contemporary Implications

Andrey Shirin, Moscow Theological Seminary
The Importance of Russian Traditions of Sophianic Icon Painting for the Thought of Pavel Florensky

Business Meeting:

Paul Gavrilyuk, University of Saint Thomas, and Eve Tibbs, Fuller Seminary, Presiding

A19-114

Evangelical Theology Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

John R. Frank, Biblical Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Evangelical Tradition and Traditions: Unity and Diversity of Evangelical Expression(s)*

W. David Buschart, Denver Seminary
"Get Real": Evangelicals and the Quest for a Unifying Tradition

Sung Wook Chung, Denver Seminary
Korean/Korean-American Evangelical Theology and Spirituality: Its Contribution to the Diversity and Unity of Evangelical Tradition

Mary Veeneman, Fordham University
Does the Diversity in Evangelism Undermine the Idea of a Unifying Evangelical Tradition?

Stephen J. Nichols, Lancaster Bible College
What Hath Mississippi to Do with Colorado Springs? A Blues Riff on North American Evangelical Identities

Business Meeting:

Wyndy Corbin Reuschling, Ashland Theological Seminary, and John R. Franke, Biblical Seminary, Presiding

A19-115

Gay Men's Issues in Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Presiding

Theme: *From Here to Queer to Eternity: Gay Religious Inflections*

Jakob Hero, Pacific School of Religion
Queer Religious Leadership and the Ex-Gay Movement: Developing an Ethic of Compassion, Grace, and Love

Alex Hivoltze-Jimenez, Boston, MA
Uncloseting Lawrence but Closeting Queer: An Analysis of (an)Other Personage in the Legal and Theological Construction of Heterosexual Gays

Gerard Loughlin, Durham University
What Is Queer: Theology after Identity

Robert N. Minor, University of Kansas
Hindu Scripturalism, the Texts, and Anti-Gay Rhetoric

Responding:

Jay E. Johnson, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

Paul J. Gorrell, Stockton, NJ, and Peter Savastano, Seton Hall University, Presiding

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MONDAY MORNING

A19-116

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Jualynne E. Dodson, Michigan State University, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking the Meaning and Study of Indigenous Religion(s): Concept and Practice*

Robert L. Green Jr., University of California, Santa Barbara
A Time of Terror: Colonial Andean Religious Knowledge in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries

Sonya Maria Johnson, Michigan State University
Symbolic Universe and the Construction of Indigenous Religions inside the African Atlantic: A Case Study of Eastern Cuba

L. Benji Rolsky, Claremont School of Theology
Worldview and Ontology among the Ho-Chunk People

Anne R. Key, California Institute of Integral Studies
The Stuff of Life: Clay, Figurines, Women, and Shamanism in Mesoamerica

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University
American Indians and Appropriation: Cultural and Visual Interpretations

A19-117

Islamic Mysticism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Forms of Engagement in Islamic Mysticism*

Kenneth Honerkamp, University of Georgia
Al-Rasâ'il al-kubrâ *of Ibn Abbâd of Ronda (1332-1390): A Little Studied Collection of Letters of Spiritual Direction*

Ruediger Seesemann, Northwestern University
Work, Service, and Social Welfare: Engaged Sufism in Sub-Saharan Africa

Hugh Talat Halman, University of Arkansas
The Directing Shaykh: How al-Qushayri Reconciled Sufism and Usul in His Lata'if al-Isharat

Matthew Ingalls, Yale University
Selective Reticence: The Sufi Thought of Jalal al-Din al-Suyuti

Business Meeting:

Vincent J. Cornell, Emory University, and Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

A19-118

Korean Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Marcie Middlebrooks, Cornell University, Presiding

Theme: *Digital Shamanism and Christian Nationalism in Modern Korean Religion*

Joonseong Lee, Bowie State University
Construction of Digital Spirituality: The Dynamics of Shamanic Inheritance in Korean Cybercultures

Choi Young Keun, Graduate Theological Union
The Rise and Development of Nationalism in East Asia and its Relationship with Christianity: Focusing on "Christian Nationalism" in Korea under Japanese Imperialism

Hea Jung Noh, Graduate Theological Union
Mystic, Yee Yong Do: A Heretic?

Responding:

Elizabeth Underwood, Eastern Kentucky University

Timothy S. Lee, Texas Christian University

Business Meeting:

John I. Goulde, Sweet Briar College, and Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

A19-119 (=S19-35)

Men's Studies in Religion Group and SBL's Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Cynthia M. Baker, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Theme: *Constructions of Masculinity in Christian and Jewish Antiquity*

L. Stephanie Cobb, Hofstra University
"They Were Absent from the Flesh": Masculinity, Martyrdom, and Pain

Caroline T. Schroeder, Stanford University
Queer Eye for the Ascetic Guy? Homoeroticism, Children, and the Making of Monks

Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley
Rabbi Yoh-anan and Resh Lakish: On the Cultural Backgrounds of a Talmudic

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo
Where Is Masculinity? Kingdom of Heaven and Construction of Masculinity in Matthew 19

Responding:

Dale B. Martin, Yale University

A19-120

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

H. John McDargh, Boston College, Presiding

Theme: *Multiplicity Part I: Multiple Selves and Subjects in Psychological and Theological Perspective*

Pamela Cooper-White, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia
Interrogating Integration, Dissenting Dis-integration: Multiplicity as a Positive Metaphor in Therapy and Theology

Amy Bentley Lamborn, Union Theological Seminary, New York
"Figuring" the Self: Unity and Multiplicity in Theological and Clinical Imagination

John Blevins, Emory University
Different Subjects: Postmodern Selves in Psychology and Religion

Lisa M. Cataldo, Fordham University
Multiple Selves, Multiple Gods? Functional Polytheism and the Postmodern Religious Patient

Hans Alma, University for Humanistics, Utrecht
Self Development as a Spiritual Process: The Role of Empathy and Imagination in Finding Spiritual Orientation

A19-121

Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Orono, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Analysis and New Age Expressions of Neoplatonism*

Martin Yalcin, Drew University
Plotinian Mysticism and Onto-Theology: The Coincidence of Ontological Priority with Ontological Parity

Babette Hellemans, Utrecht University
Dwelling on What Is Visible: Time, Event, and Sacredness in Medieval Art and Literature

Gabriela Bal, Pontifícia Universidade Católica, São Paulo
Parousia in Plotinus and the Experience of Ineffable Departing in the Practice of Eutony

Sherry L. Ackerman, College of Siskiyous
Reconciling the Old Age and the New Age

Judy Saltzman, California Polytechnic State University
Ascent to the Gods: H. P. Blavatsky and the Neo-Platonic Hierarchy of Being

A19-122

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion, Healing, Aging, and Becoming an Elder*

Masen Uliss, University of California, Santa Barbara
Shifting Meanings of Aging in the United States

Taylor Hines, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Blinding of H. Emilie Cady: The Dilemmas of Aging for a New Thought Woman

Lilian Dube, University of San Francisco
African Healers and Prophets: The Dynamics of Healing as Trajectories of Power and Piety among the Zimbabwean Women "Elders"

Responding:

Michael McNally, Carleton College

Business Meeting:

Suzanne J. Crawford, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

A19-123

World Christianity Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Reconfigurations in World Christianity*

Kei Kato, Toronto, ON
Asian Christianity as Betwixt-and-Between Worlds

Kiyoshi Seko, Shinsei Catholic Centre for Research and Education
Is "Asian Theology" Possible?—In Defense of an Imagined Locus Theologicus

Ana Maria Bidegain, Florida International University
Christianity's Re-composition under the Migration and Globalization Process: The Case of Colombian Migrants in Miami

Melissa Stewart, Adrian College
Bridge or Barrier: Mary, Mary Quite Contrary

Responding:

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University

Jane C. Redmont, Guilford College

Business Meeting:

Peter C. Phan, Georgetown University, and Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-124

Contemporary Islam Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Theme: *Identity and Community in Contemporary Islam*

Youshaa Patel, Duke University
Encountering the Other: Muslim Resistance to Assimilation

Jacquelene Brinton, University of Virginia
Muhammad Mitwalli Sha'rawi: How His Use of Modern Media Has Transformed the Nature of Islamic Religious Discourse

A.M. Spiegel, University of Oxford
Negotiating Islamist Pluralism: Youth, Islam and Politics in Morocco

Steven Fink, University of Iowa
The Reimaginative Minbar: An Examination of Selected Khutbahs in Southern California

Responding:

Richard C. Martin, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Rosalind Gwynne, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

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MONDAY MORNING

A19-125

Liberal Theologies Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Constructing Liberal Theologies as Social, Political, and Religious Praxis*

Sharon D. Welch, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Promoting Pluralism and Academic Freedom on Campus

Paul Rasor, Virginia Wesleyan College
Liberal Prophetic Praxis and Constructive Liberal Public Theology

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Claremont School of Theology
Education, Liberation, and Liberal Theology with Pentecostal Communities

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
Feminist Liberation Praxis for Feminist Liberation Theology

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Social Change and Constructive Liberal Theology

Responding:

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

Business Meeting:

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University, Presiding

A19-126

Religion, Public Policy, and Political Change Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Peter Gathje, Memphis Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Space and Religious Advocacy: Homelessness, Public Policy, and Faith Communities*

Panelists:

Sharon Johnson, City of San Diego

Rosemary Johnston, Interfaith Shelter Network

Wilk Miller, First Lutheran Church

Jeff Dietrich, Los Angeles Catholic Worker

Business Meeting:

Joe Pettit, Morgan State University, Presiding

A19-127

Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Michael Battle, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Where Do We Go from Here? The Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Fortieth Anniversary of the Poor People's Campaign*

Vincent Harding, Veterans of Hope Project
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Riverside Speech and the Poor People's Campaign

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton Theological Seminary
Lift Every Voice: Dr. King's "Unfulfilled Dream" of the Beloved Community and the Black Women Leaders Who Influenced His Ideology

John Roedel, Graduate Theological Union
The Role of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Theology of Nonviolence in the Miscarriage of the Poor People's Campaign

Business Meeting:

Johnny B. Hill, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-130

AAR Annual Business Meeting

11:45 am-12:45 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

AAR members are encouraged to join the Board of Directors for the annual business meeting of the Academy.

A19-131

EIS Advisory Committee Meeting

11:30 pm-1:00 pm

Shelly C. Roberts, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A19-200

Sacred and Religious Sites of San Diego Bus Tour

1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Peter W. Williams, Miami University of Ohio, and Jeanne H. Kilde, University of Minnesota, Presiding

Separate registration required. See page 123 for more information.

A19-201

Special Topics Forum

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Religion in the Schools Task Force

Ali S. Asani, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Education in Europe: The REDCo Research Project*

Panelists:

Diane L. Moore, Harvard University

Wolfram Weisse, University of Hamburg

See page 118 for a description.

A19-202

Special Topics Forum

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sponsored by the Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding

Theme: *Going Public on Religion: Paradise or Pitfall?*

Panelists:

Aminah McCloud, DePaul University

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

Diane Winston, University of Southern California

See page 118 for a description.

A19-203 (=S19-52)

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and SBL's Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Mary E. Hess, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Reflectively in Theological Contexts: Promises and Contradictions*

Panelists:

Matthew Skinner, Luther Seminary

Janet Ramsey, Luther Seminary

Alvin Luedki, Luther Seminary

Frieder Ludwig, Luther Seminary

David J. Lose, Luther Seminary

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary

Stephen Brookfield, University of St. Thomas

A19-204

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, St. Lawrence University, Presiding

Theme: *"Turning Back" to Conversion: Identity, Space, and Power in Religious Transformation*

Kathleen M. Self, St. Lawrence University
Conversion as Illocutionary Act: Christian, Pagan, and Back Again

Elizabeth Perez, University of Chicago
The Architectonics of Conversion: Building a Home for African Spirits on Chicago's South Side

Arun W. Jones, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
A Hindu Christian: Pandita Ramabai's Appropriations of Victorian Christianity

Kristin Bloomer, University of Chicago
Being Saved and Getting "Saved": Questions of Conversion and Syncretism after the 2004 Asian Tsunami

Responding:

William E. Paden, University of Vermont

Business Meeting:

Selva J. Raj, Albion College, Presiding

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

A19-205

Ethics Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: *Exploring "Odd" Ethical Genres: Poetry, Midrash, and Weblogs*

Jennifer Rapp, Stanford University
Oblivion and Ethics: Plato, Poetics, and Crow Dreams

Jonathan Schofer, Harvard University
False Fixities, Confronting Vulnerability, and the Genres of Rabbinic Midrash

Elizabeth Bucar, University of Chicago
Reading Weblogs in Tehran: An Emergent Genre of Religious Ethics

Responding:

Lee H. Yearley, Stanford University

A19-206

North American Religions Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *The Future of American Women's Religious History*

Panelists:

Ann Braude, Harvard University

Catherine Brekus, University of Chicago

Anthea Butler, University of Rochester

Amy Koehlinger, Florida State University

Pamela Nadell, American University

A19-207

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Douglas A. Hicks, University of Richmond, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Political Economy*

Joe Blosser, University of Chicago
Homo Economicus Reconsidered

Basit Bilal Koshul, Lahore University of Management Science
Max Weber on the Rise (and Decline) of Modern Capitalism

Christy Newton, Graduate Theological Union
The Religious Voice of Wal-Mart Architecture: A Material Theology Reflecting the Political Economy

Todd Mei, University of Kent
Economy of the Gift: Thinking the Relation between Land Enclosure and Political Economy

Business Meeting:

Douglas A. Hicks, University of Richmond, Presiding

A19-208

Study of Judaism Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Aryeh Cohen, American Jewish University, Presiding

Theme: *Issues in Modern Judaism*

Daniel Weiss, University of Virginia
Navigating between Letter and Spirit: Tensions within Samson Raphael Hirsch's Presentation of Judaism

Shaul Magid, Indiana University, Bloomington
Heresy and Ethnicity in Modern Judaism: Felix Adler, Mordecai Kaplan, and Josephine Lazarus

Mark A. Kaplowitz, New York University
Time and Eternity in Cohen and Rosenzweig

Martina Urban, Vanderbilt University
Jewish Perspectives on a Meta-religion

Josh Peskin, Stanford University
Levinas and the Ethics of Warfare: The War between Messianism and Politics

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MONDAY AFTERNOON

A19-209

Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Mayra Rivera, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Exodus, Diaspora, and Immigration*

John Ahn, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Exile: Forced Migrations (597 BCE), Internal Displacement (587 BCE), Refugee (582 BCE)

Marion S. Grau, Graduate Theological Union
Constructions of Identity through Exodus/Migration Narratives

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University
The Exodus as a Multi-ethnic Story

Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary
Walk Like an Egyptian: Some Challenges of the Mosaic Narratives for a Postcolonial Theology

Business Meeting:

Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press, Presiding

A19-210

Black Theology Group and Death, Dying, and Beyond Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Willie J. Jennings, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Death and the African/Black Body*

Esther Acolatse, Duke University
Yet in This Flesh Will I See God: African Geographies of Life and Death

Brian Bantum, Duke University
Death by Misunderstanding: Lynching, Religion, and the Perils of Interracial Existence

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University
"Of the Passing of the First Born": DuBois, Death, and the Souls of Black Intellectuals

Richard Payne, Duke University
Dying While Black: Medical Racism, Black Invisibility, and a Good Death

William C. Turner, Duke University
Untimely Death: Toward a Hermeneutic of Homiletic Absurdity

A19-211

Buddhist Philosophy Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Jose Cabezon, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Ineffability in Tibet*

Kevin Vose, College of William and Mary
The Ineffable Ultimate: The Debate from Late Indian and Early Tibetan Mādhyamaka

Jonathan Stoltz, University of St. Thomas
Are Svalakṣaṇas Ineffable? Sakya Paṇḍita on Intensionality and Reference

Yaroslav Komarovski, University of Virginia
Encountering Ineffability—Counting Ineffability: On Divergent Verbalizations of the Ineffable in Fifteenth-Century Tibet

Douglas Duckworth, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
De/limiting Emptiness and the Boundaries of the Ineffable

Responding:

Dale S. Wright, Occidental College

A19-212

Christian Spirituality Group and Religion and Ecology Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Tim Hessel-Robinson, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Spiritual Practices for a Sustainable Ecology*

John O'Keefe, Creighton University
Toward the Recovery of Christian Spiritual Practice for a Sustainable Ecology

Brock Bingaman, Loyola University, Chicago
Orthodox Spirituality and Contemporary Ecology: John Cassian, Maximus the Confessor, and Jürgen Moltmann in Conversation

Dennis Hamm, Creighton University
Ignatian Creation Spirituality: A Resource for a Sustainable Ecology

Laura Hartman, University of Virginia
Sabbath-keeping as Spiritual and Environmental Practice

Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University
The Inability to Mourn: Loss, Grief, and the Work of Ecological Restoration

A19-213

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Timothy Lubin, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

Theme: *Hair Dos and Don'ts: Coiffure and Tonsure in Jewish and Hindu Practices*

Amy Allocco, Emory University
Burning Demons, Channeling Goddesses: Multiple Constructions of Female Hair in Tamil Possession and Exorcism Contexts

Benjamin Fleming, McMaster University
From Tirupathi to Brooklyn: Hindu Votive Hair Offerings and their Interpretation in Jewish Communities

Annette Reed, McMaster University
Hair, Halakha, and the Theorization of Ritual Practice: Jewish Perspectives on Hindu Tonsuring and Religious Difference

Gregory Spinner, Central Michigan University
"Absalom Gloried in his Hair": On the Midrashic Transvaluation of Nazirites

Shana Lisa Sippy, Columbia University
Teasing It Out: Hair Practices and Polemics in Modern and Classical Contexts

A19-214

Confucian Traditions Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Keith Knapp, The Citadel, Presiding

Theme: *Confucianism: What Is at Stake in It as a Religion*

Yu Jiang, Florida Atlantic University
Tomb Space and Burial Goods in the Western-Zhou Date Yu Cemetery

Soon-ja Yang, University of Pennsylvania
Li and Fa in the Hands of Non-Confucian Political Philosophers

Brian Bruya, Eastern Michigan University
Spontaneity in Confucian Self-cultivation

Kenneth Holloway, Florida Atlantic University
Early Confucian Syncretism

Responding:

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Business Meeting:

Michael Puett, Harvard University, Presiding

A19-215

Ecclesiological Investigations Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Gerard Mannion, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

Theme: *The Church and Its Many Asian Faces/Perspectives on Transnational Communion*

Paul Collins, University of Chichester
Inculturation and New Human Community: The Witness of the Churches in India

Madeline Duntley, Bowling Green State University
Inculturation, Neo-Confucianism, and the Ideal Woman Missionary: Gender and Japanese Christianity

Miikka Ruokanen, University of Helsinki
Is "Post-Denominational" Christianity Possible? Ecclesiology in the Protestant Church of China

Ryan Weimer, University of Edinburgh
An Ecclesiology of Oneness: A South Asian Face

Evan Kuehn, Wheaton College
Foundations of Unity in Canon Law: The Church of Nigeria and the Anglican Communion

Edwin van Driel, Fordham University
Church and Covenant

Business Meeting:

Michael Attridge, University of Toronto, Presiding

A19-216

Evangelical Theology Group and Wesleyan Studies Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Kenneth J. Collins, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Hospitality to the Dispossessed*

John Albright, St. Paul, MN
"Discovering the Church" in a Conspiracy of Compassion: The Sanctuary Movement in Retrospect

Timothy Morriss, Yale University
Methodism and the Immigrant in Nineteenth-Century Chicago

Alice G. Knotts, Wesley Foundation
Immigrants in Our Neighborhood

Responding:

Christine D. Pohl, Asbury Theological Seminary

A19-217

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Indigenous Religions: Perspectives on the Philosophy of Religion*

Panelists:

Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder

Laura Grillo, Pacifica Graduate Institute

Responding:

Arvind Sharma, McGill University

Business Meeting:

Jualynne E. Dodson, Michigan State University, Presiding

A19-218 (=S19-56)

Law, Religion, and Culture Group and SBL's Bible and Cultural Studies Section

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Robert A. Yelle, University of Memphis, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Cultural Studies of Western Law and Political Theology*

Christina Beattie, Roehampton University
"Justice Enacted Not These Human Laws" (Antigone): Religion, Natural Law, and Women's Rights

Jenna Reinbold, Colgate University
The Politics of Sacredness: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Narrative of "Inherent Human Dignity"

Patrick Riches, University of Nottingham
The Theo-politics of Nomos (Toward a Sapiential Legality)

Erin Runions, Pomona College
Theologico-political Resonance: Carl Schmitt between the Neocons and the Theonomists

Responding:

Bruce Rosenstock, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

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MONDAY AFTERNOON

A19-219

Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding

Theme: *An Intergenerational Examination of Lesbian/Queer Identity*

Panelists:

Emily Erwin Culpepper, University of Redlands

Claudia Schippert, University of Central Florida

L.J. Tess Tessier, Youngstown State University

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College

Yvonne Zimmerman, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth A. Say, California State University, Northridge, and Julie J. Kilmer, Olivet College, Presiding

A19-220

New Religious Movements Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding

Theme: *Depth in New Religions Studies: The Case of Latin America*

Andrew Dawson, Lancaster University
New Era Millenarianism in Brazil: The Re-eschatologization of History or the De-historicization of Eschatology?

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College, Pontifícia Universidade Católica, São Paulo
The Selective Elitism of Brazilian Kardecist Spiritism

Gayle Lasater, University of Florida
Nineteenth-Century North American Brethren in Latin America: A Brief Comparison of Mormons and Jehovah's Witnesses

Kevin O'Neill, Stanford University
Onward Christian Soliders: Spiritual Warfare in Postwar Guatemala City

Business Meeting:

Douglas E. Cowan, University of Waterloo, Presiding

A19-221

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Religion and Politics in Nineteenth-Century Theology and Philosophy of Religion*

Aimee Burant, University of Chicago
Defining "The Political": Method in the Historiography of Nineteenth-Century Religious Thought

Jerome E. Copulsky, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
The Spinozistic Judaism of Moses Hess

Thomas A. Lewis, Brown University
Constructing Religion, Supporting Political Order: The Shifting Role of Religion in Hegel's Social and Political Thought

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University
The Political Implications of Feuerbach's Theory of Religion

A19-222

Practical Theology Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Gennifer Brooks, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Strangers Among Us: Immigrants in the US Church*

Panelists:

Laurel E. Scott, Boston University

M.T. Davila, Boston College

Yoo Yun Cho Chang, Boston University

Hee An Choi, Boston University

Loida I. Martell-Otero, Palmer Theological Seminary

Responding:

Kee Boem So, Chicago Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University, Presiding

A19-223

☆ *New Program Unit*

Qur'an Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Youshaa Patel, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *The Qur'an and Cultural Translation*

Travis Zadeh, Harvard University
With Rhyme and Reason: Early Persian Translations of the Qur'ān

Peter Wright, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Modern Qur'anic Hermeneutics

Michael Brett Wilson, Duke University
The Politics of Qur'an Translation: The Turkish Qur'an

Sufia Uddin, University of Vermont
Bengali Translations of the Qur'an

Anna M. Gade, Oberlin College
Bahasa Al-Qur'an in Indonesian Performance and Pedagogy

Responding:

Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

A19-224

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: *New Approaches to Theodicy*

Ingrid Anderson, Boston University
Despite God and in Spite of Yourself: The Struggle against Bystanderism in the Absurdist Post-Holocaust Ethics of Elie Wiesel's The Trial of God *and Albert Camus's* The Plague

Peter Admirand, Trinity College, Dublin
Trauma, Memory, and Truth: Why Theodicy Needs Testimonies of Mass Atrocity

Janet Jacobs, University of Colorado, Boulder
God in the Aftermath of Genocide: Post Holocaust Theologies among Descendents of Survivors

Responding:

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University

Business Meeting:

Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University, Presiding

A19-225

Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group and Daoist Studies Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *Daoism, Medicine, and Healing*

Stephen Boyanton, San Diego Mesa College, Pacific College of Oriental Medicine
Putting the Yellow Emperor in His Place: Reading the Yellow Emperor's Inner Classic *as Han Dynasty Religious Text*

Shawn Arthur, Appalachian State University
Perfecting One's Health: An Early Daoist Perspective

John Adams, University of California, Santa Barbara
Falun Dafa/Falun Gong: "What the Dao School Calls the Dao, and What the Buddha School Calls the Fa"

Responding:

T. J. Hinrichs, Cornell University

Business Meeting:

Louis Komjathy, Pacific Lutheran University, and Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University, Presiding

A19-226

Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Megan Shore, University of Western Ontario, Presiding

Theme: *Economic Justice, Ecological Degradation, and Militarization in the Global Economy: Moral and Theological Responses*

Panelists:

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University

Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana, Missoula

Heather Eaton, St. Paul University

Ann Herpel, Brooklyn, NY

Responding:

John B. Cobb, Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, and Marla J. Selvidge, University of Central Missouri, Presiding

A19-227

Sacred Space in Asia Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Eve Mullen, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Space in China: Past and Present*

Cynthia Col, Graduate Theological Union
Picturing the Canon: The Murals of the Derge Religious Text Printing House

Jean DeBernardi, University of Alberta
Landscape, History, and Social Memory: Pilgrimage and Cultural Tourism to Wudang Mountain

Edward A. Irons, Hong Kong Institute for Religion, Culture, and Commerce
Mt. Huang and Mt. Jiuhua: Intersecting Discourses of Sacred Space in China

Brian Nichols, Rice University
Auspicious Events and the Revival of Sacred Space at a Buddhist Temple in Contemporary China

Angela Zito, New York University
Writing in Water: A Beijing Park Produces Sacred Space?

Business Meeting:

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

A19-228

Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Claire Katz, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Theme: *Agamben and Messianism*

Jason McKinney, University of Toronto
Theologico-Political Neutralizations: Agamben's Messianism

Colleen Windham, University of California, Santa Barbara
Patient Strategy: Messianic Power in the State of Exception

Willie Young, Endicott College
The Worklessness of Love: Agamben's Messianic Redemption

Christopher C. Brittain, University of Aberdeen
The Political Theology of Giorgio Agamben

Business Meeting:

Bruce Ellis Benson, Wheaton College, Presiding

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MONDAY AFTERNOON

A19-229

Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding

Theme: *Making "Religion": The Scientific, Racial, and Colonial Contexts of Religious Studies*

Curtis Evans, University of Chicago
Assessing the Cultural History of the Study of Religion with Great Pain and Terror

John-Charles Duffy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Mormons, Natives, and the Category "Religion" in the Colonization of the American West

Timothy Dalrymple, Harvard University
Rationality and Religious Studies: How the Modern Construction of Rationality Shaped the Formation of the Study of Religion

Responding:

David Chidester, University of Cape Town

Business Meeting:

Tisa Wenger, Arizona State University, and Richard M. Jaffe, Duke University, Presiding

A19-230

☆ *New Program Unit*

Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Consultation

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Amos Yong, Regent University, Presiding

Theme: *Native American, US Latino, and Mexican Pentecostalism in the North American Borderlands*

Angela Tarango, Duke University
The "Indigenous Principle" and the Assemblies of God Home Missions to Native Americans, 1957-1979

Sammy Alfaro, Fuller Theological Seminary
Divino Compañero: Toward a Hispanic Pentecostal Christology

Philip Wingeier-Rayo, Pfeiffer University
Political Awareness and Social Activism in Mexico: A Case Study of a Base Christian Community and a Pentecostal Church in Cuernavaca

Responding:

Gaston Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College

Business Meeting:

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College, and Amos Yong, Regent University, Presiding

A19-300

Plenary Address

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions*

Panelists:

Mu-Chou Poo, Academia Sinica

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A19-301

Special Topics Forum

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press, Presiding

Theme: *How to Publish Your Book: Advice from Oxford University Press and from the Editors of the AAR Book Series and* JAAR

Panelists:

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco

Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology

Kevin Madigan, Harvard University

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

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A19-302

Wildcard Session

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

W. David Hall, Centre College, Presiding

Theme: *Is Humanism a Dead Topic in the Study of Religion?*

Panelists:

David E. Klemm, University of Iowa

Paul Mendes-Flohr, University of Chicago

Abdulaziz Sachedina, University of Virginia

William Schweiker, University of Chicago

Dale S. Wright, Occidental College

Responding:

Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University

A19-303

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Art, Ecology, and Mindfulness: Creative Intersections*

Jane Compson, University of Central Florida
Ecological Teaching: Using Mindfulness to Weaken the Urge to Consume

Barbara A.B. Patterson, Emory University
Crossing Boundaries: Embodied Pedagogies in Religion and Ecology

David Sander, Humboldt State University
The Moods of Subject Matter: Teaching Religion and Ecology

Sue Yore and Richard Noake, York St. John University
Developing Creativity in Theology and Religious Studies through the Visual Arts

Deborah J. Haynes, University of Colorado, Boulder
Mindfulness Practices in "The Dialogue of Art and Religion"

Business Meeting:

Joseph A. Favazza, Stonehill College, and Fran Grace, University of Redlands, Presiding

A19-304

Christian Systematic Theology Section and Open and Relational Theologies Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College, Presiding

Theme: *Radical Orthodoxy and Process Theology*

Graham Ward, University of Manchester
The Bride of Christ: Creation, Christology, Ecclesiology

Catherine Keller, Drew University
Reciprocating Gifts: Truth, Politics, and Participation in Process

Alasdair John Milbank, University of Nottingham
Change and Participation

John B. Cobb, Claremont School of Theology
Rethinking Tradition

A19-305

Philosophy of Religion Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Bradley Johnson, University of Glasgow, Presiding

Theme: *The Political and the Religious: Exploring Recent Turns*

Panelists:

Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas

Philip Goodchild, University of Nottingham

Anthony Paul Smith, Western Theological Seminary

Responding:

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College

Business Meeting:

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles, University of Chicago, Presiding

A19-306 (=S19-102)

Religion and the Social Sciences Section and SBL's Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Neal Walls, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *The Place of Theories of Myth in Biblical Studies*

Panelists:

Robert Segal, University of Aberdeen

Peter Machinist, Harvard University

Adela Collins, Yale University

David C. Miller, Syracuse University

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

A19-307

Study of Islam Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Irwan Abdullah, Gadjah Mada University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Religion as an Academic Discipline in Indonesia*

Panelists:

Zainal Abidin Bagir, Gadjah Mada University

Fatima Husein, Islamic State University

Bernard Adeney-Risakotta, Indonesian Consortium for Religious Studies

Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Valparaiso University

Gisela Webb, Seton Hall University

Maria Claudia Livini, Florida International University

A19-308 (=S19-104)

Study of Judaism Section, SBL's Biblical Law Section, and SBL's Women in the Biblical World Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Martha Roth, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Looking for Hope: Feminist and Historical Studies in Memory of Tikva Frymer-Kensky*

Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam
Tikva Frymer-Kensky's Studies in Bible and Feminist Criticism: An Assessment

John T. Noble, Harvard University
Women as Israel and a Feminine David: Narrative Themes in the History of David's Rise and 2 Sam 6:20-23

Lisbeth Fried, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
The Concept of "Impure Birth" in Fifth-Century Athens and Judea

Cornelia Wunsch, University of London
Caring for Women's Needs: Legal and Economic Realities in Sixth-Century (BCE) Babylonia

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MONDAY EVENING

A19-309

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Serene Jones, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Responses to* Empire and the Christian Tradition: New Readings of Classical Theologians, *Kwok Pui Lan, Don Compier, Joerg Rieger, eds. (Fortress Press, 2007)*

Panelists:

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology

Virginia Burrus, Drew University

M. Douglas Meeks, Vanderbilt University

Laurel C. Schneider, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:

Don H. Compier, Graceland University

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting:

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University, and Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

A19-310

Women and Religion Section

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College, Presiding

Theme: *Making the Gaze: Women as Subjects of Faith in Film and Art*

Beverly Lucas, Arizona State University
Conjured Realities: Depicting Wiccan Women in Film

Sarah Lapenta, Fuller Theological Seminary
A New Medium: Latin American Women as Artists in Conflict Transformation

Sara Jaye Hart, Boston University
Redeeming the Gaze: The Female Artist's Iconic Potential in the Novels of Don DeLillo

Julius Nam, Loma Linda University
Faith, Family, and Fundamentalism: Gilmore Girls *and the Korean Christian Woman*

Melissa Conroy, Muskingum College
Watching Eve and Mary: Contemporary Cinema Rewrites Woman

Jodi Eichler-Levine, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Crafting into the Mysteries: Textile Spirituality and the Production of Domestic Religion

A19-311

African Religions Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Bennetta Jules-Rosette, University of California, San Diego, Presiding

Theme: *Theology, Prophecy, and Power: The Material and Economic Dimensions of Religions in Africa*

Andrea M. Ng'weshemi, Dana College
Holiness and More: Social, Material, and Economic Well-being as Manifestation of Salvation in the East African Revival

Robert M. Baum, University of Missouri
Prophetic Critiques of Underdevelopment: Alinesitoue Diatta and the Religious Critique of French Colonial Agricultural Schemes in Senegal

Adam arap Chepkwony, Moi University
Cults, Politics, and Conflicts: Comparative Study of the House of Yahweh in Kenya and the Restoration of the Ten Commandments in Uganda

Retief Muller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Kwandong University
Praying for Rain and Religious Hybridity in Southern Africa: On a Cross-border Pilgrimage with the Zion Christian Church

Business Meeting:

Samuel K. Elolia, Emmanuel School of Religion, Presiding

A19-312

Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Lori Brandt Hale, Augsburg College, Presiding

Theme: *Reading Scripture with Bonhoeffer*

Jens Zimmermann, Trinity Western University
Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Christological Hermeneutic

Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary, New York
The Prison and the Psalms

Responding:

Karl Jacobson, Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education

Business Meeting:

Lisa Dahill, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Presiding

A19-313

Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group and Comparative Theology Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: The Encyclopedia of Love in World Religions *(ABC-CLIO, 2007): A Panel Discussion*

Panelists:

Margaret R. Miles, Graduate Theological Union

Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Mario D'Amato, Rollins College

Joseph Runzo, Chapman University

Stephen G. Post, Case Western Reserve University

Responding:

Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College

Business Meeting:

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, Presiding

A19-314

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Critical Evaluations of Thomas Tweed's* Crossing and Dwelling: A Theory of Religion

Kim Knott, University of Leeds
Spatial Theory and Spatial Methodology, Their Relationship and Application: An Engagement with Thomas Tweed's Theory of Crossing and Dwelling

Manuel Vasquez, University of Florida
Of Flows, Landscapes, and Networks: Tropes in the Study of Religion and Space

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Calgary
Crossing, Dwelling, and a Wandering Jew

Finbarr Curtis, California State University, Fresno
No Universalizing Deductive-Nomological Explanations, Please, We're Irish: A Response to Thomas A. Tweed's Crossing and Dwelling

Responding:

Thomas A. Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Business Meeting:

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College, Pontifícia Universidade Católica, São Paulo, Presiding

A19-315

Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Rosemary P. Carbine, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

Theme: *Rethinking Power and Passion*

Noelle Vahanian, Lebanon Valley College
Counting Weakness, Countering Power: The Theopolitics of Catherine Keller

Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion
Simone Weil's "Chorology": An Aesthetic Rethinking of Creation

William Robert, Syracuse University
Tragedy Makes the Difference

Kent Brintnall, Emory University
Paradoxes and Parodies of Masculinity: Action Heroes, Crucified Gods, and Feminist Possibilities for the Cross

A19-316

Korean Religions Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Theme: *Korean Contributions to Neo-Confucianism*

Chan Lee, University of Hawai'i, Manoa
Reflections of Human Nature—Korean Transformation of Zhu Xi's Neo-Confucianism

Suk Choi, Towson University
A Reflection on the Four-Seven Debate in Korean Neo-Confucianism

Edward Y.J. Chung, University of Prince Edward Island
Yi T'oegye on the Problem of "Evil" and Self-Transcendence in Neo-Confucianism: A Creative Korean Interpretation

Responding:

Joseph Adler, Kenyon College

John I. Goulde, Sweet Briar College

A19-317

Law, Religion, and Culture Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Winnifred Sullivan, State University of New York, Buffalo, Presiding

Theme: *Contemporary Intersections of Law and Religion around the World*

Thomas Borchert, University of Vermont
"Normal Religion," "Feudal Superstition," and "Evil Cults": The Consequences of Official Discourse on Religion in Reform Era China

Craig Danielson, University of Virginia
Sanatanist and Saffron: Temples, Secularism, and Hindu Nation Building

Tiffany Hodge, Emory University
Law Outside of the State: Religion, Culture, and Village Courts in Bangladesh

Olga Kazmina, Moscow State University
Russian Orthodox Church and the Issues of Identity, Law, and Human Rights in Contemporary Russia

Shea McManus, City University of New York
Religion, Ethics, and the Conflict over Legal Reform in Morocco

Responding:

Natalie B. Dohrmann, University of Pennsylvania

Business Meeting:

Robert A. Yelle, University of Memphis, Presiding

A19-318

Mysticism Group and Tantric Studies Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Vesna Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *The Divinized Body and Mystical Experience in Hindu and Buddhist Tantra*

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa
Yoga, Tantra, and Avimukta

David Gray, Santa Clara University
Experiencing the Single Savor: Divinizing the Body and the Senses in Tantric Buddhist Meditation

John Nemec, University of Virginia
Divinity and Perceptual Experience: Somānanda's Śivadṛṣṭi as an Argument against the Buddhist Logicians

Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester
Idam Sarvam Aham, "All This I Am!": Aspects of Extroversive Mysticism in the Śaiva Tantric Soteriology of Abhinavagupta

Responding:

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University

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MONDAY EVENING

A19-329

Native Traditions in the Americas Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kenneth Mello, University of Vermont, Presiding

Theme: *Expressions of Indigeneity: The Variety of Contemporary Native American Religiosity*

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas
Now You Don't See It, Now You Do: Amóhi Atsvsdi, the Cherokee "Going to Water" Ritual

Gabrielle Tayac, National Museum of the American Indian
Native beyond Recognition: Reconstructing Traditions on the Chesapeake

Eva Garroutte, Boston College
Religiosity in Two American Indian Populations

Marilyn Notah-Verney, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Significance of the Cake in the Diné Kinaaldá Ceremony

Responding:

Andrea Smith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Business Meeting:

Michael McNally, Carleton College, and Kenneth Mello, University of Vermont, Presiding

A19-319

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Pragmatism Reconsidered*

Jason N. Blum, University of Pennsylvania
"Knowing" Mystical Experience: Critiquing Epistemological Theory in the Analysis of Mysticism

Michael Raposa, Lehigh University
Troubled Diversities, Multiple Identities, and the Relevance of Royce: What Makes a Community Worth Caring About?

Andrew Fiala, California State University, Fresno
Militant Atheism, Pragmatism, and the God-shaped Hole

Responding:

Beth Eddy, Central Michigan University

Business Meeting:

David Lamberth, Harvard University, and Eddie S. Glaude, Princeton University, Presiding

A19-320

Religion and Popular Culture Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Frances Flannery-Dailey, Hendrix College, Presiding

Theme: *Evolutionary Controversy and a Side of Pasta: The Flying Spaghetti Monster and the Subversive Function of Religious Parody*

Lucas Johnston, University of Florida
Pirates Can Predict the Weather: The Flying Spaghetti Monster and the Nature of Truthiness

Gavin Van Horn, University of Florida
Noodling around with Religion: Carnival Play, Monstrous Humor, and the Noodly Master

Alyssa Beall, Syracuse University
A Pirate's Life for Me: Hacking Traditional Religion

Samuel Snyder, University of Florida
Holy Pasta and Authentic Sauce: The Flying Spaghetti Monster's Messy Implications for Theorizing Religion

Responding:

David Chidester, University of Cape Town

Business Meeting:

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, and Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding

A19-321

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: *A Dialogue on Audiovisual Testimony in Religious and Cultural Approaches to the Holocaust*

Panelists:

Doug Ballman, University of Southern California

Liora Gubkin, California State University, Bakersfield

Jaye A. Houston, University of La Verne

Gilya Gerda Schmidt, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Deborah Hopper, University of Victoria

Amy Wlodarski, Dickinson College

Responding:

Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University

A19-322

Religion, Politics, and the State Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Andrew Murphy, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Theme: *US Foreign Policy and Policies Abroad*

Robert O. Smith, Baylor University
Not So Concerned about Justice: Evangelical Christian Zionism and US Middle East Policy

Matthew Bagot, Boston College
A Catholic Foreign Policy and the War on Terror: The Case for Murray

Ed Waggoner, Yale University
Toward a "Christian Left" in American Foreign Policy

Stephen Martin, Seton Hall University
Civic Sacrament and Social Imaginaries in Transition: The Case of the South African Churches and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission

James I. Higginbotham, Earlham School of Religion
Protestant Churches in China: Beyond Accommodation and Separatism

A19-323

Ritual Studies Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Ute Huesken, University of Heidelberg, Presiding

Theme: *Negotiating Rites*

Panelists:

Ulrike Schroeder, University of Heidelberg

Kerstin Radde, University of Heidelberg

Angelos Chaniotis, Oxford University

Frank Neubert, University of Heidelberg

Responding:

Michael Houseman, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique

Business Meeting:

Donna Lynne Seamone, Acadia University, and W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

A19-324

Science, Technology, and Religion Group and Animals and Religion Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Paul Waldau, Tufts University, Presiding

Theme: *In Whose Image: Bonobos, Sin, and Transcencence*

Jennifer Kile, Princeton Theological Seminary
Sin and Society: The Bonobo Challenge

Oliver Putz, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley
In the Image of God: Moral Apes and Special Creation

Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology
Embodied Transcendence: Bonobos and Humans in Community

Responding:

Barbara King, College of William and Mary

Business Meeting:

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University, Presiding

A19-325

Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Linda E. Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Womanist Ways of Knowing*

Arisika Razak, California Institute of Integral Studies
Alice Walker Womanism: Pagan, Ecologic, and Embodied Ethical Perspectives

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Princeton Theological Seminary
An Invisible Force within Our Midst

Colleen Birchett, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Hagar in the Hip-Hop Wilderness

Eleanor Finnegan, University of Florida
Representin' Women

Jeneen Robinson, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Gospel according to Mary

Business Meeting:

Evelyn L. Parker, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

A19-326

Childhood Studies and Religion Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Cristina L.H. Traina, Northwestern University, Presiding

Theme: *Children, Mothers, and Mothering: Feminist Religious Perspectives*

Bonnie Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University
Feminism, Children, and Parenting: Three Books and Three Children Later

Rachel Muers, University of Exeter
Theology and the Ethics of Breastfeeding

Irene Oh, University of Miami
Mothers' Movements: Motherhood, Religion, and Political Activism

Responding:

Pamela Couture, Saint Paul School of Theology

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University

A19-327

Christianity and Academia Consultation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Diana Akiyama, Occidental College, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Issues in Christian Higher Education: Academic Freedom, Denominational Identity, and the Culture of Business*

Timothy A. Beach-Verhey, Davidson College
The Truth Shall Set You Free: Academic Freedom and Transcendent Reality in Higher Education

Linda Marie Martin, Ursuline College
Catholic Identity on Campus: A (Protestant?) Theological Analysis

Michael G. Cartwright, University of Indianapolis
The Business of the Church-Related University: Education for Service

Anthony Mansueto, Collin County Community College
The Theological Foundations of the Principle of Academic Freedom

Business Meeting:

David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

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MONDAY EVENING

A19-328

Wildcard Session

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Presiding

Theme: *Religious and Theological Reflection upon Musical Meaning*

David R. Brockman, Southern Methodist University
"The Beautiful Is Difficult": Divine Revelation in the "Out" Jazz of Sun Ra

Emily Bennett, Claremont Graduate University
"Big Beat Deliver Me": Theological Themes in Joni Mitchell's Music

Zachary Simpson, Claremont Graduate University
Inexplicability and Revelation in Music

Susannah Laramee Kidd, Emory University
Expecting Resonance: A Constructive Look at Theological Norms in Light of Leonard Meyer's Emotion and Meaning in Music *and Wallace Stevens'* Sea-Surface Full of Clouds

Heidi Epstein, University of Saskatchewan
Sour Grapes and Fermented Selves: Musical Shulamites Mottle the Sacred Erotic

Business Meeting:

Philip Stoltzfus, Saint Olaf College, Presiding

A19-400

Plenary Address

7:15 pm-8:45 pm

Jeffrey L. Stout, Princeton University, Presiding

Theme: *Welcoming the Stranger: Why Immigrants Are More Than a Luxury*

Panelist:

Ernesto Cortes, Interfaith Education Fund, Inc.

See page 114 for a description.

A19-401

Film: *Renewal*

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group

John A. Grim, Yale University, Forum on Religion and Ecology, Presiding

See page 124 for a description.

A19-402

Film: *The Mormons*

8:30 pm-10:00 pm

Sponsored by the Mormon Studies Consultation

James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University, Presiding

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A19-403

AAR Program Unit Chair and Steering Committee Members' Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A19-404 (=M19-102)

Society of Christian Philosophers

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Doug Harink, King's University College, Presiding

Theme: *William J. Abraham's* Crossing the Threshold of Divine Revelation

Panelists:

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University

James Beilby, Bethel University

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Responding:

William J. Abraham, Southern Methodist University

A19-405 (=M19-104)

European Society of Women in Theological Research

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

A19-406 (=M19-114)

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Deepak Shimkhada, Claremont-McKenna College, Presiding

Theme: *Demanding Equality on Religious Grounds: Celebrating the Buddhist and Interreligious Scholarship of Bibhuti Singh Yadav*

Douglas L. Berger, Southern Illinois University
The Social Meaning of the Middle Way: B.S. Yadav and the Madhyamika Critique of the Indian Ontologies of Identity and Difference

Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College
Unpacking the Place of the Grasper in Yogacara and Advaita

Ralph Marshall, St. Francis High School
Deconstruction and Reconstruction: Bibhuti Yadav's Interpretation of Vallabha and Its Importance for Interreligious Dialogue

William Allen, Temple University
Bibhuti Yadav on Interreligious Dialogue

Responding:

Purushottama Billmoria, Melbourne University

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

A20-1

International Connections Committee Meeting

7:30 am-8:45 am

Richard M. Jaffe, Duke University, Presiding

A20-100

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University, Presiding

Theme: *Uncomfortable Places, Transformative Spaces: Teachers and Students Learning Together*

Panelists:

Hans Wiersma, St. Paul, MN

Helen Rhee, Fuller Theological Seminary

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Jeffrey M. Brackett, Ball State University

A20-101

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kimberly Rae Connor, University of San Francisco, Presiding

Theme: *Speaking in Church*

Cooper Harriss, University of Chicago
Preacherly Antecedents of the Speakerly Text: Sermons in the Anthropological Writing of Zora Neale Hurston

Darren J.N. Middleton, Texas Christian University
Possession and Postcolonialism in Earl Lovelace's The Wine of Astonishment

Susan de Gaia, University of Southern California
Condemned to Death: Execution Sermons in the British American Colonies

Matthew Hunter, Temple University
Interpretation of Dreams: Gathering Communities through Texts and Images at Two Predominantly African American Episcopal Churches

A20-102

Buddhism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Jacob Dalton, Yale University, Presiding

Theme: *The Material Culture of Buddhist Life Writing*

Andrew H. Quintman, Princeton University
Living a Material Life: Image, Inscription, and Ritual Consecration in Tibetan Biography

Stuart Young, Princeton University
The Silkworm, the Horse, and the Hagiography: Chinese Conceptions of Aśvaghosa as Sericulture Deity

Heather Blair, Harvard University
The Stuff of Life: Buried Scriptures and Treasured Diaries in Heian Japan

Mark Dennis, Gustavus Adolphus College
Rethinking Textual Presence and Value: The Sangyō-gisho of Shōtoku Taishi as Word-Object-Event

Responding:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

A20-103

Christian Systematic Theology Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Nature and Grace*

Hans Boersma, Regent College
Nature and the Supernatural in Nouvelle Théologie: The Recovery of a Sacramental Mindset

Beth Beshear, Boston College
The Justice and Love of Christ's Passion: Nature, Grace, and Redemption according to Thomas Aquinas

Michael Gibson, Vanderbilt University
Between Bucharest and Basel: Incarnation, Analogy, and Pneumatics in Karl Barth and Dumitru Staniloae

Walter Lowe, Emory University
The Reality of Redemption: Reconfiguring the Theological Imagination

A20-104

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kay A. Read, DePaul University, Presiding

Theme: *New Perspectives on Chinese Religions*

San Young Lee, Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary
Comparative Studies of Neo-Confucianism and Dong-hak: Their Views on Women

Marwood Larson-Harris, Roanoke College
Ch'an Encounter Dialogues and Puritan Professions of Faith as Sincerity Rituals

Xiaofei Tu, Syracuse University
Dare to Compare: The Kyoto School's and the New Confucian Movement's Responses to the West

Stephen Stine, Asia Health Ventures
From Communism to Commercialism: The Search for China's Soul

Responding:

Russell Kirkland, University of Georgia

A20-105

History of Christianity Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Karen Bruhn, Arizona State University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching with Texts in the History of Christianity: Textbooks and General Histories for a Changing Field*

Panelists:

Margaret R. Miles, Graduate Theological Union

Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University

Denis Janz, Loyola University, New Orleans

Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary

Responding:

Patricia O'Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University

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TUESDAY MORNING

A20-106

North American Religions Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Luis Enrique Murillo, Trinity University, Presiding

Theme: *Creating and Crossing Borders*

Shin Kwon Kim, Georgetown University
A Korean Methodist Who Became a Racist: Chi-Ho Yun and Christian Nationalism in the Nineteenth Century US South

Kathryn Maguire, Napa Valley College
Borderland Hagiography, Figurative and Literal: Jesús Malverde, Bandido-santón of Sinaloa

Sarah Miglio, University of Notre Dame
Encountering Islam: Mohammed Webb and the Specter of Polygamy at the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, Augustana College
"I Put Jesus in the Seatbelt and He Comes with Me": San Diegan Mexicanos Crafting New Selves and Community in the Cursillo de Christianidad Movement

Responding:

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

A20-107

Philosophy of Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kevin Schilbrack, Wesleyan College, Presiding

Theme: *Wittgenstein and the Mystical: In Honor of D. Z. Phillips*

Thomas Carroll, Boston University
"The Mystical" and Wittgenstein's Ethic of Perspicuity

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University
How to Say What Can't Be Said: Wittgensteinian Investigations of Dionysian Techniques and Rules of Ineffability

Wendy Rachele Terry, University of California, Davis
Wittgenstien's Silence and Marguerite's Lies: Intention and Showing in Apophatic Mysticism

Philip Stoltzfus, Saint Olaf College
The Musical as an Instance of the Mystical in the Early Wittgenstein

A20-109

Religion and the Social Sciences Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Don S. Browning, University of Chicago, Presiding

Theme: *Beyond Freud and Jung: The Developing Human in Theology and Contemporary Psychology*

Kathy Hopner, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
The Second Naiveté—The Challenge of Adolescent Development

Steven C. Bauman, Graduate Theological Union
Emergence as Remedy in Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi's Evolutionary Faith *and Raimon Panikkar's* Theandric Ontonomy

Lissa Dirrim, Pacific School of Religion
Swedenborgian Personality Development

Emily Lyon, Graduate Theological Union
The Interpersonal Dimensions of Childhood Abuse: Restoration of the Soul

Responding:

David T. Gortner, Church Divinity School of the Pacific

A20-110

Religion in South Asia Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal College, Presiding

Theme: *New Directions in Sikh Studies*

Balbinder Bhogal, York University
Questioning Secularism from the Standpoint of Religion—Or How to Encounter Cultural Difference: Politicizing Knowledge of Sikh-ism within the Academy

Louis E. Fenech, University of Northern Iowa
The Context of the Dasam Granth

Doris R. Jakobsh, University of Waterloo
"Sikhizing the Sikhs": The Role of "New Media" in Historical and Contemporary Identity Construction

Arvind Mandair, University of Michigan
Repetition without Origin: Time, Subjectivity, Language, and the Theologico-Political Task of Sikh Scripture

Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College
The "So-called Sexy Tales" of the Caritropākhiān

Responding:

Nikky Singh, Colby College

A20-111

Study of Islam Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Etin Anwar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Presiding

Theme: *Varieties of Classical Islam*

Shafique Virani, University of Toronto
Pythagoras, Polygons, and the Profession of Faith: A Cosmic Cipher in Islamic Thought

Nevin Reda, University of Toronto
Reading the Qurʾān in Divine Self-Revelatory and Pedagogical Modes: The Role of Repetitions in Sūrat al-Baqara

Laury Silvers, Skidmore College
The Transmission of Knowledge and Guidance in an Early Sufi Qurʾan Commentary: The Composition, Collection, and Transmission of Abu Bakr al-Wasiti's (d. ca. 320/932) Tafsir

Jon Hoover, Near East School of Theology
Moving beyond the Teacher: Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya's Elaboration of Ibn Taymiyya's Theodicy

Sara Verskin, Princeton University
Philosophy, Jurisprudence, and Piety in Ibn Rushd's Fasl al-maqāl *(Averroes'* Decisive Treatise*)*

Responding:

Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, St. Louis

A20-112

Study of Judaism Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Martin Buber: Beyond* I and Thou

William Plevan, Princeton University
The Between in Martin Buber's Later Thought

Claire Sufrin, Stanford University
Martin Buber's Biblical Hermeneutics In and Beyond I and Thou

Randy L. Friedman, Binghamton University
Martin Buber's Phenomenological Spirit

Responding:

Randi Rashkover, George Mason University

A20-113

Theology and Religious Reflection Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

Susan Abraham, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Theology and Religious Reflections on Work, Immigration, and Borders*

Peter Jones, Southern Methodist University
The Person as Subject and Economic Globalization: Roman Catholic Approaches

Steven Jungkeit, Yale University
Dreams without Borders: Junkspace, Global Cultures, and (Religious) Imagination

Ilsup Ahn, North Park University
Politics of Immigration and the Ethics of Radical Hospitality: Between "Invisible Debt" and "Visible Hospitality"

James E. Helmer, University of Notre Dame
Cultural Rights for Nations but Not Immigrants? Some Reflections on Will Kymlicka's Theory of Minority Rights

A20-114

Women and Religion Section

9:00 am-11:30 am

E. Ann Matter, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Theme: *California Girls: Being the Other in Paradise*

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University
California Girl: Tiby Eisen and Jewish Women in Baseball

Michelle M. Lelwica, Emma Hoglund, and Jenna McNallie, Concordia College, Moorhead
From California to Calcutta: Spreading the White-Western Devotion to Female Thinness—A Feminist Postcolonial Analysis

A20-115

Anthropology of Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Frances Garrett, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Tibetan Lived Religion?*

Cameron David Warner, Harvard University
Mimesis and Apotropaism: Devotion to Tibet's National Palladium

Antonio Terrone, Leiden University
Finding Buddhism in the Twenty-First Century: Treasure Revelation and Religious Authority in Present-day Tibet

Sarah Jacoby, Columbia University
Being a Ḍākinī in Contemporary Eastern Tibet

Arthur McKeown, Harvard University
Devotional Practices at Gyantse and Wutai Shan: Removing the Text from Translation

Responding:

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

A20-116

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Ritual Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Thomas Quartier, Radboud University, Nijmegen, Presiding

Theme: *The Forest or the Trees? Generalization and Particularity in Ritual Theory*

Carl Seaquist, University of Vermont
Getting to a General Theory of Ritual: The Role of Agency and Intention

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University
Implications of Antonin Artaud's "Theatre of Cruelty" for Theorizing Ritual Participants

Graham St John, School for Advanced Research, Santa Fe
Transitional World: Victor Turner, Dance-Music Culture, and Psy-trance

Asuka Sango, Princeton University
Making Debate Hell: Knowledge and Power in Japanese Buddhist Rituals

Responding:

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

A20-117

Japanese Religions Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Lori Meeks, University of Southern California, Presiding

Theme: *Screening and Streaming Japanese Religions: Integrating Visual Media into the Classroom*

Panelists:

Stephen Covell, Western Michigan University

Sarah Horton, St. Paul, MN

Mark Rowe, McMaster University

D. Max Moerman, Columbia University

Hank Glassman, Haverford College

Business Meeting:

Paula K. R. Arai, Carleton College, and James L. Ford, Wake Forest University, Presiding

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TUESDAY MORNING

A20-119

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Kirk A. Bingaman, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: *Multiplicity Part II: Pluralism, Hybridity, and Multiple Subjectivities in Context*

Marsha Hewitt, University of Toronto
Developmental, Relational, and Attachment Perspectives on Religious Identity

Karen Crozier, Azusa Pacific University
The Luminous Darkness of Du Bois' Double-Consciousness: Through the Lens of Contemporary Christian Women

Janet E. Schaller, Memphis Theological Seminary
Reconfiguring Dis/ability: Multiple and Narrative Constructions of Self

Hosung Ahn, University of Denver, Iliff School of Theology
Junzi as a Tragic Person: A Self Psychological Interpretation of the Analects

Nestor Medina, University of Toronto
The Religious Psychology of Mestizaje: Gómez Suárez de Figueroa or Garcilaso Inca de la Vega

A20-120

Religion and Disability Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

John Swinton, University of Aberdeen, Presiding

Theme: *Methodologies for the Study of Religion and Disability*

Brian Brock, University of Aberdeen
Disability in the Christian Tradition

A. Taylor Newton, University of Denver
Religion and the Autism Rights Movement: A Methodological Foray into the Blogosphere

Yi-Jia Tsai, National Dong Hwa University
Disability and Epiphany—Nouwen's Adam *and Oe's* Hikari

Responding:

Deborah Creamer, Iliff School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Kerry Wynn, Southeast Missouri State University, Presiding

A20-121

Religion and Popular Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Richard J. Callahan, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Tourism*

Evan Berry, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Road to Nature: Technological Landscapes of Modern Pilgrimage

Darryl Victor Caterine, Le Moyne College
Strange Attractors: The Anomalous Worlds and Transformative Powers of Lily Dale, Sedona, and Roswell

Emily R. Mace, Princeton University
Mrs. Winchester's Mystery House: Tourism and the Perpetuation of Spiritualism in American Culture

Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University
A Great Place to Have a Theophany? Religious Experience and Indoctrination at American Biblical Theme Parks

A20-122

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Terry Lindvall, Virginia Wesleyan College, Presiding

Theme: *Theology and Film Reconsidered: Re-Framing the Discipline*

Panelists:

John Lyden, Dana College

Gaye Williams Ortiz, Augusta State University

Craig Detweiler, Fuller Theological Seminary

S. Brent Plate, Texas Christian University

Responding:

Robert K. Johnston, Fuller Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

A20-123

Roman Catholic Studies Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

Ann B. McClenahan, Harvard University, Presiding

Theme: *Suffering Saints, Consecrated Virgins, and Valiant Women: Catholic Lay Women and Gender Ideals*

Brenna Moore, Harvard University
Women, Sanctity, and Suffering in French Catholic Intellectual Life

Tovis Page, Harvard University
Embodying the Ideal: Practices of "Valiant Womanhood" in the US Grail, 1940-1960

Mary T. Kantor, Harvard University
"Reflecting the Life of Angels": Consecrated Virginity Lived in the World

Mathew N. Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross
Female Authority and the Miraculous in the Cult of Audrey Santo

A20-124

Sacred Space in Asia Group and Space, Place, and Religious Meaning Consultation

9:00 am-11:30 am

Stephen B. Scharper, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme: *Sacred Space in South Asia: Sites of Vision, Sites of Experience*

Noel A. Salmond, Carleton University
The Sublime and the Cynical: Swami Vivekananda and V. S. Naipaul on the Amarnath Yatra

Brian K. Pennington, Maryville College
Negotiating Myth: Sacred Space and the Limits of Invention

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Cosmological Interpolation: Bhaktapur Nepal's Gai Jaatra Procession, and Kamas Utah's Pioneer Day Parade

Carla Bellamy, Columbia University
Narratives of Pilgrimage to the Tombs of Muslim Saints in Jaora

Leena Taneja, Stetson University
Polyvalent Sacred Spaces: Reconstructing the Mythical Mountain of Govardhan

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa
The Symbol and the Void: The Sacred Space of Jains

Pauline McKenzie Aucoin, Carleton University
Embodiment, Space, and the Meaning of Ecstasy in Narratives of Nature Touring

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Science, Technology, and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

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Scriptural Reasoning Group

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Theme: *War and the Text: Reasoning through the Scripture on War, Injustice, and the Limits of the Law*

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Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

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Theme: *Tillichian Conversations: Bible and Pluralism*

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Tillich, Frei, and the Making of a Biblical Theologian

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A Journey toward Inclusion: Paul Tillich and the Influence of Rudolf Ottos' The Idea of the Holy

Duane Olson, McKendree College
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Business Meeting:

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Dominican Priory Conference Center

River Forest, IL

April 4-5, 2008

New England–Maritimes

Instead of holding a NEMAAR regional meeting in 2008, the region will co-sponsor conferences proposed by regional members, and welcome proposals (see call at *www.aarweb.org/about_aar/regions/new_england-maritimes/call.asp*).

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George Fox University

Newberg, Oregon

May 2-4, 2008

Rocky Mountains–Great Plains

Denver Seminary

Denver, CO

March 28-29, 2008

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Marriott Atlanta Century Center

Atlanta, GA

March 7-9, 2008

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Marriott Hotel, DFW

Irving, TX

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March 28-29, 2008

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Related Scholarly Organizations

African Association for the Study of Religions

Kathleen O'Brien Wicker, Scripps College

The African Association for the Study of Religions (AASR) is an academic association of scholars of religions posted in universities in Africa, and of scholars of the religions of Africa posted in universities outside of Africa. The AASR seeks to stimulate the academic study of religions in Africa in a variety of ways: providing a forum for multilateral communications between scholars of African religions; facilitating the exchange of resources and information; encouraging the development of linkages and research contacts between scholars and institutions in Africa, and between scholars in Africa and those overseas. The AASR also endeavors to assist scholars to publish their work and travel to professional meetings. The AASR is an affiliate of the International Association for the History of Religions since 1995. It meets at the IAHR quinquennial congresses and organizes conferences in Africa. The AASR publishes the bi-annual AASR Bulletin and maintains a website: *www.a-asr.org*.

Association of Practical Theology

Kathleen Cahalan, St. John's University

The purpose of the Association of Practical Theology (APT) is to promote critical reflection on theology and practice. Reconstituted from its predecessor organizations in 1984, the APT was sparked by the understanding of practical theology as an integrative hermeneutical endeavor at the heart of theological education that includes critical examination of religious traditions and practices and exploration of the contributions of ministerial subdisciplines. The APT meets annually in conjunction with the AAR and biennially for a three-day conference. APT meetings at the AAR draw national and international scholars from a variety of disciplines (members of APT and non-members), and the biennial meeting allows for more in depth study of specific issues and the conduct of official business. The APT posts proceedings, membership information, and other news on its website (*www.practicaltheology.org*) and welcomes new members from all areas of religious and theological study.

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

Victoria J. Barnett, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

The Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum supports scholarship and publications in the field of Holocaust studies, promotes the growth of Holocaust studies at American universities, fosters strong relationships between American and international scholars, and initiates programs to ensure the ongoing training of future generations of scholars specializing in the Holocaust. The center accomplishes its mission through sponsorship of fellowship opportunities; seminars for teaching faculty at the college and university levels; research projects and publications; summer research workshops, conferences, lectures, and symposia; and the evaluation, collection, and making available of Holocaust-related archival materials. The Committee on Church Relations and the Holocaust, an integral part of the center, is a resource for individuals and groups grappling with the ethical and philosophical issues raised by the Holocaust and contemporary anti-Semitism, and it investigates the relationship of the Holocaust to the history and future potential of Jewish/Christian relations.

Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions

Akiko Fujikawa, Doshisha University

The Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions (CISMOR), established in 2003, conducts comprehensive and interdisciplinary research and educational activities related to the monotheistic world. It fosters specialists who can help to achieve coexistence among different civilizations and at the same time makes the results of its research available to the world at large, with the goal of becoming a mediator between the Islamic, Judaic, and Christian worlds. In order to achieve peace, security, and the coexistence of civilizations in today's world, we must undertake comprehensive and interdisciplinary educational and research activities from a civilizational perspective. CISMOR is unlike any other research institute in the world because it centralizes in-depth interdisciplinary research on all three Abrahamic religions and also because of its unique location in Japan, a country that is free of historical or cultural constraints on such studies, thus allowing the institute to take an entirely objective point of view. By increasing our understanding of Abrahamic religions, we will at the same time contribute to a deeper understanding of Japanese religion. We try to find the way to contribute to reform the Abrahamic religions from the standpoint of Japanese religiosity.

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Steve Long, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

The Christian Theological Research Fellowship is a distinctively Christian research organization in systematic and moral theology and related disciplines. The society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (fides quaerens intellectum) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith within the mainstream of the Christian tradition. We see ourselves as a spiritual fellowship in service to the Church of Messiah Jesus.

European Society of Women in Theological Research (ESWTR)

Susanne Scholz, Port Washington, NY

Founded in 1986 in Switzerland, ESWTR is a scholarly network of women scholars in theological research and religious studies. Currently, the society has more than 500 members who come from different religious, denominational, national, and academic backgrounds. The ESWTR provides the opportunity for women researchers from the European continent to meet and to dialogue with each other at biannual international conferences held in different European countries. Conference themes raise important issues in feminist theological and religious research. During the year in which no international meeting takes place, members meet nationally or regionally. Currently, country or regional groups exist in Austria, Belgium, Britain, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Republic of Georgia, Greece, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Northern America, Palestine, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. Membership is open to women engaged in the academic study of theology, religious studies, and related areas. They may live and work in Europe, hold a European passport, or may be admitted after special consideration by the board. Members receive the *ESWTR Newsletter* and the annually published *Journal of the ESWTR*.

Evangelical Philosophical Society

R. Scott Smith, Biola University

Founded in 1974, the Evangelical Philosophical Society (EPS) is an organization of professional scholars devoted to pursuing philosophical excellence in both the church and the academy. Interested laypersons can join as associate or student members. The EPS holds a national meeting each year in conjunction with the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature. The EPS journal, *Philosophia Christi*, is a scholarly publication containing discussion of a variety of topics that are of interest to the philosopher and to the philosopher of religion. For more information visit *www.epsociety.org*.

Hermetic Academy

Karen-Claire Voss, Istanbul, Turkey and James B. Robinson, University of Northern Iowa

The Hermetic Academy is a professional society for scholarly research into esoteric traditions in religion. Our primary aim is to facilitate communication among scholars of the esoteric within the field of religious studies and other related areas. Specifically, we want to provide information from and to our readers which is not readily obtainable from more conventional sources. We also want to support and encourage publishers to maintain and increase individual works or series devoted to topics in esotericism and to convince editors of journals that articles on the esoteric in religion are of value to the field of religious studies and are of substantive scholarly merit. Our plans for future development include providing a venue for those interested in encouraging methodological pluralism in the field of esotericism, possibly in the form of a refereed Internet journal. For more information see *www.istanbul-yes-istanbul.co.uk/*.

International Bonhoeffer Society: English Language Section

John W. Matthews, Grace Lutheran Church

The International Bonhoeffer Society: English Language Section is an interfaith scholarly organization. It was founded in 1971 to promote research in the theology, ethics, and life of the German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945). The English Language Section has members in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and other lands. It is governed by an elected board and society officers. Society membership is open to all persons interested in the theology, life, and spiritual influence of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and in constructive theological and pastoral studies inspired by his legacy. For more information see *www.dbonhoeffer.org/ibsinfo.htm*.

The International Institute for Field-Being (IIFB)

Lik Kuen Tong, Fairfield University

The IIFB is a nonprofit research-oriented international educational association of scholars, professionals, organizations, and interested individuals in any field or discipline who study and promote the Field-Being modes of thought. More specifically, the Institute centers its research projects on the following topics or areas: philosophical implications of the Field-Being worldview; Non-substantialism versus Substantialism East and West; and the Non-substantialistic Turn in twentieth-century thought and philosophy. Since its inception in 1996, the IIFB has sponsored three international symposia on Field-Being and the Non-substantialistic turn. For more information please see *www.iifb.org*.

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

Jeffrey W. Dippmann, Central Washington University

The International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of uniting persons affiliated with the study and research of Chinese philosophy or interested in promoting the study and research of Chinese philosophy in both academic and non-academic circles. By "Chinese philosophy" is meant the whole philosophical tradition and heritage within the span of Chinese history and the spectrum of Chinese civilization. The term "Chinese Philosophy" also connotes the areas of logical, metaphysical, ethical, aesthetical, and epistemological thinking and reflection in reference to the Chinese philosophical tradition and heritage, Chinese language, Chinese society, and Chinese civilization. The society organizes and sponsors conferences and conference panels on Chinese philosophy. Its official journal is the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* (Blackwell Publishers, Inc.). ISCP also sponsors and co-sponsors philosophical, educational, cultural, or scientific activities in cooperation with educational, cultural, philosophical, or scientific institutions or organizations associated with the study and research of Chinese philosophy.



ACADEMY INFORMATION

Karl Barth Society of North America

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

The Society's membership is open to all interested parties: scholars, students, pastors, and laypersons. A newsletter is published twice a year, edited by Paul D. Molnar, Division of Humanities, St. John's University, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Queens, NY 11439. Annual dues are $15 (students $10). A Web site is posted by the Center for Barth Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary, Clifford B. Anderson: *barth.studies@ptsem.edu*. The Web site contains substantial articles as well as information about events. Two sessions are held each year as Additional Meetings at the AAR Annual Meeting: one on Friday afternoon, the other on Saturday morning. As perhaps is only appropriate, the society is always more of an event than an institution, whose irregular activities have earned it the well-known Barthian motto: providentia dei, confusione hominum.

La Communidad of Hispanic Scholars

Hugo Magallanes, Asbury Theological Seminary

La Comunidad is an ecumenical association of Hispanic scholars of religion. La Comunidad proactively advances the interests and scholarship of Latinas and Latinos in biblical, theological, and religious studies. For more information, please contact Hugo Magallanes, Assistant Provost, Asbury Theological Seminary-FL, 8401 Valencia College Lane, Orlando, FL 32825; fax 407-482-7577; e-mail *Hugo_Magallanes@asburyseminary.edu*; or Nora Lozano, Assistant Professor of Theological Studies, Baptist University of the Américas, 8019 S. Pan Am Expressway, San Antonio, TX 78224-1336; phone 210-924-4338, ext 211; fax 210-924-2701; e-mail *nlozano@bua.edu*.

North American Association for the Study of Religion

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

The North American Association for the Study of Religion was initially formed in 1985 to encourage the historical, comparative, structural, theoretical, and cognitive study of religion among North American scholars; to represent North American scholars of religion at the international level; and to sustain communication between North American scholars and their international colleagues engaged in the study of religion. In order to achieve these goals, NAASR is affiliated with the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion and has annual meetings together with the American Academy of Religion on the one hand, and the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion on the other. NAASR is affiliated with the International Association for the History of Religions and is the only organization from the United States that enjoys such affiliation. NAASR's official peer-review journal, *Method & Theory in the Study of Religion* is published quarterly by E. J. Brill of the Netherlands. NAASR also sponsors a book series, "Key Thinkers in the Study of Religion," published by Equinox Publishers of the UK.

North American Paul Tillich Society

Frederick J. Parrella, Santa Clara University

Founded in 1975, the 250-member NAPTS is concerned with Paul Tillich's (1886–1965) philosophical-theological thought; with its analysis, critique, and revision; with the implications and the use of this thought in political, social, psychotherapeutic, scientific, artistic, and ethico-religious spheres; and with the impact and the creative extension of Tillich's legacy. The society meets annually in conjunction with AAR; organizes international conferences, collaborates with the German, French-speaking, and several other Tillich societies; awards an annual student-paper prize; and sponsors publications. The quarterly newsletter carries papers from meetings. Dues: $35/year. Membership: Frederick Parrella, Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 95053-0335; *fparrella@mailer.scu.edu*.

Person, Culture, and Religion

Kathleen Bishop, Madison, NJ, and Pamela Cooper-White, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

The Person, Culture, and Religion Group is an informal association of scholars and practitioners in the fields of religion and psychology broadly defined who share common interests in the relationship among religion, psychology, and contemporary cultures. Working at the intersections of religion and psychology, the group enables participants to contextualize religious studies in relationship to the theory and practice of psychotherapy and pastoral counseling. PCR's location on the boundary of academic study and applied professions like clinical psychology and pastoral psychotherapy results in rich, varied, and stimulating interdisciplinary conversations of a kind uncommon in the AAR generally. Elements of the dialogue have included modern and postmodern developments in psychology, counseling, cultural and social anthropology, sociology, feminist studies, critical literary theory, and other forms of interpretive theory.

Polanyi Society

Walter B. Gulick, Montana State University, Billings

The Polanyi Society includes in its membership scholars and students who, inspired by the thought of Michael Polanyi (1891-1976), seek to explore and expand upon his seminal ideas. The Polanyi Society holds its Annual Meeting Friday evening and Saturday morning at the beginning of the AAR Annual Meeting. Papers to be discussed are posted prior to the meeting on the Society website, *www.missouriwestern.edu/orgs/polanyi/*. Archived copies and current issues of the Polanyi Society's peer-reviewed journal, *Tradition and Discovery* (three issues a year), information about joining the society, upcoming meetings, and links to Polanyi essays will be found on the website. *Personal Knowledge* is sub-titled "Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy," and the society invites all those who are interested in exploring postfoundational versions of epistemology, philosophy of religion, ethics, and theology to join us. Polanyi's notions of tacit knowing, heuristic passion, and conviviality are among the many contributions to this ongoing venture.

Schleiermacher Society

Cathie Kelsey and Ted Vial, Iliff School of Theology

Taking up the heritage of Schleiermacher's liberating and inclusive vision, the International Schleiermacher Society seeks to engage in ongoing conversations in which well-formed and critical Schleiermacher scholarship is brought into dialogue with questions arising from life today so that mutual learning can occur among all participants - scholars, pastors, laypeople, and students - and so that all can be better equipped for work in the world, church, and academy. In service of these purposes, the society also seeks to facilitate international cooperation among Schleiermacher scholars through conferences and other modes of communication and to nurture the emergence of young and marginalized scholars. Attendance is open. Send inquiries to Dr. Cathie Kelsey or Dr. Ted Vial, cochairs *ckelsey@iliff.edu, tvial@iliff.edu*.

Société International D'études sur Alfred Loisy

C.J.T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas, Houston

The société is a nonprofit association formed to foster study of the French exegete and scholar of religion, Alfred Loisy (1857-1940), and of the Roman Catholic Modernist movement in which he figured so prominently. It was formed to foster international communication and contact among scholars from a variety of disciplines, as well as other interested parties whose work and interests bear upon issues that surfaced in the latter decades of the nineteenth century and remain of enduring religious significance.

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)

Gereon Kopf, Luther College

The SACP was established in 1967 as a nonprofit organization aimed at advancing the development of the disciplines of Asian and comparative philosophy in the international academic arena and bringing together Asian and Western philosophers for a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas. It holds panels in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association, the Association of Asian Studies, and the American Academy of Religion. Annual individual membership dues for the SACP are $35 ($20 for students and professors emeriti) and include a subscription to the SACP *Forum*.

The society also sponsors a monograph series on specialized topics published by the University of Hawai'i Press. For more information about the SACP and about the journal, *Philosophy East and West*, please see our website at *www.sacpweb.org*.

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Wilson Yates, United Theological Seminary, Minneapolis

The Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies was organized to provide a forum for scholars and artists interested in the intersections among theology, religion, and the arts; to share thoughts, challenge ideas, and strategize approaches in the classroom; and to advance the discipline in theological and religious studies curricula. The goal of the society is to attract consistent participation of a core group of artists and scholars of theology and religion in order to have dialogue about the theological and religious meaning of the arts and the artistic/aesthetic dimension of theological and religious inquiry.

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

Harry Wells, Humboldt State University

The Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies was founded in 1987 to provide an ongoing organization for those committed to study, reflection, interchange, and practice arising out of Buddhist-Christian encounters. The purposes of the society are 1) To serve as a coordinating body supporting activities related to the comparative study of, and the practical interaction between, Buddhism and Christianity, by groups and individuals; 2) To encourage those who report on Buddhist-Christian dialogue and comparative study to employ analytical and theoretical tools and to set their discussion within the framework of our larger human history; 3) To be as inclusive as possible in all its activities, seeking a balance with regard to geography, ethnicity, age, sex, denomination or lineage, cultural tradition, and leadership in both academic and religion institutions, and in the public and private sectors. The society meets annually in conjunction with the national AAR meeting, having board meetings and a program session one day prior (Friday) to the start of the AAR schedule (Saturday). There is a second program session on Saturday morning. International conferences lasting approximately five days are held every four years, usually in the summer. The society publishes a scholarly journal, *The Journal for Buddhist-Christian Studies* (University of Hawaii), and a biannual newsletter. The society's website, *www.society-buddhist-christian-studies.org*, includes membership information, upcoming dialogue events, conference summaries, newsletters, and links, including one to the newly launched Buddhist-Christian Studies database housed at Boston College.

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Corinne Dempsey, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

The Society for Hindu-Christian Studies was founded in November, 1994 as a logical extension to the dialogue and scholarship being carried on in the *Hindu-Christian Studies Bulletin* (now the *Journal of Hindu Christian Studies*), which first appeared in 1988 under its founding editor, Harold Coward. The society is dedicated to the study of Hinduism and Christianity and their interrelationships. It seeks to create a forum for the presentation of historical research and studies of contemporary practice for the fostering of dialogue and interreligious conversation carried forward in a spirit of openness, respect, and true inquiry. Committed to scholarly interchange according to accepted traditional and contemporary methods, the society understands its scope broadly, so as to include issues related to religious practice, spirituality, and education; it is interested in supporting activities related to the comparative study of Hinduism and Christianity. Our membership includes Christians interested in the study of Hinduism, Hindus interested in the study of Christianity, and scholars—Hindu, Christian, and other—interested in the historical and contemporary interactions of Hinduism and Christianity.



ACADEMY INFORMATION

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions

Michael Puett, Harvard University

The annual membership dues for the society are $30 ($15 for students and retired). In order to become a new member of SSCR, send a check payable in U.S. dollars to the SSCR treasurer: Jonathan R. Herman; Dept. of Philosophy, Georgia State University; Atlanta, GA 30302-4089; TEL: 1-404-651-0714; *jherman2@gsu.edu*. The membership fee pays for the receipt of the annually produced *Journal of Chinese Religions*. Make sure to include your full address and your e-mail address with the payment. Additional information on published works (books or articles), recently read papers or presentations, and work in progress is also useful and welcome.

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Anita Houck, Saint Mary's College, Indiana

The Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality promotes research and dialogue within the growing community of people interested in spirituality. Formed in 1991, the SSCS is ecumenical and strives to be inclusive of the widest possible range of expressions of Christian spirituality. It is interdisciplinary and welcomes the application of diverse disciplines to the study of spirituality. While the emphasis of the SSCS is clearly on Christian spirituality, it seeks to foster creative dialogue with other traditions of spirituality. Although the society is composed of people from diverse, academically oriented communities, the SSCS also appeals to nonscholars such as pastors, practitioners, and those in the helping professions. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

Society of Christian Philosophers

Kelly Clark, Calvin College

The Society of Christian Philosophers was organized in 1978 to promote fellowship among Christian philosophers and to stimulate study and discussion of issues which arise from their Christian and philosophical commitments. One of its chief aims is to go beyond the usual philosophy of religion sessions at the American Philosophical Association and to stimulate thinking about the nature and role of Christian commitment in philosophy. Informal discussion among several Christian philosophers led them to believe that it was possible to form a group designed to promote philosophizing and fellowship among philosophers who shared a commitment to Christianity. Linda Zagzebski, University of Oklahoma, is the current president and Kelly James Clark is executive director. The society is open to anyone interested in philosophy who considers himself or herself a Christian. Membership is not restricted to any particular "school" of philosophy nor to any branch of Christianity nor to professional philosophers.

Søren Kierkegaard Society

Lee Barrett III, Lancaster Seminary

Founded by Robert L. Perkins in 1979, the Søren Kierkegaard Society (SKS) exists to encourage study and discussion of the thought of Søren Kierkegaard in all its dimensions and ramifications, including its sources and influences. SKS is affiliated with the American Academy of Religion and the American Philosophical Association and alternates its annual business meeting between the AAR and APA conventions. At times, dinner meetings with guest speakers are coordinated with these conventions. The society encourages scholarship on Kierkegaard at, or in connection with, the national and regional meetings of the AAR and APA through an executive committee that includes members of both organizations. Membership in SKS is open to all interested in Kierkegaard. A newsletter informs members of calls for papers and upcoming programs. The current president of SKS is Lee Barrett III, Lancaster Seminary, *lbarrett@lancasterseminary.edu*.

Theta Alpha Kappa

Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside

Founded in 1976, Theta Alpha Kappa is the only baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate national honor society for religious and/or theological studies accredited by the Association of College Honor Societies. Governed by a national board of directors, Theta Alpha Kappa currently sponsors more than 200 chapters in diverse public and private institutions around the country. Its activities importantly include inviting and inducting students of excellence in these disciplines and providing scholarship and fellowship opportunities for them. For more information, please contact the president, Vivian-Lee Nyitray, *ThetaAlphaKappa@uucr.edu*.

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

Paul D. Molnar, St. John's University

This distinctively Christian research organization is devoted to the exploration, development, and dissemination of the theology of T.F. Torrance and other theologians contributing to this endeavor. The society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (*fides quaerens intellectum*) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith, within the mainstream of the Christian Church and tradition in light of the theological legacy of Thomas F. Torrance. We are a Christian fellowship serving the Christian faith and the renewal of the Church of Jesus Christ. Membership is open to all scholars, pastors, and laypersons who are interested in research in Christian theology and related disciplines and are in accord with the above mentioned mission statement. We support free inquiry and critical examination of the many facets of theology and religion, especially as these relate to issues that concerned Torrance himself, such as the relationship between science and religion and how to interpret specific Christian doctrines and their implications for today. We seek to bring T. F. Torrance's important thinking into conversation with other significant theologians in an academic way so as to advance a better understanding of the nature of and meaning of contemporary Christian theology. Our website, *www.tftorrance.org*, contains

information about membership, meetings, the board of directors, and T. F. Torrance himself. At present we are planning to meet as an additional meeting at the AAR on Friday afternoon. Please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

Student Liaisons

Students constitute a significant portion of the membership in AAR. In order to serve this constituency, the AAR inaugurated the Student Liaison Group (SLG). This group is composed of AAR graduate students who serve as a resource for students who need information about AAR's programs and services, report on the needs and activities of students to the Student Director, and participate in efforts to expand student involvement in the Academy. This group is chaired by the Student Director who is a member of the AAR Board of Directors.

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Nomination for Service in the AAR

Much of the work of the Academy outside of the Annual Meeting is accomplished through its board and committees. These groups are composed of individuals who contribute their time and talents to the AAR's mission of fostering excellence in teaching and scholarship in religion. For the ongoing vitality of the Academy's work, it is important continually to welcome new voices into the conversation and to achieve a broad and diverse range of member participation in these leadership positions.

Nominations for Elected Office

Each year the Nominations Committee nominates persons for election by the membership as a whole. These generally elected offices include the president, president-elect, vice president, secretary, and student director. The vice president goes on to serve as president-elect and then president. Because terms of office vary, not every position is open every year. The Nominations Committee seeks the participation of the membership in their processes. Please send your suggestions for nominations for elective office (along with a rationale) to the Nominations Committee in care of the AAR executive offices at *nominations@aarweb.org*.

Nominations for Committee and Task Force Appointments

Appointments to committees and task forces are made by the president in consultation with the executive director. If you want to nominate a colleague or yourself, please send a letter explaining interest in serving on a particular committee, participation in the AAR, academic and professional interests, and a C.V. to *nominations@aarweb.org*. Calls for nominations to elective office and committee appointments are published regularly in *Religious Studies News*, on the AAR Web site at *www.aarweb.org*, and in the AAR *e-Bulletins*.

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PROGRAM UNIT PROPOSALS

The Program Committee is actively seeking proposals for new program units, especially proposals that address (1) areas of pent-up demand, (2) scholarly fields that are weakened or threatened by the separation of the AAR and SBL annual meetings, and (3) new and emerging fields.

Send proposals to *annualmeeting@aarweb.org* by **November 29, 2007**. The Program Committee meets each December to review and approve any proposals. Check out the Annual Meeting Task Force Report for some suggested areas where new proposals are especially needed. Samples of successful proposals are available from *annualmeeting@aarweb.org*.

How to Propose a New Program Unit

The proposal is your opportunity to make the case for the new program unit by presenting a clear rationale, analytical focus, approaches, and objectives of the unit.

In three-to-five typewritten pages:

- Give the title of the new unit.
- Identify and define/describe the scholarly field the unit addresses, making an intellectual argument for the new unit.
- State the need and the unit's purpose.
- Note the scope, directions, and approaches the unit might take.
- Distinguish this unit from other existing program units.
- List the AAR members who will chair the unit (1-2) and serve on the steering committee (3-5).
- Provide a bibliography of published works on the topic.
- List AAR members who are interested in, and support the work of, the proposed unit.

Which Type of Program Unit To Propose?

Consultations are the most common type of new unit. A consultation provides a platform for a group of members to announce a line of inquiry new to the AAR program and to seek out others interested in pursuing it further. While some consultations pursue a limited agenda and end after three or fewer years, others develop a constituency interested in exploring a topic for a longer period and eventually apply for group status.

Groups are appropriate for a scholarly conversation that has already identified its constituency and that needs more program space to do its work.

Seminars are for an already-identified group of up to twenty members who want to work together on a defined research project with a view to publication.

In preparing all petitions, members should be aware of the following policy:

The American Academy of Religion is committed to the policy and practice of including women, minority, and younger members in the activities of the Academy. In Annual Meeting programming, this commitment will be carried out to the degree that each unit works to accomplish it. Thus, unit chairpersons, steering committees, and participants in sessions provide the testing arenas for evaluating our success in adhering to this commitment. The Program Committee will include attention to this policy and practice in evaluating proposals for starting or continuing program units.

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PUBLISHING PROGRAM

Founded on the premise that scholars know best what books are needed in the field of religion, the AAR publishing program with Oxford University Press produces quality scholarship for religion scholars and their students. The AAR has published hundreds of titles, many of which have become essential tools in the development of our field and in the training of new scholars. Further information on all five series can be found at *www.aarweb.org/publications/books*.

How To Propose A Book For Publication In An AAR Series

AAR books are selected through careful evaluation by reviewers who contribute their services. Our editors are all scholars who know the field and the relevant scholarship covered by their series. In addition, each series has an editorial board whose members play a vital role in identifying, evaluating, and selecting works for publication.

The AAR is expanding its publications program through Oxford University Press and seeking quality manuscripts in five different series. The information below describes the mission of each series and provides the information needed to contact a series editor should you have a project or manuscript that you would like to submit for consideration.

Academy Series

The Academy Series is unique among the book series sponsored by the American Academy of Religion and published by Oxford University Press. Several features distinguish the series, among them the fact that it is the only series devoted to publishing books that originate as dissertations in the field of religious studies. The series is highly selective; only the most exceptional manuscripts are eligible for consideration. The Academy Series seeks to reflect the full range of cultural areas and methodological approaches in the field. Its current mandate is to broaden and diversify the range of its publications. By publishing works that originate as dissertations, the Academy Series serves two important functions. First, the series provides a venue for first-time book authors who are making the transition from graduate student to academic professional by assisting them in transforming their dissertations into books. Second, the titles published in the series signal new directions in the field and demonstrate the vitality of graduate work in religious studies. Authors who are interested in submitting their manuscripts to the series should initiate the revision process before submission to the series. Authors should also expect that peer readers who evaluate their manuscripts for publication consideration might offer further suggestions for revisions that authors will be expected to respond to before a manuscript is accepted for publication. Recent titles published in the Academy Series include: *Graham Greene's Catholic Imagination*, Mark G. Bosco; *Coming to the Edge of the Circle: A Wiccan Initiation Ritual*, Nikki Bado-Fralick; *Yves Congar's Theology of the Holy Spirit*, Elizabeth Groppe; *Gregory of Nyssa and the Concept of the Divine Person*, Lucian Turcescu; and *The Ethics of Animal Experimentation: A Critical Analysis and Constructive Christian Proposal*, Donna Yarri. For a full listing of titles go to *www.aarweb.org/publications/books/academy.asp*; also see, "From Dissertation to Book: A Few Practical Suggestions," for further details on submissions to this series. Address all inquiries and submissions to the series editor: Kimberly Rae Connor, American Studies, College of Professional Studies, University of San Francisco, 2130 Fulton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117-1047, USA, Phone: 415-422-2869, Fax: 415-422-5036; *connork@usfca.edu*.

Religion, Culture, and History Series

The Religion, Culture, and History series publishes scholarly work that addresses the relation between religious studies and cultural studies/theory. It brings new and disparate voices into the academic debate on issues related to the interdependence of cultural and religious phenomena. By emphasizing the religious dimensions of culture and the cultural dimensions of religion, the series promotes a widening and deepening of the study of popular culture and cultural theory. Generally, the Religion, Culture, and History series aims at (1) a close reading of a cultural text or lived experience; (2) critiquing existing representations of cultural phenomena and practices; and (3) constructing alternative and oppositional cultural practices. Titles in the series include S. Brent Plate and David Jasper's *Imag(in)ing Otherness: Filmic Visions of Living Together*; Katherina von Kellenbach's *Anti-Judaism in Feminist Religious Writings*; Anne Pattel-Gray's *The Great White Flood: Racism in Australia*; and Robert Magliola's *On Deconstructing Life-Worlds: Buddhism, Christianity, and Culture*. Address all inquiries and submissions to the series editor, Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology, 2201 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO 80218, USA; *jkinnard@iliff.edu*.

Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series

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Texts and Translations Series

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Additional Meetings

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

M15-50

Seventh Day Adventist Religion Chairs
1:00 pm-6:30 pm

M15-51

Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians
1:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Thinking Scripturally: The Bible and Theology*

2:00 pm-3:30 pm

Dr. Carol Newsom, Emory University
Three Perspectives on Good and Evil: The Bible's Internal Dialogue

4:00 pm-5:30 pm
How Should Scripture Inform Thinking about Sexuality?

Panelists:

Marit Trelstead, Pacific Lutheran University

John Hoffmeyer, Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia

Ian McFarland, Emory University

6:30 pm-8:30 pm Dinner

The Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians (SALT) is an informal network of scholars and pastors committed to ongoing theological inquiry in the context of these two denominational families. Our annual meeting is held just prior to the AAR and SBL meeting. Most of our 250 members teach and/or pastor in seminaries, colleges, or churches; others are active in SALT to remain connected to colleagues in their own denominational cultures. We welcome other interested persons. For more information: *CrossRoads@hope.edu.*

M15-101

Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Reception
5:00 pm-6:00 pm

M15-102

Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Dinner
6:00 pm-9:00 pm

M15-103

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 1
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Today through Saturday, the Adventist Society for Religious Studies will address the topic *Adventism and Community*. The presidential address, *The Adventist Community and Education*, will be presented by David Taylor from Loma Linda University. A business session will follow.

For additional information regarding this section, contact Ernest Furness at P.O. Box 8050, Riverside, CA 92515, or *FurnessEF@secc-sda.org.*

M15-104

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

M16-1

New Developments in Religious Studies VII: Keeping Ourselves Current
7:00 am-6:30 pm

Co-sponsored by the Program in Religion and Secondary Education at Harvard Divinity School, Religious Studies in Secondary Schools, and the Council for Spiritual and Ethical Education

This annual national conference provides an opportunity for secondary school teachers in independent and public schools to join together to meet colleagues from across the country and to hear about new developments in the fields of ethics and the major religious traditions of the world. Nationally and internationally known scholars share information about new research and resources, and teachers talk together about innovative projects they are developing.

Please visit *www.hds.harvard.edu/prse/ndrs* for updated information including the agenda, presentation descriptions, and registration forms.

M16-2

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies (LWTRS)
7:00 am-6:30 pm

Lutheran women in theological and religious studies as well as some local Lutheran clergywomen gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars-including graduate students-and other women who teach or study at Lutheran colleges and seminaries are welcome to attend all or part of the meeting.

To register please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or *sandra.mejia@elca.org.*

M16-3

Young Scholars in American Religion, 2003-2006
9:00 am-6:30 pm

M16-4

***Believers Church Bible Commentary* Editorial Council**
9:00 am-3:30 pm

M16-7

***The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board**
9:00 am-6:30 pm

M16-8

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)
9:00 am-11:45 am

Theme: *Dharma, Karma, and Moksha and the Jaina Tradition (DKM1)*

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, Presiding

The panel will discuss sadharma-dharma and varnashrama dharma as they are understood within Jaina Tradition. The panelists will conduct an intensive study of Jaina Tradition in India during the summer of 2007. This experience will afford them a unique and privileged position to explore the ways in which Jainas themselves understand and talk about their tradition. In this panel, the papers will each explore how central religious ideas are conceptualized, discussed, practiced, and also reified in the self-presentation of Jaina Tradition.

Panelists: TBA

For updates, continue to check at: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

M16-9

North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Meeting
9:00 am-11:30 am

M16-10

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 2
9:00 am-12:45 pm

M16-11

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions
9:00 am-11:30 am

M16-12

Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians
9:00 am-11:30 am

9:00 am-10:30 am John Webster, University of Aberdeen
Biblical Reasoning

11:00 am-11:30 am Business Meeting

For more information: *CrossRoads@hope.edu*

M16-13 (=A16-106)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
9:00 am-11:30 am

M16-14 (=A16-107)

North American Paul Tillich Society
9:00 am-11:15 am

Marcia MacLennan, Kansas Wesleyan University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Jewish Thought*

Bryan Wagoner, Harvard University
Judaism in the Life and Thought of Paul Tillich

Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie Protestante, Brussels, Institut Catholique de Paris
Liberal Theology, Zionism, and Christian Nationalism: A Topical Inquiry into the Dialogue between Paul Tillich and Martin Buber

Stephen Butler Murray, Skidmore College
The Relevance of Paul Tillich to the Future of the Jewish-Christian Dialogue

M16-15

***World Religions Reader* Advisory Committee**
9:00 am-3:30 pm

M16-16 (=A16-108)

North American Paul Tillich Society
11:30 am-1:15 pm

Loye Ashton, Tougaloo College, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian*

Ron MacLennan, Bethany College
Paul Tillich: Biblical Theologian of Connectedness

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Tillich as a New Testament Theologian?

Matthew Lon Weaver, Duluth, MN
The Existential Reception of Revelation: Paul Tillich as Biblical Theologian

Additional Meetings

FRIDAY CONTINUED

M16-17

Numata Chair Coordinators Meeting
11:45 am-6:30 pm

M16-18

Theological Education for a Sustainable Future
11:45 am-6:30 pm

The CRLE, an affiliate of the Humane Society of US, will host the afternoon session *Theological Education for a Sustainable Future*.

Over the past 15 years, various initiatives have sought to strengthen theological education commitments to the care of creation. The organizers of Theological Education to Meet the Environmental Challenge, the Forum on Religion and Ecology, and the Web of Creation will reflect on their experiences and discuss opportunities for sustainable theological education.

The workshop will also feature examples of how seminaries are making their institutions more sustainable.

Participants will also explore how to strengthen institutional commitment to sustainability, particularly how they can respond to two key issues: climate change and humane sustainable food. To register, contact Christine Gutleben *cgutleben@hsus.org*.

M16-19

Conference on Contemporary Pagan Studies
9:00 am-5:00 pm

9:00 am-11:30 am: Mentoring Sessions

The morning will be devoted to mentoring sessions with senior scholars assisting junior scholars. If you are interested, please look for details at *www.paganstudies.org*.

11:30 am-1:00 pm: Lunch Break

1:00 pm-2:30 pm: Papers

David Edleson, Middlebury College
"Thou Art Goddess": Wicca, "Radical Immanence," and the Worship of the Naked Celebrant

Chris Klassen, Wilfrid Laurier University
Evil or Enchanted: Student Responses to Witchcraft

2:45 pm-4:30 pm: Research Reports

Research reports on projects in literature, psychology, and anthropology. There will be time after the presentations for a discussion of the various projects and how they may relate to each other or to other projects under way.

4:30 pm-5:00 pm: Business Meeting

M16-50 (=A16-200)

International Bonhoeffer Society: Editorial Board, Annual Meeting, Board of Directors
1:00 pm-6:30 pm

M16-51

Theology and Ethics Colloquy
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M16-52

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theme: *The Ethics of Dharma (DKM2)*

Convener: Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia
Is Dharma Rational? And Karma Intelligible? Is Moksha (a) Way Out? Critique of Mohanty, Matilal, Daya Krishna

Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles
Dharma through Thick and Thin

Shyam Ranganathan, York University
How to Generalize and How Not to Generalize about "Dharma", "Karma" and "Moksa"

Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University
Dharma, Karma, and Moksha in Jaina Tradition

Guy Petterson, University of Melbourne, Australia
Salvation through Deeds?: Madeleine Biardeau's "Anthropology of Desire"

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm*.

M16-53 (=A16-201)

North American Association for the Study of Religion
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theme: *Ritual Transformation of Agency*

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University and University of Heidelberg
Mimesis, Fractal Dynamics, and Agency in Yoruba Spirit Possessions

Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Priestly, Institutional, and Material Agency in Roman Catholic Sacramental Practice

Steven Engler, Mount Royal College and Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo
Patronage and Distributed Agency in Brazilian Spirit-possession

Responding:

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

M16-54

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 3
1:00 pm-8:30 pm

M16-55

Scriptural Reasoning Theory Sessions
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M16-56

Womanist Approaches to Religion Consultation
1:00 pm-5:00 pm

M16-57 (=A16-202)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M16-58 (=A16-203)

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

1:00 pm Business Meeting

2:00 pm Eric G. Flett, Eastern University
Persons, Powers, and Pluralities: Thomas F. Torrance's Trinitarian Ontology of Culture

See *www.tftorrance.org* for more information.

M16-59

Review of Dykstra, Cole, and Capps, *Losers, Loners, and Rebels: The Spiritual Struggles of Boys* (WJK, 2007)
1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M16-60 (=A16-204)

North American Paul Tillich Society
2:15 pm-4:00 pm

John Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich and Religious Pluralism*

Christian Danz, University of Vienna
Christianity and the Encounter of World Religions: The Contribution of Paul Tillich to Current Discussions in the Theology of Religion

John Starkey, Oklahoma City University
The Human Predicament and Salvation in Tillich and Thatamanil

Andrew Yan, Hope College
Paul Tillich's Encounters with Buddhism: An Implication for His Systematic Theology

Luis Pedraja, Middle States Commission on Higher Education
The Tao of Tillich

M16-61 (=A16-205)

Person, Culture, and Religion Group
2:00 pm-4:00 pm

M16-101

Interest Meeting: Current Developments in Synoptic Source Criticism
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M16-102

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Beyond Dominant Perspectives: Reflections on Dharma, Karma, and Moksha (DKM3)*

Conveners: Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i, and Adarsh Deepak, DANAM

TBA, Presiding

Koenraad Elst, Author, Antwerp, Belgium
The Non-Retributive Karma Doctrine

Henry John Walker, Bates College
Dharma and Duty in the Gita

Veena R. Howard, University of Oregon, Lone College
A Search for Dharma in Secular World of Diaspora: Is Sadharana Dharma the Only Alternative?

Shiv Raj Pal, Toronto, Canada
Sukshma-Shareer, the Prime Body of the Atma, and Its Relationship to Dharma, Karma, and Moksha

Sudhir K. Anand, Los Angeles, California
The Arya Samaj View of Moksha

Trichur S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Canada, Responding

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm*.

M16-103 (=A16-300)

North American Association for the Study of Religion
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Novelty, Presence, and History: Brief Pre-Modern Discourses on Method and Theory*

Alison Frazier, University of Texas, Austin
Saintly Presence: The Wager of Latin Hagiography in Renaissance Italy

Nancy Levene, Indiana University, Bloomington
Traces of History in St. Anselm

Constance Furey, Indiana University, Bloomington
Utopian History

Responding:

Nathan Rein, Ursinus College

Additional Meetings

FRIDAY CONTINUED

M16-105

***Religious Studies Review* Editors Meeting**
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M16-106 (=A16-301)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Theme: *Teaching for Justice: Research and Teaching Strategies in Higher Theological Education*

Given that we are to live and work toward justice within most faith traditions' perspectives, how does our scholarship and practice encourage "teaching for justice" within institutions of higher education? A panel of scholar-teachers will respond to this question with observations (via programming, syllabi, and/or course assignments) from their research and teaching of spirituality. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

M16-107 (=A16-302)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Harry Wells, Humboldt State University, Presiding

Theme: *In or Out: Homosexuality, the Church, and the Sangha*

Robert Fastiggi, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit
The Catholic Church and Homosexuality

Ilene Stanford, Harvard University
In or Out? Marriage as a Social Practice

José Ignacio Cabezón, University of California, Santa Barbara
Is Homosexual Sex "Sexual Misconduct"? Critical Reflections on Some Classical Indo-Tibetan Sources

Michael Sweet, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Shameless Discretion: Insider and Outsider Perspectives of Homoeroticism in the Sangha

Responding:

Richard Reilly, St. Bonaventure University

6:00 pm Business Meeting

M16-108

New Horizons Reception
4:00 pm-11:00 pm

This new reception is a social networking event for anyone interested in interdisciplinary approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical studies, philosophy of religion, and religion and science. Light appetizers and a cash bar will be provided. Cost for the evening will be $20 per person/$15 students and should be prepaid by November 1, 2007. Open to all AAR and SBL members. For more information and registration, please contact Elonda Clay at *NewHorizonsAAR@yahoo.com*.

M16-109

Review of Mayra Rivera, *The Touch of Transcendence: A Postcolonial Theology of God* (WJK, 2007)
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M16-110

Social Ethics in the Churches of Christ
4:00 pm-6:30 pm

We will continue our conversation on the contribution Churches of Christ scholars can make to the field of Christian ethics. For more information contact Duane Barron, *barron@virginia.edu*, or Vic McCracken, *vmccrac@emory.edu*.

M16-111 (=A16-303)

Polanyi Society
4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Jere Moorman, Polanyi Society, Presiding

4:00 pm William Coulson, Center for Studies of the Person
On Having Misread Polanyi's Theory of Personal Knowledge

Responding:

Dale Cannon, Western Oregon University
Philip Rolnick, St. Thomas University

5:15 pm William Kelleher, La Canada, CA
Personal Knowledge as Pure Self-Reflection

Responding:

Phil Mullins, Western Missouri State University
Diane Yeager, Georgetown University

M16-112

Quaker Theological Discussion Group
4:00 pm-11:00 pm

4:00 pm-6:30 pm: Quaker Theological Discussion Group I

Corey Beals, Presiding

Theme: *A Quaker Sacramentology*

Tim Seid
The New and Eternal Covenant

Paul Anderson
An Incarnational Sacramentology

Kent Walkemeyer
Vocation as a Sacramental Way of Life

Responding:
David Johns
Ann Loades

6:30 pm-8:00 pm: Reception (provided by the Earlham School of Religion)

8:00 pm-10:00 pm: Quaker Theological Discussion Group II

Howard Macy, Presiding

Theme: *Book Review:* Holiness: The Soul of Quakerism*, by Carole Spencer*

Panelists:
Steven Angell
Marge Abbott
Jim LeShana

Responding:
Carole Spencer

M16-113

Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

The Network's annual gathering will focus on how to share feminist liberation theological wisdom with future generations. We will explore creative teaching and research possibilities, as well as internships and international exchanges. We are especially interested to hear from young colleagues. All are welcome.

RSVP: Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER), 1-301-589-2509, *mhunt@hers.com*; Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard Divinity School, 1-617-495-5751, *Eschussler@hds.harvard.edu*.

M16-114 (=A16-304)

Karl Barth Society of North America

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Mark McInroy, Harvard University
Karl Barth and Personalist Philosophy: A Critical Appropriation

John McDowell, Edinburgh University
Christology and Prayer in Karl Barth's Theology

M16-115 (=A16-305)

North American Paul Tillich Society

4:15 pm-6:30 pm

David Nikkel, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Presiding

Theme: *Paul Tillich, Ethics, and Theology*

Daniel Puchalla, University of Chicago
The Limits of Love, Power, and Justice: Tillich's Ontology and Theology against "Full-Spectrum" Military

Annekatrien Depoorter, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Doing Theology in a Context of Religious and Cultural Pluralism: A Comparison and Evaluation of Paul Tillich's Method of Correlation and the Theological Method of Edward Schillebeeckx

Jennifer L. Baldwin, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Erotic Play: A Trip into the Secret Lives of Girls, Feminist Theologies of the Erotic, and the Theological Thought of Paul Tillich

Sigridur Gotmarsdottir, Drew University
The Apophatic "God above God": Tillich and the Poststructuralist Critique of Negative Theology

M16-116 (=A16-306)

Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet

6:00 pm-10:00 pm

Athens Market Taverna
109 West "F" Street

6:00 pm Social Hour

7:00 pm Banquet (Contact Lee Barrett at *lbarrett@lancasterseminary.edu*)

8:00 pm K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen
Using the New Translation of the Journals and Notebooks

M16-117

Black Religious Scholars Group (BRSG) Tenth Annual Consultation

6:15 pm-10:00 pm

St. Stephen's Cathedral COGIC
5825 Imperial Avenue
San Diego, CA 92114

Participants interested in joining us for an evening of communal reflection and celebration of the life and work of our past honorees: J. Deotis Roberts, Henry and Ella Mitchell, James Cone, Jacquelyn Grant, Peter Paris, Katie Cannon, Vincent Harding, Delores Williams, Robert M. Franklin, Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Gayraud Wilmore, and Renita Weems, can register with Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Brite Divinity School, TCU Box 298130 Fort Worth, TX 76123 1-817-257-7140 or *s.floyd-thomas@tcu.edu*. Cost for the evening will be $20 and must be prepaid by November 10, 2007. An evening reception will be provided. A bus for transport to and from the site will be available in front of the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina.

M16-118

Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (1)

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M16-119

Annual Reception: Interreligious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) and *New World Encyclopedia*

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

This year the Interreligious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) and the Religion Office of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) continues with the second in the series of receptions introducing to the Academy the pending launch and ongoing progress of the *New World Encyclopedia* (a full, general knowledge encyclopedia based in universal values). Once again, reception participants will learn of opportunities to involve themselves as writers, editors, and advisers for this trend-setting project.

M16-120

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion *Perspectives in Religious Studies* Editorial Board

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M16-121 (=A16-403)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Additional Meetings

FRIDAY CONTINUED

M16-122 (=A16-404)

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Theme: *How We Do Hindu-Christian Studies*

This panel seeks broad audience participation in a discussion of methods, theories, and approaches in the field of Hindu-Christian studies. Panelists will make brief remarks based on papers that will be made available in advance on the HCS listserv, and audience members will then be invited to join in the discussion. To sign up for the listserv or to get copies (after Nov. 2), please email: *cbauman@butler.edu*.

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University, Presiding

Harold Coward, University of Victoria
Hindu-Christian Studies: A Retrospective

Susan Abraham, Harvard Divinity School
Theological Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Brian K. Pennington, Maryville College
Historical-Critical Approaches to Hindu-Christian Studies

Arvind Sharma, McGill University
Hindu-Christian Studies through the Lens of Ethics

Catherine Cornille, Boston College
Missiology and Hindu-Christian Studies

Kristin Bloomer, University of Chicago
Ethnography and Hindu-Christian Studies

Responding:

T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University
The Future of Hindu-Christian Studies

M16-123

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M16-124

Accordance Seminar

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

New in *Accordance Bible Software*: Presentation and demonstration of the latest morphological texts and features, by Roy Brown, developer of Accordance.

Computer Assisted Greek Acquisition: Demonstration of an introductory Greek language course currently being developed for laptop computers and integrated with biblical software, by David P. Parris, Fuller Theological Seminary.

The session will include an overview of the software, questions from users on specific aspects, and discussion of its applications to research and teaching.

M16-125

Teaching Theology and Religion Editorial Board

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M16-126

LGBTQ Caucus

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The LGBTQ Caucus is an informal network of LGBTQ scholars of religion that meets each year during the Annual Meetings to discuss the connections between our scholarship and activist work for social justice, both within the academy and in wider social settings.

For further information, contact: Jay Emerson Johnson at *drjay1@earthlink.net.*

M16-127

Council of Societies for the Study of Religion Board Meeting

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M16-128 (=A16-405)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

7:00 pm-9:30 pm

Theme: *Dying to Live: A Film and Conversation about Spirituality on the Borderlands*

How does "crossing the border" affect one's spirituality? In this session, the short film *Dying to Live* will be shown, followed by a panel discussion with Mexican migrants and others whose lives are profoundly shaped by the tense reality of the U.S.-Mexican border. All are welcome to attend and to stay after the discussion to view displays and share conversation. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

M16-129

The Word Made Fresh

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Steve Wilkens, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *The Plurality of Truth*

Speaker: John Franke, Biblical Seminary

Dr. Franke engages postmodern thought and culture from the perspective of Christian faith, speaking about the *Manifold Witness: The Plurality of Truth*.

The Word Made Fresh is a forum that seeks to stimulate creative dialogue among evangelical scholars of diverse backgrounds about pressing issues in contemporary Christianity.

Sponsored by Azusa Pacific University

M16-130

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Discussion

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Theme: *Between the Schoolhouse and the Religious Houses: Unitarian Universalist Theology in Context*

Our inaugural Friday evening session will feature a discussion of the historical and cultural contexts for Unitarian Universalist theological work and the key issues implied by these contexts. A panel of scholars and pastors will introduce the theme, with plenty of time for open conversation afterward. Confirmed presenters include Rebecca Parker, Samira Mehta, Emily Mace, and Gabriella Lettini.

Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, UUA Panel on Theological Education, and Beacon Press.

Individuals who wish to gather for supper prior to the session should contact Dan McKanan at 1-320-363-3181 or *dmckanan@csbsju.edu* before November 5 for more details.

M16-132

Philadelphia Seminar on Christian Origins

7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Robert A. Kraft and Annette Yoshiko Reed, Presiding

M16-133

The Pluralism Project Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M16-134

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

7:30 pm-10:00 pm

Theme: *Bhakti Rasa Through Music and Song (Bhajans) (RT1)*

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i, and Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Presenters:

Local Bhajan Group, San Diego

Indira Pal, and Shiv Raj Pal (music), Toronto, Canada

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

M17-1

Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (2)

7:00 am-12:45 pm

M17-2

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Executive Committee

7:00 am-8:30 am

M17-4

Society for Hindu-Christian Studies Board Meeting

7:00 am-8:30 am

M17-5

Korean North American Theology

7:00 am-8:30 am

Sang Hyun Lee, Presiding

W. Anne Joh will discuss her book, *Heart of the Cross: A Postcolonial Christology*

Hak Joon Lee will discuss his book, *We Will Get to the Promised Land: Martin Luther King Jr.'s Communal-Political Spirituality*

M17-6 (=A17-7)

International Schleiermacher Society

7:00 am-11:30 am

8:00 am Coffee and breakfast (bring your own)

9:00 am Wendy Farley
"Mind Reduced to the Necessity of Seeking": Opportunities for Buddhist-Christian Dialogue in Schleiermacher's Theological Anthropology

10:00 am *Ethics Series I:* (papers pre-distributed beginning in July; contact Ted Vial, *tvial@iliff.edu).*

Peter Foley, University of Arizona
Schleiermacher's Critique of Previous Ethical Theories in the 1803 Grundlinien

Jeffery Kinlaw, McMurray University
Schleiermacher's Critique of Fichte's Political Philosophy

11:15 am Planning

11:45 am-12:45 pm Adjourn to nearby restaurant for lunch

M17-7

DIALOG Editorial Meeting

7:00 am-11:30 am

M17-8

Council on Graduate Studies in Religion (CGSR)

8:30 am-12:45 pm

Additional Meetings

SATURDAY CONTINUED

M17-9

Early Methodism: Texts, Traditions, and Theologies: Charles Wesley and the Struggle for Methodist Identity

9:00 am-12:45 pm

Sponsors: Liverpool Hope University, University of Manchester, and Duke University Divinity School

9:00 am Welcome

9:15 am Presentation by Gareth Lloyd on his book *Charles Wesley and the Struggle for Methodist Identity* (OUP: April 2007)

10:10 am Responding:

Richard Heitzenrater, Duke University

S. T. Kimbrough, Jr., Founding President, Charles Wesley Society

Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University

11:20 am Round-table discussion

12:00 pm Charles Wesley news/ publications

Additional information: Kenneth Newport, *KNEWPORT@hope.ac.uk*.

M17-10

Global Ethics and Religion Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *Religious Perspectives on Military Humanitarian Intervention*

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Runzo, Executive Director, Global Ethics and Religion Forum

Brian Lepard, School of Law, University of Nebraska

Nathan Tierney, California Lutheran University

Franklin Perkins, DePaul University

William O'Neill, S.J., Graduate Theological Union

Arvind Sharma, McGill University

M17-11

Graduate Theological Union Alumni Luncheon

9:00 am-12:45 pm

M17-12 (=A17-134)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

9:00 am-11:30 am

9:00 am Welcome

Wilson Yates, SARTS President

9:10 am Presentations by 2006 SARTS Fellowship Award Winners:

Maureen O'Connell

Stephen Lösel

Rebecca Davis

David Friend

Winners of the 2006 SARTS Fellowship Awards will present their projects, ranging from murals in inner-city Philadelphia to the music of Mozart, and from the cuadros of Peruvian women to Reformation architecture in Europe.

10:50 am Break

11:00 am Business Meeting

For additional information regarding this session, visit us online at *www.SARTS.org*, or contact Kimberly Vrudny at 1-651-962-5337 or *kjvrudny@stthomas.edu*.

M17-13

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-14

Niebuhr Society

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *Reinhold Niebuhr's Moral Man and Immoral Society*

9:00 am Harlan Stelmach, Dominican University of California
Niebuhr's Immoral Society and Bellah's Good Society: A Conversation about Moral Man

9:45 am Panel Discussion

Gary Dorrien, Union Theological Seminary

Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University

Max Stackhouse, Princeton Theological Seminary

Ronald Stone, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Josiah Young, Wesley Theological Seminary

10:50 am Research Reports

K. Healan Gaston, University of California, Berkeley

Kevin Carnahan, Hendrix College

M17-15

(Re-)Constructing Advaita

9:00 am-11:30 am

Michael McLaughlin, Presiding

Theme: *Rambachan's* The Advaita Worldview and *Thatamanil's* The Immanent Divine in Conversation

9:00 am Panel and Discussion

Panelists:

Wendy Farley, Emory University

Michael McLaughlin, St. Leo University

Joseph Prabhu, California State University

Responding:

Anantanand Rambachan, St. Olaf College

John J. Thatamanil, Vanderbilt University

11:30 am Business Meeting

Corinne Dempsey, Presiding

M17-16

Restoration Theological Research Fellowship Annual Meeting

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-17

Mennonite Scholars and Friends Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Ted Grimsrud, Eastern Mennonite University, Presiding

Theme: *Reflections on J. Denny Weaver's* The Nonviolent Atonement

Panelists:

Sharon Baker, Messiah College

Mark Thiessen Nation, Eastern Mennonite University

Tom Yoder Neufeld, Conrad Grebel University College

Responding:

J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton University

Business Meeting

M17-18 (=A17-135)

Søren Kierkegaard Society

9:00 am-11:30 am

Tamara Monet Marks, Florida State University, Presiding

Theme: *Kierkegaard in Dialogue with Non-Christian Religions*

K. Brian Soderquist, Søren Kierkegaard Center, University of Copenhagen
Kierkegaard's Understanding of Non-Christian Religions

Andrew J. Nicholson, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Hinduism-Buddhism: Skillful Means and Bold Assertions

Karen C. Carr, Lawrence University
Daoism: Sin, Spontaneity, Nature, and God

M17-19 (=A17-136)

La Communidad/The Community

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-20

Towards the Fifth Edition of the UBS Greek New Testament

9:00 am-11:30 am

A revised edition of the UBS Greek New Testament is currently in preparation, with special concern to adapt the text critical apparatus more closely to the requirements of academic use.

This meeting will be an opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences with the editors of the Greek New Testament and to suggest improvements for the revision. For further information, please contact Florian Voss, German Bible Society, *voss@dbg.de*.

M17-21

Teaching Introductory Courses: A Wabash Center Workshop

9:00 am-3:30 pm

Advanced registration required at *www.wabashcenter@wabash.edu/programs/aspx.*

Led by Barbara Walvoord, author of *Teaching and Learning in College Introductory Religion Courses: A Study of 533 Classrooms* (Blackwell, 2008) and numerous works on teaching in higher education.

An interactive workshop addressing public, private, and religiously affiliated contexts. Topics include faculty and students' goals for learning; assignments and grading, and pedagogical strategies; what highly effective teachers do.

Lunch will be served.

A free copy of Barbara Walvoord's book, *Teaching and Learning in College Introductory Religion Courses* is included.

M17-22

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

9:00 am-11:55 am

Theme: *Rasa and Vaishnava Traditions (RT2)*

Conveners: Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, and Lance Nelson, University of San Diego

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, and TBA, Presiding

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University
The Conception and Meaning of Rasa in Bhakti: The Caitanya Vaishnava School

David Buchta, University of Pennsylvania
Bhayanaka as Bhakti-Rasa in Gaudiya Vaishnavism

Krisztina Danka, Eotvos Lorand University of Budapest, Hungary
Rasa—Aesthetics and Metaphysics Interwoven: Literary Works As Revelations in the Bengali Vaishnava Tradition

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego
Bhakti-rasa for the Advaitin Renouncer: Madhusudana Sarasvati's Theory of Devotional Sentiment

Gerald T. Carney, Hampden-Sydney College
Rasa as Foundation and Bridge

Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College
Usefulness of the Concept of Bhakti-rasa in Studying Bhakti Forms

Deepak Shimkhada, Claremont College
Paintings: Expressions of Rasa in the 1648 Bhagavata Purana

Ithamar Theodor, University of Haifa
The Infiltration of Rasa into Vaisnavism

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm*.

Additional Meetings

SATURDAY CONTINUED

M17-23

The Society for the Study of Anglicanism

9:00 am-12:45 pm

Theme: *Anglicanism and the Interpretation of Scripture*

The meetings this year are in association with the Ecclesiological Investigations Group and the Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars.

8:45 am Coffee

9:00 am Introduction

9:15 am Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary

10:00 am Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

10:45 am Coffee Break-donuts and pastries served

11:15 am Responding:

Richard A. Burridge, King's College London

Jo Bailey Wells, Duke University

11:45 am Discussion

Ellen B. Aitken, McGill University Montreal and Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars, Presiding

12:30 pm Short Business Session and Announcements

12:45 pm Close

RSVP and further enquiries to co-conveners Rob Slocum, *rbslocum@genevaonline.com*, and Martyn Percy, *mpercy@ripon-cuddesdon.ac.uk*.

M17-24 (=A17-137)

North American Association for the Study of Religion

9:00 am-11:30 am

Theme: *Taxonomies in the Study of Religion*

Panelists:

Craig Martin, Syracuse University
Strategic Uses of "Religion": Taxonomy and Metonymy in Political Discourse

Leah Payne, Vanderbilt University
Time on Their Side: Using Philosophy of Time to Understand Distinctions between Early American Pentecostals and Fundamentalists

Thomas B. Ellis, Appalachian State University
Spirituality Redescribed, Self-esteem Misrecognized

Responding:

Aaron Hughes, University of Calgary

M17-25

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, Section 4

9:00 am-12:45 pm

M17-26

Theology for the PC (USA)

9:00 am-11:30 am

Presbyterian Church (USA) pastors and scholars are invited to this meeting dedicated to doing theology for the church. This year's gathering will focus on emerging Korean American Presbyterian theology and in its engagement with what it means to confess Christ in the changing context of Korean American life. A panel made up of a pastor (Kevin Park), professor (Young Lee Hertig), and a governing body leader (Heahwan Rim) will offer presentations, which will be engaged in group discussion. Further information: Anita Brown, Office of Theology and Worship, (888) 728-7228 x5033, *abrown@ctr.pcusa.org*.

M17-27 (=A17-138)

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

9:00 am-11:30 am

9:00 pm 2007 Presidential Address

Stephanie Paulsell, Harvard University
Lost in the Mystery of God: Childhood and the History of Christian Spirituality

10:30 pm Business Meeting

Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union, President-elect, Presiding

All are welcome. For more information, please contact Anita Houck at *ahouck@saintmarys.edu*.

M17-28

Emergent Church Forum

9:00 am-11:30 am

Keith Matthews, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Theme: *Emergent Church*

Panelists:

Tony Jones, National Coordinator of Emergent Village

Scot McKnight, North Park University

Diana Butler Bass, Author of *Christianity for the Rest of Us*

Co-sponsored by Paraclete Press and Azusa Pacific University

For additional information, contact Don Thorsen, Azusa Pacific University: *dthorsen@apu.edu.*

M17-29 (=A17-139)

Person, Culture, and Religion Group

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-30 (=A17-140)

North American Paul Tillich Society and Polanyi Society

9:00 am-11:30 am

Walter Gulick, Montana State University, Billings, Presiding

Durwood Foster, Pacific School of Religion, and Richard Gelwick, Bangor Theological Seminary
How Tillich's Recently Retrieved Paper, "Participation and Knowledge: Problems of an Ontology of Cognition," Engages Polanyi's Thought

Responding:

Donald Musser, Stetson University

Robert Russell, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences

11:15 am Business Meeting

Walter Mead, Illinois State University, Presiding

M17-31

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies (LWTRS)

9:00 am-11:30 am

Lutheran women in theological and religious studies, as well as some local Lutheran clergywomen, gather annually for scholarship, worship, and friendship. Lutheran women scholars-including graduate students-and other women who teach or study at Lutheran colleges and seminaries are welcome to attend all or part of the meeting. Questions?

To register please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or *sandra.mejia@elca.org.*

M17-32

Colloquium on Violence and Religion

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-33

New Religious Movements Group Meeting with Branch Davidians

9:00 am-11:30 am

M17-34 (=A17-141)

Karl Barth Society of North America

9:00 am-11:30 am

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Discusson of Alyssa Lyra Pitstick,* Light in Darkness: Hans Urs von Balthasar and the Catholic Doctrine of Christ's Descent into Hell *(Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2007)*

Panelists:

Paul J. Griffiths, University of Illinois at Chicago

David Lauber, Wheaton College

John Webster, Aberdeen University

Responding:

Alyssa Lyra Pitstick

M17-35

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies Board Meeting

11:45 am-3:30 pm

M17-36

An Electronic Database of the Biblical Qumran Scrolls

11:45 am-12:45 pm

This meeting presents, for the first time, a searchable database of the biblical Dead Sea Scrolls. The session will demonstrate searching and display strategies for comparison of the biblical scrolls with other texts of the Hebrew Bible. In addition, a variety of books now available in digital form for the study of the Dead Sea Scrolls will be presented. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at *mheiser@logos.com.*

M17-37

North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting

11:45 am-12:45 pm

M17-50 (=A17-231)

Christian Theological Research Fellowship

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M17-51

Syntactically-Tagged Databases for the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

This session will overview the latest quantum leap for computerized research and teaching in biblical texts: databases tagged for syntactical structures and functions. The session is appropriate for anyone interested in computer applications for exegesis and teaching of the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at *mheiser@logos.com.*

Additional Meetings

SATURDAY CONTINUED

M17-52

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theme: *Theorizing Rasa: Culture and Gender (RT3)*

Conveners: Rita D. Sherma, University of Arizona, and Adarsh Deepak, DANAM

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

Susan Schwartz, Muhlenberg College
Rasa/Rakta: Transformations in Red

Alfred Collins, Anchorage, Alaska
The Savor of What Is: Rasa as Culture Theory

Neela Bhattacharya-Saxena, Nassau Community College
Dance of the Dual Self in Artistic Creations: A Shakta Reading of Rasa Theory

Madhu Khanna, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts
Rasa and Bhava in the Nityapuja of Goddess Tripurasundari

George Pati, Valparaiso University
Mohiniattam: The Rasa and Bhava of Devotionalism

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia
Grief and Mourning: Theorizing on the Troubled Bhava-s Cross-culturally

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

M17-53

Mission and Biblical Interpretation: Toward a Missional Hermeneutic

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

What would it mean to read the Bible with an explicit methodological starting point in an ecclesial location understood as fundamentally missional? Join us for our sixth annual session focused on such questions, as Princeton Theological Seminary professors Darrell Guder and J. Ross Wagner present their work on missional hermeneutics in the seminary classroom. We anticipate a thought-provoking and productive discussion. For information, visit *www.gocn.org* or contact Michael Barram, Saint Mary's College of California, *mbarram@stmarys-ca.edu.*

M17-54

Springer Religious Studies Advisory Board Meeting

1:00 pm-6:30 pm

M17-55

Academic Advisory Board of *Reviews in Religion and Theology* and Editorial Board of *Conversations in Religion and Theology*

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

M17-100

American Theological Library Association Member Reception

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M17-101 (=A17-331)

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

SARTS hosts a conversation with author Robin Margaret Jensen, Luce Chancellor's Professor of the History of Christian Worship and Art in the Divinity School at Vanderbilt University. Her most recent books include: *The Substance of Things Seen: Art, Faith, and the Christian Community* (Eerdmans, 2004) and *Face to Face: Portraits of the Divine in Early Christianity* (Augsburg Fortress, 2005).

M17-102

College Theology Society Board Meeting

4:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-103

The Fund For Theological Education Reception Honoring 2007-2008 Doctoral Fellows

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M17-104 (=A17-332)

African Association for the Study of Religions

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Kathleen O'Brien Wicker, Presiding

4:00 pm *Celebration of AASR's Fifteenth Anniversary*

Panelists:

Jacob Olupona

Rosalind Hackett

Teresia Mbari Hinga

Bella Mukonyora

4:30 pm Business Meeting

Elom Dovlo, AASR President, Welcome

Afe Adogame, AASR Secretary's Report

Kathleen Wicker, AASR-NA Report

5:10 pm *Report on the Botswana Conference*

Teresia Mbari Hinga, AASR-NA Representative to the Botswana Conference

5:40 pm Bella Mukonyora
Understanding Death and Healing: Masowe Apostolic Story of Liberation

Discussion following.

7:00 pm AASR-African Religions dinner off-site

For additional information regarding this session, contact Kathleen Wicker at 1-909-399-9971 or *kwicker@scrippscollege.edu.*

M17-105

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

4:00 pm-5:30 pm

Theme: *RASA Theory Keynote Presentation (RT4)*

Convener: Adarsh Deepak, DANAM & Takshashila Institute

Rita D. Sherma, Binghamton University, Presiding

TBA

Keynote Presentation

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

M17-106 (=A17-333)

Association of Practical Theology

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Susan Dunlap, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Pedagogies in Practical Theology: Interreligious Perspectives on Teaching Spiritual Practices*

Panelists:

John Makransky, Boston College

Abdullah T. Antepli, Hartford Seminary

Kathleen Dolphin, St. Mary's College

6:15 pm Business Meeting

Kathleen A. Cahalan, Saint John's University, Presiding

For additional information, contact Kathleen Cahalan, *kcahalan@csbsju.edu* or Claire Wolfteich, *cwolftei@bu.edu.*

M17-107

Intra-Christian Conversions Study Group

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

The Intra-Christian Conversions Study Group invites those interested in the issues of intra-Christian conversions (Protestant to Catholic and Orthodox and vice versa) to attend the group's inaugural meeting. High-profile recent converts, including Francis Beckwith (former President of ETS, Baylor University), will discuss the issues involved in their decision to leave one Christian tradition for another. For additional information, contact Alexander Hwang at *hwangalex@yahoo.com* or Marc Pugliese at *marcpug@gmail.com.*

M17-108 (=A17-334)

Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Theme: *The Thought and Legacy of Masao Abe*

Panelists:

Donald W. Mitchell, Purdue University

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University

James Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University

John B. Cobb, Jr., Claremont School of Theology

Stephen Rowe, Grand Valley State University

William R. LaFleur, University of Pennsylvania

Steven Heine, Florida International University

Discussion

M17-109

How Can/Does Christian Theological Education Rise to the Challenge of Religious Pluralism?

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M17-110

Institute for Ancient Near Eastern and Afroasiatic Cultural Research

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The theme of this year's symposium is *The End of Biblical Studies: A New Beginning for Afroasiatic Studies?* It will consider whether deprivileging biblical studies within the academy might promote a deeper appreciation for the broad spectrum of Afroasiatic languages and literatures. Selected IAACR fellows and guests will review Hector Avalos' *The End of Biblical Studies* (Amherst, NY: Prometheus Books, 2006).

7:00 pm Opening Remarks

Hugh R. Page, Jr., University of Notre Dame

7:15 pm Author's Presentation

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

7:30 pm–8:15 pm Panel Review / Discussion

Participant names and institutions available at *www.iaacr.org.*

8:15 Meeting of IAACR Fellows

M17-111 (=A17-335)

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Teaching the Holocaust in a Seminary or Religious Studies Course*

Holocaust studies is an interdisciplinary field that offers rich resources for seminary education and religious studies. Join us for a roundtable consultation on incorporating this history in courses on ethics, systematic theology, church history, biblical studies, and interfaith issues. For additional information regarding this session, contact Victoria Barnett at 1-202-488-0469 or *vbarnett@ushmm.org.*

M17-112

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

5:30 pm-7:00 pm

Theme: *DANAM Awards Ceremony (DAC)*

Adarsh Deepak, DANAM, Presiding

DANAM Takshashila Sustained Lifetime Achievement Award

Book Awards (2)

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

Additional Meetings

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M17-113

Baker Academic and Brazos Press Reception
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-114

Wesleyan Theological Society and Society for Pentecostal Studies Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-115

***Smyth and Helwys Commentary* Editorial Board**
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-116 (=A17-410)

Evangelical Philosophical Society
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Michael Licona, University of South Africa, Presiding

Theme: Resurrecting Jesus*, by Dale Allison*

Panelists:

Stephen T. Davis, Claremont-McKenna College

William Lane Craig, Talbot School of Theology

Gary Habermas, Liberty University

Responding:

Dale Allison, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Audience discussion to follow.

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith, *scott.smith@truth.biola.edu.*

M17-117

A Forum on Sports and Religion: Perspectives on the Pigskin
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

A panel featuring authors in the Mercer Series on Sports and Religion explores various ways that football and faith intersect. Topics include football as an expression of muscular Christianity; football as a quasi-religion; the devotion of fans; the Big Game as focus of pilgrimage; and football and ethics.

Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Price, Whittier College

Craig Forney, Palomar College

Greg Sapp, Stetson University

Christopher Anderson, Drew University

Marc Jolley, Mercer University

M17-118

Religion and Science Hospitality Event
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Sponsored by three science/religion centers:

The Institute for Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS) has summer conferences at Star Island, NH; 2008 Topic: *Autonomous Individuality: Myth or Reality?* IRAS co-publishes *Zygon: Journal of Religion & Science*.

Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), a partnership of Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and CASIRAS, brings together scientists and theologians to research crucial issues of human concern. ZCRS supports masters and doctoral students through LSTC and shares quarters with Zygon.

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) supports research, provides graduate courses through the Barbour Chair at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, publishes *Theology and Science*, and runs the *Science and Transcendence Advanced Research Series* (STARS).

M17-119

Presbyterian Scholars Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Members of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and faculty at Presbyterian institutions are invited to this reception to meet and connect with each other. In addition to light refreshments, we hope to find ways to link more closely with one another and with the church—sponsored by the Office of Theology and the Office of Theological Education. For further information contact Anita Brown, Office of Theology Worship and Education, 1-888-728-7228 x5033.

M17-120

Association of Theological Schools Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-121

Brigham Young University and Friends Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-122

University of St. Michael's College Faculty of Theology and Toronto School of Theology Annual Reception for Friends and Graduates
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-123

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-124

Georgetown University Theology Department Reception
7:00 am-8:30 pm

M17-125

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Theme: *DANAM Reception and Showing Nava-Rasa Through Dance*

Conveners: "Friends of DANAM", Aesthetes, and Rasika-s

DANAM Reception immediately follows the DANAM Awards Ceremony. Come join us for informal meetings and discussions with colleagues and friends over light refreshments and beverages (wine and cheese) and viewing video shows (10-min long) of the Nava Rasa-s (Nine Emotional Sentiments-s) through Dance in both Kathak and Bharatnatyam styles.

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm*.

M17-126

King's College London Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

This reception is for alumni, students, prospective students, friends, and guests of King's College London to hear about recent developments in the Department of Theology & Religious Studies and innovations in theology in London. It is also to launch the publication of *Imitating Jesus: An Inclusive Approach to New Testament Ethics* (Eerdmans, 2007) by Richard A. Burridge, Dean of King's College London, and to give advance information about *Transformation Theology* (T&T Clark, 2008), a new project by Professor Oliver Davies and other King's College theologians.

M17-127

Buddhist Studies Reception Honoring Patricia Crosby
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

As executive editor for University of Hawai'i Press, Patricia Crosby has been instrumental in promoting the academic study of Buddhism. She has actively assisted the development of both individual projects and publication series that have made important contributions. Her energetic support and wise counsel are deeply appreciated by many scholars in the field, and we would like to invite you to join us in celebrating her work.

Sponsored by the *Pure Land Buddhist Studies Series* (Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley), *Studies in East Asian Buddhism* and *Classics in Buddhist Studies* (Kuroda Institute), *Studies in the Buddhist Traditions* (University of Michigan), *Topics in Contemporary Buddhism* (University of Hawai'i), and the *Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai English Tripitaka Series* (Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, Berkeley).

M17-128

Manchester University Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-129 (=A17-411)

Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-130

Faith and Order Fiftieth Anniversary Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-131

Celebrating Leadership in Sustainable Theological Education
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

This reception, following the session on Sustainable Theological Education, is to honor those who have worked to make theological education more sustainable and green.

It is also celebrating the launch of a new initiative to move theological education forward on this topic.

Sponsored by the Forum on Religion and Ecology, Drew Theological School and the publishers of two new books, *Eco-Spirit: Religion and Philosophy for the Earth* (Fordham) and *Earth and Word: Classic Sermons on Saving the Planet* (Continuum), as well as the Center for Respect of Life and Environment in celebration of their Food, Farming, and Faith Initiative.

Food and drink that is humane and sustainable will be served.

M17-132

The Nordic Universities Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M17-133

Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Members are invited to a reception hosted by the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture.

M17-134

Vanderbilt University Alumni, Faculty, and Friends Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Additional Meetings

SATURDAY CONTINUED

M17-135

Hispanic Theological Initiative Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-136

Fortress Press Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Fortress Press invites all AAR and SBL attendees to join us for hospitality, conversation, and the presentation of the 4th Annual Fortress Press innovative teaching awards. To help us select these innovative teachers, we invite you to nominate a colleague at *www.fortresspress.com* and click on Events.

M17-137

Walter de Gruyter Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-138

W.F. Albright Institute Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-139

Institute for the Study of Asian American Christianity (ISAAC) and the Nagel Institute for the Study of World Christianity Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-140

University of California, Santa Barbara Religious Studies Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-141

New Religious Movements Group Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-142

Jesuit Departments of Theology and Religious Studies Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-143

Harvard Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-144

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M17-145

Milltown Institute (Ireland) Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Milltown Institute-Ireland alumni/ae, colleagues, friends, and guests are invited to drop in to an Irish reception. Information regarding postgraduate studies in Dublin: Biblical Studies, Patristic, History of Theology, Systematic Theology, Moral Theology, Ecumenics, Liturgical Studies, Pastoral Ministry (including D. Min.), Spirituality, Mission Theology, Canon Law, and Supervisory Practice for Ministry will be available. Contact: *info@milltown-instutue.ie.*

M17-146

Reception for LGBT Scholars and Scholars of LGBT Studies
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

M18-1

Institute for Biblical Research Worship Service
7:00 am-8:30 am

M18-2

Temple University Reception
7:00 am-8:30 am

M18-3

Churches of Christ Professors Meeting
7:00 am-8:30 am

M18-4

Lutheran Professors and Graduate Students Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

Sponsored by Augsburg Fortress.

Join us for our annual breakfast. Seating is limited, so please make your reservation as soon as possible and no later than November 9, 2007 at *www.augsburgfortress.org/aarsblbreakfast*.

M18-5

Disciples of Christ Faculty/Student Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

M18-6

Free Methodist and Wesleyan Church Scholars Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

M18-7

Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

Persons connected to the Unitarian Universalist tradition are invited to meet and share a light continental breakfast. Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, Meadville Lombard Theological School, UUA Panel on Theological Education, and Beacon Press. For more information contact Dan McKanan at *dmckanan@csbsju.edu*.

M18-8

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

We welcome Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary alumni/ae to our Annual AAR and SBL Sunday Morning Worship Breakfast. This will be an occasion for us to hear from one another and to interact with interim president Dr. Haddon Robinson. This will also be a time for worship and scriptural reflection. Please join us for this event!

M18-9

I58 Scholars Breakfast
7:00 am-8:30 am

This is a breakfast reception for all those who are committed to an enacted inaugurated eschatology and fully pneumatological model of discipleship. The breakfast is an opportunity to meet and hear from others who are keen to develop new models of theological education and scholarship grounded in a present-tense experience of the Kingdom.

For further information contact Crispin Fletcher-Louis at *principal@wtclondon.co.uk*.

M18-10

***International Journal of Public Theology* Editorial Board Meeting**
9:00 am-11:30 am

M18-11

Jesuit Departments of Theology and Religious Studies Colloquium
9:00 am-11:30 am

M18-12

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)
9:00 am-11:45 am

Theme: *The Dharma of Moksha-Seekers: Asceticism and Social Engagement (DKM4)*

Conveners: Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society, and Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i

Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society, Presiding

Tulasi Srinivas, Wheaton College
The Truant Ascetic: Transcendence and Escape in The Transnational Sathya Sai Movement

Antoinette E. Denapoli, Emory University
God Depends on His Devotees: Social Engagement and Reciprocity between Ascetics and Householders in Rajasthan

Pravrajika Vrajaprana, Vedanta Society
Bridging the Gap between the Sacred and the Secular: Seva as Ascetic Practice

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University
Sri Krishna Chaitanya as Ascetic, Ecstatic, and Teacher

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i
Ramanandi Sadhus and the Proliferation of Ram Bhakti in North India

Responding:

Swami Tyagananda, Vedanta Society

For updates, see: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm*.

M18-13

Theta Alpha Kappa Board Meeting
9:00 am-11:30 am

M18-14

Dempster Fellowship Selection Committee
11:45 am-3:30 pm

M18-15 (=A18-134)

Christian Theological Research Fellowship
11:45 am-12:45 pm

M18-17

***Biblical Interpretation* Editorial Board Meeting**
11:45 am-12:45 pm

M18-18

Hebrew Union College Annual Alumni Luncheon
11:45 am-12:45 pm

M18-19

North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies
11:45 am-12:45 pm

M18-20

***Journal for the Study of The New Testament* Editorial Board Meeting**
11:45 am-12:45 pm

Additional Meetings

SUNDAY CONTINUED

M18-21

Electronic Books and Databases for Research in Josephus, Philo, and the Pseudepigrapha

11:45 am-12:45 pm

This meeting presents an overview of searchable, morphologically tagged databases of the Greek Old Testament Pseudepigrapha, the writings of Philo (the Philo Concordance Project), and the Niese edition of *The Works of Josephus* with critical apparatus. Along with these databases, scholarly monographs now available in digital form for the study of these texts will be presented. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at *mheiser@logos.com.*

M18-22

Lunch Table Teaching Conversations

11:45 am-12:45 pm

Sponsored by The Wabash Center and the AAR Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

Register to join small-table conversations on specific issues in the teaching of religion and theology. Enjoy a simple box lunch.

Topics include:

Teaching multiple intelligences; Collaborative teaching; Teaching and podcasting; Teaching the Bible to the biblically literate; and Teaching controversial topics.

Advanced registration required. Additional topics, descriptions, more information, and registration online: *www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/article.aspx?id=10894.*

M18-50 (=A18-227)

Society of Christian Philosophers

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

R. Douglas Geivett, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Author Meets Critics: Stephen T. Davis'* Christian Philosophical Theology

Panelists:

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University

William Lane Craig, Biola University

Responding:

Stephen Davis, Claremont McKenna College

M18-51

A Discourse Annotation Database for Biblical Texts

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

This meeting presents a searchable database of descriptive annotations of grammatical features based on their function within the discourse. These annotations describe the pragmatic choices of the biblical writers/editors and their effects. The descriptive aspect of the methodology takes into account stylistic idiosyncrasies. The function-based aspect allows for stylistic comparison. The Greek NT database is complete. Preliminary data for the Hebrew Bible and LXX will be presented. For information contact Steve Runge at *srunge@logos.com.*

M18-52

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Theme: *Tantra and Rasa: Embodied Divinity and Aesthetic Self-Realization (RT5)*

Convener: David Peter Lawrence, University of North Dakota

E.H. Rick Jarow, Vassar College, Presiding

David Peter Lawrence, University of North Dakota
Suggestion, Universalization, and the Disclosure of Sakti: Revisiting Abhinavagupta on the Relations of Aesthetics and Monistic Saivism

Kerry Martin Skora, Hiram College
Abhinavagupta's Aesthetics of Touch: Synaesthetic Awareness and Lucid Dream-Play

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado
The Ethics of Delight

Sthaneshwar Timalsina, San Diego State University
Aesthetic and Mystical: Reading Tripura Literature through the Lens of Rasa

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College
A Tantric Semiotics of the Body as Rasa in Classical Indian Dance

David Mellins, Columbia University, Responding

For updates, continue to check at: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

M18-53 (=A18-228)

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Vincent Shen, University of Toronto
The Concept of Truth in Classical Confucianism

Chenyang Li, Central Washington University
Cheng and Truth in the Zhongyong

James Wang, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Heidegger and Laozi on Truth

Jeffrey Dippmann, Central Washington University
Truth and Double Truth in Chinese Buddhism

M18-55

Art/s of Interpretation Group

1:00 pm-3:30 pm

Lisa J. Poirier, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

Theme: *Syncretism and the Abrahamic Religions*

"Every religion has its prehistory, and wherever a prehistory seems to be missing, we are merely uninformed and our research has not been sufficiently painstaking yet. From this point of view every religion is a syncretism." Joachim Wach (*Regionswissenschaft Leipzig*, 1924, p. 86)

Join us for a lively round-table discussion that will focus on the extent, impact, history, politics, and hermeneutics of "syncretism" on, within, and around the Abrahamic traditions.

Rick Talbott, California State University, Northridge
Resurrecting Attis: How Religious Syncretism Revitalizes and Adapts Old Myths to New Religious Paradigms

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge
From Crossroads to Crosshairs: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in the Crucible of Syncretism

Responding:

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Jess Hollenback, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse

M18-100

Sites of Paul in Asia Minor-Turkey and the Seven Churches of the Revelation

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Tutku Tours invites all AAR and SBL attendees to join us, for a one-hour slide presentation about the Sites of Paul in Asia Minor, Turkey, and The Seven Churches of the Revelation.

For more information, please contact us

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M18-101

Dharma Association of North America (DANAM)

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

Theme: *Rethinking Practice and Embodiment in Frederick M. Smith's* The Self Possessed: Deity and Spirit Possession in South Asian Literature

Christopher Chappler, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Panelists:

David Gitomer, DePaul University

Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University

John Nemec, University of Virginia

Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University

Gerald J. Larson, Emeriti, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Indiana University

Lloyd Pflueger, Truman State University

Responding:

Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa

For latest updates of the agenda, please continue to check the website at: *www.danam-web.org/events.htm.*

M18-102

Baylor University Press Reception

4:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-103

Across the Pond! Ecclesiological Investigations from UK PhD Students

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

An open meeting, including:

Mike Cranston
Living At the Edge: Mission to Contemporary Cultures in Southampton England (Anglican Church Attendance is 1.6% of Population)

Nicholas Bamford
Unity or Division: The Challenge of 'Ecumenism' to The Greek Orthodox Church in the UK

M18-104 (=A18-276)

Theta Alpha Kappa Board Meeting and Reception

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

M18-105

Korean Biblical Colloquium

4:00 pm-6:30 pm

4:00 pm Greetings

4:20 pm Michelle Lee-Barnewall, Biola University
Paul, the Stoic and the Body of Christ: Corporate Identity and Ethics in 1 Corinthians

5:00 pm Ixang Lee, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Did Ezekiel Know the Deuteronomistic Literature?

5:40 pm Business Meeting

6:00 pm Dinner (at a nearby Korean restaurant, TBA)

Papers will be circulated in advance and discussed at the session. For additional information, please contact John Ahn, *jahn@austinseminary.edu*; or Paul Kim, *pkim@mtso.edu.*

M18-106

InterVarsity Press Reception

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Please join us as Alister McGrath addresses the renewed emergence of atheism—particularly scientific atheism—as typified in such high-profile books as *Atheist Universe* by David Mills and *The God Delusion* by Richard Dawkins. McGrath brings to this discussion his own embrace and subsequent rejection of atheism, as well as years of dialogue with leading atheists as in his newest InterVarsity Press publication, *The Dawkins Delusion?*

Reception begins at 8:00 pm, comments at 8:30 pm.

Additional Meetings

SUNDAY CONTINUED

M18-107

Center of Theological Inquiry Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The following events will take place during this year's reception for CTI members and friends: launch of the final Volume 4 of the CTI series, *God and Globalization* (Continuum, 2007), with Max Stackhouse, author and series editor; launch of the new *International Journal of Public Theology* (Brill), with Sebastian Kim, editor; and brief presentation by William Storrar, director, on the Center's new website from 2008. All interested welcome.

M18-108

University of Iowa Reception
7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-109

Yale University Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-110

Dempster Fellowship Selection Committee
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-111

Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-112

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Department of Religious Studies Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-113 (=A18-407)

Evangelical Philosophical Society
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

William Lane Craig, Biola University, Presiding

Theme: *Authors Meet Critics:* Naturalism, *by Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro*

Panelist:

Matthew Bagger, Brown University

Responding:

Stewart Goetz, Ursinus College

Charles Taliaferro, St. Olaf College

For further information regarding this session, contact Scott Smith, *scott.smith@truth.biola.edu.*

M18-114

Westminster John Knox Press Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-115

Oxford University Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The Theology Faculty of Oxford University welcomes colleagues, friends, alumni/ae, and prospective graduate students for drinks and updates on developments and to meet current faculty members. Information is available at *www.theology.ox.ac.uk* and *www.admin.ox.ac.uk/postgraduate.*

M18-116

United Church of Christ Scholars Reception and United Church of Christ in the West Keynote
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-117

University of Notre Dame Theology Department Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-118

Wabash Center Dinner for New Teachers
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Annual gathering of new teachers for dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. Nomination of new teachers for participation is required. October 1 deadline. Contact: Paul Myhre, *myhrep@wabash.edu.*

M18-119

Ashland Theological Seminary Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-120

Gay Men's Issues In Religion Group Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-121

Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver Joint PhD Program Reception
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M18-122

Princeton University Department of Religion Reception

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-123

University of Wales, Lampeter Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Lampeter invites past, present, and potential students, colleagues, and friends. Several academic staff members will be present and printed information will be available.

Full information on Lampeter's research profile may be found at *www.lamp.ac.uk/trs/*.

M18-124 (=A18-408)

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Jin Y. Park, American University, Presiding

Theme: *Japanese Approaches to Ethics*

Yuki Miyamoto, DePaul University
Sacred Pariahs: Hagiographies of Alterity, Sexuality, and Salvation in Atomic Bomb Literature

Victor Forte, Albright College
Attainment through True Entrusting: Ethical Reflections on Shinran's Promise

James Mark Shields, Bucknell University
Irony, Contingency, and Solidarity: Three Jewels of Postmetaphysical Buddhist Criticism

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
The Specific as the Embodied Dialectic of the Many and the One: Mutai's Reading of Tanabe's Logic of the Specific

M18-125 (=A18-403)

2007 Templeton Prize Laureate Lecture Charles Taylor: Religions Mobilizations

8:15 pm-9:15 pm

M18-128

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy 2007

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Christopher White, Georgia State University, Presiding

Susan Maneck, Jackson State University
A Nineteenth Century Zoroastrian-Bahá'í Dialogue: Manakji Limji Hataria and Bahá'u'lláh

Ahang Rabbani, Houston, Texas
A Lifetime with Bahá'u'lláh: The Reminiscences of Husayn Ashchi

Discussion

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at *rstockman@usbnc.org* or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).

M18-129

Muktabodha Indological Research Institute Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

We invite you to drop by for conversation with our faculty and refreshments including authentic Indian mithai.

This is also an opportunity to view and discuss the new Shaiva manuscript collection on our digital library, with its detailed, searchable catalog; see footage of a recently documented Agnishtoma Somayaga in Goa; and learn more about our efforts to preserve the study and practice of the endangered Taittiriya-Hiranyakeshi Vaidika tradition.

For information about Muktabodha, please see *www.muktabodha.org*.

M18-130

Springer Science and Religion Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

You are cordially invited to a reception hosted by Springer in dedication to *The Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions*.

The Encyclopedia of Sciences and Religions will be published by Springer in 2011 and is currently being edited by Nina Azari, University of Hawai'i, Hilo, who will chair an AAR session on Tuesday 20 November between 9:00 – 11:30 am together with one of the section editors of the *Encyclopedia*, Kelly Bulkely, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley.

M18-131

University of the West Reception for Buddhist Scholars and Students

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The University of the West invites you to enjoy some refreshments and chat with professors and students from the Department of Religious Studies. UWest, located in Rosemead, California, was founded in 1991 by the renowned Buddhist Master Hsing Yun. UWest is one of only three Buddhist-affiliated campuses in the US to offer accredited degrees. Learn about UWest's programs in Buddhism, Chinese Buddhism, and Comparative Religious Studies, and about life on this small, unique campus.

M18-132

***Religion* Editorial Board Meeting**

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Additional Meetings

SUNDAY CONTINUED

M18-133

Society for Scriptural Reasoning: Quranic Reasoning
8:00 pm-10:00 pm

Theme: *Oneness of God in the Qur'an*

This session explores the Qur'anic claim that guided rational reflection on the natural world leads to faith in the One, with Most Beautiful Names. We begin with a paper by Joseph Lombard centered on selected Qur'anic verses and then discuss these verses in small groups. For the paper, responses, and to contribute a response, see: *etext.lib.virginia.edu/journals/jsrforum/gateways.html.*

M18-135

Duke University Graduate Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-136

Nazarene Theological Seminary Alumni/ae and Friends Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-137

Emory Graduate Division of Religion Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-138

Center for Process Studies Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation. Friends and members of CPS and anyone interested in process-relational approaches to religious studies, theology, biblical hermeneutics, and philosophy of religion are invited. Greet John Cobb, Roland Faber, and other co-directors!

M18-139

Brown University Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-140

Mercer University Press and McAfee School of Theology at Mercer University Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-141

University of Chicago Divinity School Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-142

University of Virginia Reception for Faculty, Alumni, and Friends
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-143

Drew University Reception for Alumni/ae
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-144

Princeton Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-145

Boston University Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-146

Marquette University Department of Theology Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-147

Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-148

Johns Hopkins University Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-149

Scottish Universities Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Former students and friends of the sponsoring Scottish universities (Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrews, and Stirling), and the Highland Theological College are cordially invited to get together to renew acquaintances, catch up on news of developments and plans, and simply enjoy the company, with drinks and light refreshments. For further information, contact Prof. L. W. Hurtado, New College/School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, *l.hurtado@ed.ac.uk.*

M18-150

Brite Divinity School Reception
9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-151

Durham University Department of Theology and Religion Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

The Department of Theology and Religion at Durham, UK welcomes alumni/ae, colleagues, friends, and guests. Information will be available at *www.dur.ac.uk/theology.religion* for those interested in the following research areas: Biblical and Ancient Languages, Catholic Studies, Church History, Ethics, Hebrew Bible, Jewish Studies, New Testament, Philosophical Theology, Study of Religion, and Systematic and Contemporary Theology. Several faculty will be present, and information brochures will be available.

M18-152

Concordia Reception (Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, Concordia Academic Press)

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-153

John Templeton Foundation Reception

9:30 pm-11:30 pm

M18-154 (=3)

The Graduate School and Friends of Jewish Theological Seminary Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-155

Florida State University Religion Department Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-156

Hendrickson Publishers Reception

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M18-157

Highlands Institute for American Religious Philosophical Thought

5:45 pm-6:15 pm

M18-158

Robert M. Price and *The Pre-Nicene New Testament*

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

Please join Robert M. Price, editor of the *Journal of Higher Criticism*, in celebrating publication of his latest book, *The Pre-Nicene New Testament: Fifty-four Formative Texts*. Mingle and munch. There will be light refreshments and no doubt lively conversation—Εγω βρωσιυ εχω φαγεινην μειζ ουκ οιδατε. Hosted by Signature Book and the Smith-Pettit Foundation. Call Tom's cell at 1-801-835-8742.

M18-159

American Journal of Theology and Philosophy

6:30 pm-8:00 pm

Jennifer G. Jesse, Truman State University, Presiding

William Dean, Iliff School of Theology
Can Liberal Theology Recover?

Responding:

Robert C. Neville, Boston University School of Theology

We are anticipating a lively conversation about the future of liberal theology. Everyone is welcome!

For additional information, contact Jennifer Jesse at *jgjesse@truman.edu*.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

M19-1

***Restoration Quarterly* Breakfast**

7:00 am-8:30 am

M19-2

***Dead Sea Discoveries* Editorial Board Meeting**

7:00 am-8:30 am

M19-3

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Alumni Breakfast

7:00 am-8:30 am

M19-4

Fuller Theological Seminary Breakfast

7:00 am-8:30 am

Speaker: Richard J. Mouw, President and Professor of Christian Philosophy, Fuller Theological Seminary
Threescore and... : Fuller and the Future

For reservations contact Fuller's Office of Alumni/ae and Church Relations: *alum-alumni@dept.fulller.edu* or call 1-626-584-5498 by November 12.

M19-5

Friends of Regent College

7:00 am-8:30 am

Additional Meetings

MONDAY CONTINUED

M19-6

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies (LWTRS)

7:00 am-8:30 am

7:00 am Morning Prayer

7:15 am Phyllis Anderson, President, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary *Theological Education: Institutional, Ecumenical, and Ecclesial Perspectives*

No registration required.

Please contact Sandra Mejia at 773-380-2885 or s*andra.mejia@elca.org*.

M19-7

Union Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education Annual Breakfast

7:00 am-8:30 am

M19-8

Wabash Center Grant Writing Consultation

9:00 am-3:30 pm

Drop in for conversation about your grant ideas or help with grant writing. Appointments are not required, but may be made in advance. Contact: Paul Myhre, *myhrep@wabash.edu*.

M19-9

Consultation on Dutch Protestant Traditions

9:00 am-11:30 am

The topic of this year's consultation is *The Question of Theocracy*. The notion of theocracy has recently been linked to Islamic and Christian fundamentalism and thus summarily dismissed. Theocratic theology, however, does not belong to fundamentalism; the rich and complex theology of the Dutch theologian, A.A. van Ruler (1908-1970), is intentionally theocratic and clearly not fundamentalistic. The consultation will explore the Utrecht theologian's controversial theocratic theology and assess the place of theocracy in the Dutch theological tradition as a whole. The honorary chair of the consultation is Paul Fries of New Brunswick Theological Seminary. The consultation is sponsored by the Abraham Kuyper Center for Public Theology, *kuyper.conference@ptsem.edu* at Princeton Theological Seminary. All are warmly invited to attend.

M19-10

Journal for the Study of Judaism Editorial Board Meeting

11:45 am-12:45 pm

M19-11

Electronic Books and Databases for Ugaritic and Northwest Semitic Inscriptions

11:45 am-12:45 pm

This meeting includes a demonstration of the use of a searchable database for the Ugaritic corpus (Ugaritic Databank, Madrid) and searchable scholarly reference works for Ugaritic. The session will also feature a new database for Microsoft Windows users for select Northwest Semitic inscriptions representing languages and dialects such as Hebrew, Aramaic, Phoenician, Moabite, and Ammonite. The inscriptions database includes morphological tagging. For more information, contact Michael Heiser at *mheiser@logos.com*.

M19-12

Wabash Center Religiously Affiliated College and University Faculty Lunch

11:45 am-12:45 pm

Annual gathering for lunch and directed table conversations concerning the context of our teaching in religiously affiliated college and university institutions. Space is limited. Advance registration is required. October 31 deadline. *www.wabashcenter.wabash.edu/programs/article.aspx?id=10897*.

M19-14

University of Regensburg Institute of Protestant Theology Amumni Luncheon

11:45 am-1:00 pm

M19-101

Initiative for the Study of Religion and Culture in Africa and the African Diaspora (ISRCAD)-*Biblia Africana* Authors Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

This gathering is being held to: (1) share information about ISRCAD; (2) call attention to new and ongoing projects under the aegis of the Africana Studies Department at the University of Notre Dame—including its Peters Fellowship Program and Africana Core Texts Initiative; and (3) celebrate completion of the *Biblia Africana* commentary project. For further information, please contact Hugh R. Page, Jr., *hpage@nd.edu*.

M19-102 (=A19-404)

Society of Christian Philosophers

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Doug Harink, King's University College, Presiding

Theme: *William J. Abraham's* Crossing the Threshold of Divine Revelation

Panelists:

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University

James Beilby, Bethel University

James K. A. Smith, Calvin College

Responding:

William J. Abraham, Southern Methodist University

M19-104 (=A19-405)

European Society of Women in Theological Research

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M19-106

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Mary Foskett, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Theme: *The Bible in Asia*

7:00 pm Panelists:

Devadasan N. Premnath, St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry

John Y. Yieh, Virginia Theological Seminary

8:30 pm Break

9:00 pm Business Session: ECBC members only

For additional information, contact Jeffrey Kuan at *kjkuan@psr.edu*.

M19-107

Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Governing Board Meeting

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M19-108

Bahá'í Studies Colloquy 2007

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding

Christopher White, Georgia State University
How Can My Pen Write Superhuman Things? Juliet Thompson and the Imagined Middle East

Hutan Hejazi, Rice University
Seculars, Catholics, and Bahá'ís: A Pedagogical Structure of Conversion in Modern Spain

Discussion

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at *rstockman@usbnc.org* or 1-847-337-7750 (cell).

M19-109

Azusa Pacific University Reception

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

M19-110

Sheffield University Alumni Reception

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

M19-111

Pro Ecclesia Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M19-112

Syracuse University Department of Religion Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M19-113

Sheffield Phoenix Press/ Sheffield University Reception

9:00 pm-11:00 pm

M19-114 (=A19-406)

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Deepak Shimkhada, Claremont-McKenna College, Presiding

Theme: *Demanding Equality on Religious Grounds: Celebrating the Buddhist and Interreligious Scholarship of Bibhuti Singh Yadav*

Douglas L. Berger, Southern Illinois University
The Social Meaning of the Middle Way: B.S. Yadav and the Madhyamika Critique of the Indian Ontologies of Identity and Difference

Stephen Kaplan, Manhattan College
Unpacking the Place of the Grasper in Yogacara and Advaita

Ralph Marshall, St. Francis High School
Deconstruction and Reconstruction: Bibhuti Yadav's Interpretation of Vallabha and its Importance for Interreligious Dialogue

William Allen, Temple University
Bibhuti Yadav on Interreligious Dialogue

Responding:

Purushottama Billmoria, Melbourne University

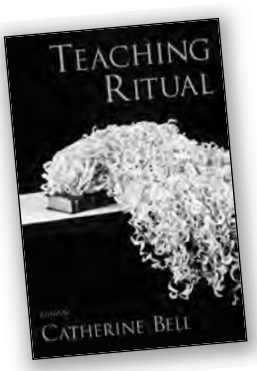
M19-115

Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology

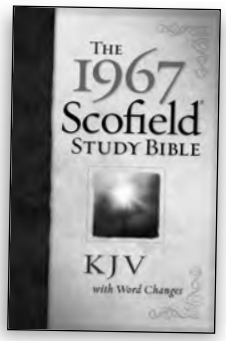
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

The Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology invites all scholars whose work or interests intersect with Mormonism in any way to attend this gathering, which will feature a panel discussion of a recent book of wide interest to scholars of Mormon thought, as well as an opportunity to socialize and make new contacts. For more information, visit the SMPT website: *www.smpt.org/announcements.html*.

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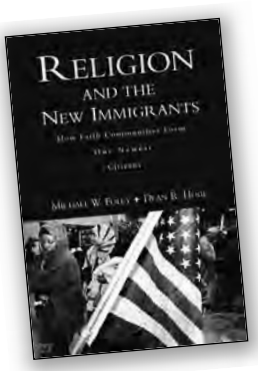
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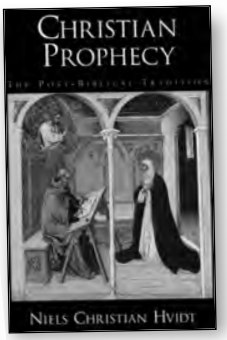
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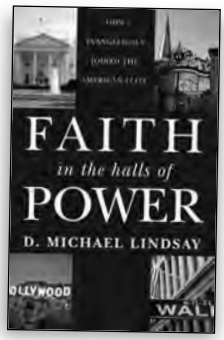
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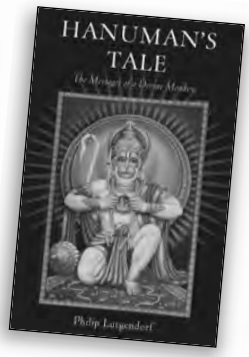
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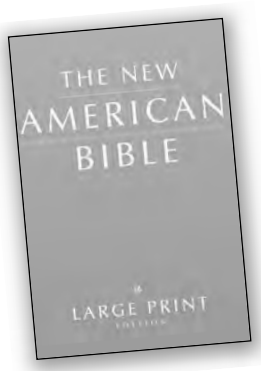
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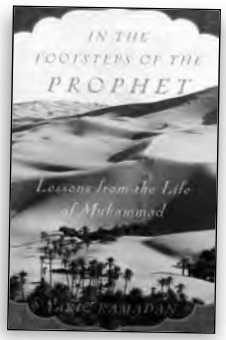
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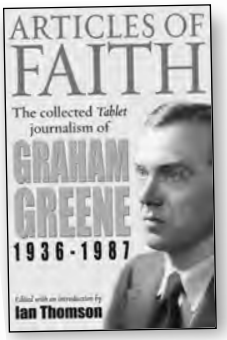
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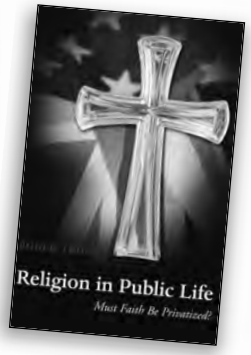
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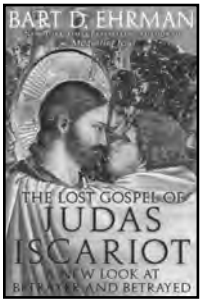
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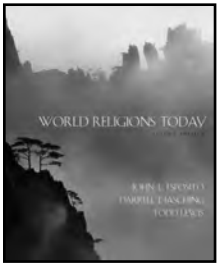
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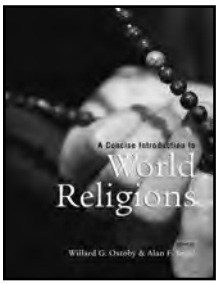
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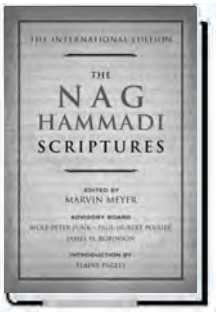


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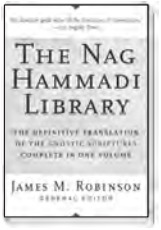
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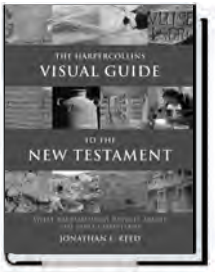


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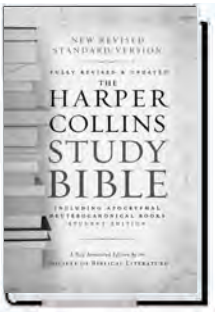
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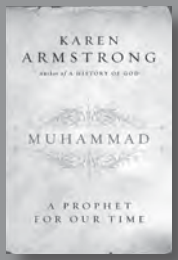
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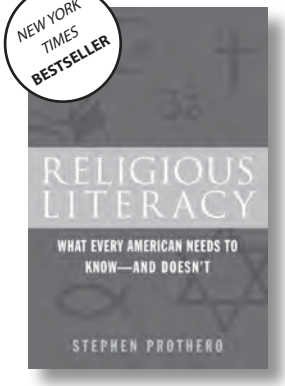
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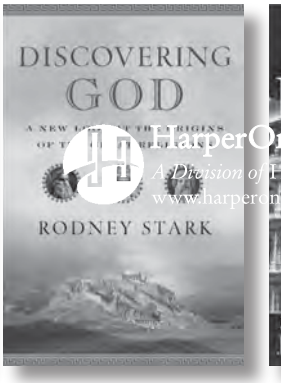
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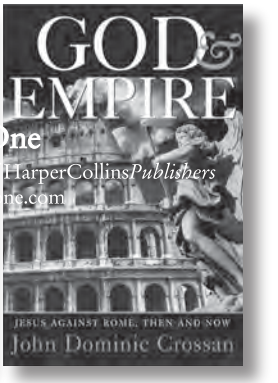
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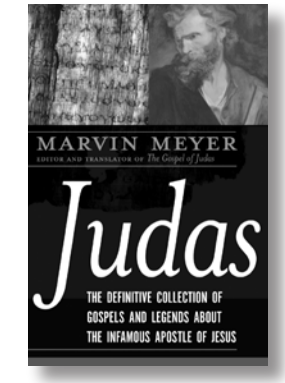
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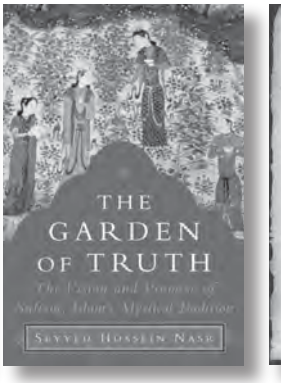
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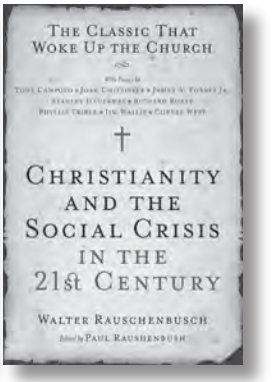
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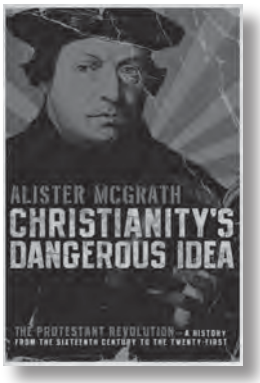
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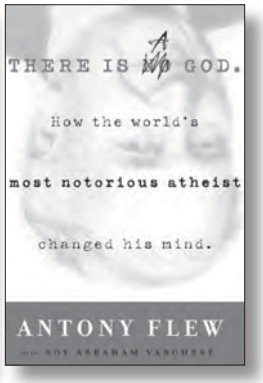
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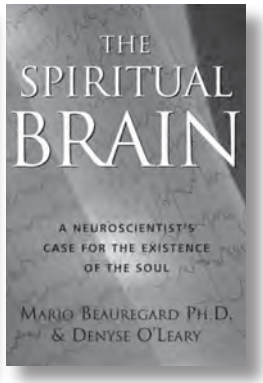
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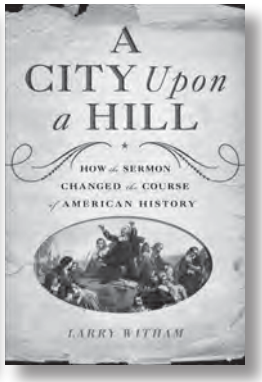
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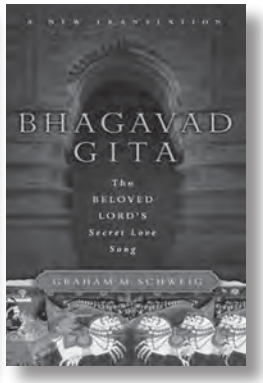
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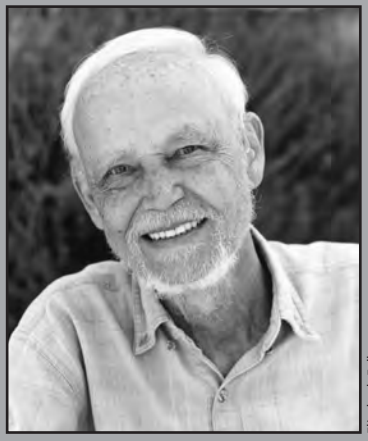
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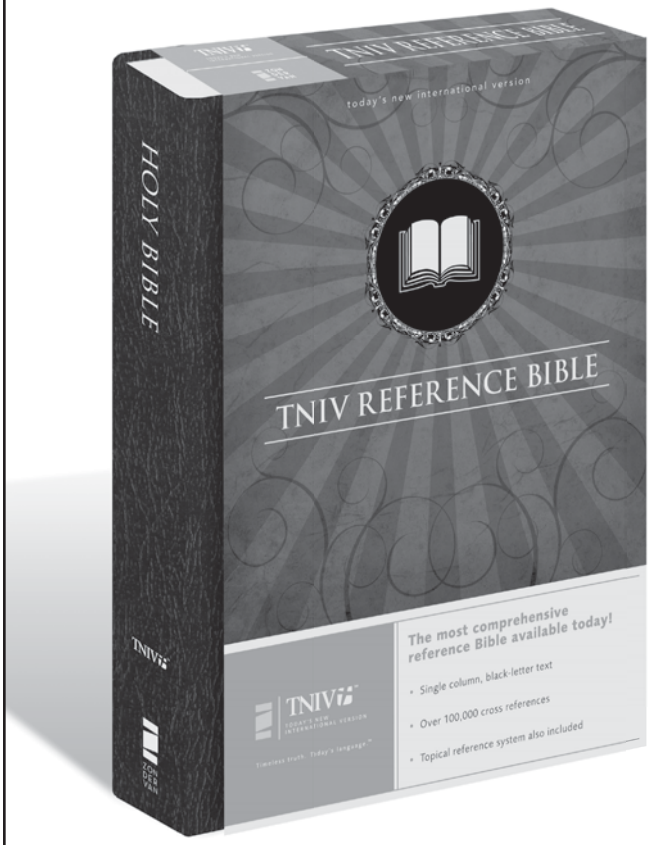
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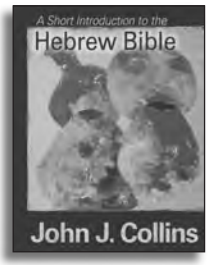
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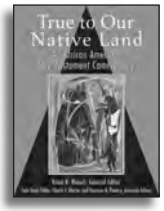
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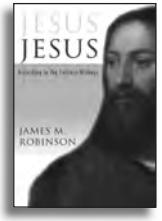
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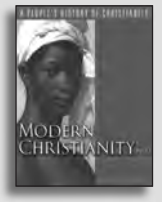
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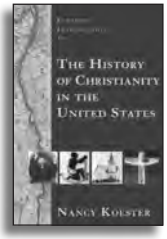
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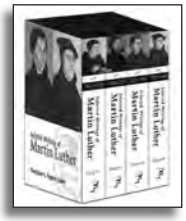
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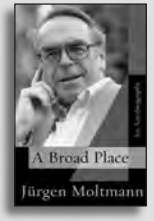
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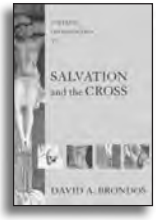


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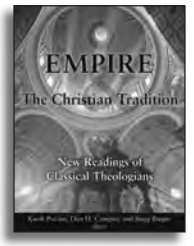
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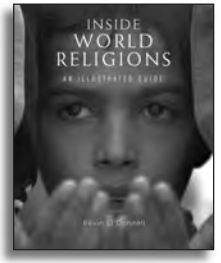
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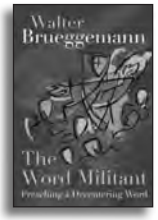
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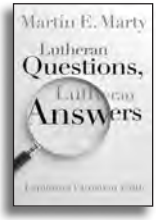
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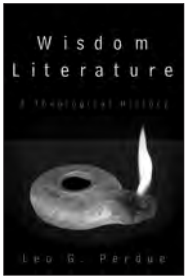
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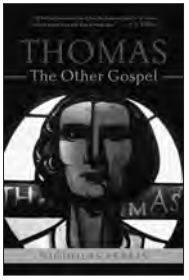
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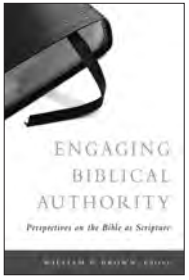
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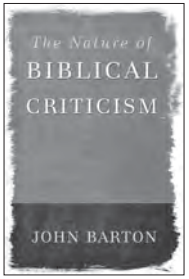
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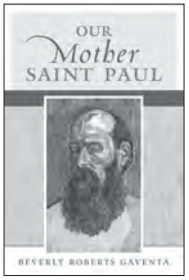
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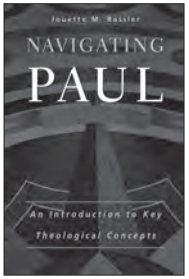


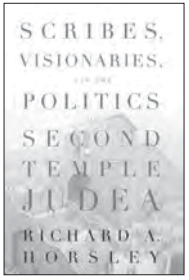












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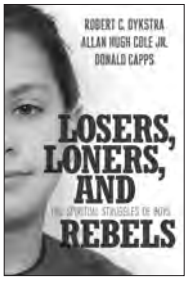
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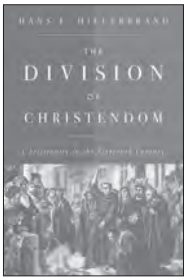
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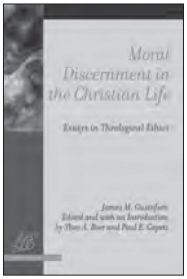
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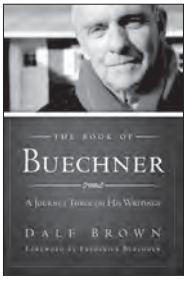
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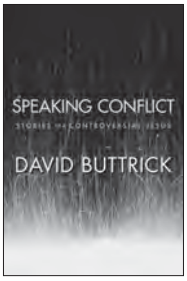
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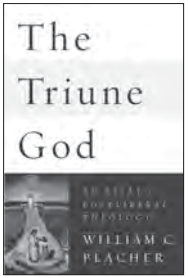






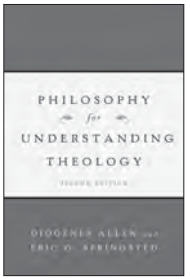
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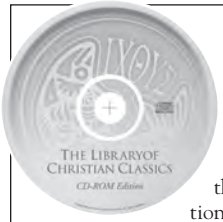
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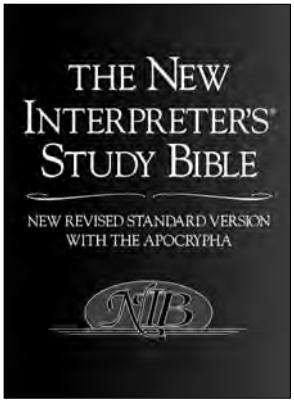
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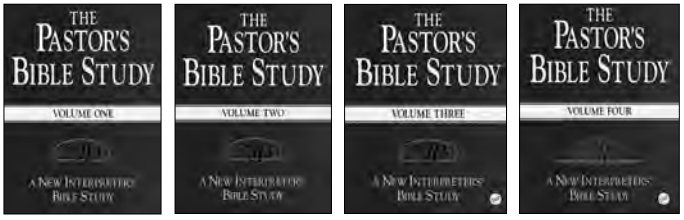
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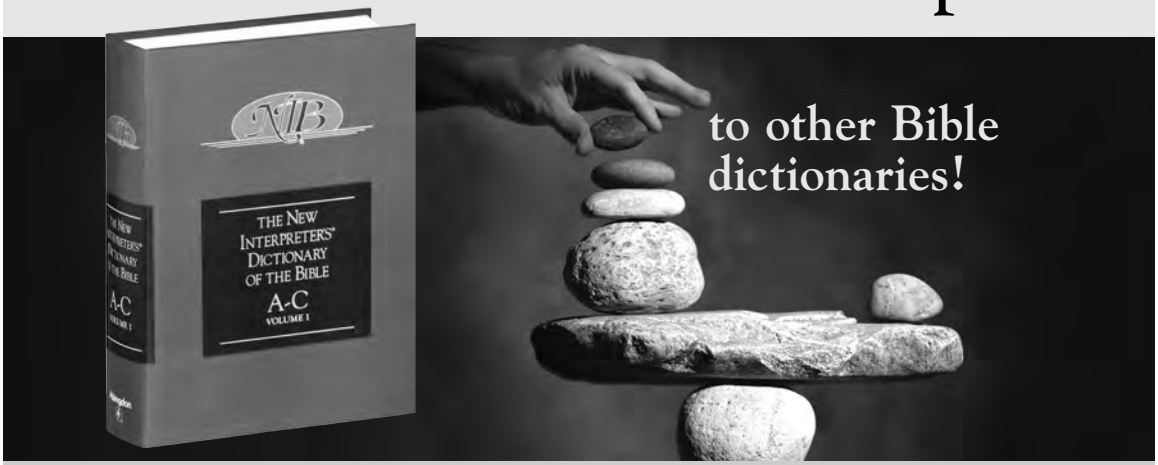
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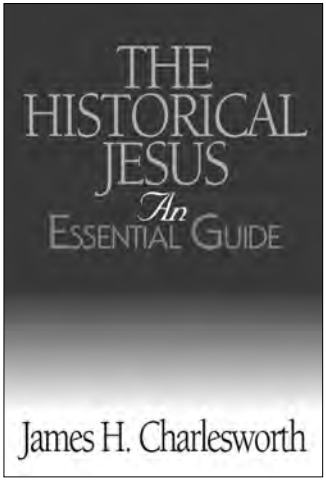
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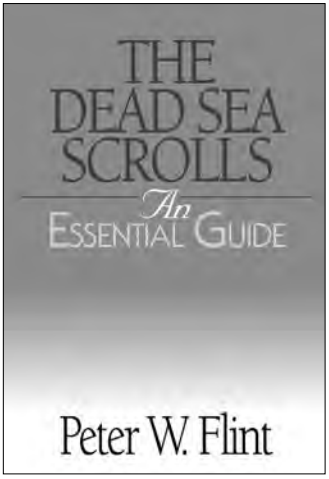
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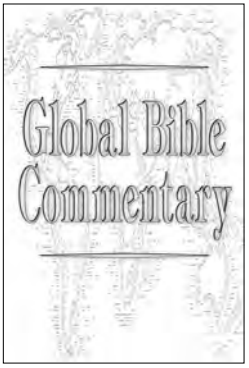
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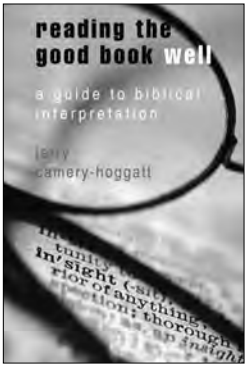
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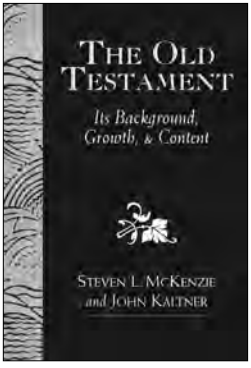
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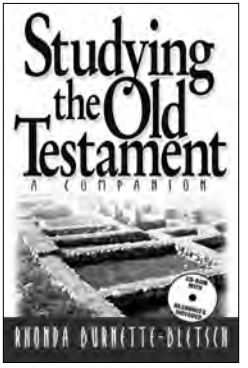
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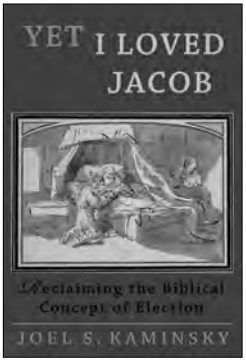


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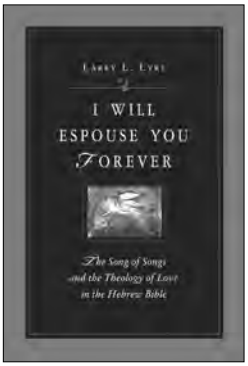
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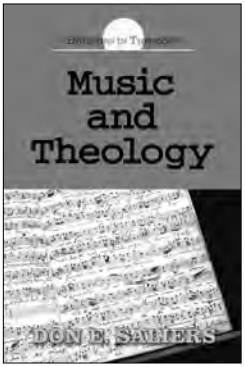
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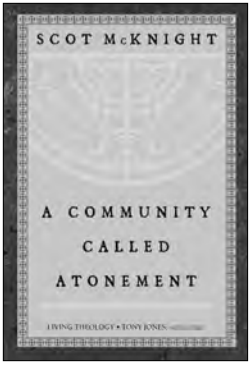
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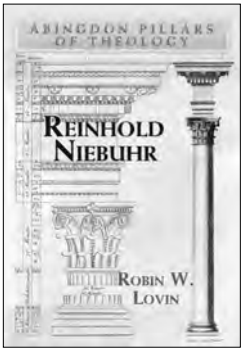
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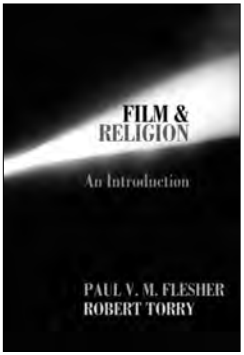
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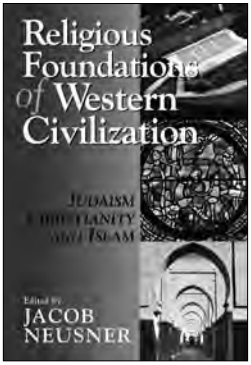
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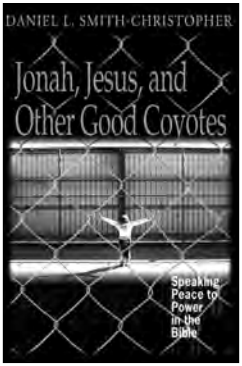
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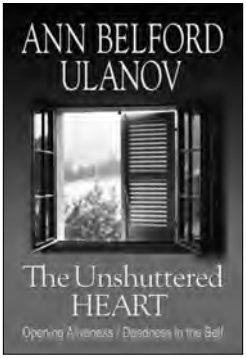


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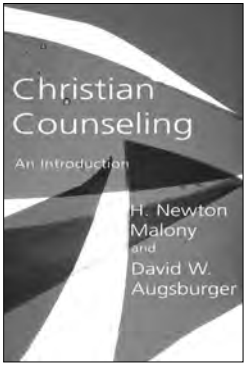
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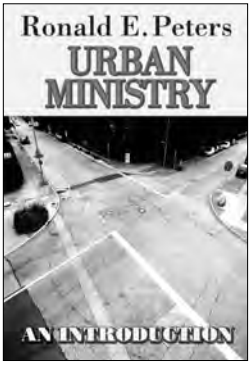
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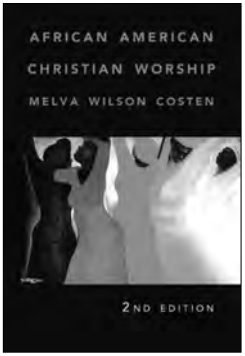


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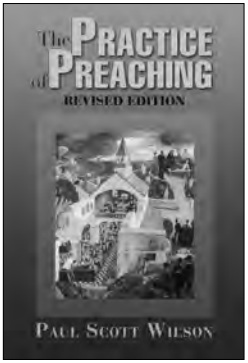
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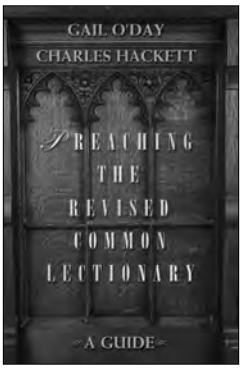
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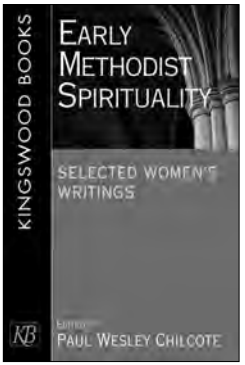


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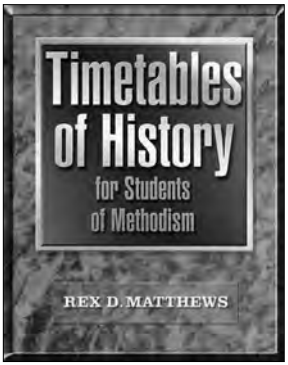


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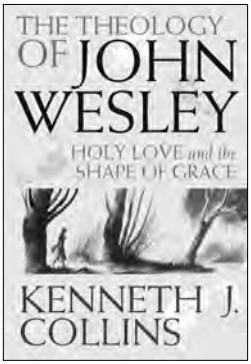


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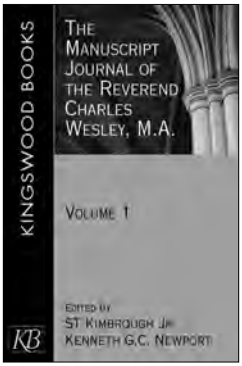


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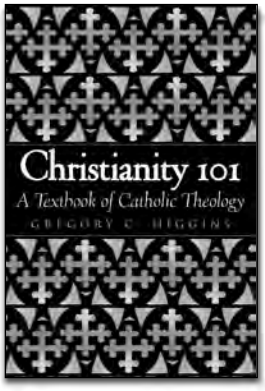
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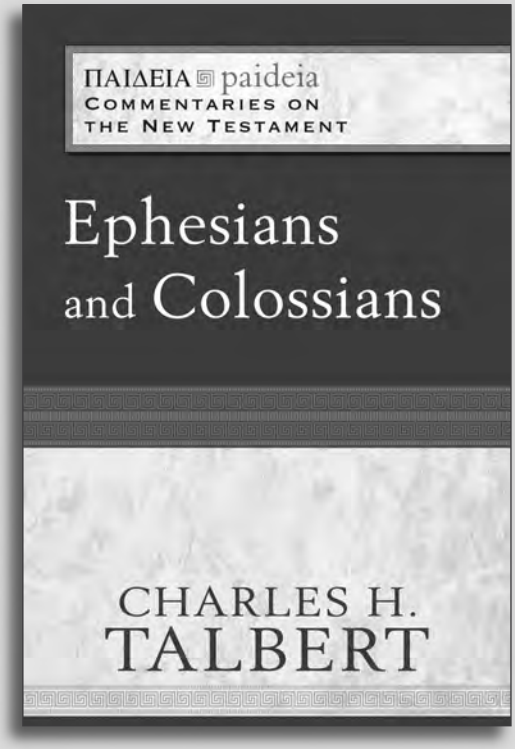
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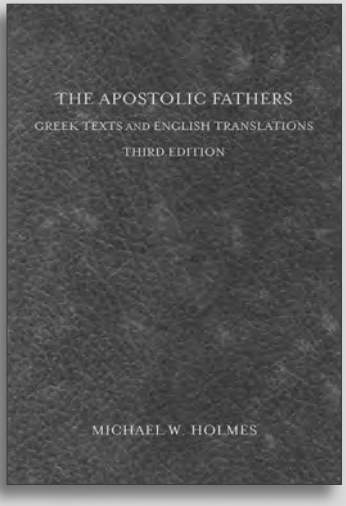
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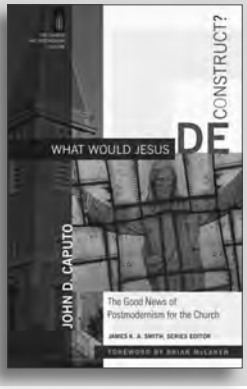
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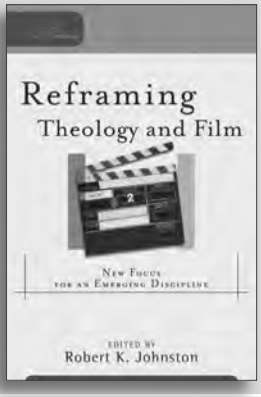
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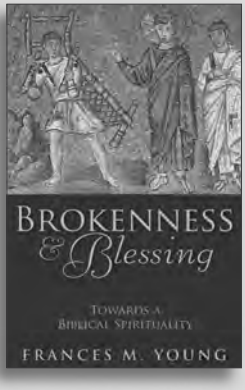
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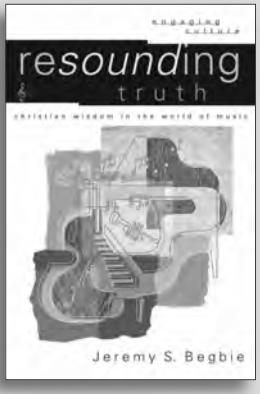
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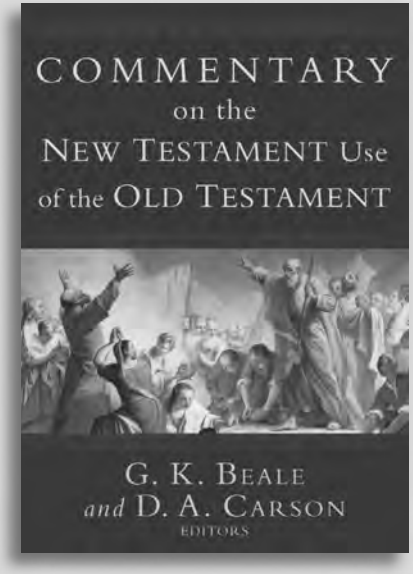
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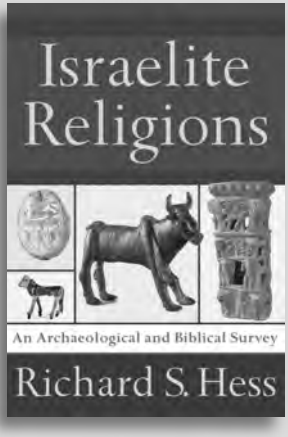
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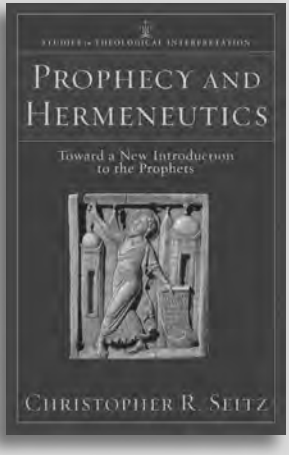


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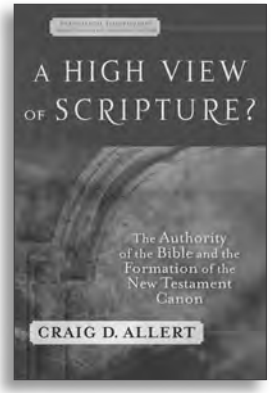
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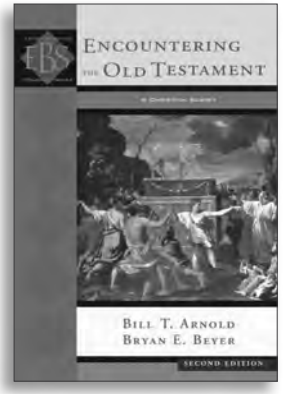
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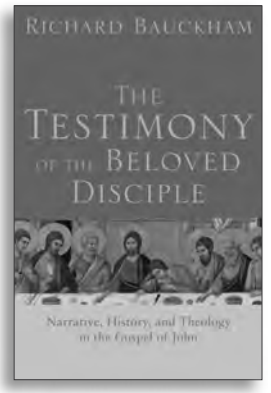
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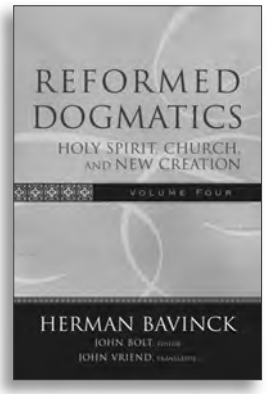
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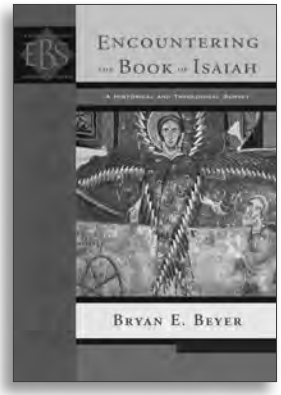
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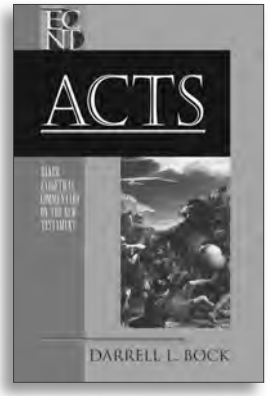
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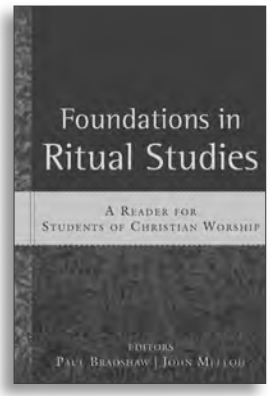
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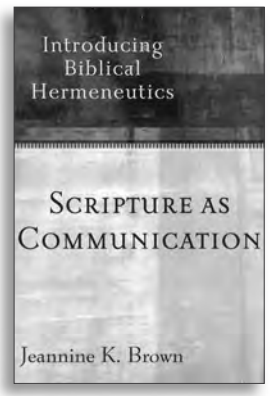
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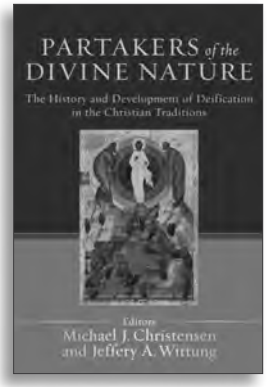
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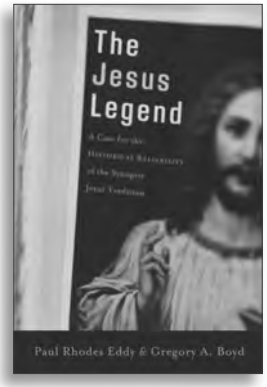
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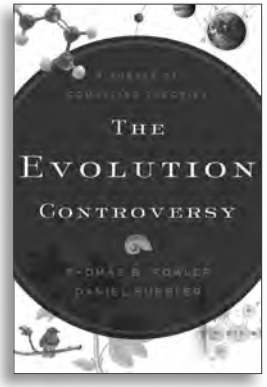
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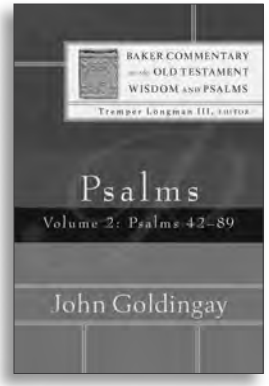
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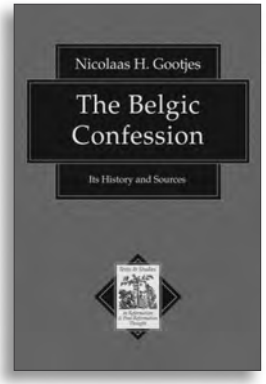
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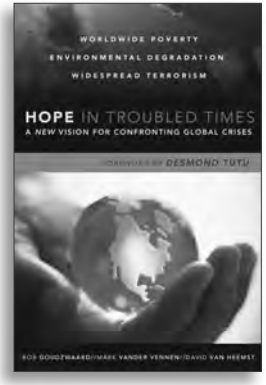
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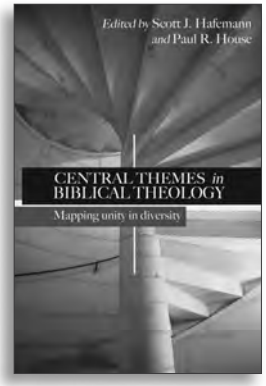
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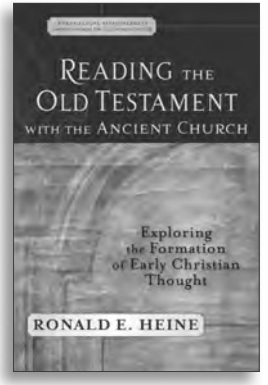
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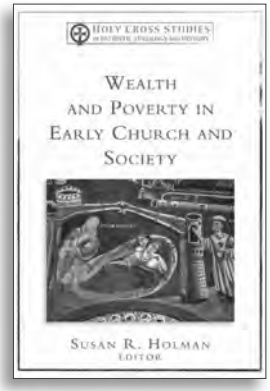
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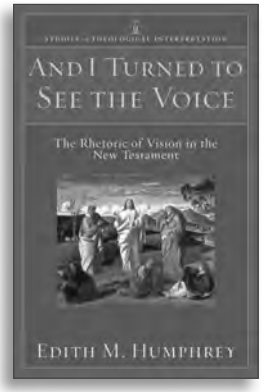
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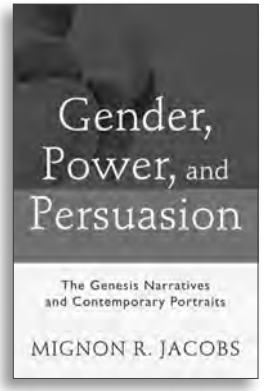
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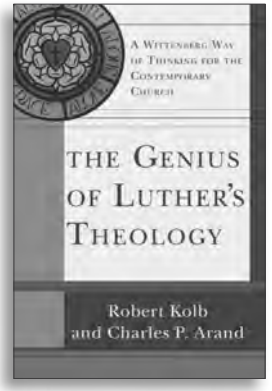
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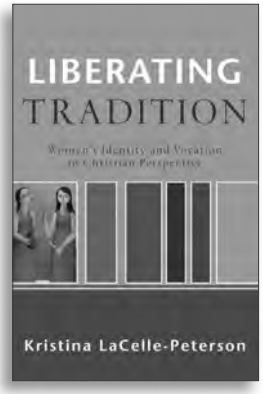
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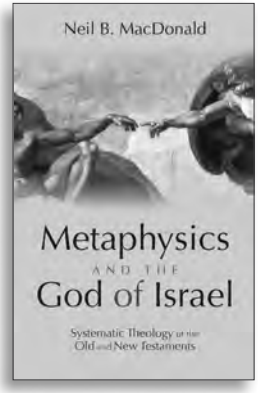
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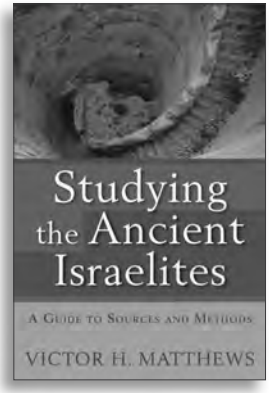
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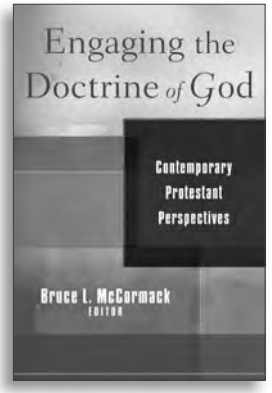
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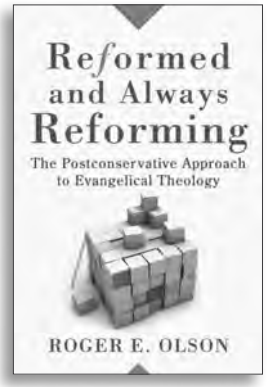
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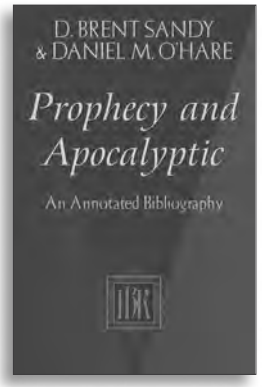
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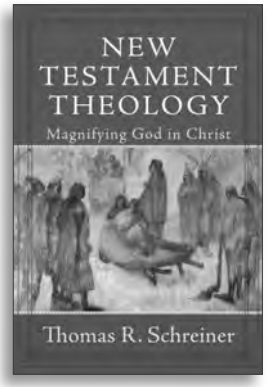
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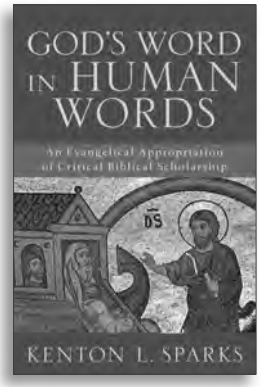
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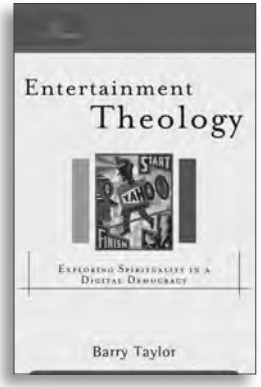
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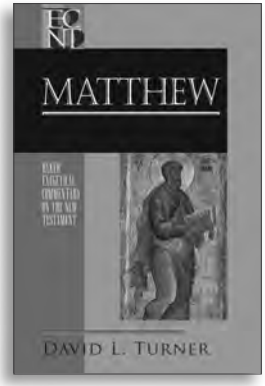
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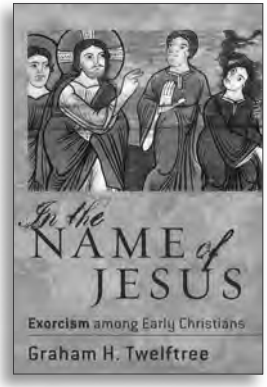
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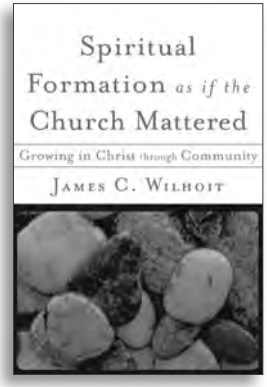
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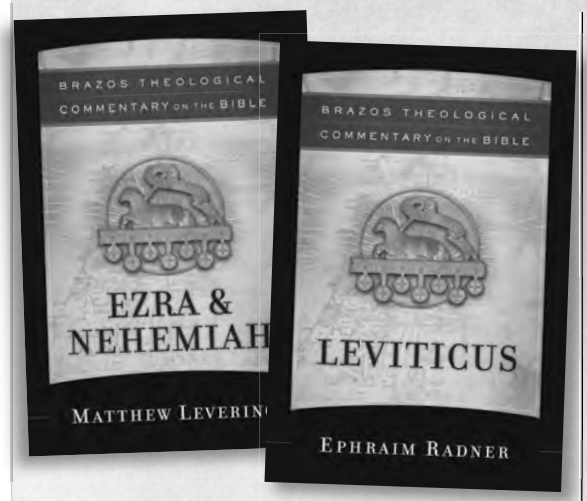
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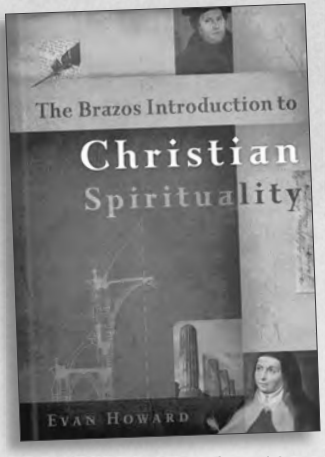
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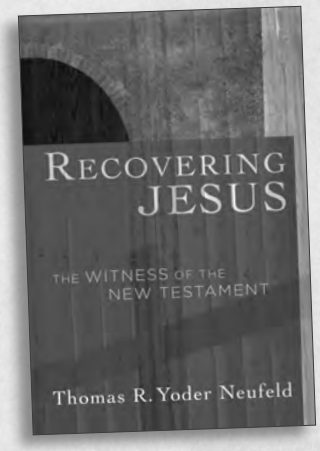
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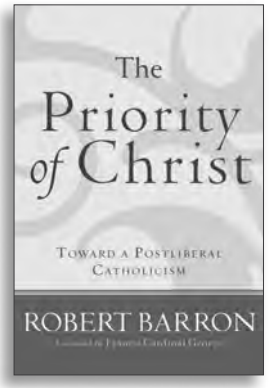
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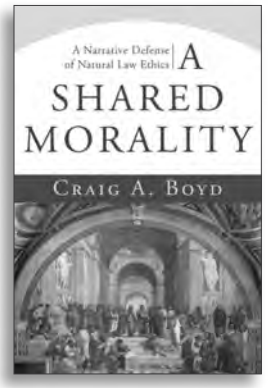
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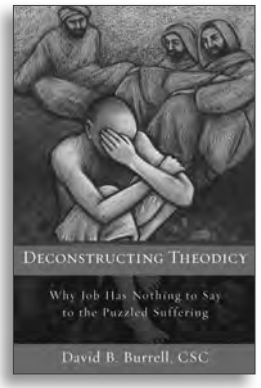
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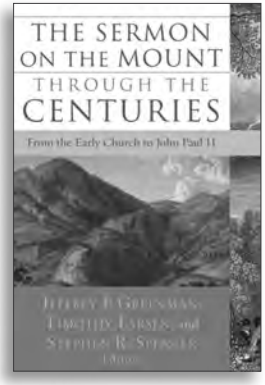
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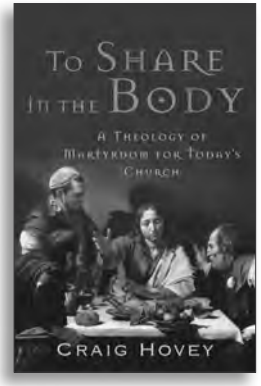
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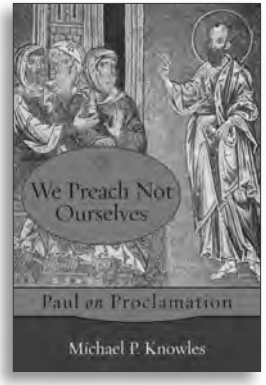
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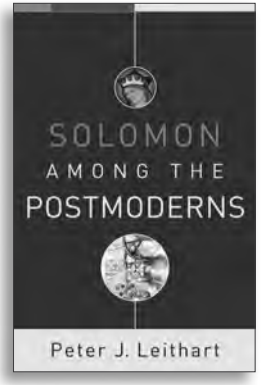
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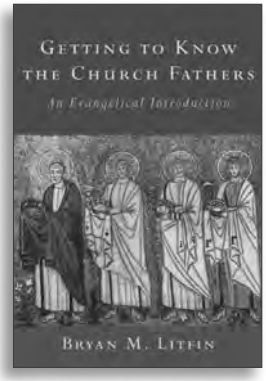
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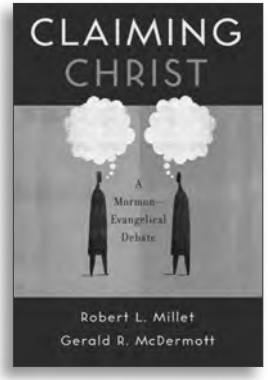
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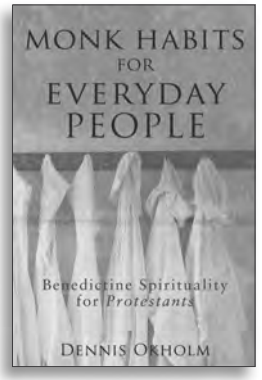
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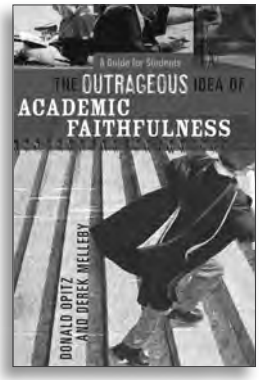
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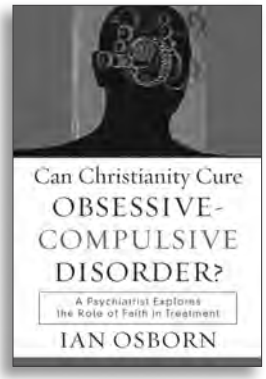
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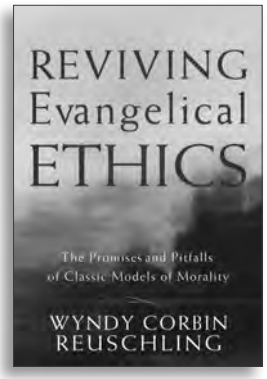
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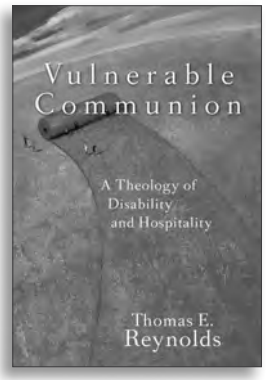
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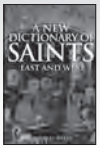
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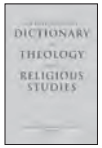
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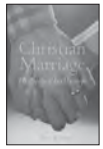
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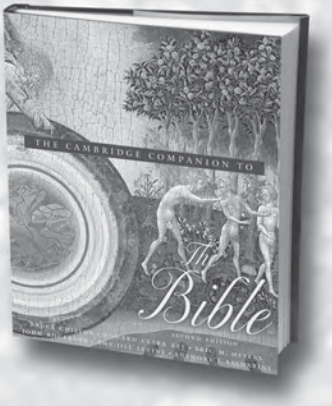
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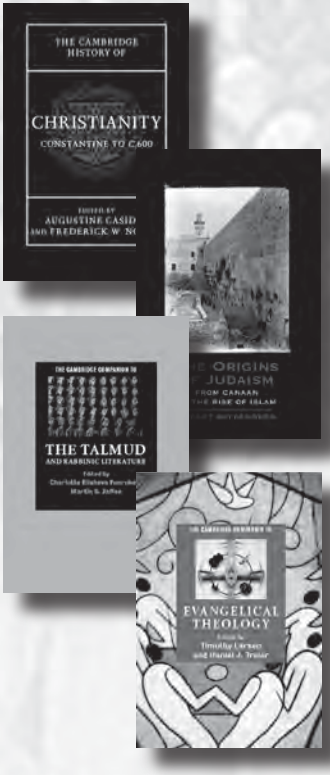
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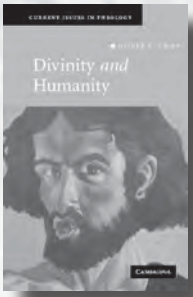
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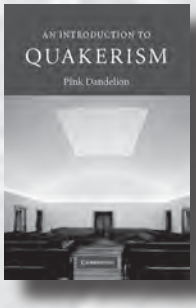
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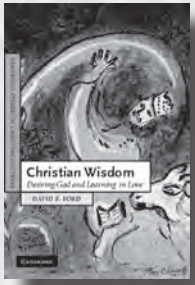


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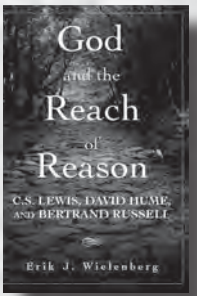
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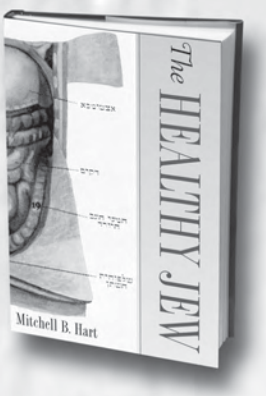
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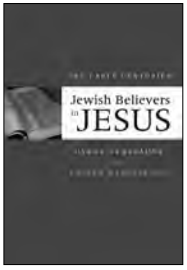
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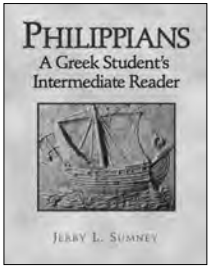
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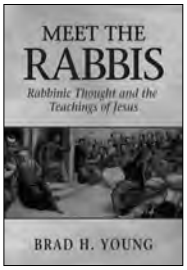
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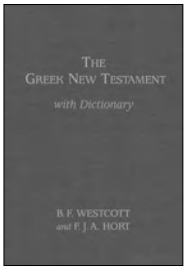
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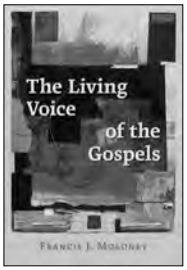
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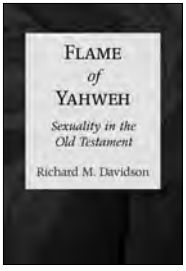
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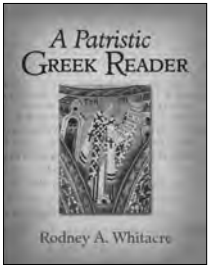
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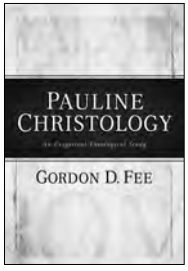
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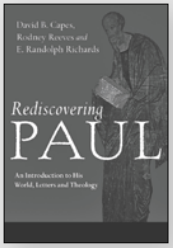
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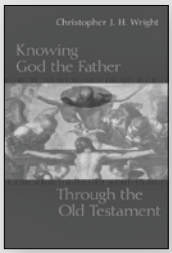
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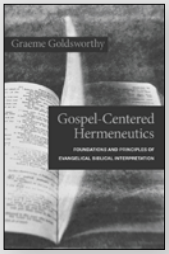
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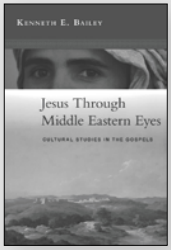
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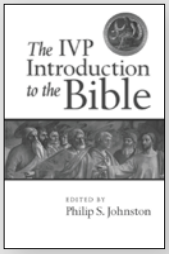
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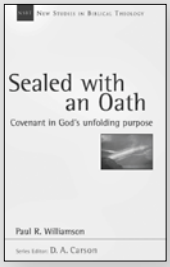
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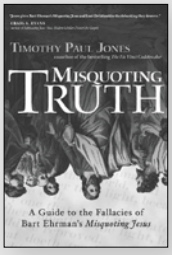
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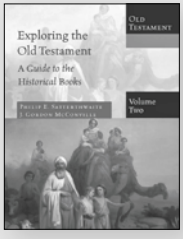
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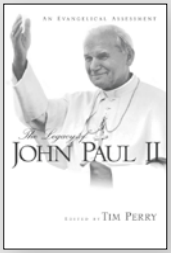


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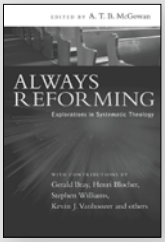
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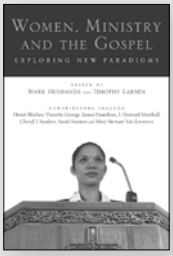
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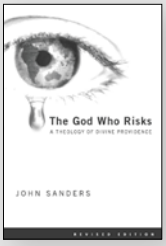
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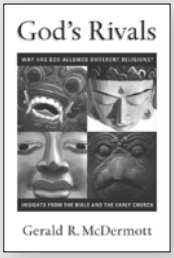
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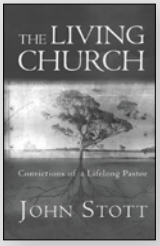
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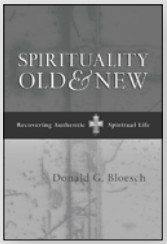
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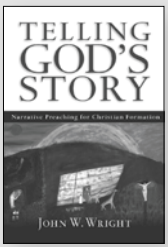
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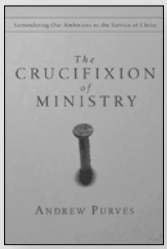
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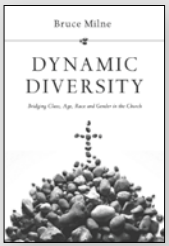
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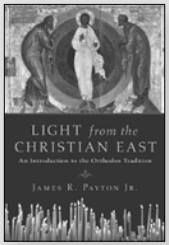


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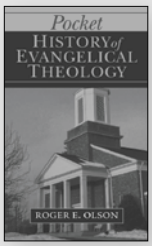


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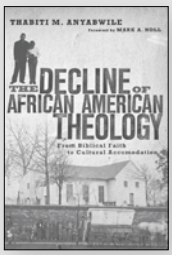
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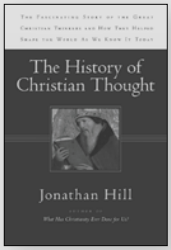
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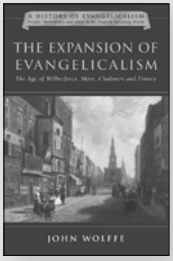


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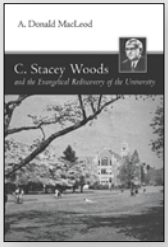
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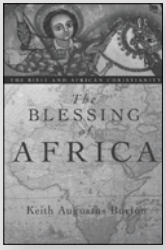
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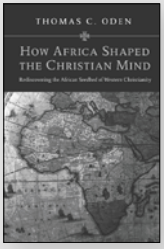
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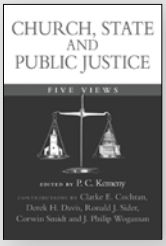


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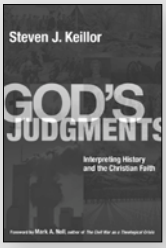


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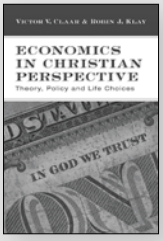
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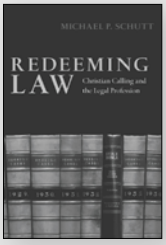
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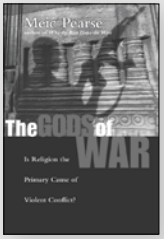


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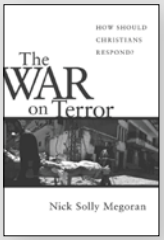
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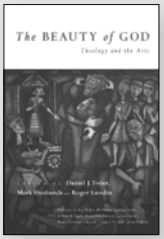


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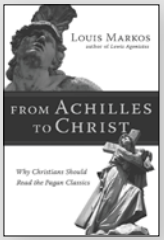


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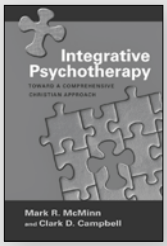


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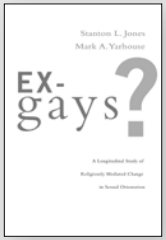
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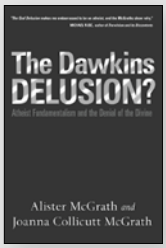


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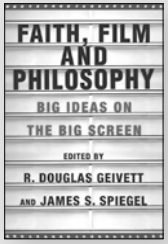
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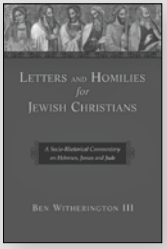
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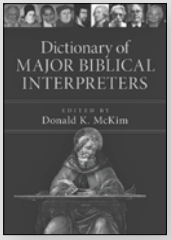


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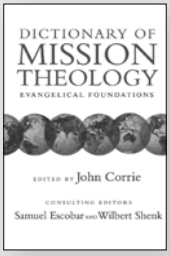


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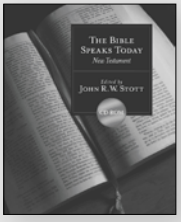
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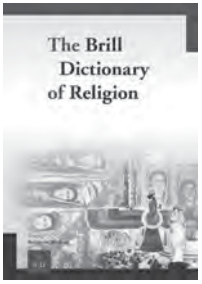
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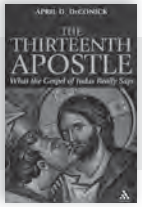
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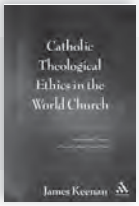
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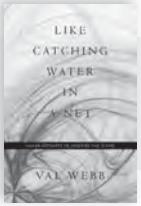
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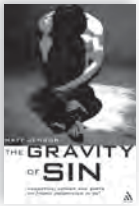
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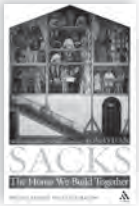
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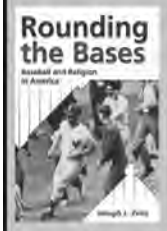
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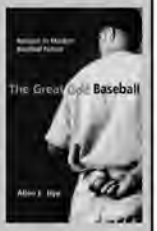
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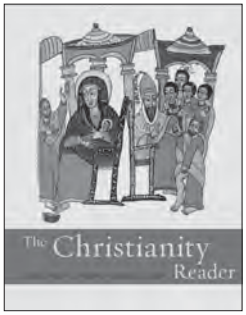
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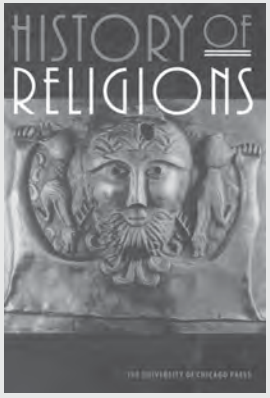
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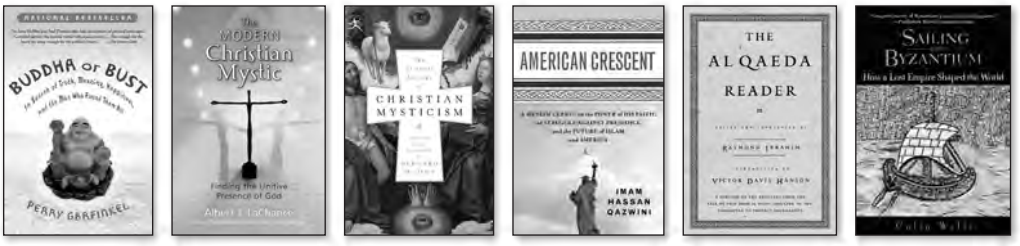
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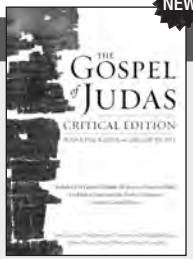
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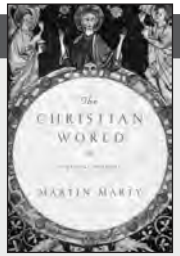
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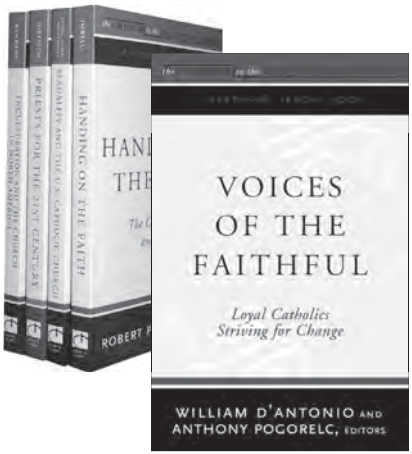
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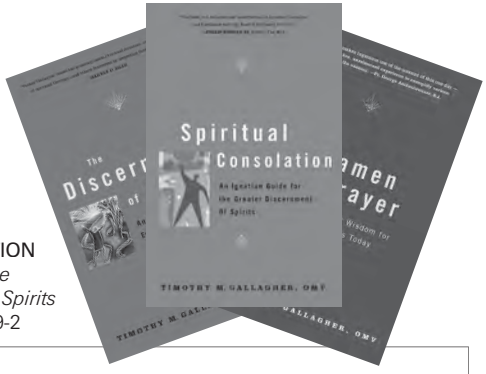
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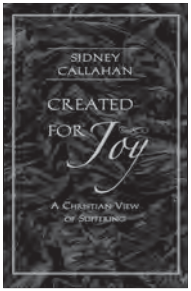
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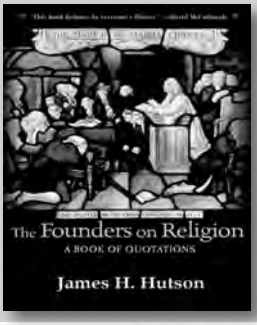
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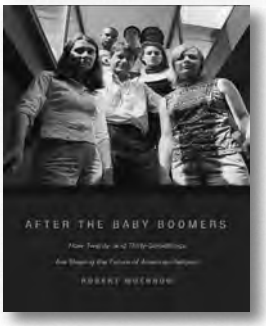


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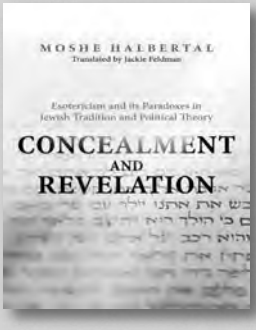


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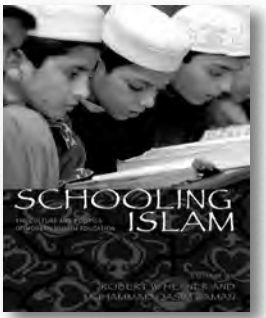
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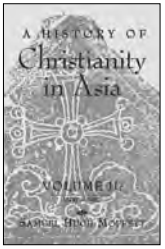
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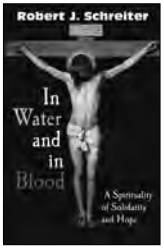
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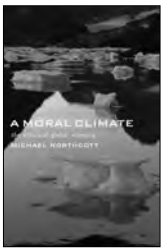
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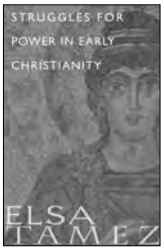
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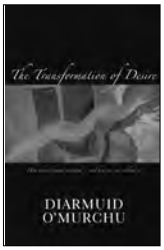
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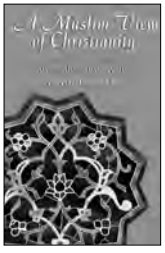
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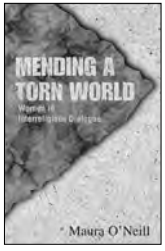


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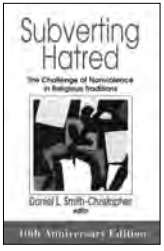
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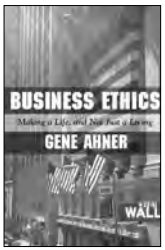
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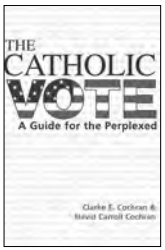
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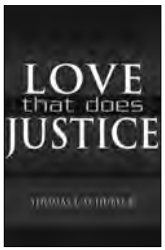
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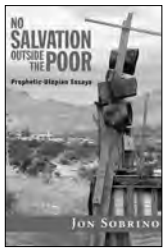
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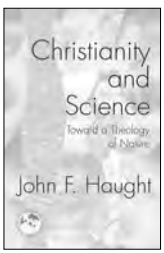


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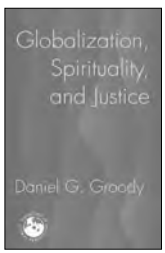


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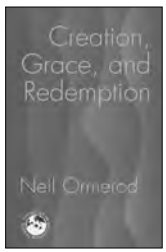
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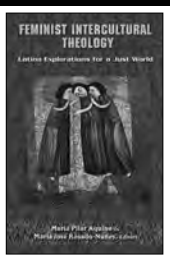


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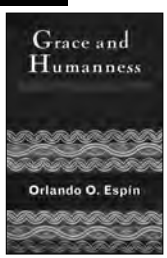
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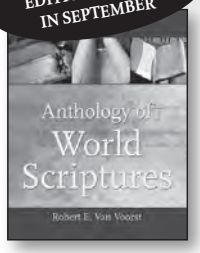
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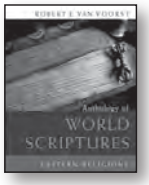
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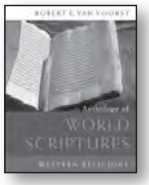
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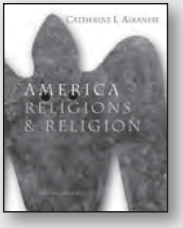


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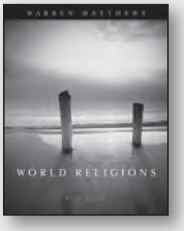


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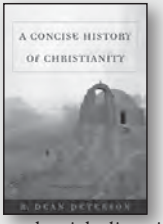


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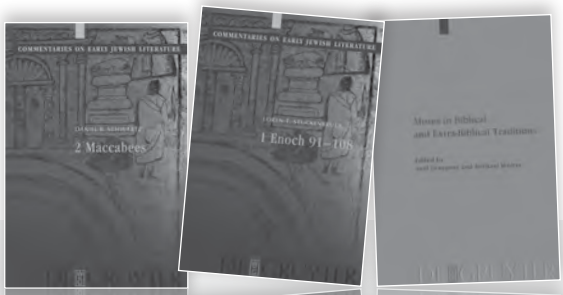
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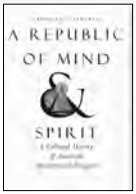


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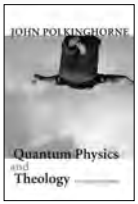
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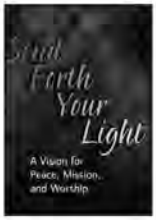
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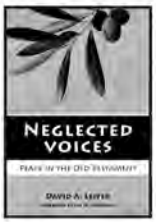
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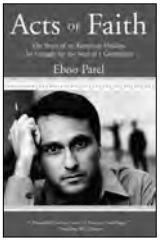


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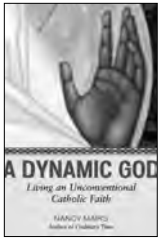
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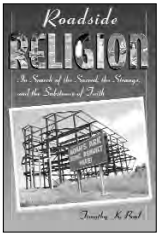
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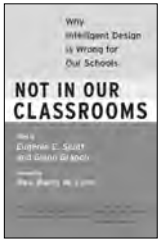


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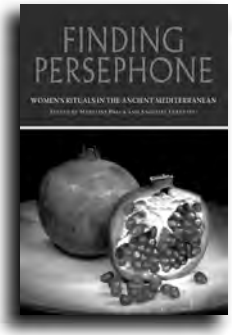
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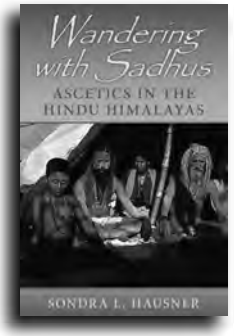
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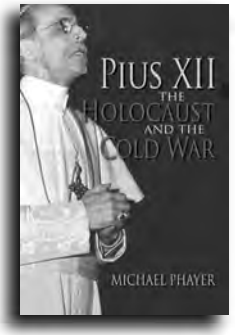
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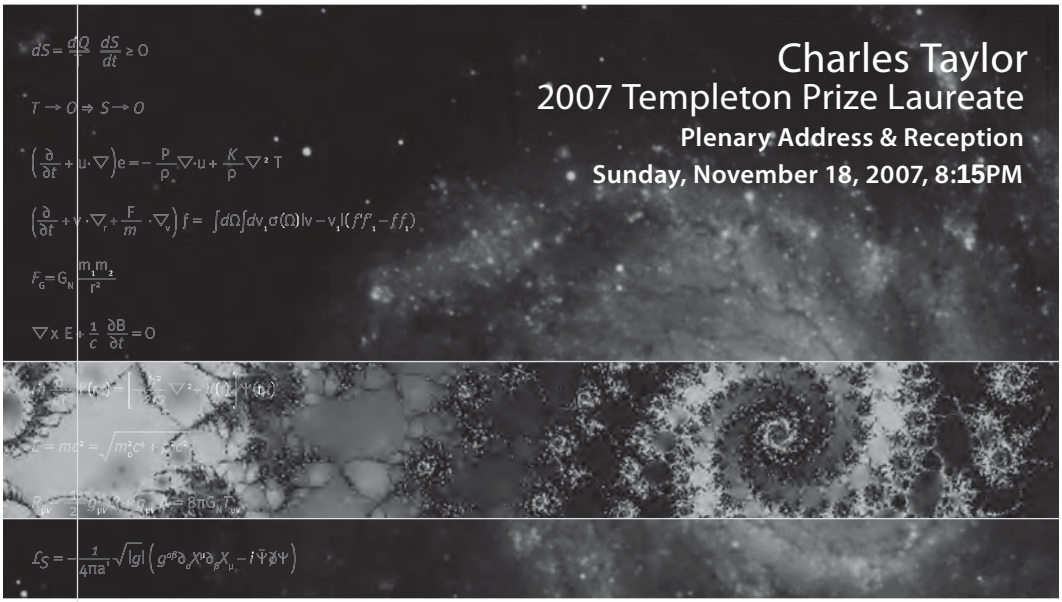
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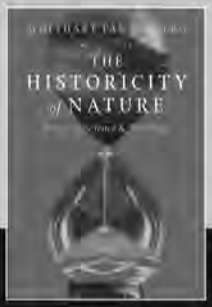
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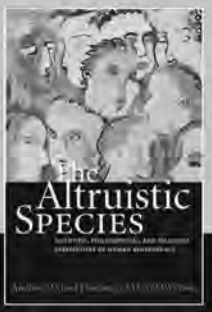
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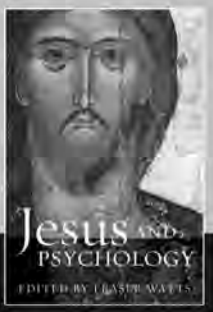
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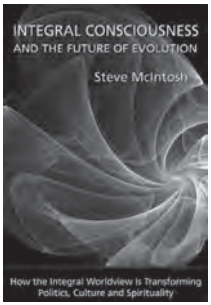
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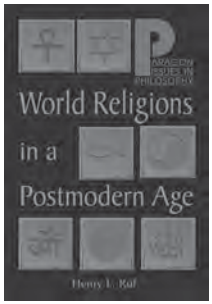
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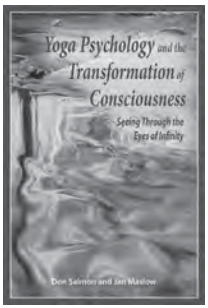
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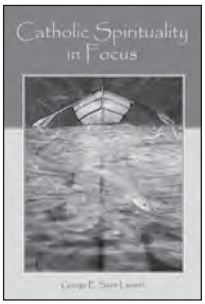
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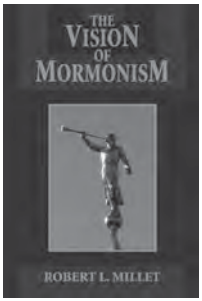
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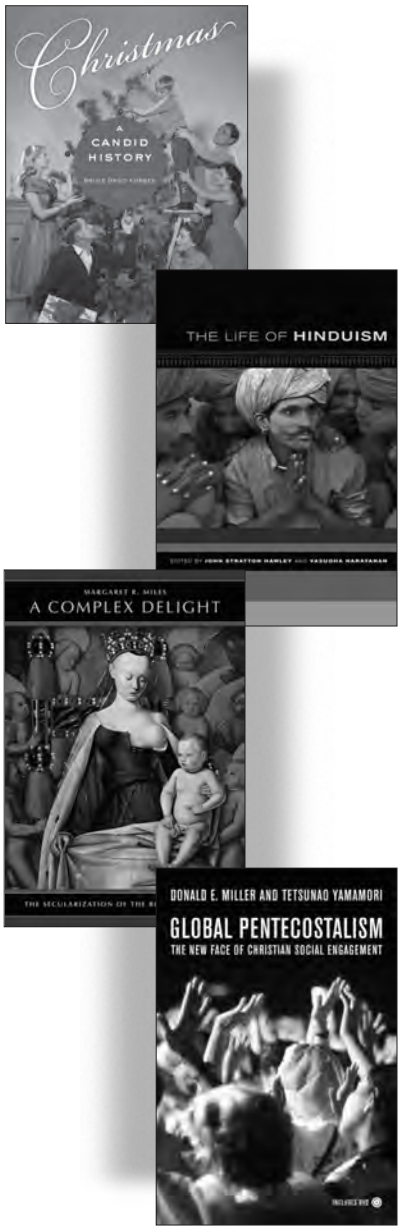
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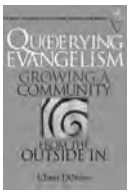
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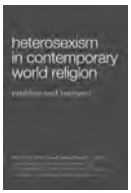
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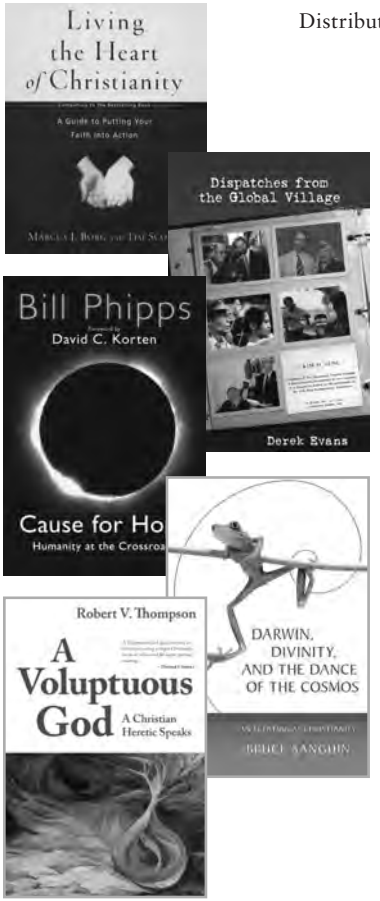
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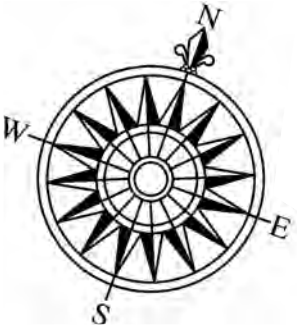
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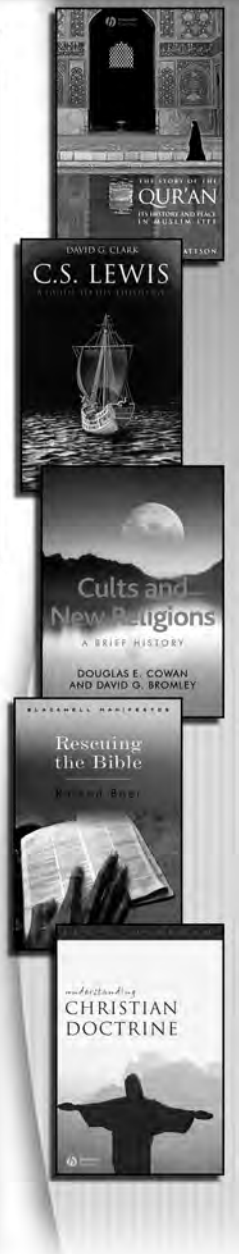
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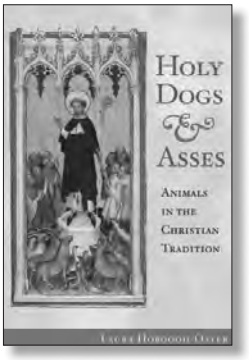
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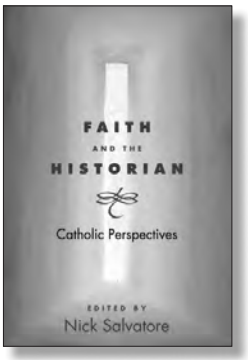
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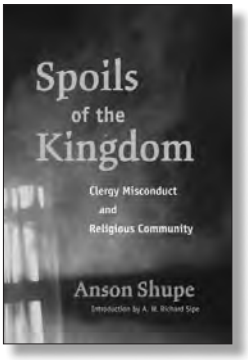
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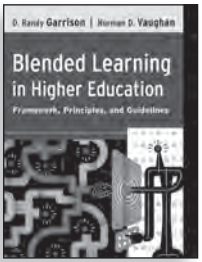
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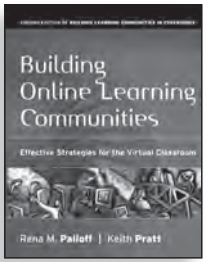
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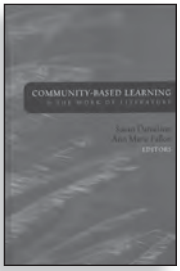


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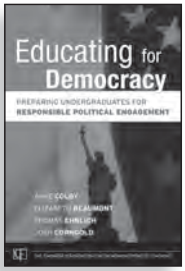


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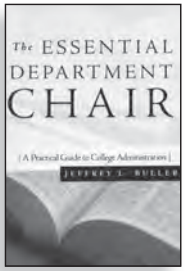
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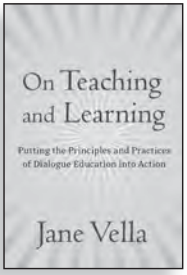
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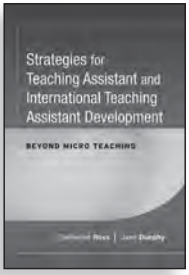
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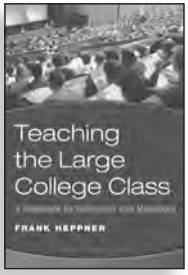
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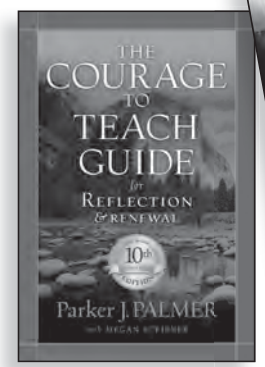


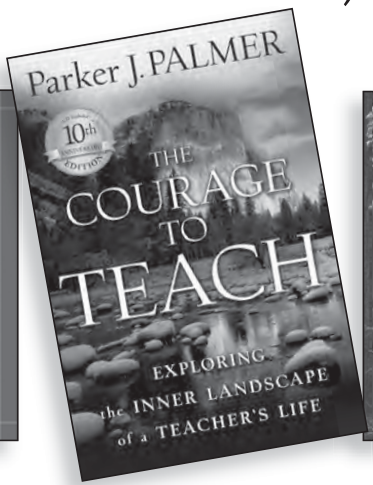
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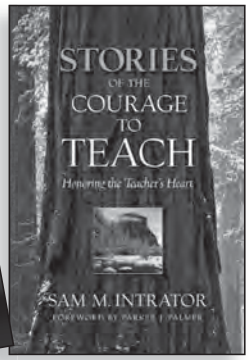
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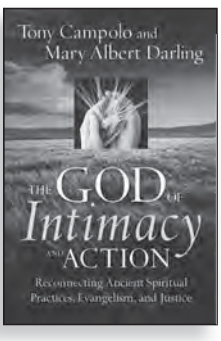


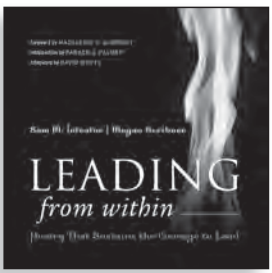
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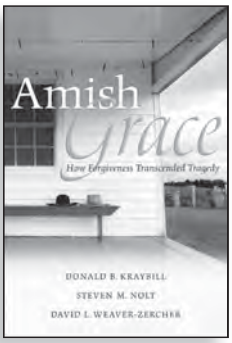


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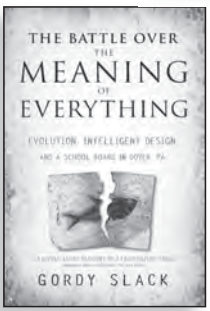
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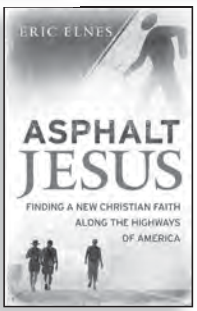




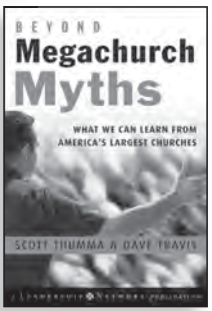
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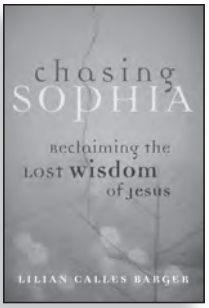
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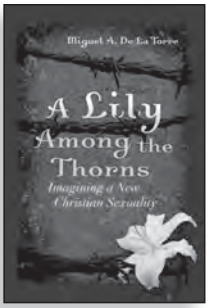
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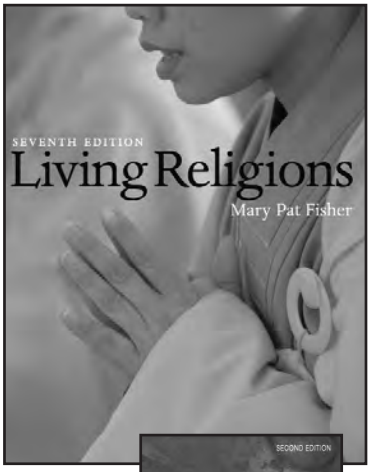


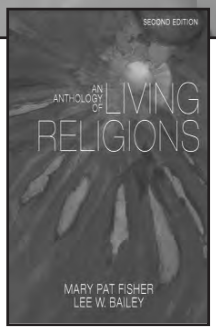
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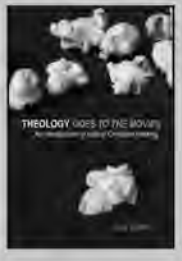
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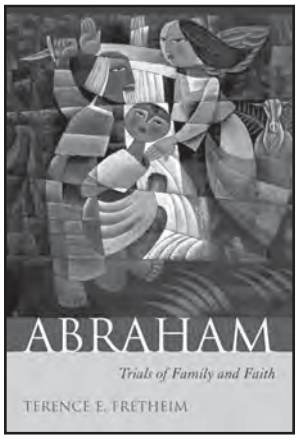
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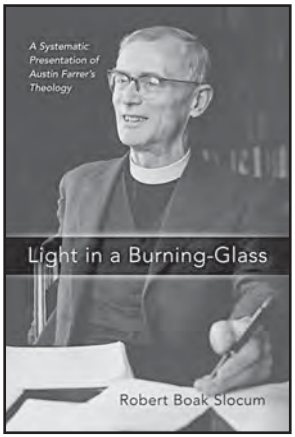
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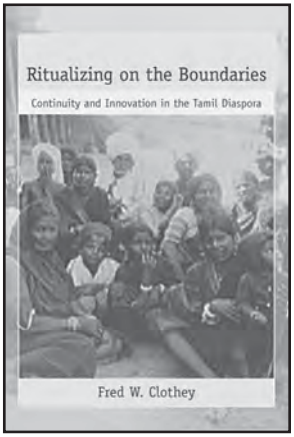
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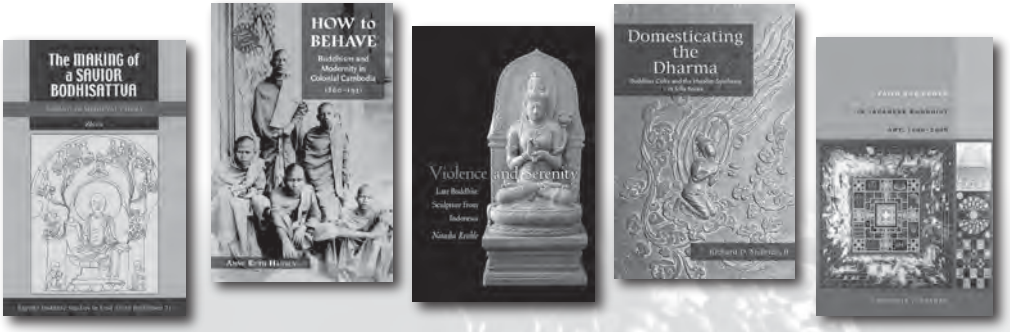
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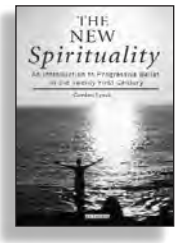
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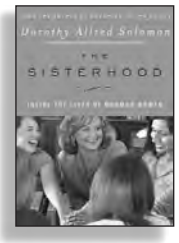


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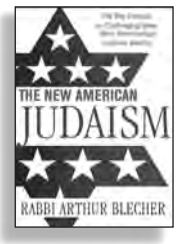
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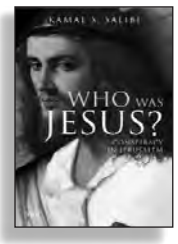
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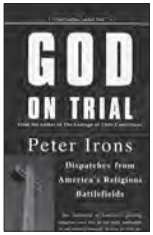
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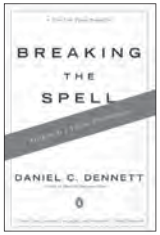
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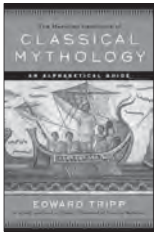
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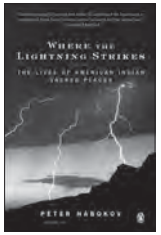
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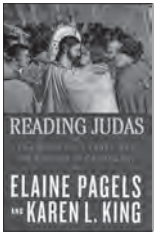












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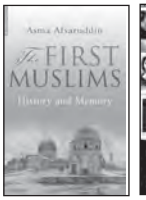
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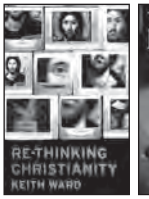
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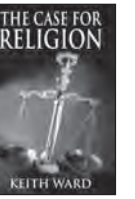












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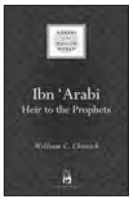
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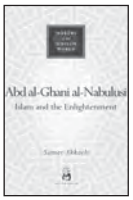












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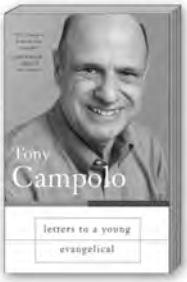
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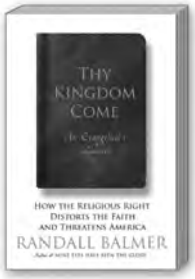
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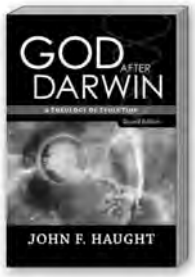
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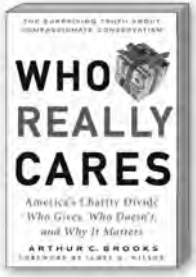
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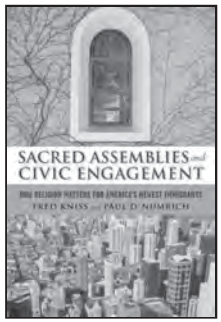
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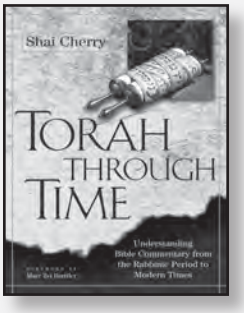
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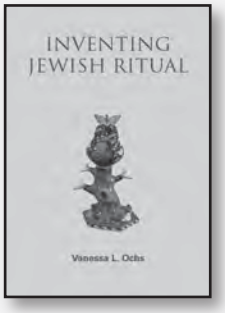
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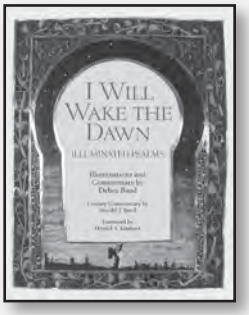
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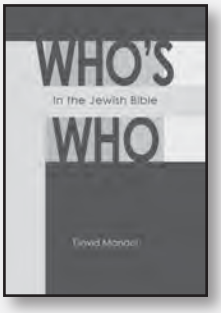
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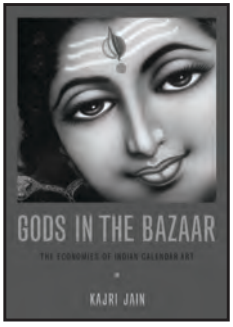
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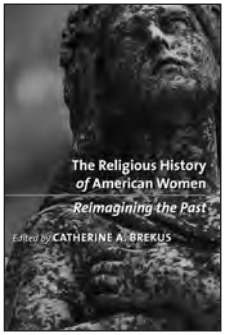
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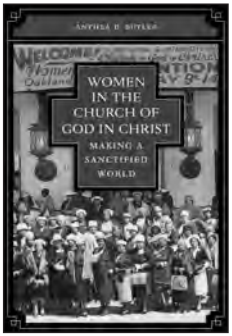
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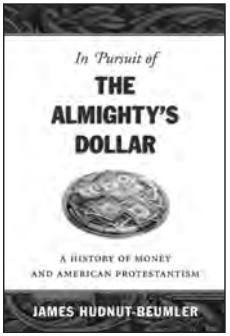
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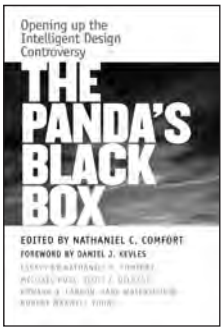
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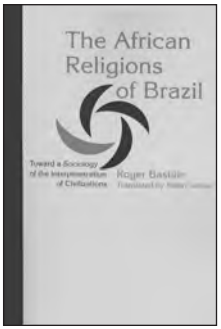
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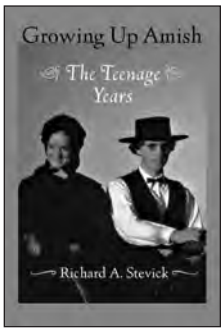
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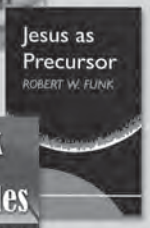
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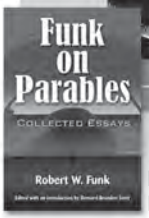


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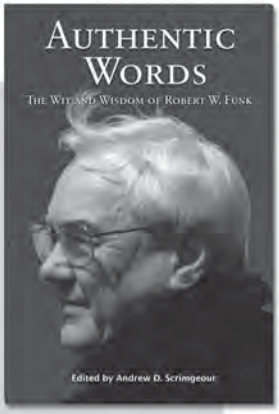
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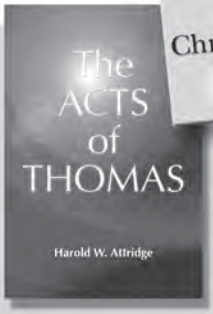
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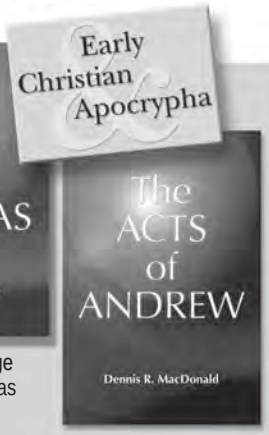
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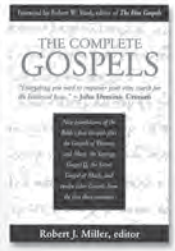


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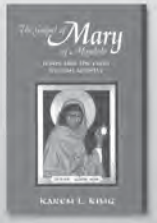
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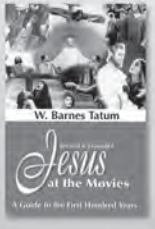
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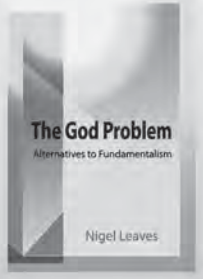




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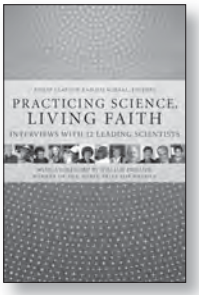
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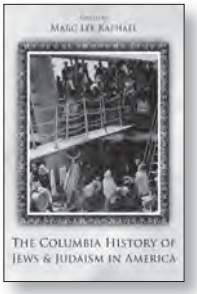
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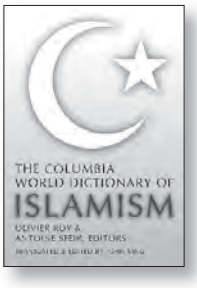


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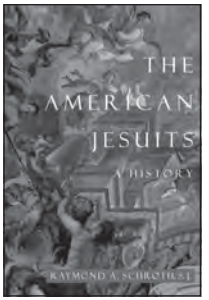
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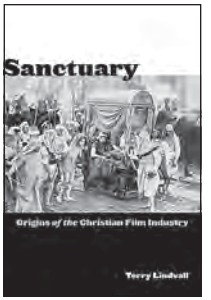
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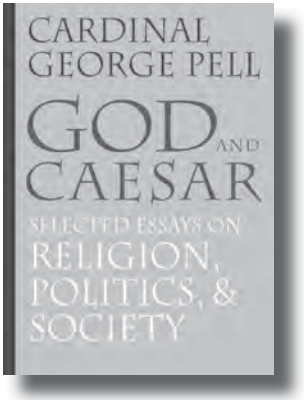
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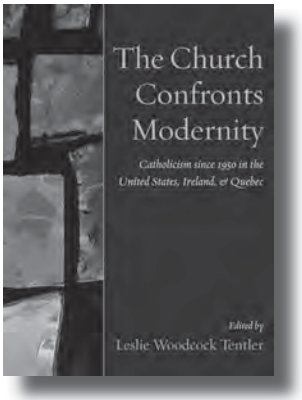
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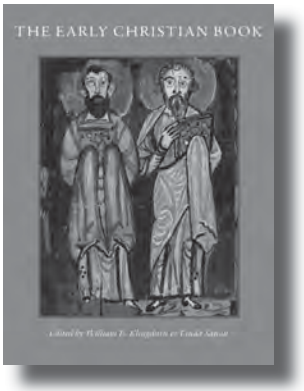
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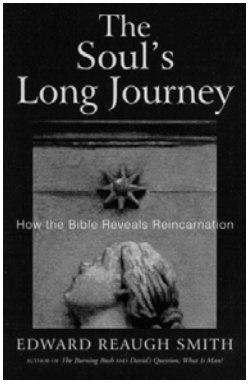
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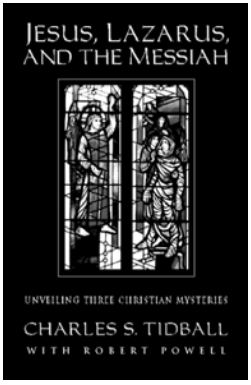
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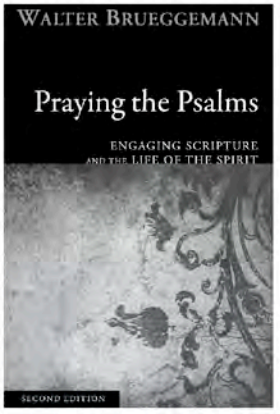
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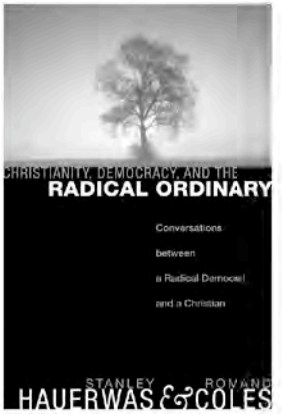
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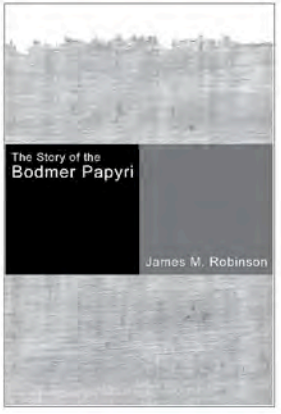
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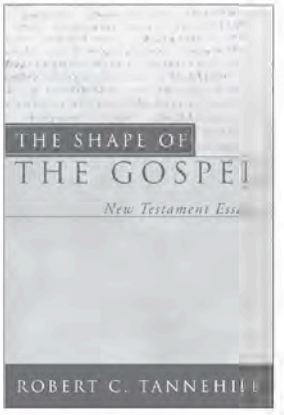
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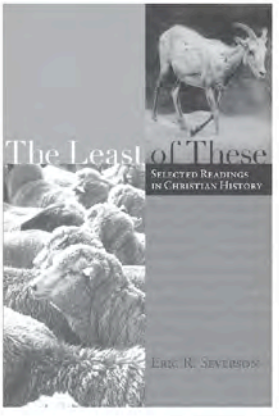


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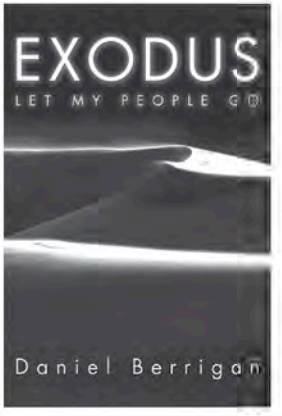


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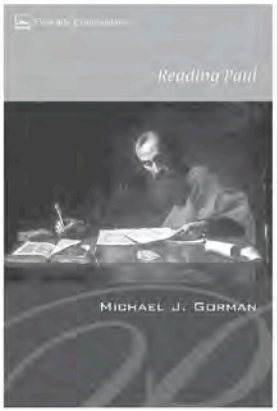
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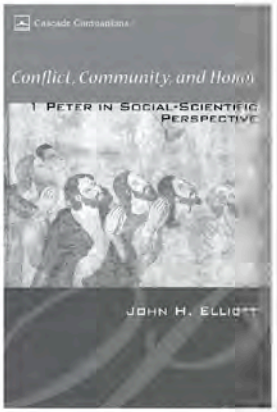
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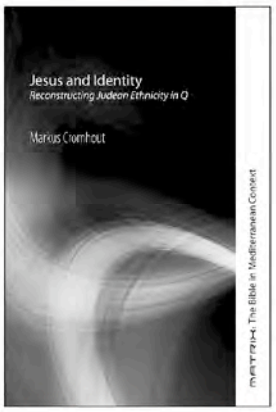


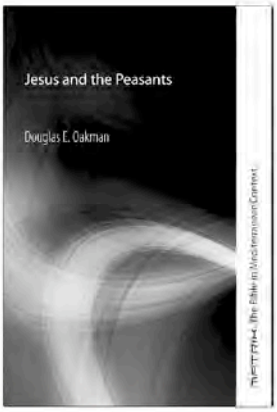


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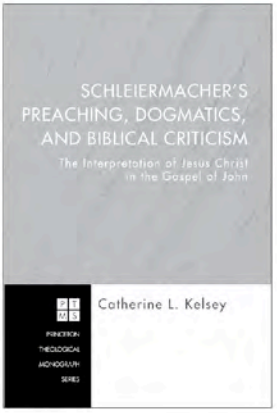


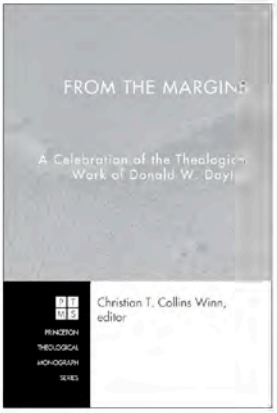


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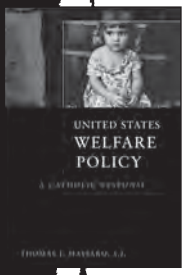
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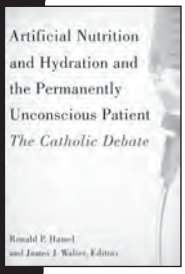
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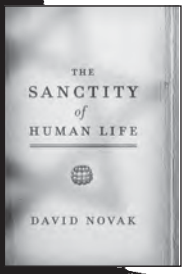
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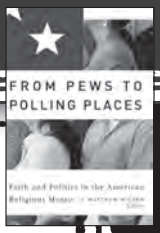
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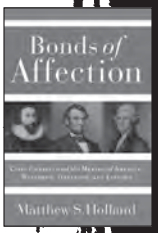
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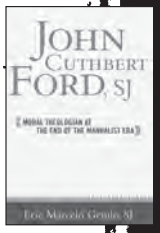
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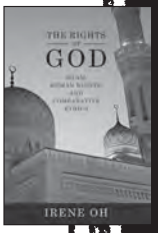
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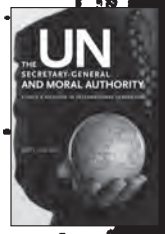




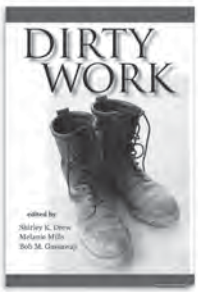








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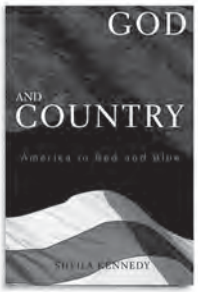


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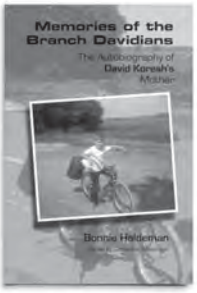
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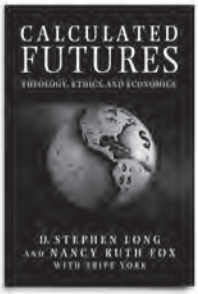


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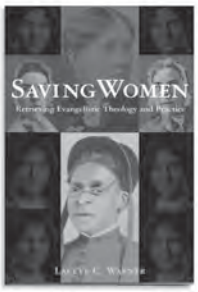


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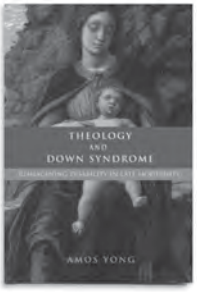
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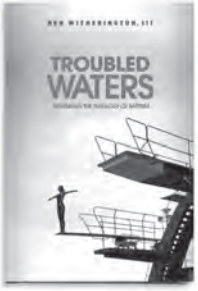
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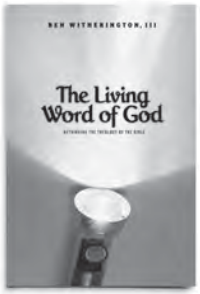


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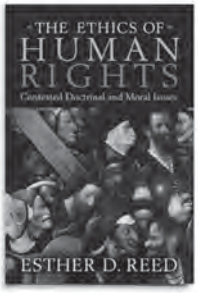
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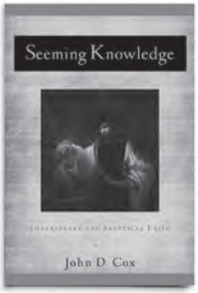


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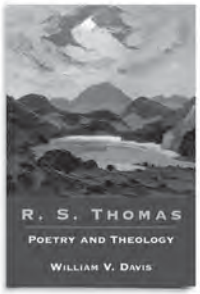


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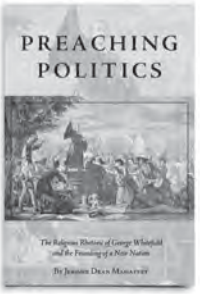
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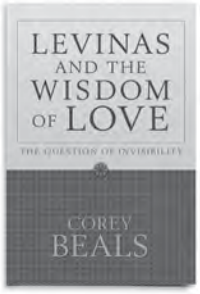


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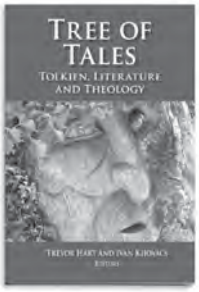


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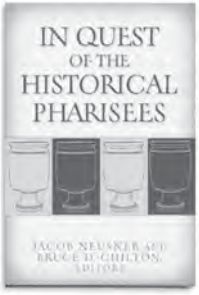


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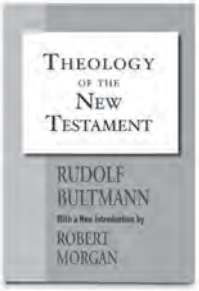
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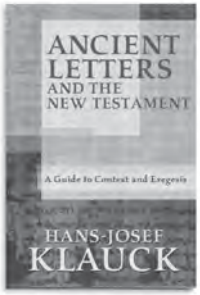


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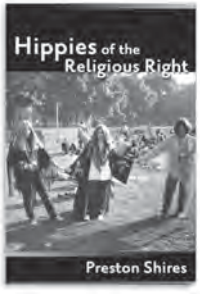


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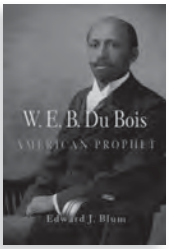
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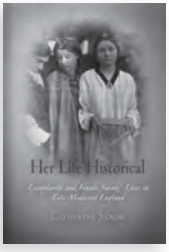


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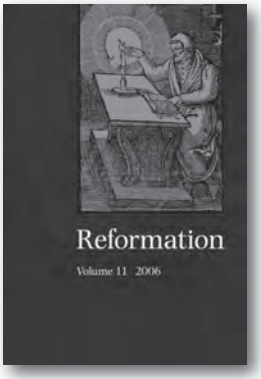
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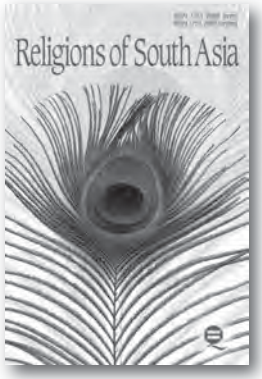
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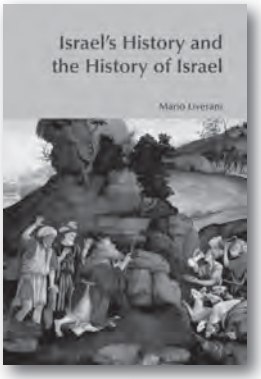
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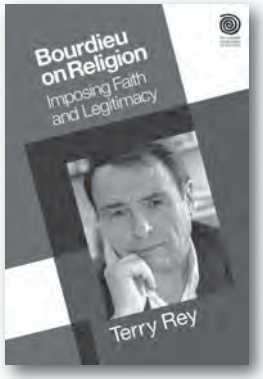
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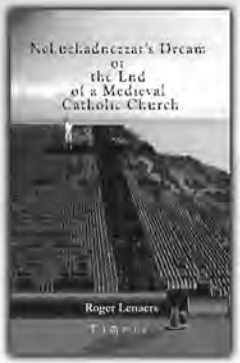
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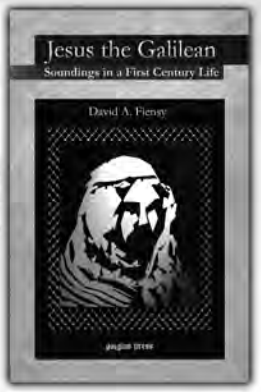
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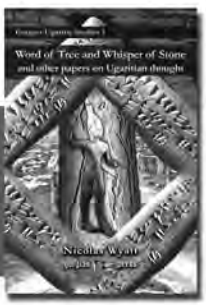


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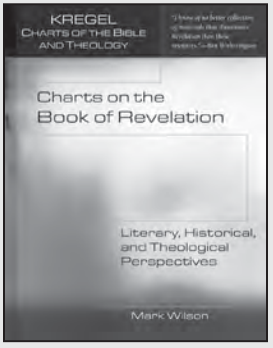
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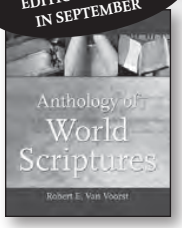
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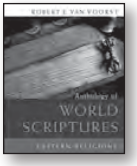
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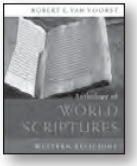
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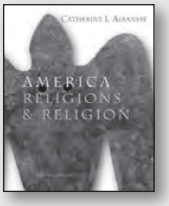
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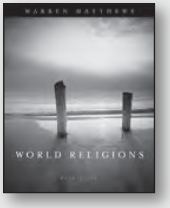
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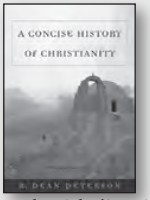
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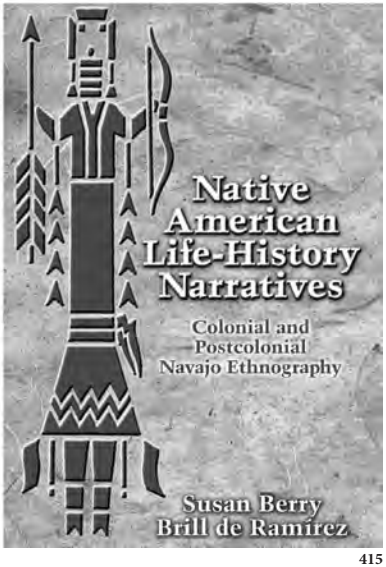
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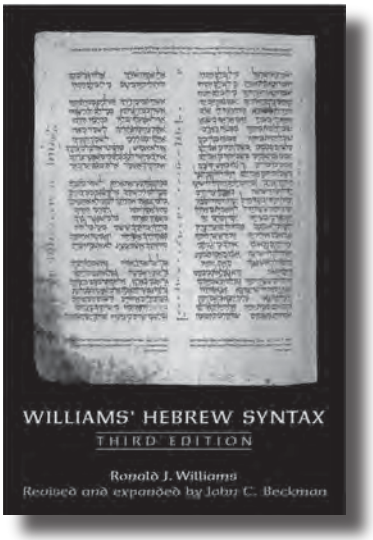


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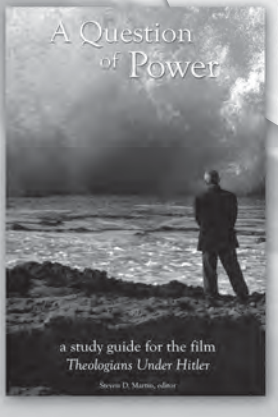
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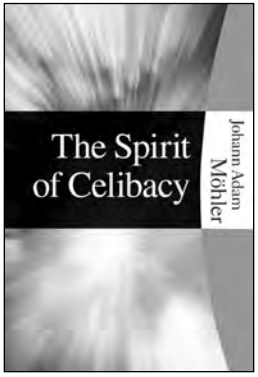
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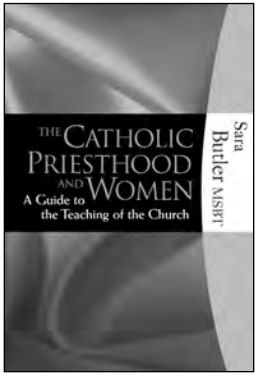
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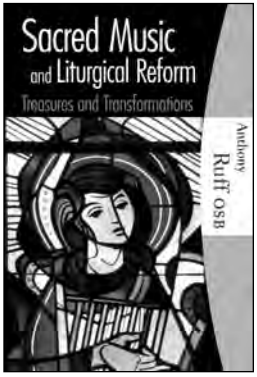
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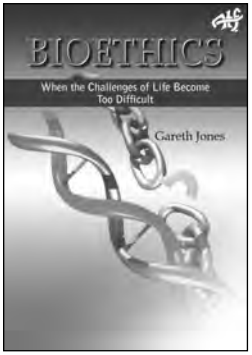


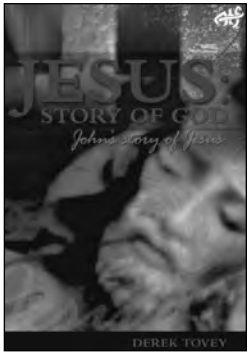


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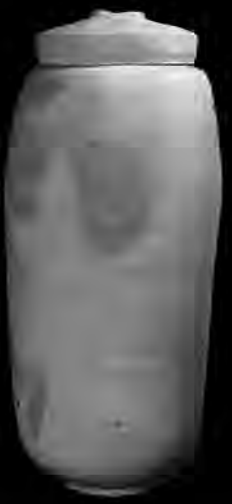
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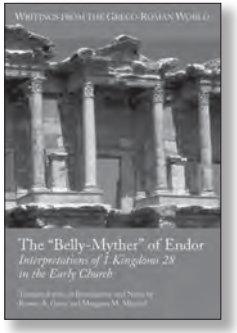
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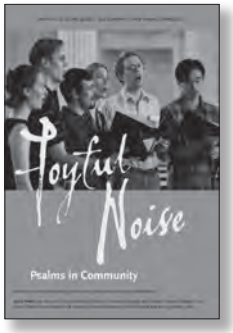
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A17-408 Sat 9:00 pm-11:00 pm

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A17-402 Sat 5:45 pm-7:00 pm

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A17-412 Sat 9:00 pm-11:00 pm

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A18-131 Sun 11:30 am-1:00 pm

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A18-301 Sun 4:45 pm-8:00 pm

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A19-200 Mon 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

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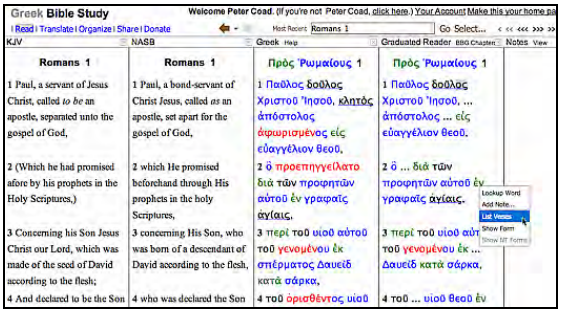
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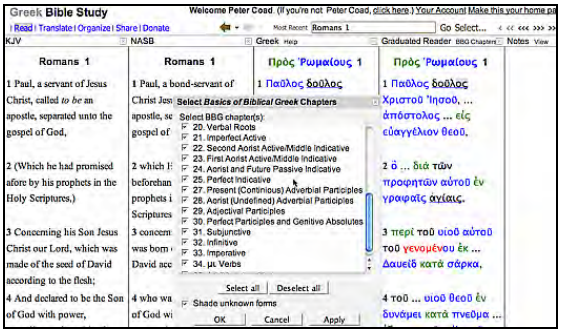
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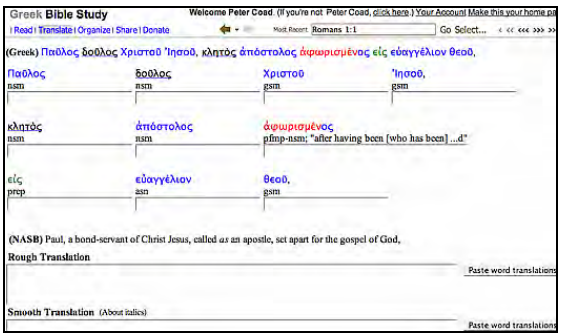
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