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S16-101

SBL Regional Coordinators Committee

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

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SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

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SBL Development Committee

9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – SBL Suite

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SBL Student Advisory Board

12:00 PM–2:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

P16-202

The Enoch Seminar

12:00 PM–2:00 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Terrace (I.M. Pei Tower Building, Terrace Level)

Theme: Paul the Jew: A Conversation between Pauline Scholars and Second Temple Scholars, with Mark Nanos and Gabriele Boccaccini

Isaac W. Oliver, Bradley University, Presiding

Mark Nanos, University of Kansas – Lawrence, Panelist

Gabriele Boccaccini, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Panelist

There is a growing scholarly consensus to see Paul as part of the diversity of Second Temple Judaism. In this seminar, a group of Pauline and Second Temple specialists will discuss Paul's Jewishness, with particular attention to Paul's understanding of covenant and individual salvation, based on the works of Mark Nanos (University of Kansas) and Gabriele Boccaccini (University of Michigan). Attendance to the seminar is by invitation only – for more information, please contact the secretary, Joshua Scott (scottjos@umich.edu).

P16-109

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

12:00 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: Teaching and Traumatic Events

Current events are pressing conversations about trauma and traumatic events in classrooms across higher education, not just those associated with theology and religion. This pre-meeting workshop invites religion and theology faculty into critically reflective conversations about trauma and traumatic events related to classroom teaching. The workshop will explore such topics as: hot-button issues, teaching methods and strategies for engaging trauma and traumatic events in classroom teaching, and crisis teaching. The workshop will also provide participants with a range of effective teaching resources related to the topic.

We will begin with a buffet lunch at noon, and conclude at 5 p.m.

Prior to the workshop, participants will read a short essay in advance and be prepared to discuss your teaching context.

Space is limited to 40 participants. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett, reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is October 15. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

Ella Johnson, St. Ambrose University, Panelist

Richard Newton, University of Alabama, Panelist

S16-204

SBL Annual Meeting Program Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

S16-205

SBL Finance Committee

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – SBL Suite

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Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3A (Lower Level)

Theme: Scripture and Doctrine Seminar

The Scripture and Doctrine Seminar launches a two-year theme addressing the relationship between Scripture and Doctrine via reflections on the doctrine of theological anthropology, offering constructive and contemporary proposals for theological anthropology. For further information, please contact Benjamin T. Quinn, PhD (bquinn@sebs.edu) or Luke Stamps (rlstamps@andersonuniversity.edu), and the Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics at <http://kllice.co.uk/>. See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

R. Lucas Stamps, Anderson University, Presiding

Marc Cortez, Wheaton College

The Image of the Invisible God: Christ's Embodied Humanity and Theological Anthropology (15 min)

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James Dew, College at Southeastern (SEBTS)
Death as the Litmus Test for Theological Anthropology (15 min)
 Mary Veeneman, North Park University
Theological Method and Theological Anthropology (15 min)
 Benjamin Quinn, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Where Shall Anthropology be Found, in Wisdom? (15 min)

Break (15 min)

Panel Discussion: Presenters and Additional Panelists

Lewis Ayres, Durham University, Panelist
 Craig Bartholomew, The Kirby Laing Centre for Christian Ethics
 (Cambridge), Panelist
 Scott Hahn, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Panelist

Discussion (60 min)

S16-208

SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 206 (Street Level)

S16-209

SBL Using Performance to Teach the Bible

1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 704 (Street Level)

Registration for this workshop is available through Annual Meetings registration. The seventh annual workshop sponsored by the Bible in Ancient and Modern Media offers sessions on using performance to engage students with biblical text, lead by experienced teaching scholars. The participants will be involved in active learning throughout the afternoon. Cost of registration is \$50 and can be submitted through SBL Annual Meetings registration. Additional information is available from Phil Ruge-Jones as at pruge-jones@tlu.edu.

P16-210

Westar Institute

1:00 PM–8:00 PM

Grand Hyatt (GH) – Colorado Ball A (Second Level)

Theme: **Christianity Seminar (Rise of Christ Communities)**

Westar Institute's Christianity Seminar examines the rise of Christ communities during the first 3 Centuries of the Common Era. It employs innovative research methods to highlight pluralism, the displacement of populations, and resistance to imperial culture.

Session One: 1:00–2:30 PM

Hal Taussig, Westar Institute, Presiding
 Christine Shea, Ball State University, Presiding
 David Wheeler-Reed, Yale University and Albertus Magnus
 College and Celene Lillie, University of Colorado at Boulder
(Re)reading Regulating Sex in the Roman Empire One Year Later

Session Two: 3:00–4:30 PM

Deborah Niederer, Butler University, Presiding
 Soham Al-Suadi, Universität Rostock, Presiding
 Celene Lillie, University of Colorado at Boulder and Virginia
 Burrus, Syracuse University
Gender in the First Two Centuries of the Christ Movements

Session Three: 6:30–8:00 PM

Shirley Paulson, University of Birmingham, Presiding
 Robert Millier, Juniata University, Presiding
 Joanna Dewey, Episcopal Divinity School, Virginia Burrus,
 Syracuse University, Celene Lillie, University of Colorado at
 Boulder and David Wheeler-Reed, Albertus Magnus College
Gender in the First Two Centuries of the Christ Movements

P16-211

Westar Institute

1:00 PM–8:00 PM

Grand Hyatt (GH) – Colorado Ball B (Second Level)

Theme: **Seminar on God and the Human Future: Why Thinking About God Still Matters**

We will showcase the developing work of the Westar Institute's academic seminar on "God and the Human Future." It includes a special session on the legacy of Shubert Ogden, with a specific focus on his Notebook project, which is an online archive of his unpublished writings, letters and notes (available at <http://bit.ly/OgdenNotebooks>), a workshop on the first stage of the seminar's book project on "The Varieties of Post-Theism," and a gathering of leading theologians and philosophers of religion to reflect on the question of "Why we should talk about God at all." All are welcome to attend the sessions. Summaries of the papers will be read at the session leaving opportunity for discussion.

Session One: 1:00–2:30 PM

Andrew D. Scrimgeour, Drew University, Presiding
 Schubert M. Ogden, Drew University
The Notebook Project: The Theological Legacy of Schubert M. Ogden
 Philip E. Devenish, Independent Scholar, Respondent
 Franklin I. Gamwell, The University of Chicago, Respondent
 George L. Goodwin, The College of St. Scholastica, Respondent
 Alexander F. Vishio, United Church of Christ, Respondent

Session Two: 3:00–4:30 PM

Karen Bray, Wesleyan College, Presiding
 Brandy Daniels, University of Virginia, Marion Grau, Graduate
 Theological Union, Tamsin Jones, Trinity College – Hartford,
 Dan Peterson, Marika Rose, University of Winchester, Mayra
 Rivera, Harvard University and Ted Smith, Emory University
Why Should We Talk About God At All?

Session Three: 6:30–8:00 PM

Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas, Presiding
 John D. Caputo, Syracuse University, Elli Elliot, Independent
 Scholar and Robin R. Meyer, Oklahoma City University
Varieties of Post-Theism: Book Workshop
 David Galston, Westar Institute, Respondent
 Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College, Respondent



S16-213

SBL Professional Development Committee

3:00 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

P16-214

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Theme: **Ancient Historiography and the New Testament**

This group examines the connections between Greco-Roman historiographical literature, Jewish historiography (including the LXX), and early Christian literature (primarily the NT). Given the importance of history for Christianity (and Judaism), we look forward to exploring questions about the form, function, interpretation, and development of historiographical literature in the ancient world, as well as larger methodological questions.

Contact Sean Adams (adams.sean@gmail.com) and Daniel Smith (daniel.smith@slu.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research under Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>. Papers will be posted on IBR website.

Daniel Smith, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Edward T. Wright, Asbury Theological Seminary

Fictionalization in Ancient Biographies: Implications for Gospel Studies (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Michael Licona, Houston Baptist University

Compositional Devices in Ancient Biography: A Comparison of Plutarch's Lives with the Synoptic Gospels (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Jeremiah Coogan, University of Notre Dame

Eusebius of Caesarea, Historiography, and the Gospels (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P16-215

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Biblical Theology**

The Biblical Theology group will continue a multi-year project begun in 2017, focusing on examples of biblical theological method and classification. Using the taxonomy of types of Biblical Theology offered in *Understanding Biblical Theology* (Zondervan, 2012), papers will outline, explore, and offer a worked example of their particular type of Biblical Theology. These papers may plot their methodological perspectives within one of the types of Biblical Theology offered in the taxonomy or they may reflect critically upon the taxonomy carving out new space upon the continuum for their particular view/approach to Biblical Theology. The goal of these sessions is to produce papers which reflect upon and refine the particular types of Biblical Theology in addition to providing clearly worked examples of each approach. Contact Darian Lockett (darian.lockett@biola.edu) or Stephen Presley (spresley@swbts.edu). Or see Institute for Biblical Research under Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding

Stephen O. Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Context: Methodology and Taxonomy (15 min)

Brian S. Rosner, Ridley College

The Priority of Being Known by God in Galatians 4:8-9 and the History of Redemption (25 min)

Stephen E. Fowl, Loyola University Maryland

The Community of the Curious: Curiosity as Disposition Leading to Idolatry (25 min)

R. W. L. Moberly, University of Durham

On Engaging with the Subject Matter of the Text: A Reading of Mark 13:32-37 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Panel and General Discussion

Discussion (25 min)

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3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship**

The “Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship” group focuses on synchronic approaches to the study of the Book of the Twelve/Twelve Minor Prophets. This year we will explore the theme of “Empire, Power, and Politics in the Twelve.” Presenters will provide a short (20 mins) synopsis of their papers, followed by an extended time of discussion. For more information please contact Beth M. Stovell at bstovell@ambrose.edu, Colin M. Toffelmire at ctoffelmire@ambrose.edu, and George Athas at George.athas@moore.edu.au. See also Institute for Biblical Research under Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>

Colin Toffelmire, Ambrose University College, Presiding

George Athas, Moore Theological College

Empire, Power, and Politics in the Twelve: Setting the Scene (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joel Barker, Heritage College & Seminary

The Place of Zion in the Political Landscape of the Twelve (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Timmer, Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary

Empires, Power, and Politics across the Twelve: YHWH, National Identity, and Destiny (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (30 min)

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Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Early Historical Books (Joshua-Kings)**

Historical-cultural and literary-theological exploration of the Old Testament historical books that are set in the pre-exilic period, including the so-called deuteronomistic history as well as the book of Ruth. This year we will have invited papers focused on the Israelite settlement through the lenses of the early historical books. For further information please contact Ralph Hawkins (rhawkins@averett.edu) and Kenneth Way (ken.way@biola.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research under Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>

Kenneth Way, Talbot School of Theology, Biola University,
Presiding

Kenneth Way, Talbot School of Theology, Biola University,
Welcome (1 min)

Ralph Hawkins, Averett University
The Early Israelite Settlement through the Lens of the Early Historical Books: A Precursor (25 min)

Discussion (3 min)

Lissa Wray Beal, Providence Theological Seminary
The Early Israelite Settlement through the Lens of Joshua (25 min)

Discussion (3 min)

Robert D. Miller, Catholic University of America
The Early Israelite Settlement through the Lens of Judges (25 min)

Discussion (3 min)

Daniel Block, Wheaton College
The Early Israelite Settlement through the Lens of Ruth (25 min)

Discussion (3 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (7 min)

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Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **A Pneumatic Hermeneutic: The Role of the Holy Spirit in Biblical Interpretation**

The purpose of this research group is to provide a diverse professional forum to examine the role of the Holy Spirit in hermeneutics and biblical scholarship. These meetings will examine various approaches throughout the history of biblical scholarship and the reception of Scripture pertaining to the work of the Holy Spirit in interpretation. For information contact Beth Stovell (bstovell@ambrose.edu), Ron Herms (ron.herms@fresno.edu), Archie Wright (awright@regent.edu), and Kevin Spawn (kspawn@regent.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under the Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>

Archie Wright, Regent University, Presiding

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts
Wesleyan College
*The Dynamics of Responsible Biblical Interpretation: Toward a
Creational Pneumatic Hermeneutic (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington)
Insight as a Characteristic of S/Spirit in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary
Spirit Hermeneutics: Reading with Faith (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (15 min)

P16-219

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Pauline Theology**

Continuing the group's previous study of sin and its remedy in Romans, the Pauline Theology research group this year will explore the topic of sin and its remedy in 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, and Galatians. The aim of the study is to seek to answer a series of questions, including: How does Paul conceptualize sin? Does he primarily regard sin as disobedience, or as an enslaving power?

If both, is there a model or perspective that best accounts for these multiple conceptualities? And what does all of this tell us about the Christological and Pneumatological remedies to the problem of sin as Paul conceives of them? For further information, please contact Nijay Gupta (ngupta@georgefox.edu) or John Goodrich (john.goodrich@moody.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under the Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>

Nijay Gupta, Portland Seminary, Presiding

John Goodrich, Moody Bible Institute, Presiding

Nijay Gupta, Portland Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University
Sin and Its Remedy in 1 Corinthians (25 min)

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University
Sin and Its Remedy in 2 Corinthians (25 min)

Break (5 min)

John Goodrich, Moody Bible Institute, Introduction (5 min)

David A. deSilva, Ashland Theological Seminary
Sin and Its Remedy in Galatians (25 min)

Panel and General Discussion

Discussion (30 min)



P16-220**Institute for Biblical Research**

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Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1D (Lower Level)

Theme: Early Christian Judaism

This group examines the diverse ways in which Jews embraced Jesus from the lifetime of Jesus until the rise of Islam. Our 2018 theme is “Gospels and the Partings of the Ways.” We will discuss four papers touching on the Historical Jesus and the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and John in their relation to Judaism. Copies of the four papers will be sent in advance to those on the group email list. To be added to the list, contact David Sloan at david@davidbsloan.com. See also Institute for Biblical Research, under the Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Benjamin J. Snyder, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Michael F. Bird, Ridley College

The Historical Jesus and the Parting of the Ways Revisited (30 min)

John VanMaaren, McMaster University

No Early Parting of the Ways: The Gospel of Mark within the Boundaries of Jewishness (30 min)

Wally V. Cirafesi, University of Oslo

Jewishness as Genealogy in the Fourth Gospel: Situating John's loudaioi within Debates over Ancestry and Merit in Ancient Judaism (30 min)

Gregory S. Thellman, Evangelical Theological Seminary in Osijek, Croatia

Two Competing Visions of Restoration: Matthew 28:18-20 and 2 Chronicles 36:23 (30 min)

P16-221**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3B (Lower Level)

Theme: Ecological Ethics and Biblical Studies

The Ecological Ethics and Biblical Studies research group provides a forum for dialogue about the ethical insights that our Christian communities can find in the Bible to transform character and practice within the ecosystems in which we live. The group engages extended discussion between scholars and practitioners on ecological ethics from a biblical studies perspective. Each year will focus on a different ethical dimension (hope, justice, and wisdom). All are invited to attend and take part in the discussion. For further information, please contact Alexander W. Breitung (awbreitung@gmail.com) and Alexander C. Stewart (stewart.alex.c@gmail.com). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Alexander W. Breitung, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Alexander Coe Stewart, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction (5 min)

William P. Brown, Columbia Theological Seminary
*Wisdom and the Art of Inhabitation (30 min)*Cheryl Bridges Johns, Pentecostal Theological Seminary,
Respondent (15 min)Randy Woodley, George Fox University/Portland Seminary,
Respondent (15 min)

Sandra Richter, Westmont College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

P16-222**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: History of Biblical Interpretation

Theme: The Art of Sleuthing – Recovering Past Interpreters and Their Work. In this session, four senior scholars will talk about their journey in exploring the history of biblical interpretation, touching on such topics as the importance, significance, and payoff of studying the history of biblical interpretation, how to go about doing this kind of research, best practices and resources, and their experience publishing in this area. For further information, contact Marion Taylor (m.taylor@utoronto.ca) or Amanda Benckhuysen (ajb23@calvinseminary.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Amanda Benckhuysen, Calvin Theological Seminary, Presiding

Amanda Benckhuysen, Calvin Theological Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Stanley Porter, McMaster Divinity College

Reflections from the Co-editor of “Pillars in the History of Biblical Interpretation,” Vols 1 and 2 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joy Schroeder, Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Capitol University
Reflections from the Translator and Editor of “The Bible in the Medieval Tradition” and Author of “Deborah’s Daughters” (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Emerson Powery, Messiah College

Reflections from the Co-author of “The Genesis Liberation: Biblical Interpretation in the Antebellum Narratives of the Enslaved” (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marion Ann Taylor, Wycliffe College

Reflections from the Editor of “Handbook of Women Biblical Interpreters,” and Co-Editor of “Women of War, Women of Woe” and “Women in the Story of Jesus” (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

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Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1F (Lower Level)

Theme: **Identity Formation in the New Testament**

The purpose of this research unit is to explore the various ways the New Testament writings shape early Christian identity within the context of the Roman world generally and Judaism specifically. This year, papers will probe ways that mind sciences (e.g., philosophy, psychology, neuroscience, anthropology, linguistics) inform the investigation of the formation of identity in the New Testament. For further information: J. Brian Tucker brian.tucker@moody.edu and Elizabeth Shively ees3@st-andrews.ac.uk. See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Matthew L. Walsh, Acadia Divinity College

"Holy Ones" as a Christian Self-Designation: A Comparison of Religious Identity in the Pauline Corpus and in the Dead Sea Scrolls (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James D. Dvorak, Oklahoma Christian University
The Linguistics of Social Identity (Re-)Formation (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Alexander E. Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary
(Amsterdam)

The Role of Fear and Hope in Drawing and Transcending Boundaries in the Apocalypse of John (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Troy Miller, Memphis College for Urban Theological Studies
The Process of Early Christian Identity Formation and the Emergence of the Social Phenomenon of Heresy (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (10 min)

P16-224

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Relationship Between the Old Testament and the New Testament**

This research group focuses on the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament. For further information contact Gareth Lee Cockerill (gcockerill@wbs.edu) and Creig Marlowe (creig.marlowe@etf.edu).

This year will engage two books: John Walton, *Old Testament Theology for Christians* (IVP Academic, 2017), and Roy Gane, *Old Testament Law for Christians* (Baker Academic, 2017).

See also at Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Creighton Marlowe, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit,
Presiding

Creighton Marlowe, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit,
Introduction (10 min)

Gary Cockerill, Wesleyan Biblical Seminary (Emeritus)
Review of J. Walton's Old Testament Theology for Christians, and R. Gane's Old Testament Law for Christians (20 min)

Richard Averbeck, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Review of J. Walton's Old Testament Theology for Christians, and R. Gane's Old Testament Law for Christians (20 min)

John Walton, Wheaton College (Illinois), Respondent (15 min)

Roy Gane, Andrews University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

P16-225

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Old Testament Theology of Prayer**

The Old Testament Theology of Prayer research group explores Old Testament prayers and texts related to prayer to discern what these texts reveal about Israel's covenant relationship with the God of Israel, and how such texts can speak to global Christian communities. Building on the foundations of the newly published book, *Praying with Ancient Israel: Exploring the Theology of Prayer in the Old Testament* (ACU Press, 2015), this year's session engages the recorded prayers of ordinary people, including the marginalized. For further information, contact Phillip Camp (phillip.camp@lipscomb.edu) and Elaine Phillips (Elaine.Phillips@gordon.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Elaine Phillips, Gordon College, Presiding

Sheri L. Klouda, Taylor University

The Literary Dependence of the Prayer of the King's Cupbearer (Neh 1:4–11) on the Prayers of Moses (Ex 32–34), and Why it Matters (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

David G. Firth, Trinity College, Bristol
Getting It Wrong but Getting It Right: Joshua's Prayer in Joshua 7 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Phillip G. Camp, Lipscomb University

The Prayers of Women in Old Testament Narratives: A Theological Exploration (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (25 min)



P16-226**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1B (Lower Level)

Theme: The Pentateuch

Exploring the five books of Moses through historical background, diachronic and synchronic studies, and theological interpretation, with particular attention given to integrating these methods toward a better understanding of the Pentateuch itself or the role of the Pentateuch in Biblical Theology. Contact Todd Patterson, todd.patterson@efca.org and Michael Cox, zmcox@tiu.edu. See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Todd Patterson, Matej Bel University, Presiding

Michael Cox, Trinity International University, Presiding

Todd Patterson, Matej Bel University, Welcome (5 min)

Josef Sykora, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College

Judah's Rewriting of Israel's Tradition: The Composition of Genesis 37–50 and the Concept of Election (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Benjamin J. Noonan, Columbia Biblical Seminary

*High-Handed Sin and the Promised Land: The Rhetorical**Relationship between Law and Narrative in Numbers 15 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Marina Hofman Willard, Palm Beach Atlantic University

Understanding Violence and Divine Activity in Exodus in the Context of the Midwives' Narrative in Exodus 1 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

P16-227**Institute for Biblical Research**

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4C (Lower Level)

Theme: Suffering, Evil, and Divine Punishment in the Bible

This Research Group considers the subject of evil in the Bible broadly considered. This includes but is not limited to the origin(s) of evil, the causes of evil, God's relation to evil (e.g., why does God permit evil to exist? Does God directly cause evil?), and ethical issues (e.g., divine commands to perform acts that otherwise might be considered evil; the varied relationships between evil behavior and divine retribution for it). For information, please contact Kenneth D. Litwak at kenneth.litwak@asburyseminary.edu and Daniel Timmer at daniel.timmer@prts.edu. See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Kenneth Litwak, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Alex Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary (Amsterdam)

Threats of Divine Punishment in the Apocalypse of John: The Character and Intentions of the One Threatening (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Bryan D. Estelle, Westminster Seminary California

Silence and Suffering in the Book of Job (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Arthur Keefer, Eton College

Qohelet Suffering the Meaning of Life: An Evil and Its Theological Solution in Ecclesiastes (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

Charlie Trimm, Talbot School of Theology (Biola University)

Should I Pray for the Peace or Destruction of Babylon? The Intersection of Enemy Love and Imprecatory Psalms in the Old Testament (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

John Peckham, Andrews University

Rules of Engagement: God's Permission of Evil in Selected Cases of Scripture (20 min)

Discussion (4 min)

P16-228**Institute for Biblical Research**

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Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3C (Lower Level)

Theme: Emerging Scholarship on the Old Testament

This session showcases emerging Old Testament scholars sponsored by the Fellows of the Institute of Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend. Summaries of the papers will be read at the session leaving opportunities for discussion. Contact Rick Hess (rick@densem.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Richard Hess, Denver Seminary, Presiding

Benjamin Wiggershaus, Asbury Theological Seminary

The Oracles of Balaam in View of Ancient Near Eastern Oracular Reporting (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Stephen D. Campbell, University of Durham

Memory and Covenant: Deuteronomy's Core in Light of its Frame (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary

I Threw It on the Ground! An Analysis of the Noncultic Blood Rite in Deut 12:16, 24, and 15:23 (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Benjamin D. Giffone, LCC International University

Regathering Too Many Stones? The "Problem" of Elijah's Sacrifice for Deuteronomism in Kings (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Mason Lancaster, Wheaton College (Illinois)

Wounds and Healing, Dew and Lions: Hosea's Development of Divine Metaphors (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

P16-229

Institute for Biblical Research

3:30 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Emerging Scholarship on the New Testament**

This session showcases emerging New Testament scholars sponsored by the Fellows of the Institute for Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend. Summaries of the papers will be given at the session leaving opportunities for discussion. Papers will be available for review by October 1 under the IBR Research Groups tab. Contact Ruth Anne Reese (ruthanne.reese@asburyseminary.edu). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab at <https://www.ibr-bbr-org/>.

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
Caleb Friedeman, Ohio Christian University
Jesus' Davidic Lineage and the Case for Jewish Adoption (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Matt Jones, Colorado Christian University
The Humanity of Jesus in the Garden: An Excursus on Matthew 26:36–46 (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Ben Sutton, Diocese of Quincy (ACNA)
Historiography after F. C. Baur: Intertwining Methods in Gospels and Acts Research (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Ambrose Thomson, McMaster Divinity College
Voiceless Idols, Speaking People: 1 Corinthians 12–14 and the Accessibility of Divine Presence (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Murray Vasser, Asbury Theological Seminary
Bodies and Souls: The Case for Reading Revelation 18:13 as a Critique of the Slave Trade (9 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S16-301

SBL Semeia Studies Editorial Board

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

P16-301a

The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Textual Criticism (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Manuscripts and Commentaries: Access and Interpretation**

Marijn van Putten, Leiden University
Orthographic Idiosyncrasies and the Written Quranic Prototype (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mohsen Goudarzi, Harvard University
Deciphering the Sana'a Palimpsest (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eléonore Cellard, Collège de France
From Coptic to Arabic: A New Palimpsest for the History of the Qur'an in Early Islam (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S16-302

SBL Networking on Orality, Memory, Performance and Other Related Disciplines

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 704 (Street Level)

Scholars from different disciplines network on their research in the fields listed above; all scholars in these areas are invited to attend. Presentations of live performances of Scriptural texts will lead to plenary discussions and small group interaction. This year participants will explore “Cultural Epistemologies in Performance” and how performance changes the meaning-making paradigm from text to event, from individual to community, from singular meaning to multiplicity of meanings, from boundaries provided by the text itself to boundaries introduced by the performer, memory, audience, and culture. To sign up or for additional information, contact Marlon Winedt, mwinedt@gmail.com or Nathan Esala, Nathan.Esala@lbt.org

S16-303

SBL Council and AAR Board Reception

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – SBL Suite



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-101

SBL Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards

7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

S17-102

SBL Bible and Its Reception Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S17-103

SBL Early Christianity and Its Literature Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

S17-106

SBL Council

8:30 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

S17-107

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Ten Minute Teaching Tips for Teaching Biblical Studies**

Erica Martin, Seattle University, Presiding

Allison Gray, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio)

Showdown: Using Images to Discuss Competing Interpretations (10 min)

Other (5 min)

Jim Grimshaw, Carroll University

Living with the Romans Is (not) a Game (10 min)

Other (5 min)

Joul Layne Smith, University of Texas at Arlington

Hermeneutical Roundtable: Active Learning with Biblical Lit (10 min)

Other (5 min)

Jonathan D. Lawrence, Canisius College

The Other Source Criticism: Teaching Students to Evaluate Their Sources (10 min)

Other (5 min)

Lora Walsh, University of Arkansas

Teaching the Effect of Narrative Pacing in Gen 22 (10 min)

Other (5 min)

Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College

Who Can You Trust? Finding Fault in Genesis 3 (10 min)

Other (5 min)

James R. Wicker, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Show Me the Funny: Using Humorous Pictures to Teach Biblical Studies (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-108

SBL Ancient Near East Monographs Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 206 (Street Level)

S17-109

SBL Aramaic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ethical Instruction and Theology in Aramaic Literature**

Jeff Childers, Abilene Christian University, Presiding

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

In Search of Good Character: Ancestral Virtue in the Testament of Qabat (25 min)

Andrew Perrin, Trinity Western University

The Scribal Architecture of Ancient Jewish Aramaic Literature: Case Studies in Textual Variants among the Qumran Aramaic Corpus (25 min)

Iosif Zhakevich, Master's College and Seminary

Contradictions and Coherence in Targum Pseudo-Jonathan: Apparent Conflicts between Numerals (25 min)

Benjamin Suchard, Leiden University

Targum Onqelos and the Biblical Aramaic Reading Tradition (25 min)

Cody Strecker, Baylor University

Ephrem the Syrian's Acrostic Theology (25 min)

Ethan Laster, Abilene Christian University

Toward a Pre-Chalcedonian Dating of John the Solitary (25 min)

S17-110

SBL Archaeology and Biblical Studies Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-111

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **Asian and American Readings of the Bible**

Sharon Jacob, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding (5 min)

Rajkumar Boaz Johnson, North Park University
Gandhi's Engagement with Tolstoy and the Text of the Bible: It's Ramifications for Peace Studies Today (30 min)

Naeyoun Cho, Claremont School of Theology
Participating in the Dialogue: Reading Jonah 4 with Asian Contextual Theologies (30 min)

Volker Kuester, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
After Inculturation: The Many Faces of Jesus Christ in Asia Reloaded (30 min)

S17-112

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Revisiting the Amorites**

Jeffrey L. Cooley, Boston College, Presiding (5 min)

Anne Porter, University of Toronto
Second Millennium Amorites from an Archaeological Perspective (25 min)

Adam E. Miglio, Wheaton College (Illinois)
"Amurrite-Age" Arts and Letters: Rhetoric in the Mari Missives (25 min)

Aaron A. Burke, University of California, Los Angeles
The Amorites and Identity in Ancient Israel and Judah (25 min)

Daniel E. Fleming, New York University
What Are Amorites Doing in the Bible? (25 min)

Joel Kemp, University of Scranton
Dangerous Alliances and Judahite Identity? A Proposal for the Amorites' Function in Ezekiel 16 (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-113

SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Past and Future of the Bible and Popular Culture**

Elizabeth Coody, Morningside College, Presiding (60 min)

Linda Schearing, Gonzaga University, Panelist

Valarie Ziegler, DePauw University, Panelist

Business Meeting (30 min)

Papers for this session will be invited.

S17-114

SBL Biblical Ethics Section / Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Consultation

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Reception and Use of Ethical Traditions by Biblical Authors**

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire, Presiding

Ann-Christin Grüniger, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Reception of Scripture and Its Ethical Implications in 2 Maccabees (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mari Leesment, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto

Therapy of Desire: Hellenistic Philosophical Ethics and James, 4 Macc, Test. XII, and Philo (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Becky Walker, Saint Louis University

"Almsgiving Delivers from Death": John Chrysostom's Connection of the Narratives of Tobit and Tabitha (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Charles H. Cosgrove, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
The Appeal to Case-Precedent in the Story of Jesus' Disciples Plucking Grain on the Sabbath (Mark 2:23–28 and Parr.) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University

"When You Fast": An Ecojustice Approach to Fasting in Light of Eastern Orthodox Tradition (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-114a

SBL Book of Psalms Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 108 (Street Level)

Theme: **Psalms Commentaries for the 21st Century**

This session will highlight four new/forthcoming Psalms commentaries. In addition to presentations by the commentary authors, invited respondents will review the works.

Melody Knowles, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

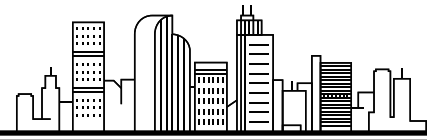
Stephen Breck Reid, George W. Truett Theological Seminary
Psalms Commentary in an Age of Multiple Originals, #MeToo, and Color-Blind Racism (15 min)

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary
Dueling Superscriptions: Imaginative Search for Female Intertexts Then and Now (15 min)

Erhard Gerstenberger, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Respondent (25 min)

Susan Gillingham, University of Oxford

Psalms 22 and 67: Case Studies in Reception History, from Psalms through the Centuries: A Reception History Commentary on Psalms 1–72, Volume Two (15 min)



W. Dennis Tucker, Baylor University
Closing the Loop: The Challenge of Writing a Psalms Commentary in an Era of Biblical Illiteracy (15 min)
Nancy deClaissé-Walford, Mercer University, Respondent (25 min)
Johannes Schnocks, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Respondent (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S17-115

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4E (Lower Level)
Theme: **Childist Readings of the Bible and Beyond**
Sharon Betsworth, Oklahoma City University, Presiding
Julie Faith Parker, General Theological Seminary
“Don’t Want to Live like a Refugee”: Ishmael as a Poignant and Powerful Precedent (25 min)
Kristine Garroway, Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion
Moses’ Childhood, Unlocking Exodus 4:10: Immigration and Language Acquisition (25 min)
Break (5 min)
James Murphy, South Dakota State University
Searching for Children in Second-Temple Sectarian Literature (25 min)
Jarred Mercer, University of Oxford
Becoming the Child: The Spirituality of Children in Early-Christian Asceticism (25 min)
Mikael Larsson, Church of Sweden
In Search of a Childhood Studies Perspective: Theoretical Considerations on a Maturing Field (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

S17-116

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Convention Center (CC) – 111 (Street Level)
Theme: **New and Neglected Christian Apocryphal Texts**
Tobias Nicklas, Universität Regensburg, Presiding (5 min)
Chance Bonar, Harvard University
An Introduction to 3 Apocryphal Apocalypses of John (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Florentina Badalanova Geller, Freie Universität Berlin
Apocryphal Gospels and the Folk Bible (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Tony Burke, York University
Opera Evangelica: The Discovery of a Lost Collection of Christian Apocrypha (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Break (5 min)
Bradley Rice, McGill University
The Suspension of Time in the Book of the Nativity of the Savior (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

James E. Walters, Rochester College
The (Syriac) Exhortation of Peter: A New Addition to the Petrine Apocryphal Tradition (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S17-117

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)
Theme: **Karl Barth as Interpreter of Scripture**
The Christian Theology and the Bible section is concluding a four-year series on Christian theologians and their interpretation of the Bible. In this session papers explore Karl Barth’s theological interpretation of a specific text or set of texts in the Old and New Testaments, with a special focus on Barth’s role as a biblical interpreter for constructive Christian theology today.
Kara Lyons-Pardue, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding
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Introduction (5 min)
Sarah Jobe, Duke University Divinity School
The Monstrosity of God Made Flesh: Karl Barth on God as Leviathan (30 min)
Shannon Smythe, Seattle Pacific University
A Hermeneutical Approach Against Whiteness: Barth’s Dialectical Interpretation of Romans 2 (30 min)
Kendall Cox, University of Virginia
The Parable of God: Karl Barth’s Theological Interpretation of Luke 15:11–32 (30 min)
Jack Holloway, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
“Thy Kingdom Come”: Karl Barth and Dietrich Bonhoeffer on the Political Significance of the Second Petition (30 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S17-118

SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM
Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Crystal Ballroom A (Third Level)
Karina Hogan, Fordham University, Presiding
Daniel Rodriguez, Stellenbosch University
What’s in a Frame? The Utility of Trajectory-Landmark Frame Diagrams for Biblical Hebrew (25 min)
Patrik Jansson, Helsingin Yliopisto – Helsingfors Universitet
Prophesying and Trapping: Examining the Masoretic Text of Ezekiel 13:17–23 with the Model of Conceptual Blending (25 min)
Steven E. Runge, Logos Bible Software
Mismatched Construals of the Holy Spirit: What Are We Missing? (25 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-119

SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Review Panel on Maia Kotrosits, *Rethinking Early Christian Identity: Affect, Violence, and Belonging* (Fortress, 2015)**

David Creech, Concordia College - Moorhead, Presiding
Teresa Calpino, Loyola University of Chicago, Panelist
Donovan Schaefer, University of Pennsylvania, Panelist
Shayna Sheinfeld, Centre College, Panelist
Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Panelist
Maia Kotrosits, Denison University, Respondent

S17-120

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Theme: **Contextualized Readings of Demons and Spirits**

Menghun Goh, Taiwan Graduate School of Theology, Presiding
Shelley Ashdown, Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics
Enkai in the Supernatural World View of Ndorobo: A Reading of Acts 17:22–31 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joanna Lin, Logos Evangelical Seminary
How Does the Creation Motif in Genesis 1.1–2.3 Relate to the Chinese Legends of Creation? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Katy E. Valentine, Creative Christian Spirituality
Metaphysical Christians: Reading Spirits and Demons across Church Lines (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Amy Lindeman Allen, Christian Theological Seminary
Baptism as Transformation and Promise: The Concept of Sealing in the Letter to the Ephesians (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S17-121

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 1 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **“Choice, Change, and Conversion”: Celebrating A. D. Nock**

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding
Christopher N. Mount, DePaul University
Choosing Gods in the Roman Empire (30 min)

Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin
Fate, Fortune, and Freedom in the Hermetica (30 min)

Laurence L. Welborn, Fordham University
“Belonging to Christ” at Corinth: Challenging the Assumption of Exclusive Allegiance (30 min)

Meira Z. Kensky, Coe College
“Thus a Teacher Must Be”: Pedagogical Formation in John Chrysostom’s Homilies on 1 and 2 Timothy (30 min)

Athanasios Despotis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn
Paul’s Understanding of Conversion as Incorporation in 1 Cor 12:12–13: From the Stoics to Arthur Nock and the Current Conversion Research (30 min)

S17-123

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **Biblical Exegesis and the Development of Christological Doctrine, Year 1: First to Third Centuries CE, Part 1**

In 2018 our program unit begins a three-year exploration of the close connections between biblical exegesis and the development of Christological doctrine. Papers in this first year focus on authors and texts from the first to third centuries CE.

Mark DeCeglie, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN),
Welcome

Han-luen Kantzer Komline, Western Theological Seminary,
Presiding

David E. Wilhite, Baylor University and Adam Winn, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Reading Jesus as YHWH in the Old Testament: From Mark’s Gospel to Justin Martyr (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John Sehorn, Augustine Institute
“To Be His Own Special People”: Christology and Exegesis in 1 Clement (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Kyle R. Hughes, Whitefield Academy
The Prosopological Speech of the Son and the Development of Pre-Nicene Christology (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Paul Wheatley, University of Notre Dame
The Rule of Faith as Hermeneutic: Irenaeus’ Interpretation of Psalms in the Demonstration of the Apostolic Preaching (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S17-125**SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

Theme: **Collegia, Competition, Consumption, and Taxation**

Michelle Christian, University of Toronto, Presiding

Rachel Meyers, Iowa State University
*Competition as a Motivating Force behind Female Benefactions in Roman Hispania (30 min)*Philip Harland, York University
*Circulation of Goods and Services in Greco-Roman Associations (30 min)*David Hollander, Iowa State University
*Were Roman Taxes Low? Contextualizing the Early Imperial Tax Burden (30 min)*Agnes Choi, Pacific Lutheran University
*The Cheque Is in the Mail: Assessing and Collecting Taxes in Ancient Egypt (30 min)*Alan Todd, Coastal Carolina University
Jewish Consumption Practices and Identity during the Second Temple Period (30 min)

S17-127**SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section**

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament**

Jeremy Brown, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University
*What We Know about the Earliest Extant Form of the Ethiopic Old Testament (20 min)*Daniel Assefa, Institute for Religious Research
*The Textual History of Ethiopic Ruth: Research Findings and Publication Plans (20 min)*Pete Myers, University of Cambridge
*A Qualitative Onomastic Method for Identifying the Relationship between Ge'ez Manuscripts and the Greek Traditions, Illustrated from the Text of Ezra–Nehemiah (20 min)*Jarod Jacobs, Warner Pacific University and Martijn Naayer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
*Computational Codicology: An Exploration of Ethiopic Psalters (20 min)*Martin Heide, Philipps-Universität-Marburg
*The Earliest Layer of the Ethiopic Book of Jeremiah (20 min)*Garry Jost, Marylhurst University
*Contours and Particulars: A Study of the Shape and Details of the Textual History of Ethiopic Obadiah (20 min)*Jeremy R. Brown, Catholic University of America
*Old Things New: The Modern Textus Receptus of Ethiopic Jonah (20 min)*Samuel R. Aldridge, Oregon Conference – Free Methodist Church USA
The Textual History of the Prophet Haggai in the Ethiopic Tradition (20 min)

S17-128**SBL Greco-Roman Religions / Religious World of Late Antiquity Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **Twilights of Greek and Roman Religions**

Megan Nutzman, Old Dominion University, Presiding (5 min)

Patrick Stange, University of Toronto
*From Varro to Damasus: Symbolic Reimagining and the Cult of the Martyrs (20 min)*Sissel Undheim, Universitetet i Bergen
*Redeeming the Vestal Virgins: Afterlife and Reception in Hagiography and Medieval Literature (20 min)*Jacob A. Latham, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
*"Old Hags and Stags": The New Year in the Late Antique Latin West (20 min)*Olivia Stewart Lester, Oxford University
*Apollo in Hellenistic Judaism and Early Christianity (20 min)*Travis Proctor, Northland College
Earthly Portraits and Heavenly Tombs: Evolving Materialities of Cultic Patronage in the Acts of John (20 min)

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Papers will be available beforehand, and can be requested from Gerhard van den Heever, vdheega@unisa.ac.za.

S17-129**SBL Greek Bible Section**

9:00 AM–12:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **Lexicography of the Greek Bible (Exodus)**Eberhard Bons, Université de Strasbourg, Antonella Bellantuono, Université de Strasbourg, Cristina Buffa, Université de Strasbourg, Laura Bigoni, Anna Mambelli, Université de Strasbourg, and Daniela Scialabba, Université de Strasbourg
*Exodus: An Investigation of Vocabulary and Concepts from Ancient Greek Literature to Early Christian Writings (120 min)*Anna Mambelli, Université de Strasbourg
Exodos: Lexical History and Reception of a Greek Term (30 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

P17-130

Institute for Biblical Research

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Silverton Ballroom 3 (Second Level)

Theme: **IBR Unscripted**

This session of the IBR annual meeting offers biblical scholars from throughout the academy the opportunity to present their new and innovative ideas in an engaging forum inspired by the famous TED talks. Scholars will speak without notes and are encouraged to use a variety of media to help the audience interact with their ideas. A generous discussion time will follow each presentation. For further information see <https://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Holly Beers, Westmont College, Presiding

Esau McCauley, Northeastern Seminary

Towards a New Testament Theology of Policing: Rom 13:4, Luke 3:14, and the Hopes of Black Christians (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

Christine Palmer, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

The High Priest in Glorious Array: Embodying the Meeting of Human and Divine (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

L. Daniel Hawk, Ashland Theological Seminary

How Biblical Narratives Manage the Anger of God (17 min)

Discussion (17 min)

S17-131

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

Theme: **Ancient Exegetical Methods in Greco-Roman Discourse and the New Testament**

Each paper will be 25–30 min long. Peter Oakes will be responding after each paper for 10 min. There is a general discussion at the end of the session

Max Lee, North Park Theological Seminary, Presiding

Bruce Longenecker, Baylor University

Intertextuality in Pompeian Plaster: Can Vesuvian Artifacts Inform Our Expectations about Intertextual Expertise among Sub-elite Jesus-Followers? (30 min)

Peter Oakes, University of Manchester, Respondent (10 min)

Judith M. Gundry, Yale Divinity School

Roman Household Religion and the Interpretation of 1 Corinthians 7:14 (30 min)

Peter Oakes, University of Manchester, Respondent (10 min)

Paul Trebilco, University of Otago

Echoes in Ephesus: "From the beginning" in the Johannine Letters and in Ephesian Foundation Myths (30 min)

Peter Oakes, University of Manchester, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting

S17-132

SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Michelle Fletcher, University of Kent at Canterbury, Presiding

Ancient Contexts

Garrett Best, Asbury Theological Seminary

Writing and Reading Gooder: Solecisms in Revelation (25 min)

Justin Jeffcoat Schedtler, Wartburg College

The Lamb as Royal Benefactor: Patronal Ideologies in Revelation (25 min)

Deployment of Revelation

Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State

Reading Revelation from an Aesthetical Perspective: Dürer's Interpretation of Revelation (25 min)

Joseph M. Spencer, Brigham Young University

The Apocalypse in the Context of Early Mormonism (25 min)

Eric M. Trinko, Catholic University of America

The End of Islands: Drawing Insight from Revelation to Respond to Prisoner Radicalization and Apocalyptically-Oriented Terrorism (25 min)

Valérie Nicolet, Institut protestant de théologie, Paris

Reception of Revelation in Video Games: The Case of Post-Apocalyptic First/Third Person Shooter Games (25 min)

S17-133

SBL Joshua-Judges / Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Judges, Gender, and Intertextuality**

Carleen R. Mandolfo, Colby College, Presiding

Cornelis J. de Vos, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster

The Caleb-Achsah Episode (30 min)

Joy A. Schroeder, Capital University

The Assertiveness of Achsah: Gender and Intertextuality in the Reception History of Caleb's Daughter (30 min)

Jennifer J. Williams, Linfield College

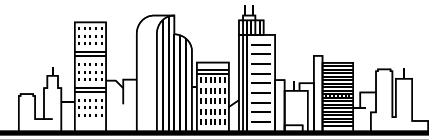
The Mother's Womb: An Unhomely Collision of Politics and the Home (30 min)

Ernst Axel Knauf, Universität Bern - Université de Berne

Samson's Wives in Prov 1-9 (30 min)

Shelley L. Birdsong, North Central College

Re-reading Samson's "Weepy Wife" in Judges 14: An Intertextual Evaluation of Gender and Weeping (30 min)



P17-102

La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) - Colorado (I.M. Pei Tower Building, Mezzanine Level)

Theme: **Fake News vs. Good News: Texts, Tweets, and Technology**

Joint Session With: La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion, Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation

Given the current political, social, and religious environment, texts — however one defines these — and their transmission, particularly through the instant use of social media, have begun to be “elastic” in their meaning. As such, their veracity and value have begun to be questioned in new ways. The terminology of “fake news” — begun as a self-serving means to justify illicit behavior — has now entered the popular lexicon and led to the need to discern the veracity of heretofore unquestionable, or at the very least, valued source material. As we approach religious material and especially biblical texts, how do we as biblical and theological scholars provide the hermeneutical and scholarly basis for readings and transmissions of Scripture that is truly evangelion (good news) in a world faced with fake news of intolerance, hate, and violence? This session will highlight a panel of scholars who will speak to these issues from varied perspectives. Two panelists will highlight the contributions of Dr. Fernando F. Segovia’s scholarship, particularly the relevance of his critical methodologies and postcolonial analysis in the framework of such issues.

Loida Martell, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding

Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Presiding

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

The Bible and Global-Systemic Criticism in the Age of Fake News

Santiago Slabodsky, Hofstra University

Exilic Methodologies: Fernando Segovia’s Critical Contribution Beyond Disciplinary Disciplines

Corinna Guerrero, Santa Clara University

Competing Narratives, Memes, and Going Viral as Socio-Theological Reflection and Resistance for Latinx-American Communities: A Hebrew Bible Perspective

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Respondent

J.D. R. Mechelke, Author

Providing a Disorienting Dilemma: Possibilities for Genesis 34 in Church Comprehensive Sexuality Education with Youth (15 min)

Barbara Thiede, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Bromance in Bible: How Male-Male Friendships in Biblical Literature Can Teach Students about the Use and Misuse of Women and Women’s Bodies (15 min)

Laurel Koepf Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary

There Aren’t any Owls in OWL But There Aren’t Any Eunuchs Either: The Bible in Comprehensive Sexuality Education With Young Children (15 min)

Kathryn House, Boston University

To Choose Rightly: How Sacred Texts and Faith Traditions Inform Sexual Behavior Decisions (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P17-135a

Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur’anic Corpus (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Meaning of the Word: Focusing on Qur’anic Vocabulary**

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida, Presiding

Simon P. Loynes, University of Edinburgh

Divine Communication (wahy) and the Qur’anic Concept of Revelation (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marijn van Putten, Leiden University

The Absence of Syriac Borrowings in the Qur’ān (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Saqib Hussain, University of Oxford

Hikmah in the Qur’an (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-136

SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Deirdre N. Fulton, Baylor University, Presiding

Karel van der Toorn, Universiteit van Amsterdam

Becoming Jews at Elephantine (25 min)

Mark Leuchter, Temple University and George Athas, Moore Theological College

Is Cambyes Also among the Persians? (25 min)

Gard Granerød, MF Norwegian School of Theology

The Book of Lamentations in the Persian (and Hellenistic) Period(s) (25 min)

Daniel Bodi, La Sorbonne - University of Paris 4

The Jerusalem Citadel (Birā) in the Time of Nehemiah: Textual, Linguistic Evidence and Persian Military Strategy (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-135

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 5 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Sacred Texts in Sexuality Education**

This session is co-sponsored with the Religion and Sexuality AAR Unit.

This panel brings together four papers that discuss the use of sacred texts in comprehensive sexuality education. The first two papers explore the use of biblical texts through the lenses of critical pedagogy and gender-power relations. The final two papers query the use of sacred texts in specific faith tradition curriculum (Our Whole Lives and Sexuality and Our Faith). In particular, the panel addresses critical issues of embodiment and presents multiple ways to affirm justice, mutuality, and responsibility as central concepts within comprehensive sexuality education.

David T. Stewart, California State University - Long Beach, Presiding

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S17-137

SBL Mind, Society, and Religion: Cognitive Science Approaches to the Biblical World Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall F (Third Level)

Theme: **Materiality and the Senses in the Study of Religion**

Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Tim Hogue, University of California-Los Angeles

An Image on the Stele or a Ghost in the Shell? A Cognitive Scientific Approach to the Material "Soul" in Syro-Anatolia and the Levant (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki

"I Spy with My Little Eye...": Cognitive Prolegomena to the Study of Visuality and Our Ancient Fellow Human Beings (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rick Bonnie, University of Helsinki

Pure Stale Water: Reflections on the Materiality of Stepped Pools (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jolyon Pruszinski, Princeton Theological Seminary

Memory and Judgment, Replacement and Forgetting: Phenomenology of the Threshold in the Apocalypse of John and the Parables of Enoch (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-138

SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity / Religious Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Ritual and Epiphany**

Andrew R. Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Book Review: Sara Itoku Ahbel-Rappe, *Socratic Ignorance and Platonic Knowledge in the Dialogues of Plato* (SUNY Press)

Sarah Itoku Ahbel-Rappe, University of Michigan, Panelist (10 min)

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Papers

M. David Litwa, Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry
The Daimon of Empedocles (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Grant Adamson, University of Arizona

Epiphany as Polemic: Porphyry and Iamblichus at the Iseum with Plotinus (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason Robert Combs, Brigham Young University

Soliciting Divine Manifestations: Proto-orthodox Practices in the Late-Second and Early-Third Century CE (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rodney A. Werline, Barton College

Ritual Action and Epiphany in 1 Enoch (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P17-138a

Nida Institute

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 3 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Translation, Identity, and Community I**

This session will address the role of Bible translation in language communities as both a catalyst and at times, regrettably, a hindrance in the formation of community identity and grassroots social cultural expression. The presenters will draw from different scholarly disciplines like translation studies, socio-cultural studies, the history of exegesis, social semiotics and/or cognitive approaches to analyze specific instances of Bible translation and the impact it has had in specific communities. The explicit question is how Bible translation as a specific praxis, based on a transdisciplinary approach, affects the communities with whom it is accomplished. The session will explore translation as an activity which can become an external doing-for-the-other imposition, as opposed to a doing-with-the other, where the community of the language of translation is not just receiving the translation but engaging with it and actively contributing to its creation. The latter would ideally constitute a mutually enriching enterprise where through localization, translated texts, in different formats, different hermeneutical horizons are fused.

The community, through its representatives, emerge as active protagonists of the text, as part of a hermeneutical tapestry. Translation then becomes an enrichment which is integrally part of new theological, sociolinguistic and social-cultural paradigms. Each paper will explore the possibilities, the challenges and the impossibilities of such a tapestry in practice. The presentations will provide instances of either the gradual evolution of this emergence of community identity linked to the text or the disruptive nature of translation in situ, both from a theoretical perspective, as well as with an actual case study of translation work. The appropriation of the biblical text by both the wider community, and the community of faith will thus be in focus.

Marijke de Lang, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Samy Tioyé, United Bible Societies

Bible Translation and Ethnicity Revindication: A Case Study of the Lobi People in Burkina Faso West Africa (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert Bascom, United Bible Societies

Translating through the Lens of Identity: Bible Translation in Mexico (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen Pattemore, Bible Society New Zealand

An Ever-Rolling Stream: How Time Subverts "Translating for" into "Journeying with": Half a Century of Bible Translation in Urak Lawoi (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



S17-139**SBL Paul Within Judaism / Pauline Epistles Section**

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **Who Is the Implied Audience of Paul's Letter to Rome?**

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding (5 min)

Matthew Thiessen, McMaster University, Panelist (20 min)

William Campbell, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David, Panelist (20 min)

Runar Thorsteinsson, University of Iceland, Panelist (20 min)

Laura Dingeldein, University of Illinois at Chicago, Panelist (20 min)

Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago, Respondent (25 min)

John Barclay, University of Durham, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-140**SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Galatia: The Region, the Cities, Religion and Paul, Part 1**

The expansion of early Christianity as an urban phenomenon in the region and cities of Galatia, from the perspective of Paul's letters, the Acts of the Apostles and early Christianity, in the context of the local documentary and archaeological evidence.

James Harrison, Sydney College of Divinity, Presiding (3 min)

Arjan Zuiderhoek, Ghent University
Destroying Oneself for the Community: Competitive Gift-Giving in the Roman East (25 min)Jennifer Krumm, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
Polis and Church in Galatian Ancyra (25 min)Alan Cadwallader, Charles Sturt University
Any Excuse for a Party: Zeus and Hermes and Human-Divine Interactions in Asia Minor and Acts 14:8–20 (25 min)Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
Galatia(ns): A Critical Text in Search of Its Historical Context (25 min)

S17-141**SBL Poverty in the Biblical World / Ideological Criticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

This open session co-sponsored with the Ideological Criticism section offers an opportunity to explore issues of poverty from numerous angles. Possible topics may include—but are not limited to—the Discovery Doctrine, Jerusalem, colonialism (ancient and modern), Eusebius's Onomasticon, and land-administration in Palestine.

Matthew Coomber, Saint Ambrose University, Presiding

Bruce N. Fisk, Westmont College

Canaanite Genocide and Palestinian Nakba in Conversation: A Postcolonial Exercise in Bi-directional Hermeneutics (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brian Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Jerusalem Always Virtual (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent

From Fat Bibles to Thin Bibles: The Development of the Ethics/ Etiquette for Taking/Devouring Land (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Diana M. Swancutt, The Poverty Consortium

Bible Pipelines: Scripting the Land for Profit (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-142**SBL Pseudepigrapha Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 703 (Street Level)

Frances Flannery, James Madison University, Presiding

Matthew L Walsh, Acadia Divinity College

In a Common Lot with the Angels of the Presence: Angelic Fellowship and Sectarian Identity at Qumran (30 min)

Joseph S. Khalil, University of Notre Dame

The Character of Joseph in the Book of Jubilees: Why Fix What's Not Broken? (30 min)

Pierre J Jordaán, North-West University (South Africa)

Dionysus versus YHWH: Analysing the Narratives of Intoxication in 3 Maccabees (30 min)

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University

Joseph and Aseneth: Jewish and Christian (30 min)

Eric Crégheur, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa

The Pseudo-Ephrem: A Status Questionis (30 min)

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S17-143

SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 701 (Street Level)

Theme: **Finding the Psychology of Birth and Childhood in Biblical Texts, Part 1**

Honorable Mention will be made of the contributions of J. Hal Ellens and Andrew Kille to the work of the Psychology and Biblical Studies Section and Seminar over many years.

As this unit is a seminar the papers will be circulated in advance to all those on the Friends of PsyBibs emailing list and to any who request them of the Chair. At the session, each paper will be briefly outlined in about 7 minutes and the rest of the time will spent involving all present in substantive discussion/s of its content.

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Presiding (5 min)

Pieter van der Zwan, Universities of Vienna and Pretoria
Job's Emotional Struggle with the Womb: Some Psychoanalytic Interpretations (30 min)

Royce Anderson, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
The Eden Narrative, Self-Awareness, and Mirror Self-Recognition (MSR) in Human Development: A Psychological Biblical Critical Approach (30 min)

Francis Landy, University of Alberta
The Child in Isaiah 1–11 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S17-144

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity / Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 303 (Street Level)

Theme: **Social Network Theory and Competition**

Sarah Rollens, Rhodes College, Presiding

Edward Slingerland, The University of British Columbia
How Do We Test Social Network Theory Hypotheses? Digital Humanities Approaches (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Catherine Hezser, SOAS, University of London
Between Scholasticism and Populism: A Comparison of Ancient Rabbinic and Christian Networks (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto
Social Networks and the Dissemination of Elective Cults (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Krista N. Dalton, Kenyon College
"A Dog Has Eaten Yannai's Bread": Analyzing Social Cues Between Rabbis and Patrons (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anne Katrine de Hemmer Gudme, University of Copenhagen
Undying Relationships: Enacting the Dead in the Roman Empire (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-145

SBL Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **Identities, Statuses, and Violence in the Hebrew Bible**

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford, Presiding

T M Lemos, Huron University College, Univ of Western Ontario
Genocide in Neo-Assyrian Sources and Biblical Hērem Texts: The View from Genocide Studies (20 min)

Mark Glanville, Missional Training Centre, Phoenix
Deuteronomy through the Lens of Kinship: Identity Formation, Solidarity, and Responsibility (20 min)

Mark McEntire, Belmont University and Wongi Park, Belmont University
Who's Who Inside and Outside the Text: Ethnic Identification in Ancient Israel (20 min)

Johannes Unsok Ro, International Christian University
Status Inconsistency in the Biblical Laws and the Psalms of the Poor (20 min)

William Luther Martin, Jr., Independent scholar
Sociological Impact of a Constant Cyclical Fluctuation of Occupation and Dispersion among Competing Ethnic Groups in the Longue Durée (20 min)

Adrianne Spunaugle, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
"Aramaicans" in the First Millennium BCE: The Multivalence of a Term (20 min)

S17-147

SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Narratological Dimensions of Speech**

This panel examines the narratological dimensions of speech in ancient narratives. What role, for example, does dialogue play in plot, focalization, or characterization? Does speech (direct or indirect discourse) emphasize narrative themes, create irony, increase suspense, etc.? How are different speech modes (e.g., highly stylized public speech versus everyday talk) employed in a given narrative.

Benjamin Lappenga, Dordt College, Presiding

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Angelicum; Catholic University; Erfurt
MWK; Oxford University
Speech in the "Dialogue of Adamantius" and the Dialogues of Origen (30 min)

Sarah E.G. Fein, Brandeis University
Mother Zion "Speaking Her Truth" in Biblical Poetry (30 min)



Patricia Duncan, Texas Christian University
Speech, Characterization, and Intertextuality in the Pseudo-Clementine Novel (30 min)

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame
The Voices of Others in Egeria's Pilgrim Narrative (30 min)

Douglas Estes, South University, Columbia
Narrative Dialogue, Institutional Discourse, and the Opponents of Jesus in the Gospel of John (30 min)

S17-147a

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Controversial Comparisons: The Promise and Peril of Foregrounding Identity Categories in Religions and Other Worldviews**

In this workshop, I will discuss the challenges I faced and the solutions I adopted when I set myself the task of designing a course on “Identity-Based Religions and Other Worldviews.” This topic is saturated with potential for controversy because, by comparing religions that center identity categories such as race, gender, and sexuality, one ends up placing next to each other groups that have very different historical relationships with and understandings of the academic project of research and comparison. For those from white heteropatriarchal backgrounds, “research” has meant increased mastery of the world and “comparison” – the bringing of different things together on the same platform based on some point of analogy – has felt like objective, evenhanded justice. But for those for whom comparison has been a tool to pathologize them and equate them to other stigmatized groups and place them in hierarchical schemes and for whom research has meant exploitation, theft, and violence, a course that compares worldviews with wildly asymmetrical degrees of power may trigger fears of things like racism, sexism, and homophobia. I will distribute copies of the syllabus I have designed, discuss it briefly, and outline the essence of its controversial character, and then I hope to have a lively discussion of the issues it raises.

Nathan Fredrickson, University of California-Santa Barbara,
Panelist

S17-148

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section/ Gospel of Mark Section / Gospel of Luke Section / Matthew Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **Panel Discussion of Richard Burridge's “What are the Gospels?” 25th Anniversary**

Robert Derrenbacker, Thorneloe University, Presiding (5 min)

Helen K. Bond, University of Edinburgh
What Are the Gospels? And Why Does It Matter? (20 min)

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
Recognizing Mark and Matthew: How to Extend Burridge's Contribution to the Gospels' Genre with a Cognitive Model (20 min)

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary
Luke-Acts, Biography, and Historiography in Antiquity (20 min)

Paul Anderson, George Fox University
John's Story of Jesus: A Historicized Drama, or a Dramatized History; Does Burridge's Contribution Offer a Critical Way Forward? (20 min)

Richard Burridge, King's College London, Respondent (20 min)
Discussion (45 min)

S17-149

SBL Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Mika Pajunen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki
Was the Early Transmission of the Hebrew Bible Essentially Oral or Textual? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University
Dependency and Transmission of Abraham Traditions in the Pseudepigrapha (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Pauline Paris Buisch, University of Notre Dame
Mother Jerusalem and the Distressed Matriarchs of Tobit, 2 Maccabees 7, and Judith (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Giszczak, Augustine Institute
The Contested Origins of Hanukkah: The Transmission of the Sacred Fire Tradition in Second Maccabees (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Zane B. McGee, Emory University
Traditions of Paul the Seer: Oral Patterning in the Vision of Acts 18 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-150

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Studies in Canaanite Inscriptions**

Jimmy Daccache, Yale University, Presiding

Gideon R Kotzé, North-West University (South Africa)
The Rhetoric of King Eshmunazar's Self-Description as an Orphan (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthieu Richelle, Faculte de theologie evangelique
Message on a Bottle: The Siran Inscription Revisited (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

M. Isaac, Independent Scholar
Negotiating Refugee Identity in Judah: Israelite Tribal Names in Judean Inscriptions in the Wake of Assyrian Invasions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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S17-151

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–10:45 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall B (Third Level)

Theme: **Rethinking Reception**

This session will investigate the idea of reception in recent and forthcoming books: *Sex and Slaughter in the Tent of Jael: A Cultural History of a Biblical Story*, An Obituary for “Wisdom Literature”: The Birth, Death, and Intertextual Reintegration of a Biblical Corpus, and *Undoing Paul: Imagining Apostolic Insecurity*.

Brennan Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary, Introduction (15 min)

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University
Interventions in the “Reception” of the Bible (25 min)

Will Kynes, Whitworth University, Panelist (25 min)

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati
Undoing Paul: Imagining Apostolic Insecurity (25 min)

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Respondent (15 min)

S17-152

SBL Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Religious Violence, Trauma, and Humanity’s Search for Security**

This session is co-sponsored with the Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence AAR Unit.

Theological ideas, rhetoric, and symbolism are frequently harnessed to justify violent efforts to secure human life and/or to secure a particular group of humans’ desired lifestyle(s). Religious violence can likewise erupt as both a cause and a consequence of the traumas – including, but not limited to, emotional violations, socio-cultural oppressions, and political injuries (both real and imagined) – experienced by individuals, groups, and even entire societies. Yet experts in trauma studies and security studies rarely convene to discuss the impact of religion on their respective fields together. This panel aims to inspire such a discussion and is particularly interested in the ways that the categories of “trauma” and “security” are complicated, interrogated, and challenged by the complexities of religious violence. Its featured scholars re-read the Hebrew Bible’s Lot-Sodom narrative through the lens of surveillance studies; locate and link emotional trauma and deluge mythology in Cold War American intelligence analyses of Iran; explain the impact of (in)security on contemporary Salifitakfiri attacks on “others” and theoretically re-model how trauma and insecurity actively co-construct the realities of religious violence.

Jamel Velji, Claremont McKenna College, Presiding

Carolyn Alsen, University of Divinity
Surveillance and Lot-Sodom: A Hermeneutic of Watching (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Chase L. Way, Claremont Graduate University
Flooded: Deluge Mythology in Declassified American Intelligence Analyses of Iran, 1946–1953 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Siti Sarah Muwahidah, Emory University
Conservatism, Identity Boundaries, and National (In)security (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Megan McBride, U.S. Naval War College
Trauma, Insecurity, and the Practice of Killing (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-153

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Wisdom of Solomon at the Crossroads of Wisdom, Apocalypticism, and Philosophy**

Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Presiding

Jason Zurawski, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Introduction (5 min)

Benjamin Wold, Trinity College - Dublin
The Epistemologies of 4QInstruction and the Wisdom of Solomon (20 min)

Ron Cox, Pepperdine University
Along a Marvelous Way: The Significance of Middle Platonism for Understanding Wisdom of Solomon’s Soteriology (20 min)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University
Philosophical Polemics, the Worship of Creation, and Idolatry in the Wisdom of Solomon (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Yale Divinity School
Composition through Character: Solomon’s Narrative Biography and the Excess of Speech (20 min)

Jason M. Zurawski, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
The Eschatological Judgement of the Impious in the Wisdom of Solomon: Apocalyptic or Hellenistic Commonplace (or Both)? (20 min)

Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-154

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **Womanist Midrash: A Reintroduction to the Women of the Torah and the Throne**

NaShieka Knight, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Presiding

Justin Reed, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist

Shively T. J. Smith, Boston University, Panelist

Karen Strand Winslow, Azusa Pacific University, Panelist

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Respondent



P17-155

International Qur'anic Studies Association

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Offsite - Offsite

Theme: **Graduate Student Lunch**

IQSA invites graduate students and emerging scholars to engage with experts in the field in a relaxed setting over light refreshments off-site. RSVP to contact@iqsarweb.org.

P17-110

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: **Faculty of Color Luncheon**

You are invited to attend the Faculty of Color Luncheon. This mealtime gathering is a space for fellowship, mutual support, and empowerment for our teaching lives. Hear about Wabash Center programming and how to apply for the 2019-20 Peer Mentoring Cluster grants. Pre-registration is required. Send an email to Beth Reffett reffettb@wabash.edu. Registration deadline is November 1. Walk-ins may also be accepted if space is available. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

S17-201

SBL Women Student Members Networking Session

11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, Lunch Provided by Accordance**

Student women members of all levels are invited to participate in an hour of networking. Come and connect with other women students of SBL and share your experiences, questions, and advice. Sponsored by Accordance.

S17-203

SBL International Cooperation Initiative Committee

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

S17-203a

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

12:30 PM–2:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Economies of Sharing: The Ethics of Appropriating Pedagogical Resources and the Motives of Distribution**

In this roundtable, religion professionals will discuss the risks involved in sharing pedagogical resources that one has developed as an instructor, best practices for utilizing the resources others have produced while respecting their intellectual labor, and the reasons for participating in a community of shared development of resources at different stages in one's academic career.

In the background, this roundtable will emphasize the time and labor costs of good teaching and the way that ad hoc and uncited sharing of class materials between instructors is part of the academy's marginalization of the intellectual labor performed in the development of teaching practice as well as the adjunction of instructors as fungible content-providers and class-room managers, rather than a necessary and enriching part of creating an environment where substantive and sustained learning can occur.

Jon Kara Shields, University of Notre Dame, Panelist

S17-204

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **Biblical Responses to "Strong Men" Syndrome in Africa**

Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa, Presiding

Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University

Binding the Strong Man in Africa: The Strong Men Phenomenon in the Context of Global Politics (35 min)

Celucien L. Joseph, Indian River State College

Long Live Uprooting! Aristide's Biblical and Politico-theology of Defensive Violence in the Struggle for Democracy in Haiti (35 min)

Gilbert Okuro Ojwang, Oakwood University

Deuteronomy 17:14–20 and the (Il)legitimacy of African Rulers (35 min)

Break (10 min)

Business Meeting (35 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-205

SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 303 (Street Level)

Theme: **New Directions for the Enterprise**

This session explores new directions in African American biblical hermeneutics

Herbert Robinson Marbury, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Kimberly Dawn Russaw, Claflin University
Daughters in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Thomas P. Dixon, Campbell University
Dr. King and Martin Luther on Law: Politics, Theology, and Captivity (25 min)

Yolanda Norton, San Francisco Theological Seminary
New Directions in Interpreting the Book of Ruth (25 min)

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio,
Respondent (10 min)

S17-206

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 108 (Street Level)

Theme: **Text, Travel, and Materiality**

Jacob Latham, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding
(5 min)

Cavan W. Concannon, University of Southern California
Texts, Trade, and Travel: The Letters of Dionysios of Corinth (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ekaterini Tsalampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and
Paraskevi Arapoglou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Christian Epigraphic Travelogues: Religious Topography and Identity
(20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rangar H. Cline, University of Oklahoma
Water and the Authenticity of Holy Sites in Early Christian Pilgrimage Narratives (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Bond, University of Iowa
The Pilgrim's Progress: Digitally Mapping Travel and the Early Christian Calendar (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tziona Grossmark, Tel Hai College
Talmudic Pilgrimage: Tracing the Genre in the Babylonian Talmud
(20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-207

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Mari, Ilanu ša Mati u Amurri**

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding

Justus Theo Ghormley, Valparaiso University
Scribal Prophecy at Mari: Oracle Compilation, Vertical Reading, and Textual Divination in the Mari Letters (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Bodi, La Sorbonne – University of Paris
Amorite Names with Scurrilous Etymologies in Mari Texts and Some Biblical Examples: King Snake-Nāhās, Queen Mother-Nehušā', Nebukadnezzar/Nabukadrezzar and Midrashic Names in Gen 14
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gina Konstantopoulos, University of Helsinki
The Gods of the West: Mesopotamian Deities and Demons in Levantine and Biblical Contexts (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

William Reed, Johns Hopkins University
Handing Down the Sword of Yahweh: The Mesopotamian Background of Ezek 30:20–26 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ilona Zsolnay, University of Chicago
The Sulky and Abusive Nature of the Gods: Permutations of Erra and Ishtar in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-208

SBL Bible and Emotion Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Emotional Upheavals in Biblical Literature**

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, Presiding

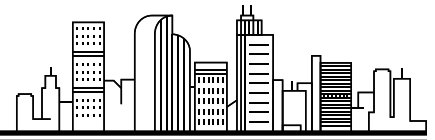
Samuel Hildebrandt, Briarcrest College
"We are Ruined!" Resignation, Despair, and Ohnmacht in Jeremiah's Poetry (30 min)

Alexander Coe Stewart, McMaster Divinity College
Pathos in the Cosmos of Amos: How Creation Rhetoric Shapes the Emotions of Ethical Character in the Old Testament (30 min)

Luiz Felipe Ribeiro, University of Toronto
Affecting Foucault's Ancient Mediterranean Man of Desire: Revisiting Sexual Emotions in the Testaments of the XII Patriarchs (30 min)

Caryn A. Reeder, Westmont College
Tears in a Time of War: Weeping with the Daughters of Jerusalem
(30 min)

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University
The "Waves of Emotion": An Epic Metaphor in Ephesians 4:14
(30 min)



S17-209**SBL Bible and Film Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Theme: **Apocalyptic and Science-Fiction: Pan's Labyrinth, Mother!, and the Apocalypse of John**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Isaac M. Aderman, Catholic University of America

"Another Time and Another Place": Apocalyptic Elements in Pan's Labyrinth (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College

The Burning End Times: Gender and Trauma in Darren Aronofsky's Mother! (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gilad Elbom, Oregon State University

Speculative Cinema and the Politics of Scripture (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-210**SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Language and Exegesis in Context and Culture**

Constantine Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Presiding

Cynthia Long Westfall, McMaster Divinity College
*Texts and Social Contexts: Sets of Possibilities for Pauline Texts Concerning Gender (30 min)*Mavis M. Leung, Evangel Seminary (Hong Kong)
*Language and Power Relations in John 18:28–19:16 with Focus on Participant Dialogues and Narrative Asides (30 min)*Bryan R. Dyer, Baker Publishing Group
*Moving from a Text to Its Context: Mirror-Reading, Semantic Domains, and Context of Situation (30 min)*Xiaxia Xue, China Graduate School of Theology
Mood and Ideology in Galatians 1–2 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-211**SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 111 (Street Level)

Kevin Chau, University of the Free State, Presiding

Elizabeth H.P. Backfish, William Jessup University
*Patterns and Function of Alliteration in the Prosaic and Poetic Accounts of the Deborah Cycle (20 min)*Crystal L. Melara, Talbot School of Theology (Biola University)
Psalms 91:6: Demon-Possessed Poetry (20 min)

Rebecca Poe Hays, Baylor University

Singing Songs and Telling Tales: Exploring the Rhetorical Function of Story in the Poetry of Psalm 81 (20 min)

David Emanuel, Nyack College

Chiasmus as a Vehicle for Meaning in Psalm 78 (20 min)

Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Paraphony and Leitwort at Work in the Samuel Narrative (1 Sam 3–24) (20 min)

Jeffery Leonard, Samford University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S17-212**SBL Book of Acts Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Paul within Judaism in the Book of Acts**

This invited session provides a much-needed follow-up to the Book of Acts section's recent explorations of ethnicity in Luke-Acts, especially with an eye toward the ways in which Paul's characterization in Acts has influenced notions of ethnicity, early Christian identity formation, exclusion, and supersessionism within Christian theology. Given recent scholarship on the historical Paul's Jewish identity, this session also seeks to clarify the persistent questions that surround "the Lukan Paul" and the nature of Paul's defense in the final chapters of Acts.

Eric D. Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joshua Jipp, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
The Paul of Acts: Proclaimer of the Hope of Israel or Teacher of Apostasy from Moses? (25 min)

Laura Nasrallah, Harvard University

From Paul to St. Longinus the Roman Soldier: Acts, Jews, and the Roman Empire (25 min)

Benjamin White, Clemson University

Paul within Judaism: Notes from the Second Century (25 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Respondent (15 min)

Willie James Jennings, Yale University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

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S17-213

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **Deuteronomy and the Covenant Code and their Literary and Historical Contexts: The Legacy of Eckart Otto**

Anselm Hagedorn, Universität Osnabrück, Presiding (5 min)

William Morrow, Queen's University
The Organization of Deuteronomy 12–26 as a Revision and Expansion of the Covenant Code (25 min)

Jan Gertz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
Hermeneutics of Law and Inner Biblical Exegesis (25 min)

David Wright, Brandeis University
Scribal-Cultural Continuity from the Covenant Code to Deuteronomy (25 min)

Bruce Wells, University of Texas
The Purpose of the Covenant and Deuteronomistic Codes and the Insights of Eckart Otto (25 min)

Eckart Otto, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-214

SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg, Presiding

Julia Kelto Lillis, University of Virginia
Virgin Categories in the Protevangelium of James and Histories of Sexuality in Antiquity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

M. Adryael Tong, Fordham University
Women's Bodies Don't Make a Difference: Circumcision as Jewish-Christian Borderline (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
Apostates, Martyrs, and Super-Martyrs: Christian Identities in the Martyrs of Lyons (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Rob Heaton, University of Denver
"Useful for the Tower": Belonging to the Name in the Shepherd of Hermas (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S17-215

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

Theme: **Perspectives on Revelation: Womanist, Feminist, Latino/a, and South African**

Laura Torgerson, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Jeremy Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

Revelation, Economics, and Sex: Contextual Biblical Interpretation and Sex-Work in South Africa (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Roberto Mata, Santa Clara University
And I Saw Googleville Descend from Heaven: Reading Revelation 21 in Silicon Valley (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Angela Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology and Karri Whipple, Drew University
Unveiling Identity: A Womanist/Feminist Dialogue on the Women of Revelation (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-215a

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Crystal Ballroom A (Third Level)

Garrick Allen, Dublin City University, Presiding

Joost Zwarts, Utrecht University
The Louw-Nida Lexicon as an Extendable Source of Metaphors (25 min)

Sarah Yardney, University of Chicago, Miller Prosser, University of Chicago and Sandra Schloen, University of Chicago
A Preliminary Report from the Critical Editions for Digital Analysis and Research (CEDAR) Project (25 min)

Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University
Digital Tools for Tracking and Analyzing Pistis-Language (25 min)

Ian W. Scott, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario) and Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University
Building Re-usable Tools for Digital Humanities Research: Lessons from Developing the Grammateus Editor (25 min)

Alexander B. Miller, Fordham University
Network Mapping and Biblical Allusions: A Proposal for Navigating Early Christian Exegesis (25 min)

Clare Woods, Duke University
Travels with Texts: Mapping Exegesis in Early Medieval Europe (25 min)



S17-216**SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Ancient Egypt, Israel, and the Hebrew Bible**

Bernd Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne and Giuseppina Lenzo, Université de Lausanne

*Shed in Egypt and West-Semitic Deities: A Reexamination (25 min)*Eric S. Fredrickson, Harvard University
*Egyptian Personal Names and Dates of Composition in Gen 37–50 (25 min)*John Gee, Brigham Young University
Prophets and Prophecy in Ancient Egypt (25 min)

Jens Bruun Kofoed, Fjellhaug International University College Denmark

*The Conception of Man's Createdness in Ancient Egypt and Its Implications for Biblical Studies (25 min)*Andres Nömmik, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
The Philistine–Egyptian Relationships: Some Considerations (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-217**SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Emancipatory Reading: Feminist Hermeneutical Strategies**

Margaret Aymer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

James E Miller, Independent Scholar
*QDESHAH, QADESH, and Pagan Sacred Prostitution: Scholarship in the Teeth of Ideology (30 min)*Jenny James, Brevard College
*Violence Overcome by the Political Ontology of the Syrophoenician Woman (30 min)*Eun Sung Han, Drew University
*The Subaltern Women in the Gospel of Mark: A Postcolonial Taxonomy (30 min)*Isabel Felix, Centro de Estudos Sociais-Universidade de Coimbra
A Hermeneutic Dialogue: Popular Reading of the Bible and Feminist Hermeneutics Critical of Liberation (30 min)

S17-218**SBL Genesis Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Race, Class, and Gender in the Book of Genesis**

Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University, Presiding

Peter Sabo, University of Alberta
*Lot's Daughters and Moabite Women (30 min)*Rosalie Ni Mhaoldomhnaigh, University of Cambridge
*Tamar: Levirate Widow; The Story from the Inside (30 min)*Sébastien Doane, Université Laval
*An Ass in a Lion's Skin: The Subversion of Judah's Hegemonic Masculinity in Gen 38 (30 min)*Raju D. Kunjummen, Emmaus Bible College
*Divine Human Interactions in Genesis through the Lenses of Race, Class, and Gender (30 min)*Benjamin Bixler, Drew Theological School
Lot (Be)gets What He Deserves: Lesser Descendants for a Lesser Man in Genesis 18–19 (30 min)

S17-219**SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section / Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 3 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Innovative Approaches to Teaching Biblical Languages**

Randall Tan, Global Bible Initiative, Presiding

Jonathan Robie, B-Greek: The Biblical Greek Forum and Micheal Palmer, Greek-Language.com
*Pop-up Greek (20 min)*Fredrick J. Long, Asbury Theological Seminary
Constituent Marking, Semantic Diagraming, and Color-Coding for Learning Koine Greek (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Randall Buth, Biblical Language Center, Israel, and Institute for Biblical Languages and Translation
*Hebrew in Hebrew: Storytelling to Teach Biblical Hebrew vayyiqtol to Beginners in an Immersion Setting (20 min)*Sarah Lynn Baker, The University of Texas at Austin
*Uploading Hebrew: The Transformation of the Language Classroom (20 min)*Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Global Learning Initiative
Hebrew Bible-Driven Immersion in Bible OL (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-220**SBL HarperCollins Study Bible Editorial Board**

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

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S17-221

SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding (5 min)

Kengo Akiyama, University of California-Davis
Wisdom-Law Meets Politics: The Holiness Code and Ezekiel as a Test Case (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathan Lovell, George Whitefield College
Elijah and Elisha: A Prophetic Locus of National Identity in the Absence of David and the Temple (23 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christian Wilder, Grand Canyon University
Isaiah as Kingmaker: Reading Isaiah 45:1 in Light of Persian Temple Restoration in Conquered Lands (23 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Guy Ridge, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
God Sees You: Jeremiah 23:9–40 through the Lens of Foucault's Surveiller et punir (23 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham
All the Earth is Mine: Toward a Biblical Theology of Freedom of Religion or Belief (23 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Other (3 min)

Prophets as Political Actors. Prophecy as Political Action.

S17-222

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Esther Hamori, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Presiding

Michael J. Stahl, New York University
The "God of Israel" and the Politics of Divinity in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Noam Cohen, New York University
Almanah and Yatam in Genesis 21 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia
From Solomon's Prostitutes to Hammurabi's Wet-Nurses: Reexamining Three Parallel Cases of Parental Uncertainty (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jordan W. Jones, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
On Gesture and Social Values: The Friend-Kiss Gesture of Proverbs 24 with Ancient Near Eastern Analogs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael C. Lyons, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Late Bronze-Early Iron Age Texts and the Hebrew Bible in Light of Modern Anthropological Indicators of Famine (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-223

SBL Hebrews Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Key Issues in Commenting on Hebrews**

Amy Peeler, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding
Sigurd Grindheim, Fjellhaug Internasjonale Høgskole
Hermeneutical Presuppositions and Their Implications Regarding the Audience of Hebrews (30 min)

David Moffitt, University of St. Andrews
Hebrews and Cosmology (30 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University
Yet His Shadow Still Looms: Citations from the "Obsolete Covenant" in the Epistle to the Hebrews (30 min)

Harold Attridge, Yale University, Respondent (15 min)

Alan Mitchell, Georgetown University, Respondent (15 min)

Eric Mason, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois), Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-224

SBL Historical Jesus Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Jesus and Synagogues**

James Crossley, St. Mary's University, Presiding

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Palestinian Synagogues in the Time of Jesus (25 min)

Jordan J. Ryan, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary
The Aims of Jesus in Light of Current Research on Early Synagogues (25 min)

Richard Last, Trent University
Jesus and Synagogue Access in First Century CE (25 min)

Andrew R. Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Reading Texts and Reading Practice: Luke 4 in the Context of First-Century Synagogue Reading Practices (25 min)

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S17-225**SBL Ideological Criticism Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 703 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ideological Criticism and the Books of Samuel**

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Nathan Chambers, University of Durham

Saul's Seven Sacrificed Sons (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rachelle Gilmour, University of Sydney

The Rejection of Saul and the Obscene Underside of the Law (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James Harding, University of Otago

Ideological Perspectives on Theodicy and Antitheodicy in the Tragedy of Saul (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christina Petterson, Australian National University

The Ideology of Kingship from Saul to Frank Underwood (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

SuJung Shin, New Brunswick Theological Seminary

A "Polyphonic Hero" David from the Perspective of an "Internally Dialogized Word" in the Book of Samuel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

P17-226**International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Aspen Room B (Third Level)

Theme: **Prophets in the LXX**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

John D. Meade, Phoenix Seminary

The Dream for a "Field for the Twenty-First Century" Endures: A Description and Defense of the New Critical Edition of Job 22–42 (30 min)

Matthew Albanese, University of Oxford

Old Greek Isaiah 13:19: Misunderstood Hebrew and Constructive Greek (30 min)

Johanna Erzberger, Cardiff University

Echoing Prayers: The Prayer of Repentance (Bar 1:15–3:8) in the Book of Baruch and in the Context of Intertextual References between Bar, Dan, and the Versions of Jeremiah (30 min)

Miika Tucker, University of Helsinki

The Translation Character of Septuagint Jeremiah (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-227**SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Prophetic Hope**

These papers explore notions of hope within prophetic literature. What are the promises and problematics of hope in the prophetic literature? Papers will address some of the following questions: Is hope as a concept and definable impulse in prophetic literature an intentional delusion and deception of people or one that represents sincere theological struggle to articulate a new society? Are prophetic utopias liberative? If they are liberative, then whose liberation do they promote or prescribe? If not, do they then reinscribe hierarchies that promote oppression? How do prophetic utopias work when in the hands of different actors?

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding

Dominic S. Irudayaraj, Hekima University College, Nairobi
In the Interstices of Utopia and Dystopia: Towards a Hopeful Reading of the Dichotomous Depictions of Zion in Micah (30 min)

Sonja Ammann, Universität Basel

Unhappy Endings: Deconstructing Hope in Jeremiah 37–43 (30 min)

Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)

"They Will Not Hurt or Destroy on All My Holy Mountain" (Isaiah 11:9 and 65:25): Problematic Utopian Promises in the Vision of the Future Jerusalem in Isaiah 65:17–25? (30 min)

Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin

"To Proclaim Liberty": The Jubilee Vision of Hope in Isaiah 58 and 61 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-228**SBL Johannine Literature Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1B (Lower Level)

Adesola Akala, Durham University, Presiding

Daniel R. Streett, Durham University

False Prophets, Sons of Belial, and Sins unto Death: First John's Reading of Deuteronomy 13 as Eschatological Halakha (30 min)

Murray J. Smith, Macquarie University, Sydney

"Everyone Who Sins is a Slave to Sin" (Jn 8.34): Sin in the Johannine Literature (30 min)

Sherri Brown, Creighton University

Embodying Tabernacles in John 7:1–10:21 (30 min)

George van Kooten, University of Cambridge

The Beloved Pupil at the Last Symposium: The Self-Authentication of John's Gospel and Plato's Symposium (30 min)

Jesper Tang Nielsen, University of Copenhagen

Pneumata in the Fourth Gospel (30 min)

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S17-229

SBL Josephus Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Brill Commentary Series**

James McLaren, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Gaia Lembi, Brown University

Ad Fontes: Josephus and His Sources in Book 14 of the Antiquities (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Chris Seeman, Walsh University

The Poetics of Defending Sacred Space: Cultivating Empathy in Flavian Rome (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S17-230

SBL Joshua-Judges Section / Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **Judges, Gender, and Intertextuality**

J. Cornelis de Vos, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Susanne Gillmayr-Bucher, Catholic Private University of Linz
Lost in the Text(s): The Construction and Deconstruction of the Concubine in Judg 19 (30 min)

Serge Frolov, Southern Methodist University
Punished by Rape: Reading between Judges 19 and Ezekiel, via the Song of Songs (30 min)

Danna Nolan Fewell, Drew University
Working Girls: Subverting the Master Narrative of Judges (30 min)

Ji Min Bang, Brandeis University
Deconstructing the Masculinity of the Levite in Judges 19–20: A Hidden Polemic Against Saulide Kingship (30 min)

Gregory T.K. Wong, Evangel Seminary (Hong Kong)
Inner-biblical Allusion and the Historical Issues It Addresses (30 min)

S17-232

SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

Theme: **LDS Reception of Sexual Violence in the Bible**

Michael Pope, Brigham Young University, Presiding

Jonathon Riley, Book of Mormon Central
Deafening Silence: Sexual Violence in the Ammonihah Narrative When Read in Light of the Lot Narrative and the Levite's Concubine Narrative (30 min)

Cory Crawford, Ohio University
Priestly Violence and Priesthood Authority in the Bible and LDS Church (30 min)

D. Jill Kirby, Edgewood College
Jezebel among the Prophets (30 min)

Thom Wayment, Brigham Young University
Towards a Descriptive Hermeneutic for Early Mormonism (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-233

SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **Transformative Ritual and the Textual Transmission of Early Christian Meal Texts**

Changes in the ritual practice of Christian meals have influenced the transmission of New Testament and early Christian texts that concern meals. This is the working hypotheses of the network "Mahl und Text" of eight doctoral and post-doctoral researchers in Europe, funded by the German Research Foundation. The aim of the network is to investigate correlations between transformation processes from Symposium to Eucharist on the one hand, and variants in the manuscript tradition of New Testament and early Christian that concern meals, or the larger editorial phenomena attested by the manuscripts of those texts, on the other. The aim of this session is to present and discuss the work of this research network.

Jan Heilmann, Technische Universität Dresden, Presiding (5 min)

Benedikt Eckhardt, University of Edinburgh
Textual Variants in Justin, 1 Apology 65–67 (30 min)

Kevin Künzl, Technische Universität Dresden
The Meal in the Letters of Ignatius: Textual Variants as Evidence for Transforming Practice and Theology (30 min)

Tobias Flemming, Technische Universität Dresden
The Ritual Practice of Christian Meals and New Testament Textual Variants (30 min)

Soham Al-Suadi, Universität Rostock, Respondent (10 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Respondent (15 min)

Anni Hentschel, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main, Panelist

Peter Smit, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Panelist

Discussion (30 min)



P17-234**National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: Teaching Hebrew to Students Whose L1 Is Not English

Robert Stallman, Northwest University (Washington), Presiding (5 min)

Beth Elness-Hanson, Johannelunds Teologiska Högskola and
Victoria Vasquez, Johannelunds Teologiska Högskola
*Teaching Hebrew with Nonnative English Speakers: Developing
Pedagogy in a Swedish Context (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University
*Teaching Hebrew to Students in Japan using English Textbook?
(30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Seon Young Park, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and Dennis
R. Magary, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
*Meaning One Thing, Saying Another: The Challenge and Advantage
of Teaching Biblical Hebrew in English to Students Whose Primary
Language is Not (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-236**SBL Pauline Epistles Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)

Karin Neutel, University of Oslo
*Faith in the Foreskin: Rethinking the Male Anatomy of Paul's
Circumcision Language (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Ryan D. Collman, University of Edinburgh
The Dogs of Philippians 3: Furthering Recent Proposals (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elaine Pagels, Princeton University
*New Resources for Pauline Reception History: Is the Gospel of Truth
Paul's Secret Wisdom Teaching? (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Brad F. King, University of Texas at Austin
*Domesticating Paul, Domesticating Eve: Sin and Sexuality in Second
Century Creation Discourse (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

S17-237**SBL Pedagogy: From Teaching Assistant to Instructor of Record**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: Hosted by the Student Advisory Board

Joshua Smith, University of Denver, Presiding (5 min)

Jordan Conley, Boston University, Presiding (5 min)

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University, Panelist (15 min)

Andrew Perrin, Trinity Western University, Panelist (15 min)

Tyler Schwaller, Wesleyan College (Macon, GA), Panelist (15 min)

Sarah Berns, Brown University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (50 min)

The pedagogical challenges faced by graduate students differ significantly from those faced by other instructors, and it can be difficult to navigate the relationship between one's own (developing) pedagogical investments/methodological commitments and those of the faculty members, departments, and institutions to whom and to which one is answerable. In what ways are the stakes for graduate students different than other instructors in terms of taking pedagogical risks or engaging in experimentation? In what ways do their challenges differ depending on the degree of control the student has over the course materials and class structure? Finally, in what ways are these concerns particularly salient in the current political climate, and how can graduate students claim their own authority while also fostering a democratic space? Recent incidents involving disciplinary actions and/or professional retribution against graduate students serving in teaching capacities has alerted us to the need for more discussion regarding the particular pedagogical roles, responsibilities, and limits of graduate students. This panel will bring together scholars at different stages in their teaching careers to consider past and present challenges faced by graduate student instructors, and to discuss strategies and resources for graduate students who are currently operating under difficult conditions—such as being required, for example, to teach problematic material or else assigned to work under tenured faculty members with outdated and or regressive methods. As a Student Advisory Board sponsored session, we encourage both graduate students as well as their faculty supervisors to attend, and time will be allotted for extensive questioning and discussion from and with the audience. Time will be left following the panel for participants to meet and mingle.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-238

SBL Pentateuch Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **Pentateuch Text Workshop: Numbers 32**

The goal of the Pentateuch Text Workshop is to foster direct discussion between scholars on issues of pentateuchal composition and editing. The intent of this workshop is to allow scholars to discuss specific texts together, considering their history of composition, redaction, and other relevant historical and literary features in a more extended format. A substantial part of each session will be devoted to discussion among panelists and session attendees.

Nathan MacDonald, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne

Literary Criticism in Numbers 32: Methodological Basics, Problems, and Challenges (20 min)

Liane Feldman, New York University

A Neo-documentary Approach to Numbers 32 (20 min)

Angela Roskop Erisman, Angela Roskop Erisman Editorial

A Supplementary Approach to Numbers 32 (20 min)

Olivier Artus, Institut Catholique de Paris

Numbers 32 and Transjordan in the Context of the Post-priestly Composition of the Book of Numbers (20 min)

Nathan MacDonald, University of Cambridge, Respondent (15 min)

P17-239

Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Bias and Identity Politics in the Western Academic Study of the Qur'an**

Karen Bauer, The Institute of Ismaili Studies, Presiding

Kecia Ali, Boston University, Panelist (25 min)

Ghazala Anwar, Starr King School for the Ministry, Panelist (25 min)

Emran El Badawi, University of Houston, Panelist (25 min)

Joseph Lowry, University of Pennsylvania, Panelist (25 min)

Shari Lowin, Stonehill College, Panelist (25 min)

Shawkat Toorawa, Yale University, Panelist (25 min)

S17-240

SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

Theme: **Women Interpreters Through the Ages**

Christiana de Groot, Calvin College, Presiding

Beth Langstaff, Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums

Speaking Scripture, Confessing Christ: The Prophetic Voice of Argula von Grumbach (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bernon Lee, Bethel University (Minnesota)

Grace Aguilar on the Law of the Jealous Man (Numbers 5:11–31): A Nineteenth-Century Engagement with England's "Others" (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marion Ann Taylor, Wycliffe College

Sarah Hale, the Cult of Domesticity, and the Apostle Paul (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Carli Anderson, Arizona State University

"When Earth's Curse Shall Be Removed": Interpretations of the Genesis Creation/Fall Narrative in Mormon Women's Suffrage Rhetoric (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brittany Kim, Roberts Wesleyan College

"Golden Cables" Stretching from America to Wales: Katharine Bushnell's God's Word to Women in Jessie Penn-Lewis's "Magna Charta" (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-241

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Catherine Playoust, University of Divinity, Presiding

Meredith J. C. Warren, University of Sheffield

A Question of Method: Senses, Bodies, and Religious Experience in Antiquity (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Spirit Possession, Spirit Reception

Reed Carlson, Harvard University

A Spirit Possession Ritual at En-Dor: Interpreting 1 Samuel 28 Using Anthropological Models (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kai-Hsuan Chang, Wycliffe College (University of Toronto)

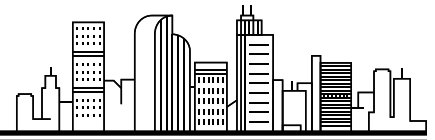
A Conceptual Blend between the Reception of the Spirit and Baptism: Paul's Construction of the Body of Christ in 1 Cor 12:13 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jung Choi, North Carolina Wesleyan College

A True Prophet as a Mouthpiece of the Spirit? Cultivating Virtue and Control (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)



Pieter Craffert, University of South Africa, Respondent (10 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Business Meeting (15 min)

S17-242

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **Theory and Method in the Study of Late Antiquity: A Dissertation Discussion**

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, Presiding (5 min)

Jeremiah Coogan, University of Notre Dame
Paratextual Rewriting as Theory and (Reading) Practice: The Case of the Eusebian Gospel Apparatus (15 min)

Gregory Given, Harvard University
On Manuscripts, Weirdness, and the Pursuit of Radiance (15 min)

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University, Respondent (15 min)

Sigrid K. Kjær, University of Texas at Austin
The Religious World of Late Antique Southern Arabia: Transformations and Trends (15 min)

Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University
Vanishing Women, Lingering Voices: Wrestling with Representations of Gendered Speech in Greek and Syriac Poetry (15 min)

James Redfield, Saint Louis University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (55 min)

S17-243

SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

Theme: **Inference, Innuendo, and Other Innovations**

Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands, Presiding (5 min)

Chee-Chiew Lee, Singapore Bible College
The Rhetoric of Empathy in Hebrews (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary
Man on Man Violence: A Slippery Insertion into a Pauline Argument in 1 Thessalonians (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Dan Nässelqvist, Lund University
Christological Hymns as Ancient Prose Hymns: Rhetorical Features of Embedded Prose Hymns in Non-Christian Sources (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nina E. Livesey, University of Oklahoma
The Inference of Situational Stability in Paul's Letters (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joshua M. Reno, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
A quo tandem abest iste vitio? Libelous Lists in Pauline Invective (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-244

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 604 (Street Level)

Theme: **Exploring Colossians (Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Track 3: Sociorhetorical Analytical Seminar)**

Shively Smith, Boston University School of Theology, Presiding (10 min)

Roy Jeal, Booth University College

Sociorhetorical Interpretation of the Letter to the Colossians (110 min)

Discussion (30 min)

This track of the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity program unit provides the opportunity to engage the writing of sociorhetorical commentary in-depth. The presenter will demonstrate the various strategies employed in the sociorhetorical analysis as found in the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity commentary series published by SBL Press by presenting a section of commentary material from a volume in progress. The session is open to practitioners familiar with the analytic and is also an excellent venue to learn more about the practices and principles of sociorhetorical interpretation. This year's analytical seminar will feature work on the letter to the Colossians.

P17-245

Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Colorado (I.M. Pei Tower Building, Mezzanine Level)

Theme: **Reading Ancient Texts in Light of Iconic and Performative Ritualization**

The Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT) fosters academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art.

Bradford A. Anderson, Dublin City University, Presiding

Mark Lester, Yale University
Textual Iconicity in Deuteronomy (30 min)

Katherine E. Brown, Catholic University of America
Ezekiel: Signing Presence (30 min)

Eduard Iricinschi, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Ancient Books as Living Legal Entities: The Gospel of Truth (NHC I,3) and Roman Law Tablets (30 min)

Business Meeting (60 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

P17-245a

Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies (SARTS)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall F (Third Level)

Theme: **Theological and Religious Explorations of Borders through the Arts**

- Maureen O'Connell, La Salle University, Presiding
 Claudio Carvahales, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding
 Joel Mayward, University of St. Andrews
The Borders of Wakanda: Black Panther as Cinematic Parable
 Helen Boursier, College of St. Scholastica
The Power of Hope: Using Arts-Based Research for Education and Advocacy
 Rebecca Berru Davis, Montana State University - Billings
Rips and Seams: Immigrant Women Stitching Healing and Wholeness into Worlds of Trauma and Loss

S17-246

SBL Strategies for Achieving Work-Life Balance

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Professional Development Committee**

Achieving a healthy balance between one's personal and professional lives can be especially challenging for those pursuing a career in academia. Academics often find their work time spilling over into their family and leisure time, especially during crunch times when one has a multitude of grading to do, or a conference paper that needs completing, or a looming deadline on an article or a book, or all of these at once. Trying to juggle writing, research, teaching, service, partners, children, family, and home life can feel like a constant struggle.

Add to that unexpected life challenges and circumstances that often arise, and trying to balance everything in your life can feel overwhelming. In this session, we will provide guidance and discuss strategies for achieving and maintaining work-life balance, including time management strategies, building in downtime, how to avoid burnout, and learning to say no.

- Hilary Lipka, University of New Mexico, Presiding
 Julie Casper, Lockton Companies, Panelist
 Donna M. Sobel, University of Colorado Denver, Panelist
 April DeConick, Rice University, Panelist
 Cheryl Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University Divinity School, Panelist

S17-247

SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

- Casey Strine, University of Sheffield, Presiding
 Ruth Ebach, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
"Whatever I Will Speak, Will be Fulfilled": The Correspondence between Prophecy and Fulfillment in Ezek 12:21–28 (25 min)
 Tracy J. McKenzie, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
History as Harlotry: Expansion in Ezekiel 16 (25 min)
 Eric X. Jarrard, Harvard University
Beyond Use and Abuse of History: Constructed Memory in Ezekiel 20 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

- Rosanne R. Liebermann, Johns Hopkins University
Brides, Prostitutes, and Witches: Gendered Identities in the Book of Ezekiel (25 min)
 Lindy Williams, University of Manchester
Utopian Priests and Foreign Levites: Ezek 44 as "Counterstory" to a Broken Priesthood (25 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S17-248

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Theme: **The Politicized Bible**

- Andrew Mein, University of Durham, Presiding (5 min)
 Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Galileo Reading Qoblet: In Defense of Theologically Informed Intellectual Optimism (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

- Joseph Kyle Stewart, Gulf Coast State College
Weaponizing Scripture: The Use of the Samaritan Pentateuch in the Catholic-Protestant Debates (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

- Ingunn Aadland, IKO
Casting Biblical Narratives: Visible and Invisible Women (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

- Chloe Blackshear, University of Chicago
*Over-Writing the Minor: García-Valiño's *Urtías y el Rey David*: (20 min)*

Discussion (11 min)

**P17-249****Westar Institute**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Grand Hyatt (GH) – Colorado Ballroom (Second Level)

Theme: Envisioning God in the Humanities: Studies in Honor of Melissa Harl Sellw

This is a special session of the Westar Institute honoring the scholarship of Melissa Harl Sellw.

Courtney Friesen, University of Arizona, Presiding

Courtney Friesen, University of Arizona, Introduction (5 min)

Charles Bobertz, Saint John's University

From Mark to Mark to Mark: Continuity and Discontinuity in the Narrative History of Mark's Gospel (20 min)

Stephen Potthoff, Wilmington College

Figs, Pigs, and Imperial Rome: Jesus and the Barren Fig Tree in Mark 11 (20 min)

David Sick, Rhodes College

Jesus and Sympotic Desire (20 min)

Stephen Patterson, Willamette University

"I Will Make Her Male": Mary Meets Plato in the Gospel of Thomas (20 min)

David Brakke, Ohio State University

The Gospel of Judas and the End of Sethian Gnosticism (20 min)

Michael Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota)

The Martyrdom of Polycarp and Jewish-Christian Relations in Smyrna: Rhetoric and Reality (20 min)

Presentation Honoring Melissa Harl Sellw

Discussion (20 min)

Melissa Harl Sellw, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Member

James Wykes, Marquette University

The Best of the Best(iary): LXX-Job's Use of Greek Zoology Texts (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-251**SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Papers in this seminar session will be pre-distributed and only summarized in the session. If you are interested in participating and receiving papers beforehand, please contact the chairs: Petri. Luomanen@helsinki.fi or Brian.Tucker@moody.edu

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire, Presiding (5 min)

A. Asano, Kwansei Gakuin University

Breaking Away from Social Memory: Paul's Reinvention of Maccabean Ideology (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Christopher A. Porter, Ridley Melbourne

Assessing Background Socio-historical Narratives, Social Memory and Social Identity Construction in the Gospels – Not a saga with SAGA. (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Matt O'Reilly, St Mark Church, Mobile, AL

People of the Day: Temporal Aspects of Social Identity in 1 Thessalonians (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Sin-pan Ho, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong

The Rhetorical Purpose of Politeuma in Phil 3: A Hybrid Social Identity Approach (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-250**SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Theme: The Book of Job in the Hebrew and Greek Traditions

The Wisdom Section seeks to provide a forum for the exploration of new ideas in the study of Wisdom Literature, focusing on the Wisdom literature of the Bible and apocryphal wisdom traditions but also on related literature from elsewhere in the ancient Near East.

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

Urmas Nõmmik, Tartu Ülikool

The Hebrew Book of Job as Part of the Job Literature: A Tribute to Otto Kaiser (25 min)

Nina Gschwind, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Parallels between the Book of Job and the Psalms: A Tradition-Historical Rather Than Intertextual Approach (25 min)

Dominick S. Hernández, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Childlessness and Infertility in Job and Ugaritic Literature (25 min)

Break (10 min)

JiSeong James Kwon, Universität Zürich

The Greek Job and the MT Job: Rewritten and Changed Texts (25 min)**P17-201****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

2:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: Transferable Course Design

Contingent faculty (those teaching part-time and those working full-time on a contract basis) are often called upon to teach multiple courses at short notice. Can course design empower preparation for a specific course, while also creating learning experiences transferable to other courses? Join leaders P. Kimberleigh Jordan (Drew Theological School) and Hussein Rashid (Barnard College) for conversation about how one might pursue both goals with integrity.

We will begin with a continental breakfast at 9:00 am and conclude at 10:30 am.

Space is limited to 50 participants. Pre-registration is required; send an email to Beth Reffett, reffettb@wabash.edu, to sign up.

Registration deadline is November 1.

For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

P. Kimberleigh Jordan, Drew Theological School, Panelist

Hussein Rashid, Barnard College, Panelist

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-252

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

2:15 PM–3:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Finding the Job You Want after Graduation: Strategic Planning and Resources for Navigating a PhD Program**

As Arizona State's Connected Academics Research Fellow, a position funded by a Mellon Foundation and MLA funded grant geared at re-imagining humanities PhD training and preparing students for diverse career paths, I have had opportunities to talk with many humanities PhD graduates that have moved into different careers, to learn about excellent career planning resources, and to speak with people invested in assisting PhD students find meaningful and fulfilling work after graduation. This roundtable would be focused on sharing strategies and resources for professionalization and diverse career preparation. My hope is that this roundtable will inspire participants to think broadly about potential career paths, provide a support network for those interested in pursuing work outside academia, and give them some important resources to assist in their preparations. In the face of an ever-more demanding and precarious academic job market, these kinds of discussions will only continue to be more valuable.

Tyler Feezell, Arizona State University, Panelist

S17-301

SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **New Directions for the Enterprise**

This session explores new modes and/or new voices in African American biblical interpretation and reviews two new monographs: *When Momma Speaks: The Bible and Motherhood from a Womanist Perspective* by Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder and *Daughters in the Hebrew Bible* by Kimberly Dawn Russaw

Herbert Robinson Marbury, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Angela Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology, Panelist (15 min)

Andre E. Johnson, University of Memphis, Panelist (15 min)

Stephanie Crowder, Chicago Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Kamilah Hall Sharp, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (15 min)

Ericka Dunbar, Drew University, Panelist (15 min)

Kimberly Russaw, Claflin University, Respondent (10 min)

S17-302

SBL Animal Studies and the Bible Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Theme: **Crossing Borders**

Arthur Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg, Presiding (5 min)

Abra Spiciarich, Tel Aviv University

Animals' Economic Role in the Temple and Market as Reflected in Zooarchaeology and the Bible (25 min)

Dag Oredsson, Lunds Universitet

Identifying the Deer in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Brian Fiu Kolia, University of Divinity

Eve, the Serpent, and a Samoan Love Story: A Fāgogo Reading of Genesis 3:1–19 and Its' Implications for Animal Studies (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert Seesengood, Albright College

Monsters, Beasts, and Animals: The Taxonomy of Fierce Creatureliness in the Biblical Text and Beyond. (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-303

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Bible and Gender in Asian and Asian American Contexts, Part 1**

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity, Presiding (5 min)

SungAe Ha, Claremont School of Theology

Reading Tamar in the Context of Korean "Comfort Women" and "Me Too" Movement (30 min)

Julius-Kei Kato, King's Univ. College - Western Univ.

Matthew's Struggles with Identity as Seen through The Joy Luck Club (30 min)

Janette H. Ok, Azusa Pacific University

You Have Become Children of Sarah: Reading 1 Peter 3:1–6 through the Intersectional Lens of Asian Immigrant Wives, Honorary Whiteness, and the Oriental Feminine Mystique (30 min)



S17-304**SBL Bible and Visual Art Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Christine Joynes, University of Oxford, Presiding

Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam

Gendering Rembrandt: Paintings and Prints with Scenes from the Gospels (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jared Beverly, Chicago Theological Seminary

G(r)azing: Seeing and Being Animal in the Song of Songs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University

Sodom and Gomorrah in the Art of Yehuda Levy-Aldema (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Holly Morse, University of Manchester

Reception Criticism and the Curatorial Turn (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S17-305**SBL Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Consultation**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Theosis in the Johannine Literature**

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University, Presiding

Andrew Byers, St John's College, Durham University

John 1:1–18 as a Deification Text: The Ecclesial Vision of Filiation and Divine–Human Exchange in the Fourth Gospel's Prologue (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Following the Glory: Theosis in the Fourth Gospel (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary

Transformation by Divine Vision in 1 John 3:2–6 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Azar, University of Scranton

John's Revelation and Patterns of Theosis (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Mariani, University of Notre Dame

Inspired Text, or Inspired Author? Theosis to Write, Theosis to Interpret in Maximus the Confessor (20 min)

James Wallace, Christian Brothers University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S17-306**SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 108 (Street Level)

Theme: **Lions, Leopards, Bears from the Forest and the Thickets of the Jordan: Nature Imagery and Images in Biblical Hebrew Poetry**

This session will be devoted to showcasing the exciting new project: DNI Bible, i.e., Dictionary of Nature Imagery of the Bible (<http://dni.tau.ac.il/>), led by Dalit Rom-Shiloni and involving collaboration between researchers of natural sciences, iconographers, and biblical scholars.

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University

The DNI Bible project (Dictionary of Nature Imagery of the Bible): An Introduction (20 min)

Predators in the Thickets: A Film Interview with Botanists and Zoologists in Israel (Prof. Avi Shmida, Hebrew University, Dr. Yoel Melamed; Bar Ilan University; Dr. Uzi Paz, Beit Berl College) (25 min)

Anna Angelini, University of Lausanne

"Like a Lion from the Thickets of the Jordan": The Lexicon of Feline Carnivores in Biblical Traditions (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Sanna Saari, University of Helsinki and Izaak J. de Hulster,

Helsingin Yliopisto – Helsingfors Universitet

Large Predators in Israel: A Material Culture Perspective (25 min)

Carol Dempsey, University of Portland

"Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!": Responding from the "Thickets" (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-307**SBL Book of Psalms Section / Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Preaching the Psalms of Lament**

J. Dwayne Howell, Campbellsville University, Presiding

Carolyn Sharp, Yale Divinity School

A Timely Word in Lament: Psalm 90 and the Homiletical Wisdom of Gardner Taylor (25 min)

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Proclaiming the Incomparable God, in the Register of Lament (25 min)

Charles Aaron, Perkins School of Theology

If We Translate Psalm 23 Correctly, Does It Still Work for Funerals? (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Meghan Musy, Southeastern University

"How Blessed Will Be the One Who Repays You": Finding a Place for Imprecation in Preaching (25 min)

Lodewyk Sutton, University of the Free State

The Homiletic Value of War Imagery in the Lament Psalms, from the Perspective of the Imprecatory Psalms (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

S17-308

SBL Book of Samuel: Narrative, Theology and Interpretation Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4E (Lower Level)

Theme: **1 Samuel 13–15**

Ben Johnson, University of Oxford, Presiding

James E. Harding, University of Otago

The Tragedy of Saul between Theodicy and Antitheodicy (30 min)

James Patrick, University of Oxford

The Rebirth and Co-regency of Saul in 1 Samuel 13:1 (30 min)

Diana Abernethy, Duke University

Jonathan as a Capable but Not Chosen Successor: How the Narrative Sequence of 1 Samuel 13–15 Reveals the Theological Foundation of Israel's Monarchy (30 min)

Sara Kipfer, Heidelberg University

Everybody Conquered Everybody: Envisioning Power in 1 Sam 14:47–52 and 2 Sam 8 (30 min)

Meredith F Nyberg, University of Gloucestershire

The Character Spotlight Pattern in 1 Samuel 13–15 (30 min)

S17-309

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Connecting Gospels**

Sandra Huebenthal, University of Passau, Presiding

Tobias Nicklas, Universität Regensburg

Water into Beer! Transformations of Biblical Miracles in Late Antique and Early Medieval Traditions (25 min)

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia

The Minor Acts of Thomas and John 20:24–29 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Francis Watson, University of Durham

"Inasmuch as Many Have Attempted...": The Apocryphon of James and the Problem of Gospel Plurality (25 min)

J.R.C. (Rob) Cousland, University of British Columbia

Rereading the Christology of the Infancy Gospel of Thomas: The Rewriting of Luke 2:41–52 in Paidika 17 (25 min)

Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-310

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **Women in Matthew's Genealogy**

The Christian Theology and the Bible section is concluding a four-year series on biblical figures who appear in both Testaments and their significance for Christian theology. Papers in this session explore the theological significance of two women in Matthew's genealogy: Rahab (1:5) and Bathsheba, simply called "the wife of Uriah" in Matthew's text (1:6).

Sara Koenig, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Sara Koenig, Seattle Pacific University, Introduction (5 min)

Mary K. Schmitt, Trevecca Nazarene University

Bathsheba and a Theology of Suffering (30 min)

Peter T. Lanfer, Occidental College

Bathsheba: From Trauma Victim to Un-named Wife (30 min)

Emily Buck, Fuller Theological Seminary

Reading Rahab the Harlot: John Calvin's Interpretation of Rahab's Profession (30 min)

Jonathan Morgan, Indiana Wesleyan University

Rahab as Symbol of Salvation: A Patristic Consensus (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-311

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Reception of Ezra and Nehemiah**

A mix of invited papers and open proposals on the reception (both ancient and modern) of the figures Ezra and Nehemiah.

Christopher Jones, Washburn University, Presiding

Terry Ann Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Deborah Ann Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary

Liminal Spaces: Foreign Women as the Creators and Killers of Culture in Ezra 9, 10 and Nehemiah 13 (25 min)

Jonathan C. Groce, Emory University

Reworking Masculinity in 1 Esdras (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Angela Parchen Rasmussen, Georgetown University

"Builder for God": Representations of Nehemiah in Contemporary Children's Bibles (25 min)

Tim Langille, Arizona State University

Nehemiah as a Mnemonic Bridge to the Heroic Past: Remembering the Figure of Nehemiah as a Patron for the Hasmonians (25 min)

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen

Bede's Portrait of Nehemiah: A Portrait Made of Proof-Texts and Selection (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)



S17-312

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section / Prayer in Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Prayers: From the Hebrew Bible to Deuterocanonical Literature**

- Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg, Presiding
Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Prayer in the Hebrew Bible: Retrospective and Prospective (30 min)
- R. Glenn Wooden, Acadia Divinity College
Prayers in the Greek Daniel (30 min)
- Barbara Schmitz, Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg
Judith's Prayers (Jdt 13:7.9) in the Greek and Latin Version (30 min)
- Beate Ego, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Esther's Prayer (Addition C) as a Theological Reinterpretation of the Hebrew Esther Story (30 min)
- Florentina Badalanova Geller, Freie Universität Berlin
Onomastica Biblica in Apocryphal Prayers, Magic Practices, and Healing Rituals (30 min)

S17-313

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Book of Judges**

- Hannes Bezzel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding
Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Linking the Pentateuch with the Deuteronomistic History: Judges 2:1–6 (30 min)
- Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Joshua's Death and the Transition to the Period of the Judges (30 min)
- LEE Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Deuteronomistic Redaction of the Abimelech Narrative (Judges 8:29–9:57) (30 min)
- Ellen Lerner, Manhattan Marymount College
Jephthah and the Status of East Jordan (30 min)
- Peter Dubovsky, Pontificio Istituto Biblico
Exodus in the Book of Judges (30 min)

S17-314

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

- Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding
Jeffrey S Lamp, Oral Roberts University
A People Called by My Name: Ecclesiology Read Ecologically (30 min)
- Julien C. H. Smith, Valparaiso University
Hope and Endurance in Romans: Agrarian Virtues for Citizenship in the Heavenly Commonwealth (30 min)

Samy I. Tiroyé, United Bible Societies

The Translation of Rituals in the Bible: A Cultural Ecological Perspective (30 min)

Jin H. Han, New York Theological Seminary

Post-traumatic Resilience of a Plant in Job 8:16–19 (30 min)

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

How Healing People Can Traumatize Environments: Health Care, Economics, and Ecology in the Biblical World (30 min)

S17-316

SBL Genesis Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding
Theodore Hiebert, McCormick Theological Seminary
The Role of the Flood in Biblical History and the Shape of Israelite Identity (30 min)

Eliza Rosenberg, Utah State University
Expulsion and Binding: Canonical Perspectives on the Sons of Abraham (30 min)

Jason A. Riley, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

The Legal Loophole of Gen 2:17: "You Shall Die" but You Shall Not Not Live (30 min)

Martin Heide, Philipps-Universität Marburg

The Function and Significance of Abram's Sojourn in Egypt (30 min)

Andrew Zack Lewis, Regent College

The Orchard of Eden: The Blessing of Trees before the Curse of the Ground (30 min)

S17-317

SBL Gospel of Luke Section / New Testament Textual Criticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

Theme: **Text Criticism and Interpretation of the Gospel of Luke**

Yii-Jan Lin, Yale Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)

Tommy Wasserman, Orebro School of Theology
Scribal Alterations and the Reception of Jesus in Early Manuscripts of Luke (30 min)

Mark Matson, Milligan College

John/Luke Dialogue, and the Western Noninterpolations (30 min)

Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University and Gregory Barnhill, Baylor University

Textual Criticism and Lukan Studies: The (Dis)connection between the Two (30 min)

Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

Marcion's Gospel and the Textual History of Luke (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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S17-318

SBL Historical Jesus Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Itinerancy of Jesus and His Disciples**

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo
Jesus Itinerancy: Voluntary or Forced? (25 min)

Robert Myles, Murdoch University
Jesus' Itinerancy and Individual Exceptionalism (25 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University
Off the Road but on the Way: The Ministering Itinerary Rather Than the Itinerant Ministry of Jesus's Female Followers (25 min)

Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian Theological Seminary
Even One Who Is Traveling: Itinerancy, Divorce, and Masculinity in the Jesus Movement (25 min)

Tucker S. Ferda, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Itinerancy and the Question of Jesus' Relationship to John the Baptist (25 min)

Hilde Brekke Moller, MF Norwegian School of Theology/Religion/Society
Minding the Gaps of Research History: The Jewish Itinerant Jesus of Gustaf Dalman (1924) (25 min)

S17-319

SBL History of Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Post-reformation Early Modern Thought and the Bible**

Robert Harris, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Paul K.-K. Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary
Biblical Samson, Milton's Samson Agonistes, and Modern Terrorism (25 min)

Keith D. Stanglin, Austin Graduate School Of Theology
Dutch Contributions to Modern Exegesis: The Case of the Remonstrants (25 min)

Brandon Crowe, Westminster Theological Seminary
Reading the Acts of the Apostles with Francis Turretin (25 min)

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University
Methods of Interpreting Scripture and Nature: The Influence of the Baconian Method on Spinoza's Biblical Criticism (25 min)

Steven Edward Harris, Redeemer University College
The Bible in the Locke–Stillingfleet Controversy over the Resurrection of the Same Body (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-322

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 5 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality in the Gospels and Acts**

Lori Baron, Saint Louis University, Presiding

R. Jarrett Van Tine, University of St. Andrews
Intertextual Layering as a Method for Reading Matthew with 19:10–12 as a Test Case (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sonya Cronin, Florida State University
Throwing Israel's Bread to Gentile Dogs: Mark's Complex Use of Hebrew Bible in the Story of Jesus and the Syrophenician Woman in 7:25–31 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Pablo Gadenz, Seton Hall University
Isaac Typology and Fulfillment of the Oath to Abraham in Luke-Acts (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Kochenash, Independent
"Saul" in Acts and the Rhetoric of Reception (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

W. Gil Shin, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Internarrativity and Ecce Homo: A Masterplot Underlying Zech 6:9–15 and 1 Sam 9:1–11:15 and Its Function in John 19:1–8 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-323

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **Rhetoric, Gender, and Piety**

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding

Jeremiah Bailey, Baylor University
Lessons on Manhood from Lady Ekklesia: Hermas's Characterization in Visions 1–4 (30 min)

Alexander D. Perkins, Fordham University
Arms and the Unman: The Role of Masculinity in Tertullian's Arguments against Military Service (30 min)

Michael Flexsenhar III, Rhodes College
Inventing Christian Piety: Euelpistus in the Acts of Justin and Companions (30 min)

Jennifer Quigley, Harvard University
The Down Payment of Righteousness: An Economy of Suffering in Polycarp's Letter to the Philippians (30 min)

Arthur Urbano, Providence College (Rhode Island)
"The Philosopher is Heard When He is Seen": The Poetics of Clothing and the Philosopher's Wardrobe in Second Sophistic and Early Christian Texts (30 min)



S17-324**SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Movement and Dispersion**

Jione Havea, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Nasili Vaka'uta, Trinity Methodist Theological College
*Interrogating Diaspora: Engaging the Bible on a Hyphen (25 min)*Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
*Between Paradise and Exile: Migrations around Lamentation, Expectation and iLand in the Caribbean Bible (25 min)*Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University
*The City that Does Not End: On Migration and Immutability in Hebrews (25 min)*Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies
*Displacement as a Cradle of Creative Creole Liminality: Exporting Identity to the Diaspora through Bible Translation (25 min)*Heather-Gail Belfon, Iliff School of Theology
Marginalized Islanders? Migrant Widows and Freedmen in Acts 6 (25 min)

S17-325**SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Theme: **Christian Jews and Non-Christian Jews in the First Two Centuries CE**

Annette Yoshiko Reed, New York University, Presiding

Paul M. Pasquesi, Marquette University
Precincts and Praxis: Interactions in a Jerusalem without Temple (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Gunnar Samuelsson, University of Gothenburg
The Beginning of the End of Jewish Christianity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sally Douglas, University of Divinity, Melbourne
Faith in the Borderlands: An Exploration of Jewish-Christian Self-Understanding in 1 Clement (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andrew W. Higginbotham, Ivy Tech Community College -
Lawrenceburg Riverfront
Jacob as Liminal Trope: Exploring Sectarian Boundaries through Rabbinic Interactions (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S17-326**SBL Jewish, Christian, and Graeco-Roman Travel in the Hellenistic, Roman, and Early Byzantine Periods (300 BCE–600 CE) Consultation**

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Themes in the Study of Travel**Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet,
PresidingPieter B. Hartog, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit
Travel Writing in the Early Roman Empire: Themes and Prospects (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Catherine Hezser, University of London and University of Oslo
Recent Research on Travel, Network Theory, and Identity in Jewish, Christian, and Graeco-Roman Society (300 BCE – 600 CE) (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dennis Mizzi, University of Malta
People on the Move, Places in Motion: An Archaeological Perspective on Travel in the Ancient Mediterranean (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-327**SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Panel: Writing 1 Peter Commentaries**

This session explores some of the challenges facing authors currently writing commentaries on 1 Peter. Authors of EEC, ICC, NIGTC, and the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Commentary series will present on specific issues they are wrestling with in their books, followed by a time for general discussion and Q&A.

Mariam Kamell Kovalishyn, Regent College, Presiding

Travis B. Williams, Tusculum College
*Delivering the Oracles of God: The Nature of Christian Communication in 1 Peter 4:11 (30 min)*Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University
*Translating λόγος in First Peter 1:22–25 for the New International Greek Testament Commentary Series (30 min)*W. Edward Glenny, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN)
*Writing a Commentary on 1 Peter (30 min)*Duane F. Watson, Malone University
The Creation of Sociorhetorical Commentary on 1 Peter (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S17-328

SBL Megilloth Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 703 (Street Level)

Theme: **Studies in Megilloth**

Bradley Embry, Regent University, Presiding (2 min)

Jennifer M. Matheny, University of Kent at Canterbury
Ruth as a Voice of Canonical Answerability to Judges 19–21 (20 min)

Daniel Frese, University of Kentucky
On Singing and/or Pruning: Song of Songs 2:12 Reconsidered (20 min)

Mayer Gruber, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Brachylogous Merism and Gender in the Book of Lamentations (20 min)

Jason M. H. Gaines, Tulane University
But Queen Vashti Refused: The Book of Esther as a Test Case for Consent in Biblical Studies (20 min)

Megan Fullerton Strollo, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Seeking a Comforter: The Megilloth and the Diversity of Thought in Second Temple Literature (20 min)

S17-329

SBL Pauline Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **The Resurrection and/as Salvation in Paul: Romans**

The saving work of God in Christ according to Paul is often associated primarily with Christ's death and with belief in its saving efficacy. For this session, we invite papers that consider (1) how, for Paul, God's resurrecting of Christ is itself an integral part of God's saving act and/or (2) how Paul understands resurrection as an integral part of humanity's past, present, or future experience of salvation. This session focuses on Romans.

Erin Heim, Denver Seminary, Presiding

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh
With Liberty and Justice for All, or: The Moral Life of the Resurrected Dead in Romans 6 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Andrew Cowan, Independent Scholar
"Raised for Our Justification": Justification and the Resurrection of Christ in Paul's Letter to the Romans (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kyle B. Wells, Westmont College, Santa Barbara
The Liberation of the Body of Creation: Towards a Pauline Environmental Ethic (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Timothy J. Christian, Asbury University
"For We Were Saved in Hope" (Rom 8:24): The Resurrection as Future Salvation in Romans (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-330

SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **Repeated Performance**

C. Rebecca Rine, Grove City College, Presiding

Glenn Holland, Allegheny College
Repeated Performance and the Creation of a Rhetorical Matrix in Paul's Churches (30 min)

Danny Yencich, University of Denver
Are the Gospels Multiple Traditions or Multiple Performances? Revisiting Albert Lord and the Synoptics with John Miles Foley (30 min)

Bernhard Oestreich, Friedensau Adventist University
Repeated Performance of Oral or Written Christian Texts in Light of Ritual Analysis (30 min)

Richard W Swanson, Augustana University
This Is My Body: Repetition and Remembrance (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S17-331

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section / Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **Philology of Gender**

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Laura Quick, Princeton University
Gender Discord in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Sarah Shectman, Independent Scholar
The Priestly Language of Gender (25 min)

Shawna Dolansky, Carleton University
The Essence of Conception: Philology and the Physics of Fertility in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Yale Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S17-333

SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Theme: **"Who Is My Neighbor?"**

With an eye to Lev 19:18 and its reception in the Jesus movement, this session encourages presenters to explore just who the "neighbor" is in ancient and modern contexts. We ask that primary foci be in relation to either ancient and modern contexts of solidarity in resistance to poverty, or in creating and sustaining systemic poverty through the exclusion of the "other."

LeAnn Snow Flesher, American Baptist Seminary of the West, Presiding (5 min)



Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University
The Neighbor Then and Now: Is There Anything New under the Sun?
(20 min)

Michael Barram, Saint Mary's College of California
Neighbors and Need, Then and Now: Moral Reasoning and Embodied Love in Luke 10:25–37 (20 min)

Alex Hon Ho IP, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Why We Cannot "See" Our Neighbor? A Re-interpretation of Luke 10:25–37 in Ancient and Modern Context in Light of New Institutional Economics Using Hong Kong as a Modern Case Study
(20 min)

Ron Clark, Portland Seminary
Sweeping Off the Porch Where My Neighbor Sleeps: The Lucan Parable of the Rich Man, Lazarus, Boundaries, and Wondering Who Really is My Neighbor in Portland, Oregon. (20 min)

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Respondent
(20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S17-334

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 303 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Reception and Afterlife of Pseudepigrapha in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam**

Jacques van Ruiten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Presiding
Liv Ingeborg Lied, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Reading 2 Baruch on Easter Sunday: Imagining a Multi-medial Encounter with 2 Bar 72:1–73:2 and Challenging the Scholarly Narrative of Ancient Jewish Writings (30 min)

Daniel M. Gurtner, Southern Seminary
Second Baruch from Greek into Syriac: An Examination of Translational Features and Their (Potential) Implications (30 min)

Ashley L. Bacchi, Starr King School for the Ministry
The Triune Sibyl: Greek, Jewish, and Christian Manifestations of a Mutable Muse (30 min)

Gavin McDowell, Université Laval
Enoch in Persian Garb: Sefer ha-Yashar and the Shabnameh (30 min)

David Calabro, Saint John's University
Solomon the Seal-Bearer: The Baptism of an Islamic Tale (30 min)

S17-335

SBL Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Practical Teaching Tools**

Each presenter will demonstrate an actual teaching practice addressing racism in the biblical studies classroom.

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Presiding (1 min)

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Panelist (25 min)

Sonja Anderson, Carleton College, Panelist (25 min)

Gregory Cuéllar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)
Business Meeting (24 min)

S17-336

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 111 (Street Level)

Theme: **On Blasphemy**

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati, Presiding

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University - Fresno
Walking a Knife's Edge: Blasphemy as a Moral Obligation (30 min)

Zach Selby, Chicago Theological Seminary
Achan's Blasphemous Utopia: Or How to Get Yourself Killed in Ancient Israel (30 min)

Brian Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Biblical and Postsecular Blasphemy (30 min)

Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University
Poetry and Blasphemy in the Book of Job (30 min)

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury
Cartoons of Muhammad in the Context of "Blasphemous" Bible Cartoons (30 min)

S17-337

SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Women Interpreters in the Middle Ages**

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College, Presiding

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia
Hildegard of Bingen as Feminist Biblical Interpreter? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Catherine Sider Hamilton, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto
Exegete with Authority: Hildegard of Bingen on Paul (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer S. Wyant, Emory University
Women Interpreting Women: Hildegard of Bingen, Birgitta of Sweden, and Teresa of Avila Interpreting Mary and Martha of Bethany
(20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kate Hanch, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Love's Journey: Mechthild of Hackeborn's Soteriology (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Kendall Cox, University of Virginia
Julian of Norwich's Intertextual Interpretation of Luke 15:11–32
(20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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S17-337a

SBL Religion and Philosophy in Late Antiquity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

This is a three-year seminar that investigates “philosophy” and “religion” as analytical categories and their usefulness for interpreting the late ancient world. Seminar papers will be pre-circulated. If you would like to receive a copy of the seminar papers, please contact Todd Krulak at tckrulak@hotmail.com.

Susanna Elm, University of California–Berkeley, Presiding

Gregory Smith, Central Michigan University
What Kind of Problems Do Demons Solve in Late Antiquity? (25 min)

Greg Shaw, Stonehill College
Philosophy and Religion in Later Platonism: Who Were the Bacchoi? (25 min)

S17-338

SBL Religions of Israel and Judah in Their West Asian Environment Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 701 (Street Level)

Isabel Cranz, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding

Guy Darshan, Tel Aviv University
Ruah Elohim in the Light of Phoenician Cosmogonies (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mark Lackowski, University of Notre Dame
On the Road: Itinerant Priests and the “Edomite” Shrine at Tamar (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kipp Swinney, Baylor University
Theogenesis and Ethnogenesis: The Role of Qaus in the Formation of Edomite Identity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Lacy K. Crocker Papadakis, Baylor University
Framing the “Woman in the Window”: Liminality in Iconography and the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S17-338b

SBL Society of Biblical Literature Commentary on the Septuagint

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

This seminar will present an opportunity for participants in the SBL Commentary on the Septuagint to engage collaboratively in their work, providing a forum in which they can address methodological and interpretative issues involved in the process of philological commentary and engage with the larger community of scholars.

S17-338a

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Finishing the Dissertation On-Time and with Your Sanity In-Tact**

The dissertation is a notoriously difficult part of the PhD process and many graduate students struggle to make it past the ABD (All But Dissertation) stage, especially in a reasonable timespan. However, with proper planning and preparation, the dissertation can be completed relatively quickly and with a minimum of mental anguish. In this Roundtable, I will utilize my experience with planning, researching, writing, and defending a dissertation in two years to help other graduate students at any part of the PhD process. I will share what worked and what didn't and best practices for keeping a dissertation committee happy while simultaneously enjoying the dissertation process (as much as possible). The latter part of the session will be devoted to writing individual timelines and workshop a few of them so participants leave with a concrete plan of how to tackle the dissertation.

Gwendolyn Gillson, Oberlin College, Panelist

S17-339

SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 3 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Using Bible Odyssey to Teach Biblical Studies**

Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University, Presiding

John Kutsko, Society of Biblical Literature, Introduction (10 min)

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
Strengthening the University Bible Class with Bible Odyssey (30 min)

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University
Wait, You Want Me to Do What? Writing Prompts with Bible Odyssey (30 min)

Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, Bluffton University
Bible Odyssey as Textbook (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)



S17-340**SBL The Bible in Ancient (and Modern) Media Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **Scribes as Performers**

This organized session critically reflects on arguments for scribes as performers, especially in response to Jonathan Ready's forthcoming monograph, *Orality, Textuality, and Homeric Epic: A Study of Oral Texts, Dictated Texts, and Wild Texts* (Oxford University Press). Ready's approach is very comparative, including drawing from the work of various biblical scholars, including some of the other participants. The other papers will reflect on scribes as performers in relationship to the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, and the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University, Presiding (5 min)

Jonathan L. Ready, Indiana University

Scribal Performance and the Wild Papyri of the Homeric Epics: Comparative and Interdisciplinary Perspectives (45 min)

Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Scribes and Orality in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Priscille Marschall, Université de Lausanne

Traces of Scribal Memory in New Testament Manuscripts? The Case of Corrections by the First Hand in P46, P66 and P75 (25 min)

Shem Miller, University of Mississippi

The Scribal Performance of Greek Scripture in the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-341**SBL The Historical Paul Consultation**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Paul and Sustenance**

Although there has been no shortage of scholarship on Paul's support and self-support, seldom has the topic been approached from a biographical perspective—that is, in a way that takes seriously Paul's own interests. Previous work has focused either on the theological principles Paul invokes when discussing his means of sustenance, or on the problematics of ancient patronage. This session will begin instead with a biographical question: Paul needed to eat—how did he manage to do so?

Benjamin L. White, Clemson University, Presiding

Richard S. Ascough, Queen's University

Eating on the Way and the Way of Eating (25 min)

Brigidda Bell, University of Toronto

The Diviner's Gift Comes at a Cost: On Divinatory Compensation and Paul's Finances (25 min)Thomas R. Blanton IV, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Self-Support and Sustenance of Paul the skēnopoios (25 min)

Paul B. Duff, George Washington University

A Labor of Love? The Self-Employed Apostle in Corinth (25 min)

Richard Last, York University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

P17-341a**The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Textual Criticism (IQSA)**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Manuscripts and Commentaries**

Iskandar Bcheiry, American Theological Library Association

Qur'anic Leaves in Kufic Script on Vellum from the Ninth or Tenth Centuries in the Monastery of Saint Lazarus, Venice (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Saima Syed, Taxila Institute of Asian Civilization, QAU

Significant Features of Qur'an Produced in Subcontinent: A Comparative Study of Bihari and Kashmiri Qur'an (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sheza Alqera Atiq, Harvard University

The Spoken and the Written: Oral Influences on Exegetical Practice and Writing in Late Islamic Classical Period (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Haci Osman "Ozzy" Gunduz, Harvard University

The Mu'tazilite Doctrine of Şarfa in Al-Nāshī' al-Akbar's Poetry Criticism (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S17-342**SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Book of Proverbs**

The Wisdom Section seeks to provide a forum for the exploration of new ideas in the study of wisdom literature, focusing on the Wisdom literature of the Bible and apocryphal wisdom traditions but also on related literature from elsewhere in the ancient Near East.

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University, Presiding

Christopher Ansberry, Oak Hill College

From Theories of Truth to Epistemic Etiquette: Revisiting the Epistemology of the Book of Proverbs (25 min)

Alice Ogden Bellis, Howard University School of Divinity

Creating New Perspectives out of Old: Proverbs as Subtle and Subversive (25 min)

Catherine Petran, Saint Vincent College

"Open Your Mouth, Judge Rightly": Wise Speech and Wise Restraint in Proverbs (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Arthur Keefer, Eton College

Proverbs 21:1 and Ancient Near Eastern Hydrology (25 min)

Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

"Fear the Lord and the King!" Prov 16:10-15 and Achaemenid Royal Ideology (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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S17-343

SBL Wisdom of the Ages

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **In Memory, Gene M. Tucker (1935–2018) and Jonathan Z. Smith (1938–2017)**

We welcome you to a discussion of the myriad professional issues represented among SBL members. With the hope of establishing recurring sessions, this group will focus on the academic and professional wisdom of SBL's elders and provide opportunities for transferring such wisdom, cultivating mentoring relationships, and engaging the generational gamut in the processes of reflection and preparation. Our hope is that scholars and teachers "wise in years" would join us to discuss the current state of the profession, sharing information and techniques across generations, and mentoring scholars and teachers as they shape their own insights and felt-needs.

This year we will honor the memory of two former SBL Presidents, Gene M. Tucker (1996) and Jonathan Z. Smith (2008), who died within days of each other. Short presentations by former colleagues and students will review the life and scholarship of Tucker and Smith. Kent Richards and Ehud Ben Zvi will reflect on the personality and biblical scholarship of Tucker; Ron Cameron and Jorunn J. Buckley will discuss Smith as an educator, innovator, and influencer in the study of contemporary religions.

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Introduction (10 min)

Gene M. Tucker

Kent H. Richards, StrategyPoints

Gene Tucker: Woolly Wisdom, Guilds, and Commitments (20 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta

Gene Tucker: Sage Scholarship by Design and Example (20 min)

Jonathan Z. Smith

Ron Cameron, Wesleyan University (Middletown, CT)

A Matter of Interest: In Memory of Jonathan Z. Smith (20 min)

Jorunn J. Buckley, Bowdoin College

How to Read Alien Texts (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S17-344

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section / Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **Women's Health and Reproduction in the Biblical World: Childbirth, Menstruation, Menopause, Menarché, Fertility, Breastfeeding, and Other Issues**

Meghan Henning, University of Dayton, Presiding

Jennifer J. Williams, Linfield College

Barrenness, Conception, and Bearing Sons: Manoah's Wife and the Health of Pregnant Women (25 min)

Erica Lee Martin, Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry

Vaginal Vocabulary in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

David A. Schones, Southern Methodist University

Hermeneutic of Reproduction: Sociological Tools for Understanding Biblical Infertility (25 min)

Laura Robinson, Duke University

Childbearing, Liminal States, and Mark 13 (25 min)

Adam Booth, Duke University

Paul among the Physicians: 1 Tim 2:15 and Salvation in a Context of Contested Health Claims (25 min)

Alexis Felder, Boston University

Whole Bodies, Hollow Spaces: Women's Health and Pregnancy in Paul's Apocalyptic Eschatology (25 min)

S17-345

SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 604 (Street Level)

Theme: **Family Social Identities and Early Christ-Movement Opposition**

Papers in this seminar session will be pre-distributed and only summarized in the session. If you are interested in participating and receiving papers beforehand, please contact the chairs: Petri. Luomanen@helsinki.fi or Brian.Tucker@moody.edu.

Aaron Kuecker, Trinity Christian College, Presiding (5 min)

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Social Identity Formation in the Gospel of John (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire

2 Corinthians and Super Apostles (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Robert Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary

Luke-Acts and Pharisees (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P17-400

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

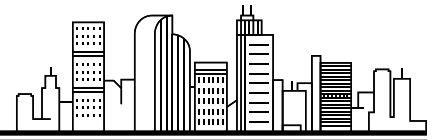
5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: **Teaching Seminars for Doctoral Students Reunion Dinner**

Buffet Dinner for Participants in 2016–18 Wabash Teaching Seminars for Doctoral Students.

For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>



S17-447

SBL/AAR Graduate Student Happy Hour

5:30 PM–7:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: **Co-hosted by the SBL Student Advisory Board and AAR Student Committee**

The SBL Student Advisory Board and the AAR Student Committee are jointly sponsoring this event. We invite you to mingle with fellow graduate students during a busy conference. The first 200 students will receive a free drink ticket. Refreshments and snacks will be served.

S17-501

SBL Presidential Address

7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Four Seasons Ballroom 4 (Lower Level)

Brian Blount, Union Presbyterian Seminary, will deliver the 2018 SBL Presidential Address.

Gale A. Yee, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Brian Blount, Union Presbyterian Seminary

The Souls of Biblical Folks and the Potential for Meaning (50 min)

P17-501

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Grand Ballroom 1 (I.M. Pei Tower Building–Second Level)

Theme: **Reception**

Come join us for drinks and dessert as we celebrate our work with faculty in religious studies departments and theological schools. Meet past, present, and future participants from Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants, and learn about current programming and resources to support your teaching. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

P18-100a

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

7:00 AM–8:45 AM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Aspen Room (Third Level)

Theme: **Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting**

S18-101

SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

7:15 AM–8:45 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

S18-103

SBL Annual Business Meeting

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

S18-104

SBL Press Book Series Editors

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 206 (Street Level)

S18-105

SBL TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S18-106

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **Effective Use of Social Media and Internet in Teaching Biblical Studies**

G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Carl N. Toney, Hope International University

Using Classroom Memes to Generate Class Discussions (20 min)

Other (5 min)

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology

Using Hypothes.is for Communal Annotation and Close Reading (20 min)

Other (5 min)

Troy M. Troftgruben, Wartburg Theological Seminary

Poll the Classroom: A Tool for Active Learning (20 min)

Other (5 min)

Matthew A. Thomas, Fuller Theological Seminary

Introducing Interpretive Principles through Art & Popular Culture (20 min)

Other (25 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-107

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Theme: **Methodologies in African Biblical Hermeneutics**

Gilbert Ojwang, Oakwood University, Presiding

Kuloba W. Robert, Kyambogo University

Reading Proverbs 13:23 in Texts and Contexts of Africa's Poverty: Case Study of East African Region (35 min)

Lisa M. Wolfe, Oklahoma City University

African Onomastics and Famine Names in Ruth (35 min)

Dogara Ishaya Manomi, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

Towards an African Biblical Virtue Ethics? Hermeneutical and Methodological Reflections with Insights from the Letter to Titus (35 min)

Itumeleng Daniel Mothoagae, University of South Africa

Popelo as a Scared Space: Rereading Luke 2:6–8 (35 min)

S18-108

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **The Greek Novel**

Christy Cobb, Wingate University, Presiding

Tyler Smith, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa

Monologically and Dialogically Sustained Discrepant Awareness in Joseph and Aseneth and the Greek Novel (30 min)

Christopher Brenna, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

Beauty Out of Place: Recognition Scenes in Joseph and Aseneth, Daphnis and Chloe, and the Aethiopica (30 min)

Amanda Brobst-Renaud, Valparaiso University

In Their Own Words: Prosopopoiia, Rhetoric, and Characterization in Chariton's Chaereas et Callirhoe (30 min)

John N. Genter, Baylor University

Nomina Omina: The Function of Significant Names in the Greek Novels and in Matthew's Gospel (30 min)

Daniel B. Glover, Baylor University

Left for Dead: Scheintod in the Greco-Roman Novels and Acts (30 min)

S18-109

SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Martin Klingbeil, Southern Adventist University, Presiding

Gard Granerød, MF Norwegian School of Theology

"YHW, the God of Heaven": An Incipient interpretatio persica of YHW into Aburamazda? (25 min)

Brady Alan Beard, Emory University

The Iconography of Joel 2: Toward a Visual Hermeneutic (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University

Evaluating Late Iron Age Jerusalemite Glyptics (25 min)

Richard Purcell, Emory University

Comparing the Imagery of Submission in ANE Art and Psalm 2 (25 min)

Cory Crawford, Ohio University

Building Descriptions and Image-Text Relations in the Bible and Ancient Near East (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-110

SBL Animal Studies and the Bible Consultation

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 403 (Street Level)

Theme: **Reading Animals in Biblical and Rabbinic Literature through the Works of Aaron Gross and Donovan Shaefer**

This session is cosponsored with the Animals and Religion Section of AAR.

Arthur Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg, Presiding (5 min)

Joshua Paul Smith, University of Denver

From the Altar to the Abattoir: The Evolving Figure of the Bovine in Jewish Text and Art (15 min)

Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University

Moses and the Kid, Judah and the Calf, and the Disavowal of Compassion (15 min)

Alex Weisberg, New York University

Rabbinic Animal Affects: Deleuzian Critiques, Disruptive Politics, and the Technology of Animals (15 min)

Aaron S. Gross, University of San Diego, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-110a

SBL Annual Meeting Program Committee

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 707 (Street Level)



S18-111**SBL Aramaic Studies Section / Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Aramaic Speakers in Egypt**

Tawny Holm, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

John Huddleston, College of Charleston, Presiding

Alexander Schütze, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
How to Draft a “Hybrid Document”? The Aramaic Legal Tradition at Elephantine (Fifth Century BC) Reconsidered (25 min)

Melanie Wasmuth, University of Helsinki

Constructions of Identity: The Iconography of the So-Called Aramaean Stelae from Egypt Reconsidered (25 min)

Brandon Simonson, Boston University

Multiculturalism at Elephantine: Evidence of Intersectionality in Persian Period Egypt (25 min)

Joseph Cross, University of Chicago

Envisioning a Compiler at Work: Scribal Features of Papyrus Amherst 63 (25 min)

James Moore, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

Unpublished Aramaic Papyri from Elephantine: A Description of Rediscovered Documents and Fragments in the Berlin Museum (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-112**SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Bronze and Iron Age**

Eric Welch, University of Kansas - Lawrence, Presiding

Kyle H. Keimer, Macquarie University

Ritual Action or Military Preparation? Interpreting Israel's Muster at Mizpah in 1 Sam 7 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Deborah Cassuto, Bar-Ilan University and Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research

Tying it Together: Toward a Correlation of Textile Production and Cultic Spaces in the Southern Levant (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brian Janeway, University of Toronto

Sea Peoples of the Northern Levant? Aegean-Style Ceramic Evidence for the Sea Peoples from Tell Tayinat (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Avraham Faust, Bar-Ilan University

The Archaeology of the Returnees: Forts, Estates, and Settlement Patterns in the Territories of the Former Kingdom of Judah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Erez Ben-Yosef, Tel Aviv University

On the Possibility of an Early Iron Age Nomadic Monarchy in the Arabah (Early Edom) and Its Implications on the Study of Ancient Israel (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-113**SBL Bible and Emotion Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Methods and Models for Understanding Emotions in Biblical Literature**

David Bosworth, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Amy C. Cottrill, Birmingham-Southern College

Enfleshed Encounter: The Emotional Potential of the Laments of the Individual (30 min)

Anne Stewart, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

F. Scott Spencer, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Respondent (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Francoise Mirguet, Arizona State University

Studying Emotions in Early Jewish Texts: A Methodological Review (30 min)

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Respondent (10 min)

Ari Mermelstein, Yeshiva University, Respondent (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-114**SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 109 (Street Level)

Theme: **Metaphor in Biblical Hebrew Poetry**

Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Carmen Palmer, Toronto School of Theology

My Sister, Bride, and Lady Wisdom? On the Imagery of the “Sister” in Song of Songs 4 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kevin Chau, University of the Free State

The Art of Metaphor in the Poetry of the Song of Moses (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cassie Waits, Emory University

Humanizing God: Job and the Limits of the Legal Metaphor (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Pettit, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver

Longing for Flowing Streams: Water as Metaphor and Mediator in Psalm 42 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jarrett Knight, Emory University

Performing a Metaphor: The Heavenly Worship of Psalm 19 and the Praise of Human Voices (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michelle A. Stinson, Simpson University

Food on the Journey: The Rhetorical Use of Food Language in the Psalms of Ascents (Pss 120–134) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-115

SBL Biblical Law Section / Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **Law in Metaphor, Metaphor in Law**

Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University, Presiding

Job Jindo, Academy for Jewish Religion

Pitfalls of Metaphor Identification in Biblical Law (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Polysemy, Metonymy, and Metaphor: On the Semantics of Biblical Hebrew hatta't and 'asam (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Hannah K Harrington, Patten University

The Metaphor of Body=Sanctuary in Second Temple Judaism (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ryan Bonfiglio, Emory University / First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta

Metaphors and Idolatry: Negotiating the First Commandment in the Psalms (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andrew D. Gross, The Catholic University of America

Metaphor in the Aramaic Legal Tradition (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-116

SBL Book of Samuel: Narrative, Theology and Interpretation Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

David Firth, Trinity College - Bristol, Presiding

Rachelle Gilmour, University of Sydney

Retribution and Divine Emotion in the Book of Samuel (30 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College

Is Samuel among the Prophets? Samuel as "Legendary Intercessor" in Michael Widmer's Standing in the Breach (Eisenbrauns, 2015) (30 min)

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University

The Role of Amalek in the Transfer of the Monarchy from Saul to David (30 min)

Carl S. Ehrlich, York University

David, Achish, and Their Place within the Historical Consciousness of Ancient Israel/Judah (30 min)

Sonya Cronin, Florida State University

David Taking Bathsheba as His Wife: A Righteous Deed; A Narrative Look At 2 Samuel 11-13 (30 min)

S18-117

SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Nicole Tilford, SBL Press, Presiding

Michael Aubrey, Koine-Greek.com

Compounding and Cognitive Processes in Word Formation with ὑδροποτέω and Its Relatives: Was Anyone Ever a "Water Drinker"? (25 min)

Beth Currer, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Personal Implications of "Sentences" in Proverbs (25 min)

Richard A. Rhodes, University of California-Berkeley

Frames and Exegesis (25 min)

S18-118

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Theme: **"Dead Women Speak"**

Donald Dale Walker, Museum of Science and Industry Chicago, Presiding

Outi Lehtipuu, University of Helsinki

Hello from the Other Side: Women and Resurrection in Apocryphal Acts (30 min)

Jan W. van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam

"For the Welfare of My Children and Grandchildren" (30 min)

Christiane Zimmermann, Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel
Women's Voices on Early Christian Epitaphs from Lycaonia: Fiction and Reality (30 min)

Greg Snyder, Davidson College

Bed, Bath, and Burial along the Via Latina: The Archaeological Context for the Flavia Sophe Inscription (30 min)

Laura Carnevale, University of Aldo Moro

Women's Authority in the First Century: The Daughters of Philip, the Daughters of Job, and the Therapeutae (30 min)

S18-119

SBL Cultic Personnel in the Biblical World Section / Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 401 (Street Level)

Theme: **Inclusion and Exclusion among Cultic Personnel**

Jeffrey Cooley, Boston College, Presiding

Tova Ganzel, Bar-Ilan University

The Roles of Temple Functionaries in the Month of Nisan in Ezekiel's Temple Vision and the Neo-Babylonian Akitu Festival (30 min)

Ryan Conrad Davis, Brigham Young University

The Levite and the āšipu: Locating Scribal Knowledge (30 min)

Jennifer Elizabeth Singletary, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Collaboration between Prophets and Other Religious Specialists in the Mari Letters and the Hebrew Bible (30 min)



Shana Zaia, University of Helsinki
"May The King Not Forsake His Servants!" Cultic Personnel in Minor and Peripheral Mesopotamian Cities (30 min)

Marshall Cunningham, University of Chicago
Native Priesthoods and the Repatriation of Displaced Ethnic Minorities during the Reign of Darius I (30 min)

S18-120

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Panel on CyberResearch on the Ancient Near East and Neighboring Regions (DBS 2)**

This panel will present the new DBS volume: *CyberResearch on the Ancient Near East and Neighboring Regions: Case studies on archaeological data, objects, texts and digital archiving*, edited by Vanessa Bigot Juloux, Amy Rebecca Gansell, and Alessandro di Ludovico (DBS 2), Brill, 2018, forthcoming.

Paul Dille, University of Iowa, Presiding

Tiffany Earley, University of Central Florida, Panelist (15 min)

Helen Dixon, Wofford College, Panelist (15 min)

Randall Younker, Andrews University, Panelist (15 min)

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Panelist (15 min)

Vanessa Bigot Juloux, EPHE-PSL, Respondent (15 min)

Amy Rebecca Gansell, Saint John's University, Respondent (15 min)

S18-121

SBL Disputed Paulines Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 1 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Ephesians-Colossians**

Lisa Marie Belz, Ursuline College, Presiding

Julien C. H. Smith, Valparaiso University
Unity in Christ: Virtue and the Reign of the Good King in Colossians and Ephesians (30 min)

Max Botner, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main
The Fragrance of Death—or of Life? Reconsidering the Sacrificial Logic of Ephesians 5:2 (30 min)

Andrew Remington Rillera, Duke University
Tertium Genus or Dyadic Unity? Ecclesiology as Soteriology in Ephesians (30 min)

Adesola Akala, Durham University
Three Prayers in Ephesians: Christological Craftsmanship and Ecclesiological Expectations (30 min)

Reed Metcalf, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
The Atonement in Colossians 1:11b-14: A Literary and Linguistic Approach (30 min)

S18-122

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1-3 Seminar

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

Theme: **Gen 1 in Genesis Rabbah**

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin -
Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Benjamin Ziemer, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
"The Day That Thou Eatest..." as a Day of Thousand Years in the Earliest Interpretation of Genesis (30 min)

Abraham Berkovitz, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
How to Create a World: The Psalter as a Hermeneutical Tool in Rabbinic Midrash (30 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Man's Creation in the Image of God: A Rising Notion in Rabbinic Literature (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-123

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Peasants, Prophets, and Political Economy**

This will be a book-review session discussing Marvin L. Chaney, *Peasants, Prophets, and Political Economy: The Hebrew Bible and Social Analysis* (Cascade Books, 2017)

Eugene Eung-Chun Park, San Francisco Theological Seminary,
Presiding

Aaron Brody, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (20 min)

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University, Panelist (20 min)

Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Panelist
(20 min)

Katharine Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist
(20 min)

Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Respondent
(20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-123a

SBL Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 407 (Street Level)

Theme: **Review of Bible and Ethics in Christian Life: A New Conversation.** By Bruce C. Birch, Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda, Larry L. Rasmussen, and Jacqueline E. Lapsley. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2018.

This session is co-sponsored with the AAR Ethics Program Unit

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding

William Brown, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

M. Daniel Carroll R., Wheaton College (Illinois), Panelist (15 min)

Lisa Cahill, Boston College, Panelist (15 min)

Bruce Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Respondent (5 min)

Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary and CDSP, Respondent (5 min)

Jacqueline Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (5 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S18-124

SBL Ethiopian Bible and Literature Section

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Theme: **Ethiopian Interpretation of Biblical Texts**

Philip Forness, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main, Presiding

Gavin McDowell, Université Laval
Jubilees in Syriac: The Evidence of the Dictionary of Bar Bahlul (20 min)

Fanos W. Tsegaye, University of St. Andrews
Testament of the Lord: Its Countenance in the Ethiopian Eucharistic Prayers (20 min)

Meron Gebreananaye, University of Durham
The Reception of Non-Canonical Gospels in Ethiopian Tradition: A Brief Look at the Tamara Iyesus (20 min)

Sofanit Abebe, University of Edinburgh
Ethiopia and the Book of Enoch: A Comparison of Ideals of Justice in Mäṣḥafä Henok and Amharic Sayings (20 min)

Dominique Rideout, Abilene Christian University
The Ethiopian Version of Hebrews: A New Witness and Its Value for Text Criticism (20 min)

Nebeyou Alemu, Wycliffe Ethiopia
Analysis of the Introductory Material of the Andemta Commentary of the Synoptic Gospels (20 min)

Ralph Lee, SOAS University of London

The Holy Spirit: 1 Enoch, the Deluge, and Babel in a Fourteenth Century Homily for Pentecost (20 min)

Desta Heliso, Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology

The Gift and Christ in Ethiopic Romans and Andemta Commentary (20 min)

S18-125

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **Involuntary Migration and the Joseph Narrative (Gen 37–50)**

Joseph, the protagonist of Gen 37–50, is an involuntary migrant. He is captured by his brothers, trafficked into Egypt, and imprisoned. The denouement of the Joseph story finds him reunited with his family, which would not have happened were they not environmentally induced involuntary migrants fleeing to Egypt to survive famine in Judah. This session will explore these aspects of Gen 37–50 and others employing interdisciplinary methods to analyze these texts.

Casey Strine, University of Sheffield, Presiding

John Ahn, Howard University
The Fourth Generation, Joseph, Did Not Return: Only His Bones (30 min)

Amy J. Chase, Drew University
Debating Diaspora: The Story of Jacob in Egypt (30 min)

Gregory Cuéllar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
The Importance of Conceptualizing Migration as a Religious Experience in Genesis 46 (30 min)

Dominik Markl, Pontifical Biblical Institute
Joseph in Egypt and Israel's Knowledge of the "Soul of the Stranger" (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-126

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

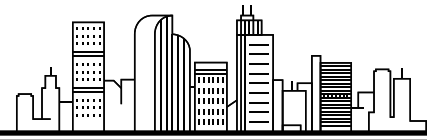
Theme: **Isaiah's Reception in Pseudepigrapha and Qumran Literature**

The Book of Isaiah enjoyed wide readership and use—reception—in the period after its completion as a book. This session invites papers that explore its reception in early Jewish literature, particularly the so-called Pseudepigrapha and nonbiblical scrolls from Qumran. We invite presenters to explore how the book or texts from the book were received, interpreted, and/or re-appropriated in these textual contexts. We are interested in what the book's use may say about its impact, but also interested in what the book's reception tells us about its formation where possible.

Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding

Shani Tzoref, Universität Potsdam
Textuality and Identity in the Qumran Pesharim on Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



J. Ross Wagner, Duke University
Isaiah 6 and Its Wirkungsgeschichte in Second-Temple Literature
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard Bautch, St. Edward's University
"The Torah and Testimony" in Isaiah and the Book of Jubilees (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joseph Riordan, University of Notre Dame
Providence and Polemics: The Second Temple in Tobit and Isaiah
(25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hannah Clardy, University of Edinburgh
The Textual Afterlife of an Afterlife Text: Isaiah 26:19 as Polemic against Veneration of the Dead (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-127

SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Theodore J. Lewis, Johns Hopkins University
Ugaritic Athtartu, Food Production and Textiles: More Data for Reassessing the Biblical Portrayal of Ashtart in Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lauren Monroe, Cornell University
New Light on the Curse of mērōz in the Song of Deborah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ariel Kopilovitz, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Ezekiel and Neo-Babylonian Imperial Propaganda (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University
Garden of the Gods: Why, What, When, Why, and Where? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Urmas Nõmmik, Tartu Ülikool
Conflict Management in Royal Lore: Biblical Narratives and the Sumerian Story of Bilgames and Akka (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-128

SBL Historical Jesus Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Tobias Hägerland, University of Gothenburg, Presiding
Joan E. Taylor, King's College - London
Dressing Jesus (and Why This Matters): Some Further Considerations
(30 min)

Murray J. Smith, Macquarie University, Sydney
Theophany and Parousia: Thirty Years On, and Twenty Years Back
(30 min)

T.C. Schmidt, Yale University
The Testimonium Flavianum in Light of Jewish and Greco-Roman Reports about Jesus (30 min)

N. Clayton Croy, Independent Scholar / Retired
Location, Location, Location: Mary's Shame and the Birthplace of Jesus (30 min)

John J. Peters, Regent University
The Paradox of Lying Historians and Jesus Research (30 min)

P18-129

Institute for Biblical Research

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Director's Row I (Plaza Building–Lobby Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Theology: Perspectives from the Majority World, Part 1**

Theological educators from the Majority World will present their current research being conducted as part of the Langham Partnership International Postdoctoral Research Seminar Project. This research group showcases theologians working with key issues in Scripture and Theology within their contexts. For further information, please contact Ian J. Shaw (ian.shaw@langham.org). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Richard Hess, Denver Seminary, Presiding
Ian Shaw, Langham Partnership, Introduction (5 min)

Chee-Chiew Lee, Singapore Bible College
A Theology of Facing Persecution in the Gospel of John (17 min)

Leonard Wee, Trinity Theological College-Singapore
The Abrahamic Narratives and Their Interpretive Background in Hebrews 11:8–19 (17 min)

Cephas Tushima, Jos ECWA Theological Seminary (JETS)
Primeval Desire (Genesis 3) and Its Paradigmatic Role for Reading Biblical Hebrew Narrative Texts of Perilous Passion (17 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Richard Hess, Denver Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
David Roldan, Instituto Teologico FIET, Buenos Aires, Argentina
"Revelation as History" in Pannenberg and Liberation Theology: Remarks on Avery Dulles' Proposal (17 min)

Heber Campos, Andrew Jumper Centre, Mackenzie University
The Problem of Doctrinal Development and Its Application to Post-Reformation Reformed Theology (17 min)

Discussion (20 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

P18-131

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **Pentateuch, Historical Books, and Wisdom Texts in the LXX**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding
Larry Perkins, Northwest Baptist Seminary/ACTS, Langley, B.C.
Plague Terms and Plague Descriptions in Greek Exodus: Strategies Used by the Translator to enhance the Narrative. (30 min)

Spencer Elliott, Trinity Western University
Dionysus, Azazel, and Processionals: The Influence of the Dionysian Cult in LXX Leviticus (30 min)

Timo Tekoniemi, Helsingin Yliopisto - University of Helsinki
Enhancing the Depiction of a Prophet: The Repercussions of Textual Criticism to the Study of the Elisha Cycle (30 min)

Joel Bell, University of Cambridge
ΔΙΚΑΙΩΜΑ: A Curious Case of Semantic Borrowing (30 min)

Marieke Dhont, Cambridge University
The Septuagint and Scribal Practices in Hellenistic Judaism (30 min)

James K. Aitken, University of Cambridge
Classical Allusion and the Greek of Sirach (30 min)

S18-132

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 405 (Street Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality in the Pauline Letters**

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding
Rikk Watts, Alphacrucis College, Regent College
Paul and Scripture: Theologian, Historian, or Something Else? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Scott R. Moore, Regis University
Scripture in the Third Degree: Hypertext, Hypotexts, and Exegetical texts in the NT (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Konrad Otto, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Paul's Multi-layered Use of Scripture: Taking Intertextuality One Step Further (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Esther G. Cen, McMaster Divinity College
The Metaphor of Leaven in 1 Corinthians 5 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James Romano, Fuller Theological Seminary
Intertextual Reverberations in the New Testament through the Phrase τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν from Deuteronomy 7:9 and Literature of the Second Temple Period (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-133

SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

Theme: **Marcion**

Taylor Petrey, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Phillip Davis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn
Marcion's Gospel and Its Use of the Jewish Scriptures (25 min)

Nicole Chen, University of Oxford and Claire Hall, University of Oxford
Marcion and Prophecy (25 min)

Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University
Papias the Anti-Marcionite? (25 min)

Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S18-134

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Hybrids, Converts, and the Borders of Jewish and Christian Identities**

Matt Jackson-McCabe, Cleveland State University, Presiding
Elaine Pagels, Princeton University
How John of Patmos' Readers Made Him into a Christian (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Antti Vanhoja, University of Helsinki
Bearer of Heresies: Simon Magus in the Pseudo-Clementine Basic Writing from the Perspective of Identity Construction (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Warren C. Campbell, University of Notre Dame
From Jewish-Christian Counter-History to Ecclesial Normativity: The Epistula Clementis in the Archival History of the Pseudo-Clementine Recognitions (20 min)

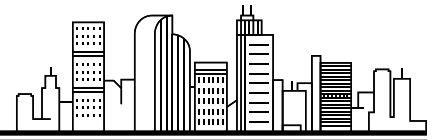
Discussion (10 min)

Matt Chalmers, University of Pennsylvania
Samaritan Script, Hybrid Torah, and Contested Identity in Epiphanius' On Gems (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Barbu, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique
Jewish Jesus-Narratives in Seventeenth Century Italy: Reading Toledot Yeshu in Context (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S18-135

SBL Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3A (Lower Level)

Theme: **J. Louis Martyn's History and Theology of the Fourth Gospel: Retrospective and Prospective**

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University, Presiding
(10 min)

Craig Koester, Luther Seminary
A Way of Seeing: On the Development of J. Louis Martyn's Perspectives on Johannine Tradition, History, and Theology (25 min)

R. Alan Culpepper, Mercer University
Shifting Sands and Solid Ground: Enduring Elements of Martyn's Thesis (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
Gospel and Groupness: Reflecting on J.L. Martyn's "Johannine Community" (25 min)

M. C. de Boer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
The Future of History and Theology in the Fourth Gospel (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-135a

SBL Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Theme: **Book Review Panel of Julian Gonzalez Holguin's Cain, Abel, and the Politics of God: An Agambenian Reading of Genesis 4:1-16**

Gilberto Ruiz, Saint Anselm College, Presiding
Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Panelist
Santiago H. Slabodsky, Hofstra University, Panelist
Jonathan Pimentel, Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica, Panelist
Julian Gonzalez, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Respondent

S18-136

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar / National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Historical Linguistics of Biblical Hebrew**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Cynthia Miller-Naude, University of the Free State, Presiding
Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University
Linguistic Dating of the Book of Qohelet: A New Direction (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Johan M. V. Lundberg, University of Cambridge
Accents, Prosody, and Syntax: A Comparison of Biblical Hebrew and Syriac Masoretic Traditions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Srecko Koralija, University of Cambridge
Object Marker(s) in Hebrew-Syriac Language Contact (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Samuel Boyd, University of Colorado
Pattern (PÁT) Loans and Hebrew in Isaiah 40–66 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Harald Samuel, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Shifts in the Usage of the Hebrew Verbal Stems (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-137

SBL Masoretic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Relevance of Masorah for Biblical Exegesis**

Elvira Martín-Contreras, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), Presiding

Dennis R. Magary, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Masoretic Minutiae or Mainstay of Exegesis? (20 min)

Robert R. Cargill, University of Iowa
From Your Birth to Your Youths: Masoretic Pointing as Anti-Christian Polemic in Psalm 110:3 (20 min)

Elvira Martín-Contreras, ILC-CSIC
The Masoretic Notes: An Aid for the Interpretation of the Biblical Text (20 min)

Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary
Elijah Levita's Masoret Ha-Masoret, C. D. Ginsburg, and Theological Issues (20 min)

Tim Hegg, TorahResource Institute
The Qere Perpetuum of the Tetragrammaton: A Comparative Study within the Masoretic Tradition (20 min)

S18-137a

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Crestone Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Metacriticism of the Museum of the Bible**

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Presiding
Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago
Problems and Solutions in the Museum of the Bible (25 min)

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma
Dangerous Doublespeak: The Museum of the Bible and the Fight over Biblical Scholarship (25 min)

Cavan W. Concannon, University of Southern California
Theopolitics, Archaeology, and the Ideology of the Museum of the Bible (25 min)

Morag M. Kersel, DePaul University
Bias in the Contact Zone: Artifacts, Provenance, the Museum of the Bible, and Public Trust (25 min)

Joel Baden, Yale University, Respondent (15 min)

Candida Moss, University of Birmingham, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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S18-138

SBL Mind, Society, and Religion: Cognitive Science Approaches to the Biblical World Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Sermon on the Mount (Matt 5-7): Cognitive and Social Scientific Theories**

In the session the papers will be summarized by each author. Those who would like to read the full form of these papers can contact Rikard Roitto (rikard.roitto@ths.se); however your attendance and participation is welcome with or without reading the full paper in advance.

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology, Presiding
Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen
Marduk's Basket and Treasures in Heaven: Indirect Reciprocity, Altruism, and Cultural Evolution in the Sermon on the Mount (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rikard Roitto, Stockholm School of Theology
Perception Risk in the Sermon on the Mount (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology
It's All in How You Look at It: The Eyes and Morality in Matt 6:22-23 (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Teehan, Hofstra University
Hypocrites and the Pure in Heart: Religion as an Evolved Strategy for In-Group Formation (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Eric Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Ann Taves, University of California Santa Barbara, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-139

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar / Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

Theme: **Tyrannical Regimes and the Bible**

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity
Intersections: Reading Caste, Gender, and Sexual Tyranny in the Jephthah Narrative (20 min)

Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
The Emergence and the Resistance of Tyranny and the Politics of Fear in Exodus 1–2 (20 min)

Sonia Wong, Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Umbrella Movement and the Bible (20 min)

Luis Menéndez-Antuña, California Lutheran University
The Colonies Strike Back: How Latin-American Liberation Theologies Saved Christianity in Post-dictatorial Spain (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

P18-139a

Nida Institute

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **Translation, Identity, and Community II**

This session will address the role of Bible translation in language communities as both a catalyst and at times, regrettably, a hindrance in the formation of community identity and grassroots social cultural expression. The presenters will draw from different scholarly disciplines like translation studies, socio-cultural studies, the history of exegesis, social semiotics and/or cognitive approaches to analyze specific instances of Bible translation and the impact it has had in specific communities. The explicit question is how Bible translation as a specific praxis, based on a transdisciplinary approach, affects the communities with whom it is accomplished. The session will explore translation as an activity which can become an external doing-for-the-other imposition, as opposed to a doing-with-the other, where the community of the language of translation is not just receiving the translation but engaging with it and actively contributing to its creation. The latter would ideally constitute a mutually enriching enterprise where through localization, translated texts, in different formats, different hermeneutical horizons are fused. The community, through its representatives, emerge as active protagonists of the text, as part of a hermeneutical tapestry. Translation then becomes an enrichment which is integrally part of new theological, sociolinguistic and social-cultural paradigms. Each paper will explore the possibilities, the challenges and the impossibilities of such a tapestry in practice. The presentations will provide instances of either the gradual evolution of this emergence of community identity linked to the text or the disruptive nature of translation in situ, both from a theoretical perspective, as well as with an actual case study of translation work. The appropriation of the biblical text by both the wider community, and the community of faith will thus be in focus.

Marijke de Lang, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Brigitte Rabarijaona, United Bible Societies
Island Identity in the Malagasy Bible Translation (25 min)

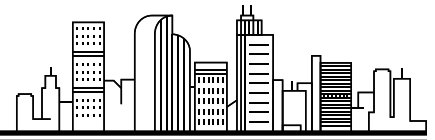
Discussion (5 min)

Edgar Ebojo, United Bible Societies
Texts, Communities, and Culture of Conversions through "Sacred" Translation: A Look Back into the Future (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies
Towards Creole and Indigenous Theologies and Hermeneutics: Bible Translation as the First and Not the Final Step in Translation (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



S18-140

SBL Nominating Committee

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – SBL Suite

S18-141

SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 207 (Street Level)

Tommy Wasserman, Örebro School of Theology, Presiding

Juan Hernandez Jr., Bethel University (Minnesota)

A New English Translation of Josef Schmid's Studien zur Geschichte des Griechischen Apokalypse-Textes: Die Alten Stämme (20 min)

Darius Müller, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel

The Editio Critica Maior of Revelation: New Developments, Retrospects, and Prospects (20 min)

H.A.G. Houghton, University of Birmingham

Catena Manuscripts and the Textual Tradition of the Pauline Epistles (20 min)

Theodora Panella, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster

Do Galatians Feel Comfortable in between the Lines of the Catena Manuscripts? (20 min)

W. Andrew Smith, Shepherds Theological Seminary

Moving Forward on the Pastoral Epistles ECM (20 min)

Ekaterini Tsalamponi, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Thessalonians Read 1 Thessalonians: A Preliminary Report of the Byzantine Project (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-142

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 703 (Street Level)

Theme: **Sex and Surrogacy in Pauline Literature**

Anna C. Miller, Xavier University, Presiding

James N. Hoke, Luther College

Para phusin; alis edē ("Unnatural? Enough Already!"): Willful Women Interrupting Paul (25 min)

Sharon Jacob, Pacific School of Religion

Children of the Flesh or Promise? Race, Citizenship, and Surrogacy in Galatians 4:21–31; A Feminist, Postcolonial Reading alongside Indian Surrogate Mothers (25 min)

Joseph A. Marchal, Ball State University

Some Assembly Required: Affect and the Politics of Solidarity before and after Paul's Letters (25 min)

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University - Fresno

Onesimus as Surrogate: Koinonia When Some Are More Equal Than Others; Reading Chattel Status (25 min)

Tyler M. Schwaller, Wesleyan College (Macon, GA)

"Flee Porneia": Rethinking Paul's Sexual Politics in the Age of #BlackLivesMatter and #MeToo (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-142a

SBL Paul Within Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Cripple Creek Ballroom (Second Level)

Kathy Ehrensperger, Universität Potsdam, Presiding

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh

The Legalism of the Apostle Paul (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rob Lewis, Manhattan College

Paul and "Father Abraham" (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joseph Longarino, Duke University

Gentiles Saved by Works? Jews Damned by Gentiles? Addressing an Enigma in Romans 2 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron Amit, Bar-Ilan University

Paul on Remuneration in 1 Corinthians 9:14–18 and Its Rabbinic Background (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Patrick Barber, Augustine Institute

The Paschal Nature of the Lord's Supper in 1 Corinthians and the Implications for Understanding the Antioch Incident (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-143

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section / Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section / Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Review of Aaron Tugendhaft, Baal and the Politics of Poetry (Routledge 2017)**

Laura Quick, Princeton University, Presiding

Christine Thomas, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Panelist (20 min)

Jana Mynarova, Czech Institute of Egyptology, Panelist (20 min)

Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University, Panelist (20 min)

Nili Wazana, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (20 min)

Aaron Tugendhaft, University of Chicago, Respondent (20 min)

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S18-144

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 502 (Street Level)

Theme: **Women in Wisdom Literature**

Raj Nadella, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Lindsay Wilson, Ridley College, Melbourne

Reading the Proverbs 31 Woman from a Postcolonial Perspective (20 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Yonsei University

The Humanimal Body of Jesus in John's Gospel (20 min)

Brian Fiu Kolia, University of Divinity

Eve and the Serpent: A Samoan Love Story; A Fagogo Reading of Genesis 3:1–19 (20 min)

S18-145

SBL Prayer in Antiquity Section / Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 601 (Street Level)

This special topics session is investigating matters of continuity and discontinuity in prayers and their transmission from 500 BCE to 500 CE.

Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

David Willgren, Academy for Leadership and Theology

A Canonical Taming of Suffering: On the Effect of Paratextual Activity in the Book of Psalms (25 min)

Chwi-Woon Kim, Baylor University

Transgenerational Transmission of Trauma in the Book of Psalms (25 min)

Michael Brooks Johnson, McMaster University

"You Will Say on That Day, 'I Thank You, O Lord,' (Isa 12:1)":

Hodayot Thanksgiving Psalms as Realizations of Isaiah's

Eschatological Thanksgiving (Isa 12:1–6) (25 min)

Daniel K. Falk, Pennsylvania State University

Prayer at Communal Mustering: A Comparison of the Qumran Covenant Ceremony and the Iguvine Tables (25 min)

Ruth Langer, Boston College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-146

SBL Q Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **The Socio-Political Vision of Q**

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University, Presiding

Michael Labahn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg

Whose Power – That of the Devil or of God? Intratextual and

Intertextual Reflections on the Demonization of Political Power in Q (30 min)

Inhee Park, Ewha Womans University

The Kingdom of God: Not by a King Nor by a Father, but by the Children of God (30 min)

Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg

An African Perspective on Q's Message for the Poor (30 min)

Simon Joseph, California Lutheran University

An Indigenous Q: Redescribing the Ethnic, Social, and Political Context(s) of Q in Light of Postcolonial Native Studies (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-147

SBL Qumran Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **Authority and Leadership in the Dead Sea Scrolls**

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki

Social Scientific Perspectives on Authority and Leadership in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, UK

Priestly Authority in Ezra–Nehemiah and in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Steven D. Fraade, Yale University

Leadership in the Damascus Document and Related Texts (30 min)

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University

Leadership and Authority in the Qumran Sapiential Texts and Ben Sira (30 min)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Respondent (30 min)

S18-148

SBL Religions of Israel and Judah in Their West Asian Environment Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago, Presiding

Anne Marie Kitz, University of Life

hammašhit, an 'ēlohim collective (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael J. Stahl, New York University

*Finding the "God of Israel" in the Kingdom of Judah: 1 Kings 8:14–21** (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Adam Bean, Johns Hopkins University

Has a Nation Changed Its Gods? Divine Identity and the Gods of Ancient Sam'al (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jessie DeGrado, University of Chicago

An Infelicitous Feast: Ritual Banqueting and Cultic Critique in Amos 6:1–7 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S18-149**SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 204 (Street Level)

Theme: **Remodeling Late Ancient Expertise**

John Penniman, Bucknell University, Presiding (5 min)

Heidi Wendt, McGill University
Underwriting Authority: Religious “Experts” of the Second Century and the Texts that Made Them (15 min)Jessica Wright, University of Southern California
Doctors of the Soul: Therapeutic Expertise in Late Antiquity (15 min)Lennart Lehmhaus, Freie Universität Berlin
Claiming Expertise: Strategies of Knowledge Making in Talmudic Traditions (15 min)Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University
Myth and Authority in Late Antiquity (15 min)Pamela Klasova, Georgetown University
“There Is No Divination after Prophecy”: Early Islamic Diviners and Their Erasure (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S18-150**SBL Scripture and Paul Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **Wrestling With Romans**

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, Presiding

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University
Paul’s Gospel According to Deutero-Isaiah in Romans 1–2 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Michael Bird, Ridley Melbourne
Echoes and Allusions to the Jewish Scriptures in Paul’s Ethical Discourse in Romans 12:9–21 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Harry Hahne, Gateway Seminary
Righteousness by Faith, Not by the Law: Paul’s Argument From Scripture in Romans 10:1–8 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-151**SBL Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 206 (Street Level)

Theme: **2 Corinthians 13**

Steven Kraftchick, Emory University, Presiding

J. David Woodington, University of Notre Dame
2 Cor 13:1 and the Early Jewish-Christian Applications of the Law of Witnesses (30 min)Joshua Heavin, Trinity College – Bristol
Power Made Perfect in Weakness: Theologia Crucis in 2 Corinthians 13:3–4 (30 min)

Donghyun Jeong, Emory University

Wrapping It Up Like Paul: 2 Corinthians 13:11–13 and the Possibility of Redaction (30 min)Ryan Schellenberg, Methodist Theological School in Ohio,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S18-151a**SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Crestone Ballroom B (Third Level)

Theme: **Incarceration in Late Antiquity**

John Boyles, Abilene Christian University, Presiding

Matthew Larsen, Princeton University
Carceral Geographies in Late Antiquity (25 min)Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College
Jewish, Gentile, and Divine Prisons: Rabbinic Use of Incarceration Imagery as Divine Punishment (25 min)Esau McCauley, Northeastern Seminary
Early Christian Encounters with Policing: The Soldier as Police Officer in the Early Roman Empire and Its Implications for Readings of Rom 13:4 and Luke 3:14 (25 min)Pieter Botha, University of South Africa
Work and Labour: A Neglected Revolution Brought about by Early Christianity? (25 min)

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

The steering committee meeting of this program unit will take place after this session.

S18-152**SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall B (Third Level)

Theme: **The Bible Odyssey Website in Social Scientific Perspective**

Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL), Presiding

Alicia Batten, Conrad Grebel University College/University of Waterloo, Panelist (20 min)

Zeba Crook, Carleton University, Panelist (20 min)

Erin Vearncombe, Princeton University, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Ernest van Eck, University of Pretoria, Panelist (20 min)

Jason Lamoreaux, Texas Christian University, Panelist (20 min)

Lynn Huber, Elon University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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S18-154

SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Bible Teaching and Diversity in the Undergraduate Classroom**

Jocelyn McWhirter, Albion College, Presiding

Jane S. Webster, Barton College

Addressing Diversity through Transformative Learning (30 min)

Kathleen Gallagher Elkins, Saint Norbert College

Becoming a Trauma-Informed Bible Professor (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Melanie A. Howard, Fresno Pacific University

La Biblia en Acento Latino: Biblical Studies for First-Generation Latinx Students (30 min)

John VanMaaren, McMaster University

Transformative Concepts and Troublesome Knowledge: Toward a Consensus of Threshold Concepts in Biblical Studies (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-154a

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom B (Third Level)

Theme: **Quotations and Allusions to the Hebrew Bible in the Hodayot**

Armin Lange, Universität Wien, Presiding (12 min)

Bennis H. Reynolds, Medical University of South Carolina
Quotations and Allusions to the Text of Genesis in the Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarianna Metso, University of Toronto

Hodayot and the Torah: The Case of Leviticus and Numbers (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lawrence Schiffman, New York University

Textual Traditions of the Book of Deuteronomy in the Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Donald Parry, Brigham Young University

The Text of Isaiah in the Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego

The Twelve Prophets and Ezekiel in the Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Olariu, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Textual Criticism of the Text of Daniel in the Hebrew Scroll of Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mika Pajunen, University of Helsinki

The Use of Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah in the Hodayot (12 min)

Discussion (24 min)

S18-155

SBL The Bible in Ancient (and Modern) Media Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Rebecca Wollenberg, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Presiding

Evan Proudfoot, University of Oxford

The Celestial Mnemonic Structure of Ancient Narrative and Its Implications for Intertextuality in Biblical Literature (25 min)

David Smith, Johnson University

With Ears to Hear: Intertextuality in GIFs and the New Testament (25 min)

William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University

The Nature of Biblical Paratext: How the Bible Means More Than Its Words (25 min)

Peter M Phillips, University of Durham

The St Cuthbert Bible: Exploring a Text in Material, Digital, and Replica Form (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

P18-156

The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Michael Pregill, University of California, Los Angeles, Presiding

Sarah L. Schwarz, Princeton University

Horses, Worms, and Ants: The Power of Solomon in the Qur'an and Biblical Literatures (20 min)

Tommaso Tesei, Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

Q 23:93–103 and 4 Ezra 7 (20 min)

David S. Powers, Cornell University

Zayd, Zaynab, and Muhammad: Revisited (20 min)

Johanne Louise Christiansen, University of Copenhagen

"Recite Whatever Recitation Is Feasible for You (fa'qra'u ma tayassara min al-qur'an)": A System Theoretical Reading of the Qur'anic Moderation Strategies (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S18-157**SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **Asian Biblical Theology in Jewish and Christian Perspectives**

Soo J. Kim, America Evangelical University, Presiding
Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Panelist (30 min)
Hye Kyung Park, Chang Jung Christian University, Panelist (30 min)
Hyun Chul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Panelist (30 min)
Frances Flannery, James Madison University, Panelist (30 min)
Kah-Jin Kuan, Claremont School of Theology, Respondent (30 min)

P18-158**Theta Alpha Kappa**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 701 (Street Level)

Theme: **Board of Directors Meeting**

S18-159**SBL Violence and Representations of Violence in Antiquity Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 301 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hegemonic Anxieties**

Sarah Porter, Harvard University, Presiding
Shawn Kelley, Daemen College
Genocide as an Extreme Response to Hegemonic Anxiety (25 min)
Diane Shane Fruchtmann, Rutgers University
Violence to Cure Complacency: Managing the Anxiety of Hegemony through Representations of Violence (25 min)
Caroline Schroeder, University of the Pacific
Monastic Manipulations (25 min)
Jennifer Otto, University of Lethbridge
The Genesis of a Martyr Complex: Martyrs Mirror and the Self-Perception of Assimilated Mennonites (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S18-161**SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Ecclesiastes and Job**

The Wisdom Section seeks to provide a forum for the exploration of new ideas in the study of wisdom literature, focusing on the Wisdom literature of the Bible and apocryphal wisdom traditions but also on related literature from elsewhere in the ancient Near East

Stuart Weeks, University of Durham, Presiding
Phillip Michael Lasater, Universität Zürich
Not So Vain After All: Hannah Arendt's Reception of Qobeleth (25 min)
Jesse Peterson, University of Durham
Qobeleth and Epicurus on the Harm of Death (25 min)
Brittany N. Melton, Palm Beach Atlantic University and
Katharine Dell, University of Cambridge
"But Now Mine Eye Seeth Thee" (Job 42:5): Conceptualizing Divine Presence and Absence in Job (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Knut M. Heim, Denver Seminary
Hyper-Ambiguity in Ecclesiastes (25 min)
Barbara Leung Lai, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario)
Seeking Some Sense of the Paradox: Polyphony, Conflicting Ideologies, Dialogism, and the Dialectic Dynamics of Ecclesiastes (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-162**SBL Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board**

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 503 (Street Level)

S18-163**SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

9:45 AM–11:15 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Graduate Student Publishing: Pros, Cons, and Pressures**

Feeling the itch to start publishing as a graduate student? Not sure where, when, or how to start? Join us for an AAR Student Lounge Roundtable on graduate student publishing. Together we will explore the pros and cons of graduate student publishing, how to discern when the time is right, and practical tips for taking your writing to the next level. This roundtable will discuss the process of selecting a publishing venue, navigating the tricky waters of open access, electronic, and print publishers, while avoiding the perils of "predatory" journals. Students will walk away with practical tips on selecting a title, writing an abstract, engaging reviewer recommendations, and forming a writing group. We look forward to seeing you for this valuable conversation.

Nicholas Werse, Baylor University, Panelist

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P18-163a

International Qur'anic Studies Association

11:30 AM–12:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) - 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Business Meeting**

S18-164

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hacking Accessibility: Tools for Students with Special Learning and Mental Health Needs**

It is often assumed that graduate students with special needs begin their programs already armed with the tools they need to thrive, but this is seldom the case. Graduate school presents challenges that can exacerbate previously well-managed symptoms in individuals with learning, attention, and emotional differences, and can expose underlying conditions that may lead to new diagnoses in others. Yet, disability resource centers (DRCs) struggle to provide services and accommodations tailored to the specific needs of graduate students across each stage of a program. As a result, many are left to navigate coursework, research, or dissertations without the support they need to do so effectively and efficiently.

This workshop explores practical strategies for organization, time management, and communication to equip those who have special learning and emotional needs with tools to help themselves work through the challenges of graduate study and begin to unlock their full potential as scholars.

Kerri Blumenthal, University of Florida, Panelist

P18-103

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: **Identity in the Classroom**

Diversity in the classroom is often presented as a challenge for educators, but what if we consider the multiple identities of ourselves and those of our students as assets? Join Eric Barreto (Princeton Theological Seminary) and Rebekka King (Middle Tennessee State) for lunch and conversation about how this perspective can reorient our teaching.

We will begin with a buffet lunch at 11:30 am and conclude at 1:00 pm.

Space is limited to 50 participants. Pre-registration is required; send an email to Beth Reffett, reffettb@wabash.edu, to sign up.

Registration deadline is November 1.

For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

Eric Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State, Panelist

S18-202

SBL Bible Odyssey Editorial Board

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 503 (Street Level)

S18-203

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 405 (Street Level)

Theme: **Bible and Gender-Based Violence in Africa and the African Diaspora**

Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa, Presiding

Minenhle Nomalungelo Khumalo, Drew University
Re/producing Women: Queer Afro-Marxist Con(tra)ceptions of Womanhood and Maternity in Genesis 2:4–4:2 (35 min)

Hulisani Ramantswana, University of South Africa
Wathint' umfazi, wathint' imbokodo (You Strike a Woman, You Strike a Rock): Dinah and Tamar as Rape Protestors; The Unsung Heroines in the Rape Stories (35 min)

Funlola O. Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

"My God, My God, Why...?" A Reading of Lament Psalms in the Context of Abused Female Bodies (35 min)

Discussion (45 min)

S18-204

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Biblical Gezer: A Decade of Research by the Tandy Institute for Archaeology**

Steven Ortiz, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

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Tandy Gezer Excavations: Research Design and Strategy (15 min)

Gary P. Arbino, Gateway Seminary (Fremont)
Continuity and Change at Gezer: Ancient City Walls and Modern Excavations (15 min)

Marcella Barbosa, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Late Bronze Age-Iron Age I Transition at Gezer (15 min)

Charissa Wilson, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Gezer in the Iron IIA: Solomonic and Ninth Century Remains (30 min)

Charles Wilson, University of Chicago
An Elite Iron Age IIB Four-Room House at Gezer (15 min)

Lyndelle Webster, Institut für Orientalische und Europäische Archäologie (OREA)
Developing a Radiocarbon-Based Chronology at Tel Gezer (15 min)

Steven Ortiz and Samuel Wolff, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
A Decade of Research at Tel Gezer: The Transformation of a Border City (15 min)



Reflection and Response by the Excavators of Gezer, with William G. Dever, Steven Ortiz, and Samuel Wolff

William G. Dever, University of Arizona, Respondent

Steven Ortiz, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Respondent

Samuel Wolff, Respondent

Discussion (30 min)

S18-206

SBL Bible and Film Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 401 (Street Level)

Theme: **Gender and Feminism: Ex Machina, Genesis 2–3, and Mary Magdalene**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University

AI and Gender in the Garden: Ex Machina and Genesis 2–3 (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Cynthia R. Chapman, Oberlin College

“A Helpmeet Suited to Him”: Building Ava the Fembot in Ex Machina (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michelle Fletcher, King’s College London and Joan Taylor, King’s College London

Mary Magdalene (2018): Perspectives on the Female-Focused Screen (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-207

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Theme: **Biblical Models for Inclusion and Healthy Relationships, Part 1**

Joseph Paxton, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Melanie A. Howard, Fresno Pacific University

Schooling the Apostles: Acts’ Model of Inclusion for Higher Education (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Karen Wenell, University of Birmingham

The Kingdom of God and Human Rights: Insides, Outsides, and Points of Entry (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Tucker S. Ferda, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Re-evangelizing the Church: Faithful “Others” and “Outsiders” in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jeannine Brown, Bethel Seminary (San Diego, CA) and Steven Sandage, Boston University

An Interdisciplinary Exploration of a Social Justice Commitment: Perspectives from Psychology and Biblical Studies (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-208

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 403 (Street Level)

Theme: **Greek Lexicography**

James Aitken, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Hans Förster, Universität Wien

How to Deal with Imperfect Dictionaries and Their Possibly Misleading Definitions/Glosses (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Fredrick J. Long, Asbury Theological Seminary

The Semantics and Pragmatics of Ἀποκρίνομαι (“I answer”) in the Greek New Testament (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason J. C. Jung, McMaster Divinity College

Rethinking the Method Lexical Analysis: From Understanding to Translating of λογίζομαι in Romans 4 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mayer Gruber, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

The Rare Lexeme ebi in Hos 13:10, 14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-208a

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Prophet as Literary Character in the Book of the Twelve**

Jason Radine, Moravian College, Presiding

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta

The Character of the Prophet Among the Literati of the Prophetic Books: Memory and System Considerations (30 min)

James M. Bos, University of Mississippi

The Twelve Prophets as Literary Characters (30 min)

Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet

Unifying Personifications: Hosea and Amos as Literary Characters (30 min)

Ronald L. Troxel, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Prophet Joel, on Paper (30 min)

Julia M. O’Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary

The (After-)Lives of Functionally-Anonymous Prophets (30 min)

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S18-209

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section / Economics in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Theme: **Economics and Children in the Biblical World**

Class, Labor, and Childhood in the Ancient World

Raj Nadella, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jared W Saltz, Florida College

"He Compelled Those Dwelling in the Land to Rear Their Children": Hecataeus Abdera and the Context of Ekthesis (25 min)

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University
Debts, Descendants, and Deuteronomy (25 min)

Amy Lindeman Allen, Christian Theological Seminary
From Pageants to the Pulpit: Child Shepherds in Luke's Gospel Account (25 min)

Caroline Schroeder, University of the Pacific
The Labor of Children in Early Egyptian Monasteries (25 min)

Laurel Koepf Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-210

SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Interpretations of Apocalyptic Texts in Christian North Africa**

Charles Bobertz, Saint John's University, Presiding

William Tabbernee, University of Oklahoma

"Don't Let the Dragon Bite You!" The Use of Apocalyptic Texts and Imagery in the Passio Sanctarum Perpetuae et Felicitatis and Other North African Martyr Acts (30 min)

Edwina Murphy, Morling College
The Almost Absent Antichrist: Revelation in the Writings of Cyprian of Carthage (30 min)

Matthias Geigenfeind, Universität Regensburg
Apocalypsis Iohannis: The Reception of the Book of Revelation in North Africa; Preliminary Observations (30 min)

Francis Gumerlock, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs
What Did the Beginning of Tyconius's Exposition of the Apocalypse Contain? (30 min)

Jesse A. Hoover, Baylor University
"And the Number of His Name Is...": 616 as a Donatist Exegetical Token (30 min)

S18-211

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Troels Engberg-Pederson, John and Philosophy: A New Reading of the Fourth Gospel (Oxford University Press, 2017)**

Troy Martin, Saint Xavier University, Presiding

Harold Attridge, Yale University, Panelist (25 min)

Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge, Panelist (25 min)

Joerg Frey, Universität Zürich, Panelist (25 min)

Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago, Panelist (25 min)

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Københavns Universitet, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-212

SBL Critical Editions of the German Bible Society: Perspectives for the Nestle-Aland and the UBS Greek New Testament

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 301 (Street Level)

Florian Voss, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, Presiding

Markus Hartmann, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft

Digital Editions of NA 28 und UBS 5: An Overview (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
On the Way to NA29 and UBS 6: An Insight into the Work of the Editorial Committee (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Peter Gurry, Phoenix Seminary

Pedagogical Reflections on the Coherence-Based Genealogical Method (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-213

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 109 (Street Level)

Theme: **Biblical Exegesis and the Development of Christological Doctrine, Year 1: First to Third Centuries CE, Part 2**

In 2018 our program unit begins a three-year exploration of the close connections between biblical exegesis and the development of Christological doctrine. Papers in this first year focus on authors and texts from the first to third centuries CE.

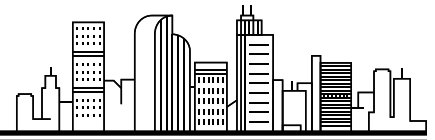
Mark DeCologiano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN),
Welcome

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University, Presiding

James Ware, University of Evansville

The Eternal Reign of Christ in Early Christian Interpretation (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



Mark Weedman, Johnson University
Novatian's Use of Philippians 2:6-7 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Michael Magree, University of Notre Dame
Philippians 2:7 and Origen on Christological Unity (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Emanuel Fiano, Fordham University
Biblical Exegesis in the Christological Debate Surrounding Paul of Samosata's Deposition (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-213a

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Online Resources and Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity**

This joint session with the AAR section Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity will include both a selection of invited papers and proposals. We are accepting papers that explore online resources relating to traditions and literature in Syriac, Hebrew, Aramaic, Iranian, etc. We are especially interested in proposals that analyze these resources with an eye toward imagining the discipline in a digital age. We are also interested in papers exploring the use of social media for contemporary group identity among communities and diasporas that stem from Eastern Late Antiquity (such as Parsi, Mandaean, and Yezidis, as well as Jews and Christians in and from Iraq and Iran), and how they represent themselves and their traditions online.

Jason Mokhtarian, Indiana University, Presiding

Bradley C. Erickson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Digital Clay: Making Cuneiform Tablet Collections Accessible with 3D Modeling (25 min)

James McGrath, Butler University and Charles G. Häberl, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
The Mandaean Book of John Critical Edition and Translation as Digital Humanities Project (25 min)

Jennifer Hart, Elon University
Mandaeans Online: How an Ancient Religion Has Embraced Modern Media (25 min)

James E. Walters, Rochester College
The Digital Syriac Corpus: A New Digital Resource for the Study of Syriac Literature (25 min)

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University
The Digital Humanities Applied to the Study of the Ethiopic Old Testament (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-214

SBL Disputed Paulines Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 1 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Pastoral Epistles & 2 Thessalonians**

Christopher Hutson, Abilene Christian University, Presiding

D. Clint Burnett, Boston College
Seated in God's Temple: Explicating 2 Thess 2:4 from Epigraphic and Archaeological Sources Connected to Roman Imperial Divine Honors (30 min)

Lyn Kidson, Macquarie University
Fasting, Bodily Care, and the Widows of 1 Timothy 5:3–15 (30 min)

Andrew M. Langford, University of Chicago
A New Solution to the Riddle of Timothy's "Stomach and Frequent Ailments" (1 Timothy 5:23): Sins, Signs, and Stigma in Ancient Philosophical and Medical Diagnosis. (30 min)

Dan Nässelqvist, Lund University
Christological Hymns in an Ancient Perspective: What We Can Learn from Embedded Prose Hymns in Non-Christian Sources (30 min)

David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible
Listening to Paul: Letter Collections as a Narrative Genre (30 min)

S18-215

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1–3 Seminar

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

Theme: **Later Greek Exegesis' on Genesis 1–3**

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Michael Champion, Australian Catholic University
Genesis Exegesis in Late-Antique Gaza (30 min)

Barbara Villani, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Shedding Light on the Shadows: Cyril of Alexandria's Interpretation of Genesis 1–3 (30 min)

Benjamin Gleede, University of Zurich
Science Versus Religion? Reasons for Rejecting Ptolemy in Christian Antiquity (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S18-216

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Bible Translation: Grey or Green**

The ecological overtones of translation choices

Presian Burroughs, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

Stephen Pattemore, United Bible Societies

Towards an Ecological Guide to Translating the Bible (25 min)

Theodore Hiebert, McCormick Theological Seminary

Retranslating Genesis 1–2 (25 min)

Art Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg

Palaces of Ivory or Teeth (Ps 45:9): Carol Adam's Absent Referent and Ecological Translation of the Psalms (25 min)

Paraskevi Arapoglou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

The Growing Mustard Seed: Can Growth Be Eco-sustainably Translated? (25 min)

Peter S. Perry, Fuller Theological Seminary (Arizona)

"Do Not Harm the Trees!" Ecology, Empire, and Translation in the Book of Revelation (25 min)

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Woe, Horror, Disaster, or Lament? Revisiting Translations of ouai in Revelation (25 min)

S18-217

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Exile: Collective Memory and Imperial Policy**

These papers explore the relationship between a systems approach to forced migrations and a more literary one. The session explores the multiple dimensions of exile as at once an instrument of imperial policy, a state of mind in the exiled and their hosts and the state actors connecting the two, a literary product created at the intersection of collective memory and artistic creativity, a remembered series of events that shapes subsequent identity formation, and now a topic of historical inquiry.

Pamela Barmash, Washington University, Presiding

Caralie Focht, Emory University

Controlling the Narrative: The Babylonian Exile as Chosen Trauma (30 min)

Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor

The Meaning of Exile in Second Temple Jewish Literature (30 min)

Ian D. Wilson, University of Alberta – Augustana Campus

Remembering the Future: Prophetic Literature's Representations of Exile and Judah's Social Memory (30 min)

Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University

"Empire" as a Political and Moral Category, Then and Now (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-217a

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Isaiah–Balancing Diachronic and Synchronic Approaches**

Over the past two decades in Isaiah studies, scholars have employed both diachronic and synchronic approaches to understand the book. Many students of Isaiah have adopted one of these approaches to the exclusion of the other, with the result that the two approaches to the book are only rarely brought into conversation with each other. For this session, we invite proposals for papers that explore how diachronic and synchronic approaches to Isaiah might work together to help us understand the book—both its final form and its history. How can synchronic and diachronic approaches work together to illumine what we know about the book's history and final product? How can these approaches mutually or simultaneously help us understand the book better?

Jacob Stromberg, Duke University, Presiding

Ethan Schwartz, Harvard University

Mosaic Reverberations and Mosaic Reversals in Isaiah 1–12 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen Chapman, Duke University

Delitzsch's Fourth Edition (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Judith Gaertner, Universität Rostock

The Silence of YHWH in Isa 64f (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)

Not a Dead End: The Isaianic "Highway" Theme in Diachronic and Synchronic Perspectives (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel C. Timmer, Puritan Reformed Seminary, FTE–Montreal

Cohesion, Coherence, and the Nations: Beyond the Synchronic–Diachronic Polarity in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



S18-218**SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Kimberly Bauser McBrien, Boston College, Presiding

Conor Q. Foley, Princeton Theological Seminary

Tamar's Transgressive Resistance: Gender Nonconformity in Genesis 38 and the Women's Protection Unit in the Rojava Conflict (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College

The Rape of Tamar as a Prefiguration for the Fate of Fair Zion (Bat Tzion) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

William Briggs, Baylor University

Washing Away Gender Roles? Water as Unsettling and Reinforcing Gender Dynamics in Nabum (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Emanuel, Colby College

Letting Judges Breathe: Queer Survivance in the Book of Judges and Gad Beck's An Underground Life; Memoirs of a Gay Jew in Nazi Berlin (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Cahana, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Christian Wittig vs. Rabbinic Irigaray? Boyarin's Parting of the (Gender) Ways Reconsidered (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S18-219**SBL Gospel of Mark Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 601 (Street Level)

Theme: **Reading Mark: The Interpretive Implications of Mark's Original Format**

Presenters will examine the way the Gospel of Mark would have been read in the ancient world, considering questions such as how would the gospel have been literally read by or to its initial audience, who would have been present, and for what purpose. Then, they will elucidate what impact the original presentation has on the interpretation of the gospel.

Kelli O'Brien, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton College Graduate School

The Editorial Aside of Mark 13:14 ("Let the Reader Understand") and Its Implications for the Gospel's Earliest Performances (20 min)

Discussion (22 min)

James W. Voelz, Concordia Seminary

Hearing Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (15 min)

Discussion (22 min)

Break (5 min)

Thomas Boomershine, United Theological Seminary

Mark as Sound (20 min)

Discussion (46 min)

S18-220**SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section / Pentateuch Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Theme: **At the Crossroads of Text and Material Culture: Pentateuch and Archaeology**

Angela Roskop Erisman, Angela Roskop Erisman Editorial, Presiding

Elizabeth Bloch-Smith, Princeton Theological Seminary

Linking Past and Present through the Material World: History in Genesis (25 min)

Christian Frevel, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Ataroth, Dibon, and the King of Arad: The Book of Numbers and Archaeology (25 min)

Jessie DeGrado, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)

Representing Ritual: Constructions of Kinship in Exodus 24 (25 min)

Jenna Stover-Kemp, University of California-Berkeley

Ritual Objects and Proto-Idolatry: Productive Forgetting in Exodus 34:10–17 (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-221**SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Separated By a Common Scripture? Jewish and Christian Exegesis in Late Antiquity**

Daniel Picus, Brown University and Rebecca Stephens

Falcasantos, Florida State University

"Your Brother's Blood Drips from Your Hand": The Punishment of Cain in Rabbinic and Syriac Christian Interpretation (20 min)

Miriam-Simma Walfish, Harvard University and Maria E.

Doerfler, Yale University

The Wisdom of Jephthah's Daughter (20 min)

Krista Dalton, Kenyon College and Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University

The Afterlives of Isaiah 58:7 in Early Christian and Rabbinic Literature (20 min)

Ophir Münz-Manor, Open University of Israel and Jeffrey

Wickes, Saint Louis University

Jacob of Sarug and Yannai on the Tower of Babel (20 min)

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College, Respondent (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

P18-221a

Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Director's Row I (Plaza Building–Lobby Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Theology: Perspectives from the Majority World, Part 2**

Theological educators from the Majority World will present their current research being conducted as part of the Langham Partnership International Postdoctoral Research Seminar Project. This research group showcases theologians working with key issues in Scripture and Theology within their contexts. For further information, please contact Ian J. Shaw (ian.shaw@langham.org). See also Institute for Biblical Research, under Research Groups tab, at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/>.

Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

Shirley Ho, China Evangelical Seminary

Choose Wisdom: The Art and Science of Choice in Proverbs (17 min)

Theodros Assefa Teklu, Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology
Sustained Scarcity and Moral Creativity: Theological Reflections (17 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Corneliu Constantineanu, University of Arad

The Spirit of Life: Vision and Empowerment for Public Engagement in Eastern Europe (17 min)

Varughese John, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies

Is Freedom of Religion a Subset of Religious Doctrine? (17 min)

Discussion (37 min)

Summary

Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding (5 min)

P18-222

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 207 (Street Level)

Theme: **Perspectives on LXX Studies, Including the Hexapla**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Cameron Boyd-Taylor, Trinity Western University

From Text to Discourse: Foucault and the Septuagint (30 min)

Sandra Gambetti, College of Staten Island (CUNY)

The LXX Vorlage (30 min)

William A. Ross, University of Cambridge and Gregory R.

Lanier, Reformed Theological Seminary

Skeuos of the Septuaginta: Statistical and Semantic Reflections from the Making of a Reader's Edition (30 min)

Daniel Olariu, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Mechanics of Recensional Process: The Treatment of the First-Found Equivalents (30 min)

Russell Hawkins, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Technology and Text: A New Application for the Hexapla Institute (30 min)

Benjamin Kantor, University of Cambridge

A New (Print and Online) Critical Edition of the Second Column (Secunda) of Origen's Hexapla (30 min)

P18-223

International Syriac Language Project

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Director's Row E (Plaza Building–Lobby Level)

Theme: **Syriac Translations of Biblical Texts: Selected Issues and Problems**

The International Syriac Language Project (ISLP) is an interdisciplinary group that seeks to foster research in ancient languages and literatures, with particular attention to Syriac lexicography.

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Ignacio Carbajosa, Universidad San Dámaso

Two Ancient Syriac Peshitta Versions of 1 Maccabees: Which One Is the True Peshitta? What Is the Other One? (30 min)

Philip Forness, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main

The Books of Maccabees in Syriac: A Context for Their Translation (30 min)

Eric J. Tully, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Peshitta Ruth: Insights from Translating the Mosul Text for the Antioch Bible (30 min)

Binyamin Goldstein, Yeshiva University and Abraham J.

Berkovitz, Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion
Translating 4 Ezra: Problems and Prospects (30 min)

Bradley J. Marsh, Jr., University of Oxford

Jacob of Edessa's Witness to the Book of Daniel in Greek: A Survey (30 min)

S18-224

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

This session features papers on a broad range of topics dealing with prophetic literature.

Brittany Kim, Bethel Seminary, Presiding

Elizabeth Stell, Oxford University

How to Do Things with Prophecy: Reading Prophetic Actions in the Light of J.L. Austin (30 min)

Yisca Zimran, Bar-Ilan University

Assyria and Egypt in the Book of Hosea (30 min)

Joseph W. Mueller, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

Planting Gardens: Reflections on an Evocative Adjustment to a Trope in Jeremiah 29 (30 min)

Bradley Haggard, Asbury Theological Seminary

An Analysis of Literary Dependence in Ezekiel 43:18–27 (30 min)

Jina Kang, Loyola Marymount University

At Home While Far from Home: The Visionary Context of Ezekiel 40–48 (30 min)



S18-225**SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **The Negotiation of Subaltern Identities under Imperial Hegemony**

Catherine Murphy, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Anders Runesson, University of Oslo

*Who Killed Jesus, and Why? The Jewish Nature of Matthew's Anti-imperial Polemics (40 min)*Zhenya Gurina-Rodriguez, Brite Divinity School (TCU),
Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Roberto Mata, Santa Clara University

"Those Who Call Themselves Jews": Negotiating Ethnicity in the Messages to the Seven Assemblies (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eugene Eung-Chun Park, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Language of Debt Easement in the Synoptic Traditions: Beyond Wishful Thinking into Dreaming an Alternative Reality (40 min)

David Fiensy, Independent Scholar, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-226**SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Misheck Nyirenda, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Matthew Anstey, Alphacrucis College

Are Biblical Hebrew Construct Noun Phrases Bicephalic? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yoo-Ki Kim, Seoul Women's University

The Meaning of na'ar: A Semantic Approach (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jarod Jacobs, Warner Pacific University

The Menzerath-Altmann Law and Ancient Hebrew: Does the Bible Break the Law? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Itai Kuperschmidt, Tel Aviv University

A Reanalysis of Or-Constructions in Masoretic Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ulf Bergström, Uppsala Universitet

The Hymnic Participle in Biblical Hebrew: Semantic and Syntactic Perspectives (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-227**SBL Masoretic Studies Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Masorah and Medieval Manuscripts**David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America,
Presiding

Kay Joe Petzold, Heidelberg University

*Masorah figurata as Visualised Parshanut (20 min)*Hanna Liss, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg
and Sebastian Seemann, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien
Heidelberg*Masorah as a Place Marker for Exegesis and Theology in Different Fields of Knowledge (20 min)*Sebastian Seemann, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg/
Germany and Hanna Liss, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien
Heidelberg*Sefer Okhla we-Okhla: A New Approach (20 min)*Viktor Golinets, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg
Linguistic and Masoretic Perspectives on Selected Examples of Word Interchange and Synonymous Readings (20 min)

Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute

Can't a Scribe Take a Hint? How Ben-Jacob "Fixed" an Ambiguous Ben-Asher Tradition but Missed Its Meaning (20 min)

S18-228**SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar / Westar Institute**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 502 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Archeology of Ancient Meals - in Honour of Dennis E. Smith**

Hal Taussig, Westar Institute, Presiding (5 min)

Other (10 min)

A Tribute by Joe Tyson read by Hal Taussig

Matthias Klinghardt, Technische Universität Dresden
*The Meal in Its Nonliterary and Literary Worlds (30 min)*L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin
Changing Patterns of Communal Dining in the Ostia Synagogue (30 min)

Susan M. Elliott, Independent Scholar

Next Came the Letter: Listening with Dennis E. Smith to Paul's Letters in the Context of Household Gatherings (30 min)

Discussion (45 min)

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S18-229

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 204 (Street Level)

Theme: **Bibles-For: Examining Audience-Targeted Bibles**

Bryan Bibb, Furman University
The Bible for Liberals: Translation, Rhetoric, and Theo-political Action (30 min)

Hilary Lipka, University of New Mexico
Bibles for Atheists: An Oxymoron? (30 min)

Jaqueline S. du Toit, University of the Free State (South Africa)
Bibles for Children in Contemporary Biblical Scholarship: Why Does It Matter? (30 min)

Kaisa Vaittinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Bibles for Pinterest, YouTube, and Instagram: The New Places and Inspirations for Bible Studies and Inspiration (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-230

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar / Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **An Activist Approach to Teaching the Bible**

Gregory Cuéllar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Panelist (15 min)

Jione Havea, Independent Scholar, Panelist (15 min)

Melanie A. Duguid-May, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Panelist (15 min)

Eric Thomas, Drew University, Panelist (15 min)

Horacio Vela, University of the Incarnate Word, Panelist (15 min)

Mai-Anh Le Tran, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Paul Myhre, Wabash College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-231

SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Divine Double**

Lautaro Lanzillotta, University of Groningen, Presiding

Book Review: Charles Stang, *Our Divine Double* (Harvard University Press)

Charles Stang, Harvard University, Panelist (10 min)

M. David Litwa, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Book Review: Andrei Orlov, *The Greatest Mirror* (SUNY Press)

Andrei Orlov, Marquette University, Panelist (10 min)

Andrea Lieber, Dickinson College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Papers

Catherine Playoust, University of Divinity
"The Lord Is Our Mirror" (Odes Sol. 13.1): Christological-Archaeological Ritual Connections in the Odes of Solomon (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S18-232

SBL Paul Within Judaism Section / Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Legacy of Krister Stendahl**

Krister among the Jews and Gentiles. An appreciation of various aspects, academic and institutional, of the life and work of Krister Stendahl.

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Jennifer Nyström, Lund University
Among Jews and Gentiles in the Holy Land: Reconsidering Readings of Romans in the Context of Dialogue (30 min)

Philip A. Cunningham, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA) and Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
"Holy Envy" to "Holy Mutuality"? (30 min)

Marc Brettler, Duke University
Reflections from Krister's Academic Neighbor (30 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology
Reflections on the Legacy of Krister Stendahl (30 min)

Jesper Svartvik, Lund University
A Towering Presence, Bent Like Grass: Krister Stendahl's Call and Conversion (30 min)

S18-233

SBL Pauline Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Resurrection and/as Salvation in Paul: Other Letters**

The saving work of God in Christ according to Paul is often associated primarily with Christ's death and with belief in its saving efficacy. For this session, we invite papers that consider (1) how, for Paul, God's resurrecting of Christ is itself an integral part of God's saving act and/or (2) how Paul understands resurrection as an integral part of humanity's past, present, or future experience of salvation. This session focuses on letters other than Romans.

Robert Moses, High Point University, Presiding

Matt O'Reilly, St Mark Church, Mobile, AL
Resurrection Past and Future: Temporal Aspects of Social Identity in 1 Corinthians 15 (25 min)



Discussion (10 min)

Andy Johnson, Nazarene Theological Seminary
Resurrection as Salvation: Past, Present, and Future (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ben C. Blackwell, Houston Baptist University
Justification and Resurrection Life in Galatians (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sin-pan Ho, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong
Socio-rhetorical Reading of Politeuma in Phil 3.20: Beyond Anti-imperial Reading (25 min)

Break (10 min)

S18-234

SBL Plagiarism, Copyright, and Permissions

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 501 (Street Level)

Theme: **Cohosted by the Student Advisory Board and Professional Development Committee**

Joint session with the SBL Professional Development Committee

In an age of increasing digitization of scholarly publications, there is an attendant risk of unintentional plagiarism and copyright violation. Both junior and senior scholars face a host of new questions and restrictions regarding their work: Can you post a published article on Academia.edu? Can you publish a chapter of your dissertation as an article before you defend and still include it in your dissertation? If you retain copyright to your work, can you do whatever you like with it? What happens if your work is distributed illegally on a foreign website? Can a scholar use his or her own images and/or articles in more than one book? How do you obtain permission to use someone else's images in your work? Do you need permission to use Creative Commons or Wikimedia images? This year the Student Advisory Board will host a panel for graduate students and scholars at all stages of their careers to discuss plagiarism, copyright, and permissions. Panelists will include academics, librarians, and editors from academic presses.

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Welcome
David Harris, University of Chicago, Presiding (5 min)
Peter McLellan, Drew University, Presiding (5 min)
Nicole Tilford, SBL Press, Panelist (15 min)
Robin Jensen, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (15 min)
Richard Adams, Emory University, Panelist (15 min)
James Ernest, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S18-235

SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **20th Anniversary of “The Postcolonial Bible: Bible and Colonialism”**

Participants by Invitation

Hemchand Gossai, Northern Virginia Community College, Presiding
Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Panelist
Uriah Kim, Graduate Theological Union, Panelist

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Panelist

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Panelist

S18-236

SBL Prayer in Antiquity Section / Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **Deuterocanonical Prayers**

Angela Kim Harkins, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, Presiding

Lawrence Wills, Brown University
Judith 9: A Prayer and More Than a Prayer (25 min)

Jennie Grillo, Duke University
“Sages Standing in God’s Holy Fire”: Prayer as Mnemonic for the Book of Daniel (25 min)

Andrew R. Krause, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Creational Blessings in Second Temple Prayer and Psalmody (25 min)

Noah Hacham, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
“Not Did I Despise them”: Eleazar’s Prayer in 3 Maccabees (25 min)

Eileen Schuller, McMaster University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-237

SBL Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Theme: **Persistence, Transformation, and Textualization of Revelation**

The papers will be precirculated. If you would like to receive them, please email jonathan.stokl@kcl.ac.uk

Jonathan Stökl, King’s College London, Presiding

Rita Lucarelli, UC Berkeley
Oracles and Magic in Ancient Egypt: The Case of the “Oracular Amuletic Decrees” (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Judith Newman, University of Toronto
Performing Mosaic Prophecy in the Scripturalization of Deuteronomy (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Reinhard G. Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Riddle and Revelation: The Re-use of Isaianic Prophecies within and outside the Book of Isaiah (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Machiela, McMaster University
Writing, Revelation, and Knowledge in the Aramaic Texts from Qumran (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong
Finding Jesus in the Sibylline Oracles: Textual Revelation and the Limitless Fountain of Meaning (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

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S18-238

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section / Jewish Christianity/ Christian Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hybrids, Converts, and Borders of Jewish and Christian Identities**

The second half of the session includes a review and discussion of Jill Hicks-Keeton, *Arguing with Aseneth: Gentile Access to Israel's "Living God" in Jewish Antiquity* (Oxford, 2018)

Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College

The Early Rabbinic Conversion Process as a Transition from Impurity to Purity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Carson Bay, Florida State University

Martyrs, Borderlines, and Jewish/Christian Identity in the Late Fourth Century (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sunhee Jun, Chicago Theological Seminary

Beyond Boundaries: Reading Aseneth from a Postcolonial Perspective (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Review of J. Hicks-Keeton, *Arguing with Aseneth* (Oxford, 2018)

Patricia Ahearne-Kroll, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities,
Panelist (20 min)

Christopher Brenna, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota,
Panelist (20 min)

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-239

SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 701 (Street Level)

Theme: **Finding the Psychology of Birth and Childhood in Biblical Texts, Part 2**

Honorable Mention will be made of the contributions of J. Hal Ellens and Andrew Kille to the work of the Psychology and Biblical Studies Section and Seminar over many years.

As this unit is a Seminar the papers will be circulated in advance to all those on the Friends of PsyBibs emailing list and to any who request them of the chair. At the session, each paper will be briefly outlined in about 7 minutes and the rest of the time will spent involving all present in substantive discussion/s of its content.

Flavia Soldano Deheza, Universidad de Tres de Febrero/
Asociación Bíblica Argentina, Presiding

Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill University

The Psychological Value of Children in the Bible (30 min)

Jeff Pettis, Fordham University

The Superman? Symbol and Mythopoeic Worlds (30 min)

Eben Scheffler, UNISA

Positive Psychology, Children, and Luke's Gospel (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S18-240

SBL Qumran Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Presiding

Arjen Bakker, Oxford University

Cycles of Reading and Praise: Isaiah, Enoch, and the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Vered Noam, Tel Aviv University

Some New Observations on 4QMMT (30 min)

David Shepherd, Trinity College - Dublin

What's "Targumic" about the Genesis Apocryphon? Further Reflections on 1Q20 as an Aramaic Version (30 min)

Robert Jones, McMaster University

A Priest Like Noah: 4Q541 in Its Qumran Aramaic Context (30 min)

David Rothstein, Ariel University Center of Samaria

Where Does the Deity Reside? The Divine Presence in the Temple Scroll (30 min)

S18-241

SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Agnes Choi, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

S. Scott Bartchy, University of California-Los Angeles

What Did Paul Know about the Historical Jesus, and When and How Did He Know It? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew Mellott, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Resistance in the Way of the Cross: A Study of the Resistant Nature of Matthew 10:38 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Nathan Shedd, Saint Mary's University College (Twickenham)

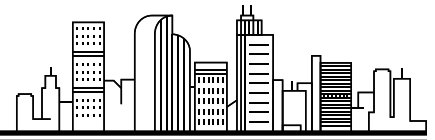
The Death of John the Baptist and the Sociology of Beheading in the Ancient World (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alexander E. Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary

Fear Appeals, Maladaptive Responses, and the Apocalypse of John (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S18-242

SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **Speech, Health, and Disability**

This panel addresses the intersections of speech, health, and disability in the ancient world. How are differently-abled bodies connected with speech practices (including silence) in the ancient imagination? How do portrayals of different speech abilities reflect or contribute to ancient conceptions of health, illness, power, or authority?

Adam Booth, Duke University, Presiding

Isabel Cranz, University of Pennsylvania

Ancient Israelite Healthcare, Abaziah's Ailing Body and the Ridicule of Baal in 2 Kgs 1 (25 min)

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University

Reproving Words: Disabilities of Speech Itself in the Book of Job (25 min)

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College

Dirty Words: The Physical Presence of Speech in Christian Late Antiquity (25 min)

David Maldonado Rivera, Kenyon College

"The Best Mimic of Human Language": Animality, Speech, and Disability in the Church History of Philostorgius of Borissus (25 min)

S18-243

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section / Aramaic Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Textual and Cultural History of the Hebrew Bible in Late Antiquity**

Russell Fuller, University of San Diego, Presiding

Armin Lange, Universität Wien

The Hebrew Text of the Bible between the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Masoretic Text (20 min)

Peter Gentry, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

The Place of the Text of the Three in the Textual History of the Bible (20 min)

Matthew Kraus, University of Cincinnati

Vulgate, Targums, and the Text of the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Leeor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University

The Hebrew Vorlage of the Pentateuchal Targums (20 min)

Christian Brady, University of Kentucky

The Festival Scrolls and Their Targumim (20 min)

Paul Flesher, University of Wyoming

Were Galilean Synagogues the Sitz-im-Leben for the Palestinian Targums to the Pentateuch? An Inquiry into the Archaeological Evidence (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P18-244

The Enoch Seminar

1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

Theme: **Jewish Messianism in Antiquity: An Overview**

Panel Discussion (60 minutes)

Gabriele Boccaccini, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor,
Presiding

John J. Collins, Yale University, Panelist

Martin Leuenberger, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen,
Panelist

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University, Panelist

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Respondent

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Respondent

Business Meeting (120 Minutes)

This panel will discuss the new publication, *Encyclopédie des messianismes juifs dans l'Antiquité* (Peeters, 2018). It is an attempt to collect the modern discussion of the last four decades on the first attestations of messianic expectations in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity. Thus the volume dedicates chapters on the question of messianism in the Old Testament, in the Septuagint, in the Jewish Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha including the Qumran texts, in the New Testament and early Christian writings, in Philo, in Josephus, and in the Rabbinic writings.

S18-245

SBL The Historical Paul Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Comparative Forms of Religious Expertise**

This session seeks to redescribe Paul's activity by comparing him with similar figures operating within the ancient Mediterranean world as well as other cultural contexts.

Heidi Wendt, McGill University, Presiding

Lee A. Johnson, East Carolina University

Reluctant Egalitarianism in Paul and the Glossolalic-Centric Churches of the American South (25 min)

Ryan S. Schellenberg, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Paul and Other Autarchic Prisoners (25 min)

James Rives, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Paul as Sacrificial Expert (25 min)

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa

Diaspora Studies, Hybridizing Movements, and Comparative Religion: Redescribing and Reframing the Study of the Historical Paul (25 min)

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

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P18-246

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition, Part 1**

Rachel Claire Dryden, University of Cambridge
Angels from Babylon, Magic from Heaven? Uncovering the Origins of the Tale of Hārūt and Mārūt (Q2:102) (30 min)

Shari L. Lowin, Stonehill College
"Surely God Is Poor and We Are Rich": Q 3:181 and Jewish Blasphemy? (30 min)

Holger Zellentin, University of Cambridge
Heavenly Scriptures, the Interjections of the ṣayāfīn, and the Protection of the Prophets from Late Antiquity to Early Islam (30 min)

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida
The Lives of Joseph and of His Garment (30 min)

S18-247

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section / National Association of Professors of Hebrew

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Texts and Theological Interpretation**

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Kris Sonek, University of Divinity
The Abraham Narratives and Their Message of Hope in Genesis Rabbah and John Chrysostom's Homilies on Genesis (30 min)

Jason Tron, Claremont School of Theology
Jacob's Vision in Bethel (Gen. 28:10–22) (30 min)

Serge Frolov, Southern Methodist University
"And They Cried to Yhwh": Soteriological Mechanisms in the Book of Judges (30 min)

Josef Sykora, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College
David's Shadow in Saul's Rejection: A Hermeneutical Thought-Experiment in 1 Samuel 13–15 (30 min)

Ying Zhang, East China Normal University
A Preliminary Study on Maimonides' Conception of Nature and Zhu Xi's Doctrine of Li (Principle) and Qi (Material force) (30 min)

S18-248

SBL Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section / Deuteronomistic History Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Theme: **Transmission of Joshua Traditions in the Late Second Temple Period**

Thomas Dozeman, United Theological Seminary, Presiding
Ernst Axel Knauf, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Joshua Tradition in the Persian Period (25 min)

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg
The Book of Joshua and the Book of the Law (25 min)

Ariel Feldman, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Joshua Traditions in the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Joachim J. Krause, University of Tübingen
The Torah Reading at Gilgal: More on the Riddle of 4QJosh-a Frg. 1 (25 min)

Ville Mäkipelto, University of Helsinki
How the Fluidity of Joshua Traditions Challenges Methodological Assumptions (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-249

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Robert G. Hall, Hampden-Sydney College
Provoking Insight: Discerning Order in the Parables of Enoch? (25 min)

James M. Scott, Trinity Western University
Puns in the Enochic Dream Visions in Their Ancient Near Eastern Context (25 min)

Anthony Lipscomb, Brandeis University
"She is My Sister": Sarai as Lady Wisdom in 1QapGen 19–20 (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien
The (Tree of) Knowledge of Good and Evil – is it Good or Evil? Tracing the Motif through its Early Reception History (25 min)

Rony Kozman, University of Toronto
Humanity in the Hand of its Deliberation and in the Hand of its Maker: A Harmonized Reading of Sirach 15:11–20 and 33:7–15 (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)



S18-251

SBL Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S18-251a

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:15 PM–2:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Love Thy Neighbour and Thyself: Recognizing and Cultivating Mental and Emotional Health for Students and Self**

The stigma of mental health struggles doesn't stop at the threshold of the classroom—for students or for staff. Faced with a tightrope of when and what to disclose about one's condition, students often suffer and fail to thrive due to a fear that their medical diagnoses or extenuating emotional situations (which include the ever-increasing stress of simply being in the world, let alone the Academy) will either not be taken seriously, or will come with a degree of prejudice that may follow into marking or recommendation-writing.

Similarly, staff and faculty can find themselves in a similar situation on the flip-side of that relationship, struggling with their own diagnoses or situations and when/where/how to divulge them (if at all), and/or trying to support students who may or may not feel comfortable being forthcoming with their own struggling.

In this conversational workshop, I aim to discuss and brainstorm a) signs to watch for in students and colleagues who may be struggling with mental/emotional pressures, b) compassionate and respectful ways to respond without overstepping boundaries, and c) ways to cultivate better mental and emotional health inside and beyond the classroom for one's students, one's peers, one's colleagues, and oneself.

Katelynn Carver, University of St. Andrews, Panelist

S18-252

SBL The Bible in Ancient (and Modern) Media Section

1:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom G (Third Level)

Theme: **Remembering Resurrection: Social Memory and the Conceptions of the Afterlife in Early Judaism and Christianity**

This session is organized by Tom Hatina as a part of a larger research project that will include two related sessions at a conference in Prague in 2019.

Thomas Hatina, Trinity Western University, Presiding

Kyung Baek, Trinity Western University
Remembering Resurrection at Qumran (30 min)

Bradford Anderson, Dublin City University
Isaac's Death and Resurrection Remembered: The Reception of the Akedah in Jewish Tradition (30 min)

Kyle R.L. Parsons, Charles University in Prague
Colossians and Resurrection: A Pseudepigraphal Remembrance of Paul (30 min)

Frederick S. Tappenden, St. Stephen's College, University of Alberta
Re-membering Life after Death: Constructing, Receiving, and Contesting the Pauline Body (30 min)

Rafael Rodriguez, Johnson University

"Strengthened in Faith, Giving Glory to God": Resurrection and the Forge of Abrahamic Memory in Paul (30 min)

S18-253

SBL Educational Resources and Review Committee

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 206 (Street Level)

P18-203

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

2:30 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: **Grant Design Conversations**

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us in the Convention Center Room CCC on both Sunday, Nov. 18, 2:30 pm–5:00 pm, and Monday, Nov 19, 9:00 am–11:30 am to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us. Registration deadline is November 1. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

S18-254

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Mastering Online Education: Effective and Engaging Teaching in a Digital Classroom**

Many colleges and universities are turning their attention to online and hybrid education in order both to broaden their student base and accommodate students who are interested in furthering their education but unable to attend as full-time residential students. This workshop draws on years of experience and training to highlight some of the basics of online education from the perspective of a practitioner. It emphasizes key considerations about course design, communication with students, classroom management in an online setting, best practices for student engagement, disability accommodations, and a few tips and tricks learned through years of experience.

This workshop proposes a guided conversation during which each of the above topics is discussed briefly with encouragement for students to offer their own questions and insights. This workshop will also highlight current scholarship on best practices in online education and particular challenges associated with this form of teaching.

Andrew Klumpp, Southern Methodist University, Panelist

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S18-300

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

3:30 PM–5:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 605 (Street Level)

Theme: **Delores Williams' Sisters in the Wilderness: Classic Landmark Work Twenty-Five Years Later**

This year marks twenty-five years since the publication of Delores S. Williams' *Sisters in the Wilderness: The Challenge of Womanist God-Talk* (Orbis, 1993). To commemorate the anniversary, the panel will address the theological significance of this groundbreaking text and its role in the formation of womanist theological perspective.

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College, Presiding

Kimi Bryson, Yale University

A Womanist's Poetic, Theo-Ethical Response to Sexual Trauma: Ethics, Theology, and Black Women's Poetry (20 min)

Oluwatomisin Oredein, Memphis Theological Seminary

The One Who Sees Me: Finding Hagar through Literary Hermeneutics and Religious Interpretive Agency (20 min)

Eboni Marshall Turman, Yale University

Eboni Marshall Turman Reads Delores Williams' Sisters in the Wilderness (20 min)

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University

Outcast in the Deserts of Hopelessness (20 min)

S18-301

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall F (Third Level)

Theme: **"More Than You Bargained For . . . Teaching outside Your Area of Expertise."**

Adam Porter, Illinois College, Presiding

Katharine Batlan, The University of Texas at Austin

Fish out of Water: Teaching the Bible as a Historian of US Religion (20 min)

Other (5 min)

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College

The Challenges and Benefits of Teaching Genocide Studies (20 min)

Other (5 min)

Christopher M. Jones, Washburn University

A Biblical Philologist's Dream: How to Use Ethnographies to Teach Intro to Religion (20 min)

Roundtable Discussion (80 min)

S18-304

SBL Aramaic Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Theme: **Aramaic Linguistics and Textual Discoveries**

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Esther Eshel, Bar-Ilan University

The Largest Divination Text from Maresha (25 min)

Michael Langlois, Université de Strasbourg

The Syntax of ׀ Clauses in Aramaic Inscriptions from Maresha (25 min)

Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Prefix Consonant of the C- and tG-Stems in the Dialects of Aramaic: A Proposal (25 min)

Ivri Bunis, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

A Comparison of Some Linguistic Features of Jewish Palestinian Aramaic and Rabbinic Hebrew (25 min)

Markham Geller, Freie Universität Berlin

More on Akkadian Loans in Aramaic (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S18-305

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Theme: **Lessons from the Isaiah Bulla: Publication, Publicity, and SBL Policy**

Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Eric Welch, University of Kentucky, Introduction (5 min)

Robert Cargill, University of Iowa

If It Quacks Like an Article...: Public Scholarship in the Digital Age (20 min)

Chris Rollston, George Washington University

The Yeshayah[u] Bulla and Reasonable Doubt: A Sober Analysis of the Evidence (20 min)

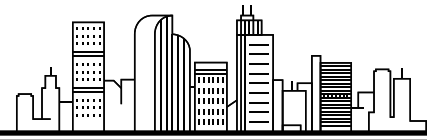
Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University

From the Field to Facebook: Why Context Matters in "Biblical Archaeology" (20 min)

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College

What Counts as an Editio Princeps? ASOR's Policy on Initial Place of Publication or Announcement (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)



S18-306

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section / Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section / Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Paul and Politics Seminar / Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: Decentering Biblical Scholarship Thirty Years Later: Critical Reflections on the Call of Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza

- Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding (5 min)
Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)
Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston, Panelist (15 min)
Renate Jost, Augustana-Hochschule, Panelist (15 min)
Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Panelist (15 min)
Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Panelist (15 min)
Vincent Wimbush, Institute for Signifying Scriptures, Panelist (15 min)
Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S18-307

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 405 (Street Level)

Theme: Law and Justice, Covenant and Conflict

- Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding
Mary R. Bachvarova, Willamette University
"Oh Gods, the Surrounding Lands Have Become Arrogant and They Have Violated Their Oaths!" Hittite Arkuwar Prayers and Sitz im Leben of the Biblical Divine Covenant (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

- Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University
A Trial Text from Alalakh (AT 7) and the Question in Biblical Prayers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

- Woo Min Lee, Georgia Central University
Fallen Under the Assyrian Chariot: Identification/Interchangeability of Enemies and Wild Animals in Ashurnasirpal's Reliefs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

- Oeyvind Bjoeru, University of Texas at Austin
Jubilation across the Ancient Near East (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marcus Ziemann, Ohio State University
Assyria, Isaiah, and the Odyssey: The Expansion of the Neo-Assyrian Empire and Its Cultural Koine (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-308

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 502 (Street Level)

Theme: The Bible, Trauma, and Self Care

- Deborah Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
Michael S. Koppel, Wesley Theological Seminary
Self-Care as Holistic Practice in Contexts of Trauma (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Louis Stulman, University of Findlay
The God of the Historical Losers: Reading the Bible through the Lens of Trauma (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Kristopher Norris, Wesley Theological Seminary
Not All Flesh Is Alike but There Is One Flesh: Bodies, Colorblindness, and Resurrection (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Tim Fretheim, Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, British Columbia
Hospitality, Mental Illness, and the "Mark of Cain": A Theology of Chaplaincy in a Forensic Psychiatric Hospital (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-309

SBL Biblical Law Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

- Hilary Lipka, University of New Mexico, Presiding
Pamela Barmash, Washington University
The Daughter Sold Off for Marriage (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Guy Ridge, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Bearing the Interest of Elites: Deuteronomy 23:20–21 in Light of Neo-Assyrian Debt Notes from the Western Provinces (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Mark Glanville, Missional Training Centre, Phoenix
The Gēr (Stranger) in Deuteronomy: Family for the Displaced (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- A. Rahel (Schafer) Wells, Andrews University
The Eye as Metaphorical Agent in Deuteronomistic Law (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Paul Cizek, Marquette University
Legal Reasoning in Second Temple Judaism: The Case of the Deuteronomistic Law of Kings (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S18-310

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section / Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Agate (Third Level)

Theme: **Trauma and Ecology**

We invite papers that explore the following questions. How might the discussion of trauma be extended beyond the human to include the land, trees, animals, and other nonhuman members of creation in dialogue with the biblical material? What does it mean to talk of “traumatization of the land (or oceans, etc)?” How does the nonhuman manifest and communicate trauma? What principles are helpful? Proposals should indicate which of the three topics is being addressed.

Peter Trudinger, Flinders University, Presiding

Jacob R Evers, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Permission to Traumatize? An Exploration of Human and Nonhuman Responses to the Genesis Flood Narrative (30 min)

Jennifer Maidrand, The Theological School at Drew University
Bread of the Wilderness: The Political and Ecological Struggle in Exodus 16 (30 min)

David A Bosworth, The Catholic University of America
Human Hubris, the Natural World, and the Wrath of God in Isaiah 13–27 (30 min)

Jaime L. Waters, DePaul University
“Even the Doe Forsakes Her Fawn”: The Earth Responds to Drought in Jeremiah (30 min)

Rebecca Copeland, Boston University School of Theology
“Their Leaves Shall Be for Healing”: Ecological Trauma and Recovery in Ezekiel 47:1–12 (30 min)

S18-311

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **New (Material) Philology and Textual Objects**

Daniel Picus, Brown University, Presiding

Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University
Continue to Sing, Miriam! The Song of Miriam in 4QPentateuch (4Q365) (12 min)

Helen Dixon, Wofford College
New Philology and Phoenician Epigraphy? Tabnit, Eshmunazar, and the False Promise of Sanchuniaton (12 min)

Liv I. Lied, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Textual Scholarship, Ethics, and Someone Else’s Manuscripts (12 min)

Adam Bremer-McCollum, University of Notre Dame
Two Languages, Two Scripts, and Three Combinations Thereof: A Personal Prayer-Book in Syriac and Old Uyghur from Turfan (U 338) (12 min)

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia
The Acts of John 87–105 (Vienna hist. Gr. 63 fol. 51v–55v): Is It a “Fragment”? (12 min)

C. M. Chin, University of California–Davis
Forget/Remember: The Dream Oracle of Trophonius (12 min)

Noah Bickart, Yale University
Pages from Tractate Temura of the Babylonian Talmud, in Secondary Use in a Late Medieval Book Binding (12 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University
Codex Bezae and Biblical Theft: A Case Study (12 min)

Blossom Stefaniw, German Research Council
A Material History of the Tura Papyri (12 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (12 min)

S18-311a

SBL Book of Acts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Brittany Wilson, Duke University, Presiding

Febbie C. Dickerson, American Baptist College
The Adultification of the Pythian Slave-Girl (Acts 16:16–19) (30 min)

Tobias Hägerland, University of Gothenburg
Paul the Pharisaic Prophet–Teacher in Acts (30 min)

Shaily Shashikant Patel, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Magical Acts: Magical Discourses and Identity Formation in the Acts of the Apostles (30 min)

Zachary G Smith, Yale University
History as Heuristic: Acts, Apostle, and Intertext (30 min)

Christopher Stroup, Boston College
Negotiating Identity in Civic Space: Acts 18:1–17 and the Salutaris Foundation Inscription (30 min)

S18-312

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall B (Third Level)

Theme: **Biblical Topography**

In recognition that our 2018 host city is in the mountainous West, papers in this session explore various aspects of biblical topography (mountains, the wilderness or desert, and trees) and their relevance for Christian theology in the past and today.

Nijay Gupta, Portland Seminary, Presiding

Nijay Gupta, Portland Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

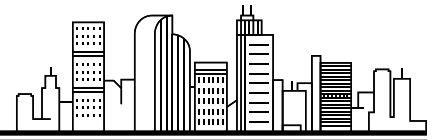
Andrew Zack Lewis, Regent College
Trees, Theophanies, and the Pentateuch (30 min)

Daniel Lynwood Smith, Saint Louis University
Israel, Jesus, and Christians in the Desert: The Scriptural Wilderness as a Christian Theological Resource (30 min)

Wil Rogan, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Judean Wilderness Meets the American Frontier (30 min)

J P Davies, Trinity College - Bristol
Apocalyptic Topography in Mark’s Gospel: Theophany and Divine Invisibility at Sinai, Horeb, and the Mount of Transfiguration (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S18-313

SBL Cultic Personnel in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Masculinities and Cultic Personnel**

Sarah Shectman, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Ilona Zsolnay, University of Chicago

Putting the King in His Place: Orchestrating Ritual Space in Cuneiform Texts (30 min)

Jonathan Stökl, King's College London

The Perfect Male: Priestly Bodies as Examples of Nonsubservient Masculinity (30 min)

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College

Get Me Away from Here, I'm Dying: Ezekiel and the Abominations in the Temple (30 min)

Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL)

Jesus and Other Priests: On the Masculinity of Ritual Efficacy of Priests in the Second Temple Period (30 min)

Claudia Camp, Texas Christian University, Respondent (30 min)

S18-313a

SBL David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Crestone Ballroom B (Third Level)

We are pleased to announce that the 2018 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg for her paper entitled, "The Book That Changed: Narratives of Ezran Authorship as Late Antique Biblical Criticism."

Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg works on the reception history of the Hebrew Bible, with a specialization in early rabbinic tradition. In September 2018, she will become an assistant professor of Judaic Studies in the Frankel Center for Judaic Studies at the University of Michigan—Ann Arbor, where she did her postdoctoral work as a fellow in the Michigan Society of Fellows from 2015–2018. She received her PhD from the University of Chicago in 2015. Her dissertation won the Society of Biblical Literature's De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History. She will deliver her paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Denver, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

The goal of the Freedman Award is to promote excellence and creativity in Hebrew Bible scholarship. The award is given to a member who has received a Ph.D. or Th.D. in biblical studies or related field within the last ten years and includes a cash prize of \$1,000.00. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories: persuasive thesis that engages the Hebrew Bible, clarity of expression and thought, and originality and creativity.

The members of the 2018 Freedman Award Committee are Gale Yee (Episcopal Divinity School), Alison Schofield (University of Denver), and John Pleins (Santa Clara University).

Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Presiding

Rebecca Wollenberg, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor

The Book That Changed: Narratives of Ezran Authorship as Late Antique Biblical Criticism (30 min)

Eva Mroczek, University of California–Davis, Respondent (15 min)

Marc Brettler, Duke University, Respondent (15 min)

S18-314

SBL Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Theme: **The Book of Ben Sira: The Praise of the Ancestors**

James Aitken, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Pete Tsimikalis, University of Oxford

Ben Sira's Praise of the Fathers: A Narrative of Unmatched Perfection (30 min)

A. Jordan Schmidt, Catholic University of America

Embodying Wisdom: Ben Sira's Praise of Simon the High Priest (Sir 50:1–24) (30 min)

Andrew Montanaro, The Catholic University of America

Great and Wise Fathers as Exemplars for the Students of Ben Sira/Sirach (30 min)

Bradley Gregory, Catholic University of America

Memory and Moral Formation in Ben Sira (30 min)

Stephen A. Long, University of Notre Dame

Sacrifice as Gift and as Appeal to God in the Book of Ben Sira (30 min)

S18-315

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section / New Testament Textual Criticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 3 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Medium Matters: The Challenges of Editing the New Testament in the Liminal Space between Digital and Print Cultures**

This session welcomes both invited and proposed papers that examine, by way of specific test-cases, the advantages and disadvantages of paper and digital editions. We are particularly interested to explore issues arising from the ongoing editing of the *editio critica maior*, other editorial projects related to the versions or manuscripts of the New Testament, and media-specific studies that analyze user experiences of critical editions.

Stephen Carlson, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Garrick Allen, Dublin City University

The Number of the Beast and the Value of Digital Editions (25 min)

Robert Turnbull, Ridley College Melbourne

D-Codex: Software for Digital Manuscript Transcription, Analysis, and Publication (25 min)

Benjamin White, Clemson University

Timothy as Collaborator: Rolling Delta and Its Utility in Multi-authored Pauline Epistles (25 min)

Jan Krans, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Extending Text-Critical Tools: Visualisation of Space and Time, and Calculation of Palaeographical Proximity (25 min)

Martin Wallraff, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

How to edit New Testament Paratexts (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-316

SBL Disputed Paulines Section / Pauline Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Insights from Barclay, Paul and the Gift, applied to the shorter Pauline letters.**

Matthew Thomas, Saint Patrick's Seminary, Presiding

Wendell Willis, Abilene Christian University
Sharing God's Gift in Christ: Paul and His Philippian Co-workers (30 min)

Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary
"We Are Obligated to Give Thanks": Aspects of Grace in 2 Thessalonians (30 min)

Margaret Y. MacDonald, Saint Mary's University (Halifax)
God's Gift in Ephesians: Dwelling in the Space of Divine Transcendence in the Face of Hopelessness and Dislocation (30 min)

John M. G. Barclay, University of Durham, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-317

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **The Economies of Roman Galilee and Judea**

Agnes Choi, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Guy D. Stiebel, Tel-Aviv University
Pecunia olet: What Stood behind the Roman Siege of Masada? (25 min)

Mordechai Aviam, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee
Galilean Economy before and after the Roman Invasion in 67 CE (25 min)

Tom McCollough, Centre College
Khirbet Qana (Cana of Galilee) and Village and Town Networks and Trading Patterns in Lower Galilee: Discerning the Impact of the First Revolt in Transforming Local Economies (25 min)

David A. Fiensy, Independent Scholar
Bandits and the Galilean Economy: Was It Prosperous or Desperately Poor? (25 min)

James R. Strange, Samford University
Refugees: The Missing Element in Discussions of the Galilean Economy in the Roman Period (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-318

SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 712 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ethiopian Texts, Saints, Ascetics and Homilies**

Sofanit Abebe, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Alessandro Bausi, University of Hamburg
Once More on Editing Ethiopic Texts (25 min)

Alin Suciu, Göttingen Academy
The Ethiopic Version of Stephen the Theban's Sermo asceticus (20 min)

Jaimie Gunderson, University of Texas at Austin
Specters of a Saint: The Visible and Hidden in the Ethiopic Life of Mary of Egypt (20 min)

Antonella Brita, Universität Hamburg
Matter and Devotion in Ethiopia: The Use of Hagiographic Manuscripts in Devotional and Ritual Practices (20 min)

Robert Holmstedt, University of Toronto
Critical Editions or Flawed Manuscript Evidence? The Methodological Challenge of Writing a Descriptive Grammar of Early Ge'ez (20 min)

Philip Forness, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main
Transforming the Literary Heritage of Late Antiquity: A Previously Unknown Letter of Severos of Antioch Preserved in Ethiopic (20 min)

Afework Hailu Beyene, Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology
Brief Notes on the Impact of Indigenous Cultural Elements in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church (20 min)

Yonatan Binyam, Coastal Carolina University
Jews and Jewishness in Medieval Ethiopic Literature: The Case of the Zena Ayhud (20 min)

S18-319

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Isaiah in Current Research**

This open session invites papers that explore current research on the Book of Isaiah. Newer approaches and scholarly voices are especially welcome in this session.

Paul Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Shawn Zelig Aster, Bar-Ilan University
Reflections of Empire in Isaiah 11:1–10 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shmuel S.-J. Koh, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Manasse's Birth, One of the Catalysts for the Proclamation of Isa 11:1–5 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Timothy Rucker, The Catholic University of America
Re-keying Shebna and Eliakim: Unlocking the Offense in Isaiah 22:15–25 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Micaël Bürki, Université de Lausanne
Zion the City of Light (Isaiah 60): In Search for a Structure beyond Diachronic and Synchronic Perspectives (25 min)



Discussion (5 min)

Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University
The Destroyed City as Grazing Space: Interpretive Possibilities in Isaiah 5:17, 17:2, 27:10, and 32:14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-320

SBL Genesis Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding
Zev Farber, Project TABS - TheTorah.com
Separating Mamre from Hebron Literarily and Geographically (30 min)

John Day, University of Oxford
The Serpent in the Garden of Eden: A Critique of Some Recent Proposals (30 min)

Samuel Boyd, University of Colorado
A Firmament of the Earth: The Logic of Gen 1:20 and a Visual Representation in the Baal Stele (30 min)

Anna Rozonoer, Hellenic College
The Nine Portraits of Patriarch, God, and Sin in Genesis 12, 20, and 26 "Trilogy" (30 min)

Will Kynes, Whitworth University
A Suitable Match: Eve, Enkidu, and the Boundaries of Humanity in the Eden Narrative and the Epic of Gilgamesh (30 min)

S18-321

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom B (Third Level)

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Global Learning Initiative, Presiding
Daniel W. Ulrich, Bethany Theological Seminary
Technology and Pedagogy in a Seminar on Intercultural Hermeneutics (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Perry Oakes, Distant Shores Media and Jesse Griffin, Distant Shores Media
The translationCore Bible Translation Checking Tool (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christian Højgaard Jensen, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Semantic Mapping of Participants in Legal Discourse (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cody Kingham, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Modeling Noun Semantics with Vector Spaces and the ETCBC Hebrew Database (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Robie, B-Greek: The Biblical Greek Forum
The Greek Syntax Package: Bringing Open Linguistic Data into Documents (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-322

SBL Greek Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

Michael B. Shepherd, Cedarville University
Haggai and Zechariah in Greek Psalm Superscriptions (30 min)

Preston L. Atwood, University of Wisconsin-Madison
On the Relation between the Pesbitta and Old Greek of Isaiah: A Case Study on Isaiah 1–5 (30 min)

Matt Harber, Duke University
The Benevolence of Job as a Literary Tradition in the Testament of Job (30 min)

Jason D. Hitchcock, Marquette University
Every Knee Will Bow to Me, the Lord Who Died and Lived (Romans 14) (30 min)

Devin L. White, Australian Catholic University
Evagrius of Pontus on Exodus 30:34–37 and the Virtues of the Soul (30 min)

S18-324

SBL Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Between Biblical Research, Archaeology, and History: A Session in Honour of Nadav Na'aman for his Eightieth Birthday**

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Presiding
Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University, Introduction (5 min)

Konrad Schmid, Universität Zürich
Nadav Na'aman and Albrecht Alt: A Comparison (20 min)

Michael Jursa, Universität Wien
The Levant as Seen from Babylon in the Sixth Century (20 min)

Anne Caubet, l'École du Louvre
Between the Nile and the Oxus: The Circulation of Exotic Raw Materials and the Distribution of Intercultural Figurative Objects (ca 4000–2000) (20 min)

Frederick Mario Fales, University of Udine
Once More on "The Assyrian Way of/to Peace" and Its Implications for Levantine History (20 min)

Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University
An Eighth Century BCE Monumental Podium at Kiriath-jearim in Historical Context: Who Built It and for What Purpose? (20 min)

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne
The Origin and Development of the So-Called Ark Narrative (20 min)

Nadav Na'aman, Tel Aviv University, Respondent (20 min)

Shuichi Hasegawa, Rikkyo University, Respondent (5 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-325

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Preaching Creation and Ecology**

While eco-hermeneutics is a powerful and vibrant new area of biblical study, actual proclamation in congregational contexts too often remains wedded to anthropocentric models of the gospel, salvation, and the power and significance of scriptural texts. The 2016 volume *Eco-Reformation: Grace and Hope for a Planet in Peril*, ed. Lisa E. Dahill and James B. Martin-Schramm gives voice to an eco-hermeneutic that attempts to bridge this gap between scholarly eco-criticism and the interpretive questions alive in real-life contexts. Simultaneously, Leah Schade's *Creation-Crisis Preaching: Ecology, Theology, and the Pulpit* articulates an eco-hermeneutic for preaching. This panel will engage both of these volumes through critical readings by biblical and homiletical scholars within and beyond the two book projects, exploring the larger question of how an eco-hermeneutic empowers preaching for an ecological conversion toward the life of the world.

Charles Aaron, Southern Methodist University, Presiding (5 min)

Lisa Dahill, California Lutheran University, Panelist (20 min)

Jim Martin-Schramm, Luther College, Panelist (20 min)

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Panelist (20 min)

Leah Schade, Lexington Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

J. Dwayne Howell, Campbellsville University, Respondent (10 min)

Eunjoo Kim, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (10 min)

S18-326

SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality, Method, and Gender**

Shelley Birdsong, North Central College, Presiding

Hyun Woo Kim, Emory University
Re-remembering Zion: Intertextual Rhetoric of Ap Zion as Theological Subversion (30 min)

Jonathon Riley, Book of Mormon Central
Moral Blindness: The Levite's Concubine, Judges, and Samuel (30 min)

Soo J. Kim, America Evangelical University
Ezekiel's Hope in the Burial Labor of the Gog Multitude: Intertextual Re-reading of Ezekiel 39 with Deuteronomy 13:12–18 (30 min)

Cooper Smith, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Intertextuality and the Direction of Dependence: Toward a Comprehensive List of Criteria (30 min)

Gary P. Klump, Marquette University
Cognitive Linguistics and Intertextuality: A Methodological Proposal (30 min)

S18-327

SBL Jewish Interpretation of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 204 (Street Level)

Barry Dov Walfish, University of Toronto, Presiding

Job Jindo, Academy for Jewish Religion

On Kaufmann's Legacy: Its Reception and Potential (30 min)

David Glatt-Gilad, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Gleanings from Jewish Exegesis on David's Last Testament and Its Fulfillment (1 Kings 2) (30 min)

Jason Radine, Moravian College

The Value of Attention to Land and Place in Biblical Interpretation (30 min)

Yedida Eisenstat, York University

The Minimization of "Faith" in Rashi's Torah Commentary (30 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts

Wesleyan College

What Christians Can Learn from Jewish Interpretation of the Aqedah: Reading Genesis 22 with Moses and the Rabbis (30 min)

S18-328

SBL Jewish, Christian, and Graeco-Roman Travel in the Hellenistic, Roman, and Early Byzantine Periods (300 BCE–600 CE) Consultation

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **Book Panel: Maren Niehoff (ed.), Journeys in the Roman East**

A review panel on Maren Niehoff (ed.), *Journeys in the Roman East: Real and Imagined* (Mohr Siebeck, 2017).

Pieter B. Hartog, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit,
Presiding (5 min)

Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian College & Theological
Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Lautaro Lanzillotta, University of Groningen, Panelist (10 min)

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (10 min)

Krista Dalton, Kenyon College, Panelist (10 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Respondent
(15 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S18-329

SBL Johannine Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Current Readings of John 9: Martyn's Interpretation and Beyond**

Alicia Myers, Campbell University, Presiding

Deborah Forger, Dartmouth College

John 9, the Sense of Hearing, and Belief in Jesus as the Unique Embodiment of God (30 min)

Tyler Smith, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
Oedipus, Jesus, and John 9's Man Born Blind: Recognitions and Reversals (30 min)

Daniel DeForest London, School for Deacons
Blinded by Blame: Reading John 9 in Light of Mimetic Theory (30 min)

Wally V. Cirafesi, University of Oslo
Aposynagōgos, Jewishness, and the Battle for the Public Assembly: John's Ethnography of the Synagogue in Light of Greco-Roman Public Institutions (30 min)

David N. DeJong, Saint Louis University
Martyn, Meeks, and Moses: Revisiting the Influence of Deut 18:15 in the Fourth Gospel (30 min)

S18-330

SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **David Aune's Revelation Commentary, 20 Years On**

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University, Presiding (5 min)

Adela Collins, Yale University
The Importance of Source Criticism and Composition Criticism in the Interpretation of Revelation (15 min)

Craig Koester, Luther Seminary
Treatments of the Greco-Roman World in Commentaries on John's Apocalypse (15 min)

Ian Boxall, Catholic University of America
The Place of Reception History in Commentaries on John's Apocalypse (15 min)

Juan Hernandez, Bethel University (Minnesota)
The Textual Criticism of John's Apocalypse in the Modern Commentary Tradition (15 min)

Steven Friesen, University of Texas at Austin
Commentation: Gender, Race, and Religion in the Economy of Words (15 min)

David Aune, University of Notre Dame, Respondent (15 min)

Panelist Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

Open Discussion

Discussion (35 min)

P18-331a

Korean Biblical Colloquium

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 207 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Oxford Handbook on Korean Interpretation**

Donald Kim, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jina Kang, Loyola Marymount University
At Home while Far from Home: Ezekiel 40–48 as "Vision for Home" (30 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Baekseok University
Virtuoso of Life: Notions of Ideal Person in Analects vis-à-vis Proverbs (30 min)

Jae Won Lee, Independent
Ahn Byung-Mu's Biblical Hermeneutics and Mark as the Story of the Jesus-Event (30 min)

Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster
Johannine Idea of Incarnation in Ahn Byung-Mu's Theology (30 min)

John Ahn, Howard University
Diaspora: Third and Fourth Generations (30 min)

After our short business meeting (2018 New Officers: John Ahn, President, Jae Won Lee, Executive Director, Sun Myung Lyu, Secretary), we will be going to a nearby restaurant (TBD). All KBC members and friends are invited to our annual dinner.

S18-331

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section / Women in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **Politics of Respectability**

Eric Thomas, Drew University, Presiding

Vanessa Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center, Panelist (25 min)

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Panelist (25 min)

Abraham Smith, Perkins School of Theology, SMU, Panelist (25 min)

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-332

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **Did the Israelites Think Differently? Revisiting the Relationship of Language and Cognition in the Light of Linguistics**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University, Presiding

Geoffrey Khan, University of Cambridge

Thetic Constructions in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jun Sato, University of Toronto

Cognition of Time in Process-Based Worldview and Aspect Theory of Hebrew Language (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kevin Grasso, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Entering the Minds of the Ancients: A Study of Propositional Attitude Verbs in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron D. Hornkohl, University of Cambridge

Some Thoughts on Hebrew Thought: With Special Reference to Tense-Aspect-Mood and the Verb (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Elizabeth Singletary, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Incomparable or Prototypical? Prototype Theory and the Category of God in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-333

SBL Matthew Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 401 (Street Level)

Theme: **Matthew in Second-Temple and Rabbinic Interpretive Contexts**

This session foregrounds Matthew's relationship to other Second Temple or rabbinic interpretive trajectories, exploring commonalities and contrasts in texts chronologically pre- and postdating the First Gospel.

Catherine Sider Hamilton, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto, Presiding (5 min)

Akiva Cohen, Independent Israeli New Testament Scholar
The Mishnaic Rabbi and the Matthean Jesus: Comparison, Commonalities, and Contrasts (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Nicholas G. Piotrowski, Indianapolis Theological Seminary
New David Means New Temple: Matthew's Full Narrative among Second Temple Jewish Expectations (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Hans Moscicke, Marquette University

Jesus the Scapegoat of Yom Kippur (Matthew 27:27–31) (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Paul Hoskins, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

A Neglected Allusion to Leviticus 4–5 in Jesus' Words Concerning His Blood in Matthew 26:28 (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Hojin Nam, Toronto School of Theology

The Relationship between Gentiles and Torah in Matthew 28:18–20: End-Time Proselytes, Righteous Gentiles, or New People? (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

S18-334

SBL Megilloth Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **Esther in the Academy**

This is an invited panel discussion on recent works on the book of Esther.

Bradley Embry, Regent University, Presiding (5 min)

Thomas Wetzol, Loyola University of Chicago, Panelist (30 min)

Orit Avnery, Shalem College-Shalom Hartman Institute, Panelist (30 min)

Gabriel Hornung, Trinity College - Hartford, Panelist (30 min)

Isaac Kalimi, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Panelist (30 min)

S18-336

SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 109 (Street Level)

Theme: **Practical Concerns in Esoteric, Mystical, and Gnostic Texts**

Jared Calaway, Illinois College, Presiding

Panel 1: Practical Esotericism

Archie Wright, Regent University

Combating Beliar in Esoteric Traditions of Late Antique Judaism (20 min)

Mattias Brand, Leiden University

Visionary Ascent or Commemoration of the Dead? A Remarkable Fourth-Century Manichaean Text from Kellis (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Panel 2: Mysticism and Identity

Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State

The Mystical Jesus in Mark's Gospel (20 min)

Jeff Pettis, Fordham University

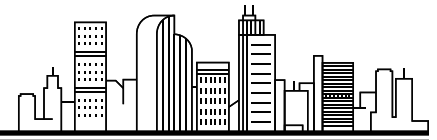
Fiery Twins: James, John, and the Sons of Zeus (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Panel 3: Gender and Ritual

Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College

On Studying Jewish Women Mystics in Late Antiquity (20 min)



Felege-Selam Yirga, Ohio State University
The Gendering of Az: A Comparative Study of Sexuality, Gender, and Etiology in Manichaeism, Mazdaeanism, and Christianity (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-338

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 1 (Fourth Level)

Laura Dingeldein, University of Illinois at Chicago, Presiding
(5 min)

Anna M. V. Bowden, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Visualizing Paul's Text: A Reading of 1 Thess 5:1–11 alongside Roman Cuirassed Statues (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Thomas Hewitt, University of Edinburgh
Ethnicity, Equivocality, and Syntax in Galatians 2:15–17 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Esau McCaulley, Northeastern Seminary
Gal 4:3–7: The Covenant Curses and the Elements of the Earth (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ernest Clark, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies
Enslaving Elements and Weak Flesh: Evaluating Paul in Light of Ancient Greek Medical Discourse (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S18-339

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Studies on Philo of Alexandria**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/.

Ronald Cox, Pepperdine University, Presiding
Courtney Friesen, University of Arizona
Philo of Alexandria and the Masks of Heracles (25 min)

Tyler A. Stewart, Lincoln Christian University
The Origin of Evil and Subordinate Creators: Philo's Exegesis of Gen 1:26 in Context (25 min)

Luiz Felipe Ribeiro, University of Toronto
Pederast Playthings and Androgynous Souls: Philo Judaeus' Polemic against Socratic Pedagogic Pederasty in the Symposium (Vit. Cont. 57–64) (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Richard A Zaleski, University of Chicago
Philo's Double Paraphrase of the Parting of the Red Sea in Mos. 1.175–79 and 2.250–55 (25 min)

John Sehorn, Augustine Institute
Philo and Origen on Moses as Prophet (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S18-340

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Catherine Bonesho, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding
Jean-Sébastien Rey, Université de Lorraine
Synonymous Readings in Ben Sira's Hebrew Variations (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yael Landman, Brooklyn College (CUNY)
Of Loss and Lambs: A New Understanding of Genesis 31:39 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charles Huff, University of Chicago
Frame Theory and Bloodguilt (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Reed Carlson, Harvard University
The Spirit and the Self in Biblical Literature (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David E. S. Stein, Stellenbosch University
Social Gender and the Hebrew Personal Nouns 'iššah and 'iš (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-340a

SBL Politics and Pedagogy

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 601 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

At the 2017 SBL Annual Meeting scholars gathered to collaborate on pedagogical strategies and syllabi responsive to contemporary political and social climates. Academics at every career stage began a conversation that has continued in various forums about constructing courses attending to interwoven issues such as immigration, exile, social injustice, racism, gender and sexual oppression, and ecological crisis. Graduate students and early career scholars have a unique set of considerations regarding teaching courses on these subjects. On the one hand, being able to teach these courses may enhance their marketability. On the other hand, faculty without the protection of tenure are more vulnerable if student discussions become inflamed or if they are targeted by “outsiders” policing higher ed. Still more, graduate students and early career women or scholars of color experience acute pressures to teach and challenges in teaching such courses. The SBL Student Advisory board, in collaboration with this Wabash-funded workshop “Politics, Pedagogy, and the Profession,” aims at broadening the implications of this important pedagogical initiative through fostering a frank and open discussion about the challenges and opportunities of, as well as the best strategies to prepare for, teaching courses responsive to these critical and complex issues.

Erin Walsh, Duke University, Presiding (5 min)

Sarah Porter, Harvard University, Presiding (5 min)

Sharon Jacob, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (15 min)

Peter Mena, University of San Diego, Panelist (15 min)

Richard Newton, University of Alabama, Panelist (15 min)

Maria Doerfler, Yale University, Panelist (15 min)

Roberto Mata, Santa Clara University, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

S18-341

SBL Redefining Early Christianity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Theme: **Redefining Christian Origins 30 Years after A Myth of Innocence**

Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University, Presiding

Chris Kugler, Houston Baptist University
Does "Philosophical Christology" Predate Paul? (10 min)

Mina Monier, King's College - London
"And This Was Not New": Identity and Legitimacy in 1 Clement (10 min)

Bruce Worthington, Wycliffe College
Mapping a Discourse of Difference: Reading JZ Smith through Derrida (10 min)

Robyn Faith Walsh, University of Miami
Jesus in Berlin: Normativity in Classics and the Skewing of Early Christian Literature (10 min)

Matthew Baldwin, Mars Hill University, Respondent (20 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

Papers will be pre-circulated in early November and only summarized during the session. To be put on the list of recipients, please email Erin Roberts at erinroberts@sc.edu.

S18-342

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **Asceticism**

Rebecca Falcasantos, Florida State University, Presiding

Reyhan Durmaz, Brown University
Narrating the Ascetic Jesus: Collections of Prophetic Anecdotes as Symbols of Family Status in Early Islam (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Edsall, Australian Catholic University
Competitions over Abstinence in the Acts of Paul: Dramatizing Pauline Instructions on Marriage (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeannie Sellick, University of Virginia
Female Bodies, Male Asceticism: Why the Jovinian Controversy Hinges on Female Virginity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia
Asceticism and/as Capital: The Case of Jerome (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathaniel Desrosiers, Stonehill College
Asceticism at the Temple: The Katechoi of the Serapeion of Memphis (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S18-343

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Theme: **In the Footsteps of Catherine Bell's Theoretical Studies: Application and Critical Study of Bell's Theories in Our Current Research of Rituals in Texts from the Biblical World**

Richard DeMaris, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Roy E. Gane, Andrews University
How Is Catherine Bell's Approach to Ritualization Relevant for Analysis of Pentateuchal Ritual Texts? (20 min)

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University
Ritual Performance and Hittite Royal Ideology in Dialogue with Catherine Bell's "Power of Ritualization" (20 min)

Hannah K Harrington, Patten University
Creating a Virtual Holy Center among the Dead Sea Sect (20 min)

Jonathan Schwiebert, Lenoir-Rhyne University
Bell and Bourdieu in Corinth (20 min)

Ritva H. Williams, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
Making the Sign of the Cross: To Do and to Undo (20 min)

Russell Arnold, Regis University, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-344

SBL Scripture and Paul Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 407 (Street Level)

Theme: **Wrestling With Romans**

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, Presiding

Steve Sullivan
The Isaianic New Exodus Wisdom Polemic in Romans 9–11 (20 min)

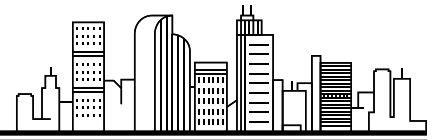
Discussion (30 min)

A. Andrew Das, Elmhurst College
Hamartia as Sin Offering in Romans 8:3 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Joseph Dodson, Ouachita Baptist University
The Interceding Spirit: Reevaluating the Biblical Background of Romans 8:26–27 (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S18-345

SBL Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 301 (Street Level)

Theme: **Sensory Impairment in the Biblical World**

This panel investigates the representation, “meaning,” and consequences of sensory impairment in the Bible, Second Temple Judaism, and Early Christianity. Among the issues which the panelists will address are apparent assumptions about sensory competency; the way in which senses are marked as altered or nonfunctional; the effect of sensory impairment on a person’s relationship to God; and the consequences in terms of participation in religious ritual.

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia, Presiding (5 min)

Kirsty Jones, Georgetown University
The Stammering Seer: Moses, Patriarchs, and the Priestly Source (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Louise Gosbell, Mary Andrews College
The Senses and Sensory Impairment in the Fourth Gospel (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill University
Rebekah Deceives Isaac’s Senses (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Louise Lawrence, University of Exeter
Metaphors of Sensory Impairment in Gospels Worlds (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-346

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Theme: **Mountains**

In light of the Annual Meeting’s location in the host city of Denver and its proximity to the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains, this session will explore aspects of mountains as real, literary, or imagined spaces.

Jennifer Kaalund, Iona College, Presiding

Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College
Jacob’s Night Vision and the Foundation Stone of the World (30 min)

Dominic S. Irudayaraj, Hekima University College, Nairobi
Mountains in Micah: Subjective Space for a Coherent Message (30 min)

John Mandsager, University of South Carolina - Columbia
Ascent, Performance, and Textual Space: Pilgrimage to the Mountain and Its Temple in Early Rabbinic Literature (30 min)

Christian Wilder, Grand Canyon University
Mountains, Myth, and Authority: Examining Whether Jewish Authors Created or Borrowed Authority through the Omphalos Myth in Apocalyptic Material (30 min)

S18-347

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Sources, Composition, and Reproduction of the Synoptic Gospels**

Heather Gorman, Johnson University, Presiding

Mark Goodacre, Duke University
Why Not Matthew’s Use of Luke? (30 min)

Jonathan M. Potter, Emory University
Rewriting the Synoptic Problem? On the Uses of Rewritten Scripture for Understanding the Composition of the Gospels (30 min)

Alan Taylor Farnes, Brigham Young University
The Synoptic Problem and Lectio Brevior Potior (30 min)

James W. Barker, Western Kentucky University
The Proliferation of Gospels and the Intentions of Subsequent Evangelists (30 min)

P18-348

The Qur’an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Qur’an and the Biblical Tradition, Part 1**

Stephen Burge, Institute of Ismaili Studies
Disciplining the Soul: Ritual, Theology, and the Biblical and Post-biblical Antecedents of Fasting in the Qur’an (30 min)

Mohammed Ali Ismail, The Islamic College
A Comparative Study of Biblical and Qur’anic Methods of Exegesis (30 min)

David Vishanoff, University of Oklahoma
Between Qur’an and Psalmody: How Medieval Muslim Piety Integrated Two Notions of Scripture (30 min)

Stuart B Langley, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Hard Hearts, Blind Eyes, and Deaf Ears: A Literary Comparison of Sura 7:179, Isaiah 6:10, and Matthew 13:15 (30 min)

Bert Jacobs, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Weighing the Qur’ān by the Bible: Dionysius Bar Šalibi’s Polemics against the Qur’ān (30 min)

S18-349

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Wisdom Literature Across the Canon**

In this session (second of two), we engage specific texts or themes in Wisdom Literature that bear directly on central aspects of theology and/or practice. Texts and/or topics may be drawn from the Hebrew Bible / Old Testament (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job), Deuterocanonical writings (Sirach, Wisdom of Solomon), as well as the New Testament.

M. Daniel Carroll R., Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding (5 min)

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Carey Walsh, Villanova University
The Silent Wisdom of Creation in Job (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tim Meadowcroft, Laidlaw College, Auckland
Election, Eschatology, and the Kingdom of God: A Theological Conversation with the Book of Daniel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Jeannine Brown, Bethel Seminary (San Diego, CA) and Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Wisdom Christology in an Unwise World: Matthew's Contribution to a Canonical and Constructive Theology of Wisdom (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lindsay Wilson, Ridley College, Melbourne
Reconsidering Theological Readings of Proverbs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S18-350

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Lawrence Wills, Brown University, Presiding
Lucas L. Schulte, University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Reaping the Fruits of Torah: 4 Ezra's Alternative to Violence Against Rome (25 min)

Jordash Kiffiak, University of Zurich
God's Promises of Preservation to Baruch and Those like Him: A Case of 2 Baruch's Innovative Reapplication of Scripture (25 min)

Andrew Perrin, Trinity Western University
An Apocalyptic Movement that Wrote Apocalypses? Reconsidering the Interface of Danielic Traditions and Qumran Identity (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Konner Childers, Rice University
Raz Nihyeh as Indicative of a Moral Ontology, Teleology, and the Intelligibility of the Cosmos in 4Q417 (25 min)

Karina Hogan, Fordham University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S18-351

SBL Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S18-352

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:45 PM–6:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Other Duties as Assigned: The Craft of Fundraising for Research and Higher Education**

Whether as a teacher, researcher, or administrator, service in contemporary higher education increasingly requires navigating the complex world of fundraising and proposal development. This workshop provides an introduction to fundraising and proposal development for research and administration in higher education. The content for the workshop is informed by my experience as a grant writer, service as a fundraising consultant supporting educational institutions and independent scholars, and ongoing work to fund my education and research. The workshop provides an introduction to the craft of fundraising by outlining: the features of a fundraising strategy, the tools to identify grant and foundation prospects, the process for proposal development, and the importance of nurturing funding prospects across a scholarly career. Participants are invited to bring grant or fellowship proposals in any stage of development and questions related to fundraising and proposal development for research and academic purposes.

Dustin Benac, Duke University, Panelist

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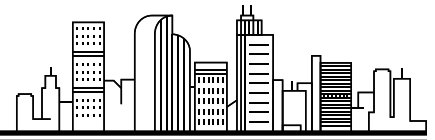
Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – Denver (I.M. Pei Tower Building, Mezzanine Level)

Theme: **Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation Only Event)**

By invitation only, new teachers will join together for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first year of teaching. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-101

SBL Women Members Breakfast

7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

S19-102

SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Seminar / African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section / Paul and Politics Seminar / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section / Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation / Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **Decentering Biblical Scholarship Thirty Years Later: Critical Reflections on the Call of Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza**

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Presiding (5 min)

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

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Panelist (15 min)

Gabriella Gelardini, Universität Basel, Panelist (15 min)

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Panelist (15 min)

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (15 min)

Ahida Pilarski, Saint Anselm College, Panelist (15 min)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S19-103

SBL Ancient Israel and Its Literature Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S19-104

SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 105 (Street Level)

Theme: **Impressions of the Bible in Popular Culture**

Dan Clanton, Doane University, Presiding

Gail P Streete, Rhodes College

Salomania: Veils, Vampires, and the Evolution of Salome in Modern Popular Culture (30 min)

Maryann Amor, Vancouver School of Theology

The Dystopian Bible: The Chrysalids, The Handmaid's Tale, and The History of the Anglican Church of Canada (30 min)

Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet

"God Only Does Weird Baby-Stuff": Biblical Reception and Interpretation in ABC's 'Modern Family' (30 min)

Jennifer M. Matheny, University of Kent at Canterbury

An Embryonic Exodus: Stories of Becoming in J. Mallozi's and P. Mullie's Dark Matter: Rebirth (30 min)

Phil Quanbeck II, Augsburg University and Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

A Rabbi, a Priest, and the Bible Walk into a Sitcom: The Quest for a Divine Comedy in the Popular Television Culture of "Living Biblically" (30 min)

S19-105

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Theme: **Reading Biblical Texts with the #MeToo Movement**

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding (5 min)

Deborah A Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary and Sharon A. Brown, Moravian College & Theological Seminary

"May Your Allies Be Like the Sun, Rising in Its Strength": Female Collusion in the Context of the Song of Deborah, Slavery, and the #metoo Movement (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, Campbell University

Jesus, Women, and Power Dynamics in Luke: A Hermeneutical Response to #metoo and #churchtoo (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

David Tombs, University of Otago

"When Did We See You Naked?" Re-reading the Stripping of Jesus in the Context of #MeToo (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Dialogue on the Role of Practical Theology on Reading the Bible (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

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S19-106

SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 504 (Street Level)

Debra Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Lauri Laine, University of Helsinki, CoE: CSTT
Rider of the Clouds in Ugarit and the Hebrew Bible: Cognitive Aspects in Myth Transmission (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Hundley, Central Washington University
David, the Last Giant Slayer (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sheldon Steen, Florida State University
Myth and/as Ideology: Josephus Reads Daniel in Rome (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Bilby, California State University - Fullerton
Jesus natus Augustus: Mytho-Political Syncretism in the Lukan Birth Narratives (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ki-Min Bang, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Biblical Conflict Myth and Ecological Hermeneutics (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-107

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Theme: **Myths of Origins and Canon-Making**

Matthew Larsen, Yale University, Presiding

Eva Mroczek, University of California-Davis, Introduction (10 min)

Gregory Fewster, University of Toronto
Philological Fervour and the Myth of an Alexandrian Revision of the corpus Paulinum (30 min)

Julian V. Hills, Marquette University
The Apocryphal New Testament as "Bound-With" Volume: Collection, Dissemination, Interpretation (30 min)

Olivia Stewart Lester, Oxford University
Prophecy, Pseudeudigraphy, and Collection: The Making of the Sibylline Oracles (30 min)

Gregory Given, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-108

SBL Book of Daniel Section

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **New Perspectives on Daniel**

Donald Polaski, Randolph-Macon College, Presiding

Benjamin Ziemer, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg
The Placement of Nebuchadnezzar's Encyclica (MT: Dan 3:31–33) in Papyrus 967 as Clue for the Relationship of the Main Versions of the Book of Daniel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ian Young, University of Sydney
Unfamiliar Horns in Old Greek Daniel 7 and 8 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kaisa Vahtinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
From Imperialistic Narration to Those Whose Story is Not Told: Reading the Eleventh Chapter of the Book of Daniel from Postcolonial Angle (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Neujahr, Marquette University and Chaya Halberstam, University of Western Ontario
Testing Testimony in the Additions to Daniel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kyung Baek, Trinity Western University
Use of Daniel in the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-109

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Theme: **Centralization between Deuteronomy 12, Exodus 20:24–26, and Leviticus 17**

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews, Presiding (5 min)

Benjamin Kilchör, Staatsunabhängige Theologische Hochschule Basel
Sinai, the Tabernacle, and the Central Sanctuary: The Priestly Character of Exod 20:24–26 and Its Reception in Deut 12 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Julia Rhyder, Université de Lausanne
Lev 17 and Deut 12 in the Study of Centralization (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joachim Schaper, University of Aberdeen
Leviticus 17 in Relation to Genesis 9 and Deuteronomy 12: Ritual, Texts, Theologies (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford
The Notion of Cult Centralization in Literary and Historical Perspective: The View from Leviticus 17 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S19-111

SBL Children in the Biblical World Section / Psychology and Biblical Studies Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Theme: **Psychology and Children in the Biblical World**

Children, Crises, and Catharsis in the Biblical World

Pieter van der Zwan, University of Pretoria, Presiding

Isabel Cranz, University of Pennsylvania

Between Horror and Hopelessness: Stillborn Children in the Bible (25 min)

Flavia Soldano-Deheza, Asociación Bíblica Argentina ABA
Children in Famine Biblical Narratives: A Psychoanalytic Approach (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Liza Esterhuizen, University of Pretoria, South Africa
Reading the Name-Giving in Isaiah 8:1 from a Perspective of Trauma: An Application (25 min)

Michael Whitemont, Baylor University
Humor in the Infancy Gospel of Thomas (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S19-112

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3C (Lower Level)

The open session of the Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah features papers on a variety of topics, from both established and emerging scholars.

Lucas Schulte, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Kaz Hayashi, Baylor University

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly Temple: The Notion of twb and r' in Nehemiah 1-2 in Light of Persian Era Inscriptions (25 min)

James D. Moore, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

"Who Gave You a Decree?" Anonymity as a Scribal Technique in Ezra-Nehemiah and Persian Period Sources (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Cara M. Forney, Baylor University
Reconsidering the Death of Saul: Just What Was He Afraid of? (25 min)

Tyler Mowry, Baylor University
Prophetic Roles and Titles in Chronicles: A Socio-literary Analysis (25 min)

Julie B. Deluty, New York University
At the Interface of Prophecy and Music: Gad and the Levitical Singers in Chronicles (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-112a

SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 501 (Street Level)

Theme: **Canonical Texts Across the Ancient Mediterranean World, Year 1: What is a Canon and How is it Formed?**

Matthew Crawford, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Fritz Graf, The Ohio State University

Canonical Texts in Greek Religion: From Orpheus to Homer (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hindy Najman, University of Oxford

Between Canons and Margins: Rethinking Pseudepigraphy and Biblical Composition (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jens Schroeter, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

The Canon of the New Testament: Some Observations concerning Its Origin and Meaning (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lewis Ayres, Durham University & Australian Catholic University

Inevitability, Literary Critical Practices, and the Development of the Canon (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-113

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Economic Issues in Early Christianity and Its Contexts**

David Hollander, Iowa State University, Presiding

Georges Massinelli, University of Notre Dame

"It Is Your Custom to Do Good to All the Brethren and to Send Contributions to Many Churches": Ideology and Practice of Gift Exchange between Christian Groups in the First Three Centuries (30 min)

Jin Hwan Lee, University of Toronto

Redefining Early Christ Movement Meals (30 min)

Alan Taylor Farnes, Brigham Young University

First-Century Slave Prices and Matthew's Thirty Pieces of Silver as a Fulfillment of Zechariah 11 (30 min)

Michelle Christian, University of Toronto

"Lovers of Money" and Ancient Slaves Named Philarguros (30 min)

Jacob Ashkenazi, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee

Economic Growth and Religious Materiality in Christian Galilee in Late Antiquity (30 min)

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S19-114

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 704 (Street Level)

Yael Landman, Brooklyn College (CUNY), Presiding

Shannon Parrott, Regent College

Garments of Glory: An Investigation of Yahweh's Act of Investiture of Clothing in Ezekiel 16:1–14 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mikhail Seleznev, National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

The Mysterious Numbers of the Hebrew Kings and the Arithmetic of the Ancient Scribes (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jean-Philippe Delorme, University of Toronto

The Symbolic Language of Power: Political Nomenclature and Legitimacy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ki-Eun Jang, New York University

Beyond Ethnicity: Rethinking the Social Landscape of "Gentilics" in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tova Ganzel, Bar-Ilan University

A Spring Issuing from the Temple (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-115

SBL Hebrews Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Interpretation of Hebrews**

David Moffitt, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Scott R. Moore, Regis University

Functions of the Prophets and Writings in Hebrews (30 min)

Katrina Schaafsma, Duke University Divinity School

A Paragon of Faith? The Use of Abraham in Hebrews (30 min)

Matthew Easter, Missouri Baptist University

"Unholy Like Esau": Exploring Esau's Sexual Immorality as a Community-Abandoning Act (30 min)

Debra Bucher, Vassar College

Hebrews as Exile Literature (30 min)

Felix H. Cortez, Andrews University

"Receiving a Kingdom that Cannot Be Shaken": Daniel 7 and the Eschatology of Hebrews (30 min)

S19-116

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Impact of the Hellenistic and Roman Empires upon Israel: A Comparative Perspective**

Katell Berthelot, CNRS, Presiding (5 min)

Deborah Forger, Dartmouth College

God Made Manifest: Jewish High Priest as Visible Counterpoint to Deified Greco-Roman Emperors? (20 min)

G. Anthony Keddie, University of British Columbia

A New State of Affairs: Egyptian Jewish Sources on Ptolemaic and Roman Ta Pragmata (State Affairs) (20 min)

Catherine E. Bonesho, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Festival of Dionysus and Saturnalia in Jewish Responses to Greek and Roman Rule (20 min)

Sarah Christine Teets, University of Virginia

The Trauma of Autopsy and the Transgression of History in Josephus' Jewish War (20 min)

Susannah McBay, University of Chester

From Kings to Monsters: The Jewish Response to Political Enemies in the Sibylline Tradition. (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

S19-117

SBL Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Carly Crouch, University of Nottingham, Presiding

Zev Farber, Project TABS – *TheTorah.com*

The Kenite Redaction: A Supplementary Approach to the Hovav and Kenite Accounts (30 min)

Daniel E. Fleming, New York University

Exodus 15 without the Exodus: Yahweh and the People of the Southern Highlands (30 min)

Andrew Tobolowsky, College of William and Mary

The Full Land: Writing Biblical History amidst Contestations (30 min)

Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, Providence College (Rhode Island)

Boundary Crossing and Boundary Blurring in the Bible's Tales of David and Gath (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S19-118

SBL History of Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **How Essential is Wirkungsgeschichte for New Testament Exegesis?**

Mark Elliott, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Eric Covington, Howard Payne University

Wirkungsgeschichte and Trilateration; or How GPS Can Affect New Testament Exegesis (25 min)

Simeon Burke, University of Edinburgh

The Hermeneutical Benefits of Wirkungsgeschichte: Patristic Applications of the Maxim to “Render to Caesar and to God” as a Case Study (25 min)

Athanasios Despotis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn

An Ancient Mystagogical Perspective on Matthew (25 min)

Stefano Salemi, Oxford-Centre for Hebrew-Jewish Studies/KCL London

New Testament Exegetes of Alexandrian Tradition over the Interpretation of John 19:34 (25 min)

Dan Batovici, KU Leuven

Reception History, Authority, and Marginal Texts (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-119

SBL International Voices in Biblical Studies Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

S19-120

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section / Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar / Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section / Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section / Formation of Isaiah Section / Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Theme: **Scribing Prophetic Texts**

This session provides space to explore the question of what are the forces/influences/motivations that made the preservation of initial prophetic utterances along with written imitators of this genre necessary. The question why write prophet texts in turn raises the related question why continue to read and value prophetic texts so that present day use and study in turn sustain their preservation. The session explores thinking regarding the value of prophetic texts through textual, historical, and contemporary evidences and will feature presentations from diverse perspectives. The session allows adequate space for participation and the construction of knowledge in a communal setting.

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Jason Radine, Moravian College, Panelist (9 min)

Else Holt, Aarhus Universitet, Panelist (9 min)

Jonathan Stökl, King's College London, Panelist (9 min)

Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Panelist (9 min)

Michael A. Lyons, University of St. Andrews, Panelist (9 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Roundtable Discussion (45 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-121

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: **Review Forum on Daniel Boyarin's *Judaism (Rutgers UP 2018)***

This session is cosponsored with the AAR Study of Judaism group.

Cynthia Baker, Bates College, Presiding (5 min)

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Panelist (10 min)

Simcha Gross, University of California-Irvine, Panelist (10 min)

Shaul Magid, University of Indiana Bloomington, Panelist (10 min)

Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College, Panelist (10 min)

Shlomo Fischer, Hebrew University, Panelist (10 min)

Martin Kavka, Florida State University, Panelist (10 min)

Daniel Boyarin, University of California-Berkeley, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S19-122

SBL Jewish Interpretation of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Tamar Kamionkowski, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Presiding

Jonathan Homrighausen, Duke University

My Beloved Is Mine: Song of Songs in Contemporary Jewish Ketubot (30 min)

Caryn Tamber-Rosenau, University of Houston

The Torah on Trump: American Rabbinic Biblical Interpretation after the 2016 Election (30 min)

Joshua M Sears, Brigham Young University

Josephus's Retelling of the Patriarchs' Polygyny in a Greco-Roman Context (30 min)

Zeev Weiss, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Benjamin D. Gordon, University of Pittsburgh

Samuel and Saul at Gilgal: A New Interpretation of the Elephant Mosaic Panel at the Late Antique Synagogue of Huqoq, Israel (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

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P19-123

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **Corpus-Driven Computer-Assisted Exegesis in Feminist Biblical Studies**

Bible Online Learner (<http://bibleol.3bmoodle.dk>) is an e-learning tool for corpus-driven computer-assisted learning of Biblical Languages (Hebrew and Greek) developed by the Global Learning Initiative (<http://global-learning.org/>). It has been tested in various Hebrew and Greek classes in Denmark, the USA, Madagascar, and Tanzania with great success. The goal of the session is to show what a linguistic toolkit with a focus on gender-sensitive language in Bible Online Learner can look like. This tool will support research in the field of Feminist Biblical Studies to exercise computer-assisted linguistically based analysis of the Bible by creating a digitalized corpus of the Bible using gender-sensitive language through semantic parsing. The panel will review and discuss a digitalized version of the Book of Judges containing gender-sensitive translations for English, German and Danish by employing the EuroNet ontologies developed at the Free University in Amsterdam, to support feminist researchers in their desire to do exegesis with Bible Online Learner. This will be possible due the semantic parsing of the original sources of the Book of Judges which are digitalized in the ETCBC4 corpus of the Old Testament provided open-source by the Eep Talstra Center for Bible and Computer.

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Presiding (10 min)

Judith Gottschalk, Aalborg Universitet, Panelist (30 min)

Midori Hartman, Drew University, Respondent (15 min)

Renate Jost, Augustana-Hochschule, Respondent (15 min)

James Hoke, Luther College, Respondent (15 min)

Fulata Moyo, World Council of Churches and Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S19-124

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section / Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 603 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Present and Future of Trans Hermeneutics**

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Presiding

Justin Tanis, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (20 min)

Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona, Panelist (20 min)

Abby Kulisz, Indiana University (Bloomington), Panelist (10 min)

Josie Wenig, Indiana University (Bloomington), Panelist (10 min)

Joanne Henderson-Merrygold, University of Sheffield, Panelist (20 min)

Melissa Sellev, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Panelist (20 min)

Katy Valentine, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-125

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar / Masoretic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Similarities and Differences in Biblical Hebrew: Linguistic and Masoretic Perspectives**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Jacobus Naude, University of the Free State, Presiding

Sophia L. Pitcher, University of the Free State

An Intonation-Based Prosodic Model for Tiberian Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Bekins, Wright State University and Benjamin Kantor, University of Cambridge

The History of the Vocalization of the Definite Article with Inseparable Prepositions in Tiberian Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

The Masorah's Recognition of the Accusative Particle ׀ (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor

Three Interrogative Hes in the Torah That Are Not Interrogative (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Geoffrey Khan, University of Cambridge

Orthoepy in the Tiberian Reading Tradition of the Hebrew Bible and Its Historical Roots in the Second Temple Period (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-126

SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 702 (Street Level)

Theme: **Imperialism in the Persian Period**

Ken Ristau, MacEwan University, Presiding

Ann E. Killebrew, Pennsylvania State University

Phoenician Akko during the Persian Period in Light of Recent Excavations (30 min)

Ryan Boehm, Tulane University

From Tyrian Outpost to Hellenistic Polis? New Research on Achaemenid and Hellenistic Ashkelon (30 min)

Wu Xin, Fudan University

Imperialism in the Achaemenid Age: A Central Asian Perspective (30 min)

Melanie Wasmuth, University of Helsinki

Negotiating Cross-Cultural Identity: The Case of Egypto-Persian Kingship Display in the Achaemenid Empire (30 min)

Jason M. Silverman, University of Helsinki

Persian Imperialism as Context for Defining Judaeans "Elites": The Persians and Yahwistic Socio-economic Structures (30 min)



S19-127

SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Royal Feasts**

Peter Altmann, Universität Zürich, Presiding (5 min)

Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
Gideon's Royal Feast (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charles H. Cosgrove, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Musical Entertainments at Hellenistic Royal Banquets (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Leann Pace, Wake Forest University
The Royal Feast and Female Vulnerability in 2 Samuel (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eric L. Welch, University of Kansas
Where's the Beef? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Janling Fu, Harvard University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S19-128

SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **SBL as a Male-Dominated Space: A Critical Dialogue**

As the larger academy begins to take note of systemic gender inequality, scholars within the SBL are developing parallel conversations about our field. The very topics naturalized as “the important stuff” of scholarship, the usual paths of professional success, and common institutional structures reproduce SBL as a male-dominated space. In this session the Metacriticism Unit aims to provide a structured forum to develop these conversations. Each panelist will share 5–10 minutes of opening reflections, questions or examples. Respondents will then engage as the panel transitions to an interactive discussion.

Stephen Young, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Panel Discussion (60 minutes)

Caroline Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Panelist

Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College, Panelist

Karen Bray, Wesleyan College, Panelist

Minenhle Khumalo, Drew University, Panelist

Christy Cobb, Wingate University, Panelist

Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist

Megan Goodwin, Northeastern University, Panelist

Interactive and Open Discussion (90 minutes)

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College, Respondent (15 min)

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Respondent (15 min)

S19-129

SBL Midrash Section

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding

Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Matthew Goldstone, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Towards a New Understanding of the Defining Features of Rabbinic Midrash (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jason Hall, Nyack College

Hanina ben Dosa: How Rabbinic Literature Uses Charity to Portray Miracles (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew Hass, Harvard University

The Rhetorical Aims of Emotion in Genesis Rabbah: A Case Study (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Avram R. Shannon, Brigham Young University

To Each His Own Blessing: The Twelve Tribes in Genesis Rabbah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute

Job Gets a Job: How an Unemployed Bible Verse Found Work in Masorah and Midrash (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-130

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Eros and Ascent**

This session is co-sponsored with the AAR Platonism and Neoplatonism Unit.

This joint session of the AAR and SBL will consider metaphysical and cosmological passages in late antique literature that explicitly treat the ascent of the soul as both a revelatory and heuristic theme.

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

Adrian Mihai, University of Cambridge

Erotical Ascent in Eriugena's Periphyseon (30 min)

Jyoti Raghu, University of Oxford

I'm Mad about You, God, You're Mad about Me: The Erotic to Agapic Transfiguration of Our "Bootylicious" Body (30 min)

John D. Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Ritual and Contemplative Techniques of Ascension and Mystical Union with the Divine in Gnostic and Related Literature (30 min)

Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin

Astrological Determinism, Free Will, and Eros According to Thecla in Methodius of Olympus's Symposium (30 min)

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P19-131

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Institution of the Lord's Supper, a Passover Seder?**

Donald Kim, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Presiding (10 min)

Kenneth L. Hanson, University of Central Florida
The Last Supper, Paul, and Qumran: The Tail that Wagged the Dog
(25 min)

Peter Zaas, Siena College
Eucharist and Seder: What Should the Simple Scholar Say? (25 min)

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
The Traditional Passover Seder: Interpreting and the Four Questions and Five Cups; What Would Jesus Say? (25 min)

Charles Carpenter, Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-132

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Christina Kreinecker, Universität Salzburg, Presiding

Charles E. Hill, Reformed Theological Seminary
A Neglected Text—Critical Siglum in Codex Vaticanus, and Its Import for the Matthean Text (30 min)

Elizabeth Schrader, Duke University
"Rabbouni," Which Means Lord: Narrative Variants in John 20:16
(30 min)

Gregory Paulson, Institut für Neutestamentliche Textforschung
Improving the CBGM: Recent Interactions (30 min)

Ian N Mills, Duke University
"Unripe Figs": Isho'dad's Diatessaron and the Original Language of Tatian's Gospel (30 min)

Cambry G. Pardee, Pepperdine University
Trans-textual Scribes: The Memories Beyond the Manuscript (30 min)

S19-134

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Book Review Panel on Paul Holloway, Philippians, and Emma Wasserman, Apocalypse as Holy War**

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University, Presiding (5 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist
(20 min)

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Københavns Universitet, Panelist
(20 min)

Hermut Loehr, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität
Bonn, Panelist (20 min)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey,
Respondent (25 min)

Paul Holloway, Sewanee: The University of the South,
Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-135

SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Method in Diachronic Analysis**

Ruth Ebach, Tübingen University, Presiding

Aron Freidenreich, Union Theological Seminary in the City of
New York
A Name to Remember: Reconsidering Exodus 3:15 (30 min)

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University
A Medieval Control for Modern Diachronic Method: The Biblical Criticism of Ibn Hazm the Andalusian (30 min)

David M. Carr, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New
York
Types of Indicators, Types of Growth: A Survey Focusing on the Genesis Sections on Noah and His Sons (Gen 6:5–9:29; 10:1–11:9)
(30 min)

Megan Warner, University of Exeter
"The LORD was with Joseph": Thinking Diachronically about Divine Presence and Absence in Genesis 37–50 (30 min)

Ariel Seri-Levi, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and The David
Yellin Academic College of Education
From Source Criticism to Theology, and Not the Opposite: Models of Divine Anger and its Appeasement in Numbers 25 (30 min)

S19-136

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Reflections on Writing a Commentary**

Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)

Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, MA
Some Things I Learned from Cowriting a Commentary on Philo's De Abrahamo (25 min)

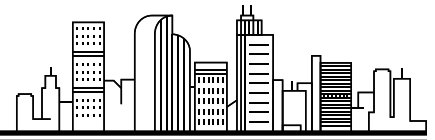
David Runia, University of Melbourne
Writing Commentaries on Philo's Allegorical Treatises (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Joan Taylor, King's College - London
Writing a Commentary on De Vita Contemplativa (25 min)

John Dillon, Trinity College - Dublin
Philo the Philosopher and Philo the Philologist (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)



P19-137

Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Studies on the Interpretation of the Qur'an**

Feras Hamza, University of Wollongong in Dubai, Presiding

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame
The Problem of Qur'anic Insertions (25 min)

Sohaib Saeed, University of Glasgow
Intraquranic Exegesis between Theory and Practice (Case Study of Q6, al-An'am) (25 min)

Thomas Hoffmann, University of Copenhagen
The Iconic Qur'an: A Materialist Reading of the Qur'anic Cult of Writing (25 min)

Johanna Pink, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg
Sabr: An Activist Turn in Qur'anic Hermeneutics (25 min)

S19-138

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section / Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Theme: **Religious Competition in the Christian Apocrypha**

Arthur Urbano, Providence College (Rhode Island), Presiding

Jacob A. Lollar, Florida State University
What Has Ephesus to Do with Edessa?: The Syriac History of John, the Cult of the Dea Syria, and Religious Competition in Fourth-Century Syria (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jung Choi, North Carolina Wesleyan College
Two Bodily Practices in the Acts of Peter (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shaily Shashikant Patel, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Magic and Polysemy: The Case of the Pseudo-Clementines (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Christopher A. Frilingos, Michigan State University
Blood into Stone: Violence, Sanctuary, and "Jewish Christianity" in the Protevangelium Jacobi (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lily Vuong, Central Washington University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-139

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section / Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 503 (Street Level)

Theme: **Shepherd of Hermas and Religious Experience**

Catherine Playoust, Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity, Presiding

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University
Negotiating the Experience of Possession in Hermas's Shepherd (25 min)

Aldo Tagliabue, University of Notre Dame
Experiencing the Divine in the Book of Visions of the Shepherd of Hermas (25 min)

Jason Robert Combs, Brigham Young University
The Shepherd of Hermas and the Problem of Non-Christian Epiphany (25 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Emotions and Visionary Experiences in the Shepherd of Hermas (25 min)

Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P19-141

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions / Greco-Roman Religions Section / Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ritual Matters: Materiality in Ancient Religion**

Nancy Evans, Wheaton College (Massachusetts), Presiding (5 min)

K.A. Rask, Duquesne University
Material Memory and Phenomenology in Greece: Accumulated Votives as Group-Made Monuments (20 min)

Mark McClay, University of California, Berkeley
Orphic "Bookishness" and Material Religion in Classical Greece (20 min)

Scott Possiel, Boston University
Text as Participant in Ritual Assemblage: A Material Approach (20 min)

Dina Boero, The College of New Jersey
The Cultural Biography of a Pilgrimage Token: From Hagiographical to Archaeological Evidence (20 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Respondent (10 min)

Claudia Moser, University of California Santa Barbara, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

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S19-143

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 505 (Street Level)

Jaime Waters, DePaul University, Presiding

Matthias Hopf, University of Zurich

Blurring Spaces in the Song of Songs (30 min)

Rebecca Harris, Rice University

Constructing Time and Space: The Last Days as a Liminal Time-Space in the Qumran Sectarian Manuscripts (30 min)

Elizabeth Arnold, Emory University

Transforming Space, Transcending Time: Luke 3:1–6 (30 min)

Matthew Sleeman, Oak Hill College, London

From “Thirdspace” to “For Space”: Reading Philippi in Acts 16 with Doreen Massey for Interpretive Advances with and beyond Edward Soja (30 min)

S19-144

SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Special Character of the Masoretic Text of Samuel (30 min)

Paavo Huotari, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

Can Qumran Samuel Scrolls Help Us Find Old Greek Readings? (30 min)

Natia Mirotdadze, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Readings of the Three on the Margins of the Georgian Manuscripts of Samuel-Kings (30 min)

Pablo Torrijano, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

1 Kgs 11:1–10: Problems and Solutions (30 min)

Andrés Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Greek Text Types and Hebrew Editions: The Case of the Beginning of 2 Kings (30 min)

S19-146

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **Wisdom Literature Across the Canon**

In this session (first of two), we engage specific texts or themes in wisdom literature that bear directly on central aspects of theology and/or practice. Texts and/or topics may be drawn from the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job), deuterocanonical writings (Sirach, Wisdom of Solomon), as well as the New Testament.

Thomas Holsinger-Friesen, Spring Arbor University, Presiding (5 min)

Michael Legaspi, Pennsylvania State University

Wisdom, Piety, and Integrity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen A. Long, University of Notre Dame

What Are the Scriptural Reasons for Thinking that a Gift Can Be Given? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Shirley Ho, China Evangelical Seminary

Remythologizing Proverbs: Life and Death in Proverbs Revisited (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Garrett Galvin, Franciscan School of Theology

Discerning between Good and Evil: Wisdom Themes in the First Book of Samuel (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-147

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section / Institute for Biblical Research Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **An Engagement with Jeremiah Unterman’s Justice for All**

This session is jointly sponsored by the Theology of Hebrew Scriptures Group and the Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar/Institute for Biblical Research and features an engagement with Jeremiah Unterman’s Justice for All

Heath Thomas, Oklahoma Baptist University, Presiding

Peter Williams, Tyndale House (Cambridge), Panelist (15 min)

A.J. Culp, Malyon College, Panelist (15 min)

Luke Wisley, University of Cambridge, Panelist (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Dru Johnson, The King’s College (New York), Panelist (15 min)

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Panelist (15 min)

Soo J. Kim, America Evangelical University, Panelist (15 min)

Jeremiah Unterman, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-148

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Studies in Aramaic Epigraphy, History, and Literature**

Eric Reymond, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

K. Lawson Younger, Jr., Trinity International University

The Katumuwa and Ordekburnu Steles: Some Reflections on Two Grabdenkmäler (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)



M. Richey, University of Chicago and Dennis Pardee, University of Chicago
A New Aramaic Incantation from Zincirli (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Karel van der Toorn, Universiteit van Amsterdam
Baal and Bethel: The Transfer of Mythological Lore from Ugarit to Hamath in Light of Papyrus Amherst 63 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lisa J. Cleath, George Fox University
Constructing Colonial Identity in Missive Discourse: Temporal-Spatial Movement in the Jedaniah "Archive" at Elephantine (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

P19-101

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 201 (Street Level)

Theme: **Grant Design Conversations**

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us in the Convention Center Room CCC on both Sunday, Nov. 18, 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm, and Monday, Nov 19, 9:00am –11:30am to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Beth Reffett (reffettb@wabash.edu) to schedule a time to meet with us. Registration deadline is November 1. For additional information, see: <https://bit.ly/2JdRFaP>

S19-151

SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4B (Lower Level)

Theme: **After the 'Initial Foray': Jewish Apocalyptic Tradition and the Shaping of New Testament Thought**

Lawrence Wills, Brown University, Presiding

Benjamin Reynolds, Tyndale University College (Toronto)
Jewish Apocalyptic Tradition's Shaping of New Testament Thought (10 min)

Matthew Goff, Florida State University
"The Parousia of the Anointed One" (2 Bar. 30:1): Paul as a Participant in Jewish Apocalyptic Discourse during the First Century CE (20 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Paul, the Apocalyptic Seer in Philippians 3 (20 min)

Adela Yarbro Collins, Yale University
Either/or or Both/and? How Do Revealed Eschatology and Revealed Wisdom Relate to Each Other? (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Matthias Henze, Rice University
The Challenge of Jewish Apocalypticism for New Testament Scholarship (20 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Reading the New Testament as Jewish Apocalyptic Tradition: Challenges and Prospects (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-152

SBL International Meeting Program Committee

10:30 AM–12:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

S19-154

SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

S19-200

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section / African Association for the Study of Religions

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Crowne Plaza (CP) – Range Ballroom

Theme: **Scripturalization and Orality in/as African Spirituality**

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University, Presiding

A. Paige Rawson, Drew University
The Archipelogs of Africana Biblical Hermeneutics: Africana, Orality, and Translational Biblical Interpretation in the Twenty-First Century (35 min)

Madipoane Masenya (Ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa

Navigating the Collusions and Contradictions of African Orality and the Digital Age in Understandings of the Bible (35 min)

Knut Holter, VID Specialized University, Norway
Isak—the Son of the Rainmaker—and the Bible: An Example of Resistance Hermeneutics in Zululand in the 1860s and 70s (35 min)

Sara Fretheim, Akrofi-Christaller Institute
"Kasakyere wo nimdefo, mo!" (Those gifted in the knowledge of writing of language, congratulations!): Kwame Bediako, Mother-Tongue Theology, and Orality—African Epistemologies and Spirituality (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S19-201

SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Second Temple**

Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Presiding

Dennis Mizzi, University of Malta, Matthew Grey, Brigham Young University and Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The 2017–2018 Excavations at Huqoq in Israel's Galilee (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Letteney, Princeton University and Matthew J. Adams, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research
Solomon's Pools: A Preliminary Report on the First Excavations (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

R. Steven Notley, Nyack College and Mordechai Aviam, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee
Has Bethsaida-Julias Finally Been Found? (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Byron R McCane, Wilkes Honors College at Florida Atlantic University
The Late Roman/Byzantine Synagogue at Horvat Kur (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kirstin Rose-Bean, Baylor University
It's a Beautiful Day in the (Mostly Empty) Neighborhood: Settlement Patterns at Mt. Gerizim and Early Second Temple Jerusalem (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-202

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 702 (Street Level)

Theme: **Asian and Asian American Readings of the New Testament, Part 2**

Henry W. Morisada Rietz, Grinnell College, Presiding (5 min)

David Moe, Asbury Theological Seminary
A Cross-Cultural and Liberative Hermeneutics of Luke 10:25–37 in Asian and Asian-American Perspective: Reading One Text through Two Lenses (30 min)

Yi Sang Patrick Chan, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Insights from the Chinese Conception of Guilt and Shame for the Interpretation of Romans (30 min)

Meng Hun Goh, Taiwan Graduate School of Theology
The Implosion of Sin in Deconstructing Double Alienation: A Socio-cultural Reading of Romans 7:7–25 (30 min)

Kei Hiramatsu, Asbury Theological Seminary
Theology of Crown of Thorns for the Outcast and Paul's Thorn in the Flesh in Second Corinthians 12:7 (30 min)

S19-203

SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 108 (Street Level)

Theme: **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Biblical Hermeneutics and Its Continued Impact**

Arminta Fox, Bethany College, Presiding

Michelle J. Morris, Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church

Preaching in the Shadow of Memphis (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joul Layne Smith, University of Texas at Arlington
The Prophet's Enthymeme: King, Prophets, Kenneth Burke, and the Hermeneutic of Identification (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael J. Gorman, St. Mary's Seminary & University
Martin Luther King, Jr. as Prophetic Interpreter of Prophetic Paul (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Troy Miller, Memphis Center for Urban Theological Studies
"The Creative Weapon of Love": A Diachronic Survey and Assessment of the Biblical Texts and Hermeneutic at the Foundation of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Teaching and Practice of Nonviolent Resistance (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marsha A. Thrall, Chicago Theological Seminary
Freedom for Telling the Truth: On Martin Luther King, Jr., Mark's Gospel, and Riots as the Language of the Unheard (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting

S19-204

SBL Bible and Film Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Monsters and Nonhumans: Intertextuality, Gendered Violence, and Race in The Shape of Water, Get Out, and Bladerunner**

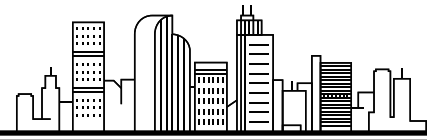
Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch, Eastern University, Presiding

Peter M Phillips, University of Durham
Human Identity and Violence against Supposed Nonhumans in the Bible, Bladerunner 2049, and Contemporary Society (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eric X. Jarrard, Harvard University
Now You're in the Sunken Place: Constructed Monsters in Daniel 7 and Get Out (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S19-205

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Biblical Models for Inclusion and Healthy Relationships, Part 2**

Terry Ann Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary,
Presiding (5 min)

Juan Marcelo Zanga Céspedes, Universidad Peruana Unión
Practical Biblical Activities on Spiritual Formation (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ron Clark, Portland Seminary
Welcoming the Other Rather Than Sweeping the Strangers and Outsiders in Your City: Luke's Rich Man, Lazarus, Boundaries, and Houseless Humans in Portland (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jennifer Brown Jones, McMaster Divinity College
Life with the Least of These: A Conversation with Michael Gorman and Jean Vanier (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-206

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Exile in Biblical Art**

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford, Presiding

Susan Gillingham, University of Oxford
Artistic Depictions of Exile in Illuminated Psalters (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

C. A. Strine, University of Sheffield
Back Where You Came From: Reading Genesis and Making Art with People Seeking Sanctuary in Sheffield (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ian Boxall, The Catholic University of America
Visualizing the Flight into Egypt (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Karin Krause, University of Chicago
Divine Revelations in Exile: Visual Portraits of Saint John on Patmos (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-207

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 105 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Reception and Use of Ethical Traditions by Biblical Authors**

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Global Bible Initiative
Act in Accordance with All (Josh 1:8) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Due to a Lack of Knowledge: Pragmatism as Ethical Principle in the Book of Qohelet (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ian Paul, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
The Critique of Slavery in Ezekiel and the Book of Revelation (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

George Branch-Trevathan, Thiel College
The Decalogue in Matthew's Antitheses (5:21–48) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (2 min)

Discussion (28 min)

S19-208

SBL Biblical Law Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Yael Landman, Brooklyn College (CUNY) and Gorgias Press
Marrying (Off) and Marginalization: Hagar and Ishmael in Light of Cuneiform Law (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dylan Johnson, New York University
Between Clan and King: The Episode of the Wise Woman of Tekoa Reconsidered (2 Sam 14:2–24) (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert Kugler, Lewis & Clark College
Jews, Torah, and Legal Pluralism in Hellenistic Egypt: An Assessment (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Carmen Palmer, Toronto School of Theology
An Analysis of Female Gentile Conversion to Judaism through Marriage in the Temple Scroll (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John W. Welch, Brigham Young University
Seeing John 11:47–57 as the Jewish Trial of Jesus according to John (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S19-209

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section / Qumran Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Qumran and Lexicography**

Daniel Machiela, McMaster University, Presiding

Eric Reymond, Yale University

Lexical Innovations in the Wisdom of Ben Sira (30 min)

Reinhard Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen and Ingo

Kottsieper, Göttingen Academy of Sciences and Humanities

Hebräisches und aramäisches Lexikon zu den Texten vom Toten Meer (30 min)

Noam Mizrahi, Tel Aviv University

Biblical Hebrew Lexicon in the Light of the Qumran Scriptural Scrolls (30 min)

Eshbal Ratzon, University of Haifa

Calendrical Lexicography in the Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Daniel Vos, Boston College

’wt as a Greek Loanword in 4QInstruction (30 min)

S19-210

SBL Book of Deuteronomy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 704 (Street Level)

The open session of the Deuteronomy program unit features papers on a variety of topics, from established and early career scholars.

Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne, Presiding

Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster

The Original Form of Deuteronomy (“Urdeuteronomium”) and Its Reworkings (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary

“Whenever You Desire” Does Not Mean What You Think It Means: Limitations on the Scope and Timing of Noncultic Meat Consumption in Deuteronomy 12 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark Lester, Yale University

Deictic Reference in Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Keith A. Stone, Center for Hellenic Studies, Harvard University

Song of Moses, Song of Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paul Cizek, Marquette University

The Authority of Deuteronomy in the Second Temple Period (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-211

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Silverton Ballroom 2 (Second Level)

Theme: **25 Years of Research on the Book of the Twelve**

A Jubilee Session for James D. Nogalski on the Occasion of the 25th Anniversary of his Dissertation “Literary Precursors to / Redactional Processes in the Book of the Twelve, BZAW 217-18, Berlin 1993”

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, Presiding (15 min)

Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich

James D. Nogalski and the Elusive “Zurich School” (30 min)

Aaron Schart, Universität Duisburg-Essen

The Deuteronomistic Corpus: Increasing Evidence and Open Questions (30 min)

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen

Haggai-Zechariah 1–8 in the Book of the Twelve: A Dialogue with James Nogalski (30 min)

Anna Sieges Beal, Gardner-Webb University

Joel, a Literary and Didactic Anchor for the Book of the Twelve (30 min)

James Nogalski, Baylor University, Respondent (15 min)

S19-213

SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1-3 Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Latin Exegesis of Genesis 1 until Ambrose**

Volker Henning Drecoll, University of Tuebingen, Presiding

Eric Hoff, Oxford University

Augustine and Irenaeus on the Perfection of Adam (30 min)

Alexander H. Pierce, University of Notre Dame

Complexifying Ambrose’s Reception of Basil’s Homilies in Hexaemeron: The Legacy of Origen (30 min)

Paul M. C. Elliott, Concordia University Irvine

The Adaptation of Philonic Arithmology in Ambrose’s Letters on the Hexaemeron (30 min)

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

Ambrose of Milan on Genesis (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S19-214

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section / Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Review Panel of Fine, The Menorah and Jensen, The Cross**

Felicity Harley-McGowan, Yale University, Presiding (10 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Panelist (25 min)

David Frankfurter, Boston University, Panelist (25 min)

Joan Branham, Providence College (Rhode Island), Panelist (25 min)

Steven Fine, Yeshiva University, Respondent (20 min)

Robin Jensen, University of Notre Dame, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-215

SBL Early Judaism and Its Literature Editorial Board

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Aspen Room A (Third Level)

S19-216

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Theme: **Women's Economic Roles in the Biblical World**

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University, Presiding

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College

Women's Economic Roles in the Biblical World: An Overview of Past Research (25 min)

Jennie Ebeling, University of Evansville

Women's Economic Roles in Ancient Israel: An Archaeological Perspective (25 min)

Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University

Women's Work: The Ancient Israelite Matriarch in Domestic Context (25 min)

Zipporah Glass, Huston-Tillotson University

Trajectories of the Levantine Household from Late Bronze Age I to the Persian Period (25 min)

Gale Yee, Episcopal Divinity School, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-218

SBL Gospel of Mark Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **Reading Mark: The Interpretive Implications of Mark's Original Format**

Presenters will examine the way the Gospel of Mark would have been read in the ancient world, considering questions such as how would the gospel have been literally read by or to its initial audience, who would have been present, and for what purpose. Then, they will elucidate what impact the original presentation has on the interpretation of the gospel.

Tom Shepherd, Andrews University, Presiding

Zechariah Eberhart, Loyola University of Chicago

The Dynamics of Orality and the Implications for Mark's Characterization of the Disciples (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Jacob P.B. Mortensen, Aarhus Universitet

Watching Mark's Audience: The "Progymnasmata" as Key to Ancient Readers (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University

Mark at the Borderland of Orality and Textuality (10 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S19-219

SBL Greek Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Lexicography of the Greek Bible (General)**

John A L Lee, Macquarie University, Sydney

Greek Idiom in the LXX-Pentateuch: The Preposition para (30 min)

Cameron Boyd-Taylor, Trinity Western University

Shifting Frames: A Frame-Based Analysis of Lexical Meaning (30 min)

Matthew Pawlak, University of Cambridge

Verbal Irony in Translation: The Septuagint Prophets (30 min)

Frank Shaw, Independent Scholar

Use of the Biblical (LXX) Onomastica among Early Christian Commentators (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S19-220

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

Meghan Henning, University of Dayton, Presiding

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University

Demons and Health in the Biblical World: Good, Bad, and ... (25 min)

Judith Koenig, Universität Regensburg

The Description of Pain in the Markan Healing Stories (25 min)

Louise Gosbell, Mary Andrews College

Issues of Disability and Gender in the Healing Accounts of Mark 5:21–43 (25 min)

Pieter Botha, University of South Africa

Disabling Romanticism: The Body in New Testament Apocrypha (25 min)

Chris de Wet, University of South Africa

Old Age in the Discourses of Philoxenus of Mabbug (25 min)

We will hold the business meeting for this unit at the end of this session.

S19-221

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section / Cultic Personnel in the Biblical World Section / Greco-Roman Religions Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Making Priests: Intersections of Discourse and Practice in the Hellenistic and Greco-Roman Eastern Mediterranean**

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Jared W. Saltz, Florida College

"Moses Made Arrangements for the Sacrifices That Were Utterly Different from Those of Other Races..." Hecataeus of Abdera's Portrayal of the Jewish Priesthood in Ptolemaic Egypt (25 min)

Jonathan Trotter, Lewis University

Alexandrian Jews' Vicarious Participation in the Jerusalem Temple: Philo of Alexandria's Hieropompoi as Community Representatives and Priests (25 min)

Mary Julia Jett, Saint Francis College

Throw Water at It: Water Purification Entrance Rites during the Greco-Roman Period (25 min)

Wally V. Cirafesi, University of Oslo

The Place of Priests in the Ancient Synagogue (25 min)

Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin

A Religiopolitical Reconfiguration of the Urban Space: The Functions of the Salutaris Foundation as an Imperial Cult (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-222

SBL Historiography and the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Lauren Monroe, Cornell University, Presiding

Quinn Daniels, New York University

The Politics of the Song of Deborah: The Enduring "Root" of Ephraim in Amaleq (Judg 5:14a) (30 min)

Jonathan Schmidt-Swartz, New York University

Negotiating the Boundaries of "Identity": Benjamin at the Yabweh Festival of Shiloh (30 min)

Joshua Jones, University of Texas at Austin

What Do Hezekiah and Ashurbanipal Have in Common?

Comparative Observations of the Rising Action in Biblical and Neo-Assyrian Accounts of Divine Intervention (30 min)

Paul S. Evans, McMaster Divinity College

The Challenges of Assessing War: The Success and Failure of Sennacherib's 701 BCE Campaign in Light of the War of 1812 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-223

SBL History of Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Rethinking Interpretation?**

Michael Legaspi, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The Ideology of Interpretation (20 min)

Nathan Mastnjak, Indiana University (Bloomington)

Media Transformation as Interpretation in Prophetic Literature (20 min)

Seth Sanders, University of California-Davis

Daniel: Against Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

Break (5 min)

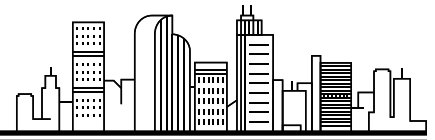
Eva Mroczek, University of California-Davis

Interpretation and Illegibility in Early Jewish Literature (20 min)

Beth Berkowitz, Barnard College

Interpretation in the Anthropocene: Reading the "Animal Family" Laws in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)



S19-224

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Biblical Exegesis for Preaching**

David Jacobsen, Boston University, Presiding (5 min)

William Brown, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Yolanda Norton, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

John Strong, Missouri State University, Panelist (20 min)

This session will explore how biblical exegesis affects preaching, and how the goal of writing for preachers affects exegesis. It will examine the role of gender and ethnicity in biblical exegesis for preaching, and whether the goal of preaching is appropriate for biblical exegesis.

P19-225

International Syriac Language Project

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **Lexical Challenges: Selected Issues and Problems**

The International Syriac Language Project (ISLP) is an interdisciplinary group that seeks to foster research in ancient languages and literatures, with particular attention to Syriac lexicography.

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jeff Childers, Abilene Christian University
"The Word Will Not Wait:" Specialized Vocabulary in Syriac Divinatory Texts (Hermeneia) (30 min)

David J.A. Clines, University of Sheffield
Denominative Verbs in Classical Hebrew (30 min)

Cynthia L. Miller-Naudé, University of the Free State and
Jacobus A. Naudé, University of the Free State
The Syriac Contribution to Understanding Rare Lexemes in the Greek of Ben Sira (30 min)

Jonathan Loopstra, Northwestern College - St. Paul
Reading Basil's Hexaemeron in Grecized Syriac: Athanasius II of Baladh and Early Syriac Lexicography? (30 min)

Srecko Koralija, University of Cambridge
Historical and Methodological Considerations in Making Syriac Lexica (30 min)

S19-226

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

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Theme: **Imperial Rhetoric and the Gospel of Mark**

Arthur M. Wright, Jr., Baptist Theological Seminary at
Richmond, Presiding

Margaret Froelich, Claremont School of Theology
Kings of the Jews: Mark and Kingship in Post-war Galilee (25 min)

Mark Lamas Jr., University of Edinburgh
Summer of '69: Reviving Libertas and the Odium of Kingship in Mark's Gospel (25 min)

Margaret Froelich, Claremont School of Theology, Respondent (5 min)

Mark Lamas, University of Edinburgh, Respondent (5 min)

Adam Winn, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Maziel Dani, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Disrupting Concealment, Defying Flavian Propaganda, and Outhonoring Vespasian: An Analysis of Mark 5:1–20 (25 min)

Dong Hyeon Jeong, Drew University
A Molecular "Flash Mob" Revolution in Mark 11:1–11 (25 min)

Angela Parker, The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology,
Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-227

SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

This session includes general studies in the Epistles of James and 1 Peter.

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding

Daniel K. Eng, University of Cambridge
The Arrangement of James in Light of Catchword Association in Semitic Documents (30 min)

Sherri Brown, Creighton University
Prophetic Endurance and Eschatological Restoration: Exhortation and Conclusion in James 5:7–20 (30 min)

Nicholas J. Ellis, Western Seminary
The Creation Account, the Yetzer, and Community Soul-Care in the Epistle of James (30 min)

Wei-Hsien Wan, Taylor's University, Malaysia
How to Alienate the Reader: Spatial Dislocation and Nonbelonging in 1 Peter (30 min)

Max Botner, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main
You Are a "Spiritual House": Misunderstanding Metaphor and the Question of Supersessionism in 1 Peter (30 min)

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S19-228

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar / Philology in Hebrew Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Issues in Language Change and Language Contact: Linguistic and Philological Perspectives**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Aaron Hornkohl, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Na'ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin

hāyēlkū šanayim yaḥdāw bilti ʔim nōšādū: Notes on Historical Linguistics and Comparative Philology (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robert Holmstedt, University of Toronto

The Janus Nature of the Study of Language Change and Language Contact (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dorota Molin, University of Cambridge

Language Contact and Change: A Case Study of Biblical Hebrew Quotations in Aramaic Incantation Bowls (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin J. Noonan, Columbia International University

Loanwords and the Dating Game noch einmal: Can Loanwords Be Used to Date Biblical Texts, and If So, How? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-229

SBL Matthew Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **New Light on the First Gospel**

This session is dedicated to new research on a variety of topics from distinct perspectives

Daniel M. Gurtner, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Nathan C. Johnson, Princeton Theological Seminary

“Son of Abraham” in Matthew 1:1: Jesus or David? Fresh Directions from Onomastics and Textual Criticism (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Shane Patrick Gormley, Loyola University of Chicago

Matthew’s Coordinating Tryptics: Matthew 4:17 and 16:21 Revisited in Light of the Matthean Genealogy (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Woojin Chung, Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary (Seoul)

The Literary Genre of Matthew’s Gospel and His Citation Technique (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Jenifer A. Daley, Andrews University

“Keep the Commandments ... Sell Your Possessions”: Soteriology and Human Flourishing in the Narrative of the Rich Young Man (Matt 19:16–29) (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

Vaughn Crowe Tipton, Furman University

Righteousness and/or Justice in Matthew? (20 min)

Discussion (9 min)

S19-230

SBL Midrash Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **Boundaries and Borders of Land, Space and Time in Midrash**

W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding

Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Aaron Amit, Bar-Ilan University

Edges of Space or Edges of Time: The Commandment of Peah in Tannaitic Midrash Halakhah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin

“For All Its Inhabitants”: The Utopian Interpretation of Leviticus 25 in Sifra (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nicholas J. Schaser, Macalester College

The Space-Time-Torah Continuum: Boundaries of Natural and Biblical Law in Leviticus Rabbah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan Schofer, University of Texas at Austin

Exodus Rabbah and the Aggadic Response to Biblical Law: The Ten Commandments and the Covenant Code (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Malka Z. Simkovich, Catholic Theological Union

From Abraham to Daniel, and Back Again: Exploring the Rabbinic Practice of Embedding New Tales into Old Scriptures (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-231

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **Recent Research in Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism**

Nicola Lewis, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Eric Crégheur, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa
Toll Collectors and Gate Guardians: A Typical Gnostic Motif? (35 min)

Eunice Villaneda, Claremont School of Theology

Trading Gender for Redemption: A Look into the Suppression of the Valentinian Feminist (35 min)

Michael Beshay, Ohio State University

The Gnostic Roots of Marian Devotion in Late Antiquity (35 min)



S19-231a

SBL Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Silverton Ballroom 1 (Second Level)

We are pleased to announce that the 2018 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Garrick Allen (Lecturer in New Testament, Dublin City University) for his paper entitled, “Monks, Manuscripts, Muhammad, and Digital Editions of the New Testament.”

Garrick Allen (PhD 2015, St Andrews) is Lecturer in New Testament at Dublin City University, Republic of Ireland and is the author of *The Book of Revelation and Early Jewish Textual Culture* (Cambridge University Press, 2017). He is currently writing a book on the relationship between textual history and reception history. He will deliver his paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in Denver, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

The goal of the Achtemeier Award is to stimulate the finest and most penetrating work in New Testament studies and to foster the future of biblical scholarship. The award is given to a member who has completed her/his doctorate within the last ten years and includes a cash prize of \$1,000. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories: persuasive thesis that engages the New Testament and demonstrates quality of scholarship and significance in the field, clarity of expression and thought, and originality and creativity.

The members of the 2018 Achtemeier Award Committee are Clare K. Rothschild (Lewis University), Kimberly Stratton (Carleton University), and James A. Kelhoffer (Uppsala University).

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University, Presiding

Garrick Allen, Dublin City University
Monks, Manuscripts, Muhammad, and Digital Editions of the New Testament (30 min)

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia, Respondent (15 min)

Annette Reed, New York University, Respondent (15 min)

S19-232

SBL Pentateuch Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 503 (Street Level)

Harald Samuel, Göttingen University, Presiding

Jay Caballero, The University of Texas at Austin
The Relationship of the Laws in Ex 22:16–17 and Deut 22:28–29: Supercessionist, Complementary, or Other? (30 min)

Katherine Smith, Trinity College - Bristol
Exodus 32:10: Mere Rhetoric or an Intent to Consume? (30 min)

Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Geography, Location, and the Redaction of the Pentateuch (30 min)

Jonathan M. Robker, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Scepter from Judah (Gen 49:10): A Diachronic Evaluation (30 min)

Philip Yoo, University of Texas at Austin
Moving the Mountain of God: Redactional Activity and the Conflation of Sinai and Horeb (30 min)

S19-233

SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall F (Third Level)

Theme: **Bible in the Age of Capital**

This session explores the simultaneously ideological and economic (especially capitalist) dimensions of biblical studies and interpretation. Participants in this first session of “Bible in the Age of Capital” analyze the impact of economic and ideo-theological processes on biblical interpretation in relation to a range of subjects—church identity and practice, xenophobia and belonging, bargaining cultures (ancient and modern), the commodification of “the public scholar”—in order to illuminate the ways capitalist (especially colonial capitalist) ideologies shape our treatments of the Bible within academy and society.

Ronald Simkins, Creighton University, Presiding (5 min)

Neil Elliott, Metropolitan State University
The Church as Ideological Formation: “Ethnographic” Notes from a Participant Observer (25 min)

Paulo Ueti, Anglican Alliance/Anglican Communion Office
Becoming an Intentional Neighbor to Challenge Capitalism and Colonial Embedded Hermeneutics of the Gospels’ Memories (25 min)

Jione Havea, Independent Scholar
Bible Bargain(s) (25 min)

Diana M. Swancutt, The Poverty Consortium
The Bible as Mammon (25 min)

Ronald Simkins, Creighton University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-234

SBL Preparing for the Job Market: Navigating Contingent Faculty Positions

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Co-hosted by the Student Advisory Board and Professional Development Committee**

Joint session with the SBL Professional Development Committee

Graduate students are keenly aware of the competitive job market. Ph.D. candidates will apply to several post-docs and contingent faculty positions as well as tenure-track opportunities. As educational institutions depend increasingly on contingent faculty working part and full-time, there are several interconnected issues for graduate students and junior scholars to consider. How does one prepare during graduate school? What resources are there for supporting research and course preparation? How do you build supportive networks? Is there a way to make year-long and multi-year contracts a sustainable job situation? While there are several working groups advocating for structural change to improve working conditions, compensation, and collective bargaining for contingent faculty, this panel offers graduate students and junior scholars an opportunity to discuss and strategize ways to navigate the realities of the job market. The Student Advisory Board has brought together scholars to share their insights and experience about best practices and techniques for surviving present realities and future possibilities.

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Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Welcome
 Bradley Erickson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill,
 Presiding (5 min)
 Jesse Richards, University of Oxford, Presiding
 Kerry Danner, Georgetown University, Presiding
 Roshan Abraham, American University, Panelist (15 min)
 Sarah Emanuel, Colby College, Panelist (15 min)
 Lyn Nixon, Bethel Seminary (St. Paul, MN), Panelist (15 min)
 Benjamin White, Clemson University, Panelist (15 min)
 Lesley DiFransico, Loyola University Maryland, Panelist (15 min)
 Discussion (30 min)

S19-235

SBL Q Section / Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
 Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)
 Theme: **The Parables in Q by Dieter Roth and The Parables of Jesus the Galilean by Ernest van Eck**
 Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)
 Erin Vearncombe, Princeton University, Panelist (30 min)
 Douglas Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University, Panelist (30 min)
 Break (5 min)
 Ernest van Eck, University of Pretoria, Respondent (25 min)
 Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz,
 Respondent (25 min)
 Discussion (30 min)

S19-236

SBL Racism, Pedagogy and Biblical Studies Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
 Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)
 Theme: **Teaching about Racism in Biblical Studies in the Context of the Black Lives Matter Movement**
 Eric Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)
 Julian Gonzalez, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Panelist
 (20 min)
 Abraham Smith, Perkins School of Theology, Panelist (20 min)
 Sharon Jacob, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist (20 min)
 Laura Nasrallah, Harvard University, Panelist (20 min)
 Nyasha Junior, Temple University, Respondent (15 min)
 Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University, Respondent (15 min)
 Break (5 min)
 Discussion (30 min)

S19-237

SBL Redefining Early Christianity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:45 PM
 Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)
 Theme: **Redefining Christian Origins Thirty Years After A Myth of Innocence**
 William Arnal, University of Regina, Presiding
 Stephen P. Ahearne-Kroll, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
The Appeal of Paul's Initial Preaching in Corinth (10 min)
 Ron Cameron, Wesleyan University (Middletown, CT)
The Labors of Burton Mack: Scholarship That's Made a Difference
 (10 min)
 Stephen Young, Appalachian State University
"Let's Take the Text on Its Own Terms": New Testament Studies as a
Safe Space for Protectionism (10 min)
 Christopher B. Zeichmann, Emmanuel College, University of
 Toronto
Paul ἐν τοῖς δεσμοῖς: Rethinking John Knox on Acts, Prisons, and the
Apostle's Letters (10 min)
 Erin Roberts, University of South Carolina, Respondent (20 min)

Break (15 min)
 Discussion (90 min)
 Papers will be pre-circulated in early November and only summarized during the session. To be put on the list of recipients, please email Erin Roberts at erinroberts@sc.edu.

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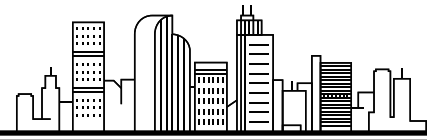
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1:00 PM–2:30 PM
 Sheraton Downtown (SD) – SBL Press Suite

S19-239

SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM
 Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)
 Theme: **Teaching Rhetoric, and Rhetorics of Teaching, in New Testament Studies**
 This session will feature three presentations and then a participatory seminar wherein audience members and panelists will think together about a variety of questions and issues in teaching rhetoric, and the rhetoric of teaching, with the New Testament in university and liberal arts college settings. Attendees will be more than welcome to bring a pedagogical issue they wish to discuss.
 Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding (5 min)
 Mark D. Given, Missouri State University
Presenting the Absent Rhetoric in Biblical Studies Textbooks (20 min)
 Discussion (5 min)
 Lillian I. Larsen, University of Redlands
Biblically Re-drawing the Rhetorical Map (20 min)
 Discussion (5 min)
 Davina C. Lopez, Eckerd College
Is There an Argument for Teaching New Testament Studies with Undergraduates? (20 min)



Discussion (5 min)
Discussion (70 min)

S19-240

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Jason Lamoreaux, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Amy L. Balogh, University of Denver
The Mesopotamian Mis-Pi Ceremony & Clifford Geertz's "Thick Description": A Case Study in the Symbolic Webs of the Deceased (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard E. Averbeck, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Crucial Features of Sin Offering Atonement in Leviticus 4–5 and 16 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jesper Tang Nielsen, University of Copenhagen
Johannine Rituals (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin J. Snyder, Asbury Theological Seminary
Parallelomania and the Origin of Baptism (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nathaniel Levtow, University of Montana
Ritual Theory and the Efficacy of Curses (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-241

SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **Reviews of Publications by Wil C. Gafney, Katherine A. Shaner, and Mitzi J. Smith**

Reviews of Katherine A. Shaner, *Enslaved Leadership in Early Christianity*

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Presiding (5 min)
Sarah Bond, University of Iowa, Panelist (20 min)
Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Canada, Panelist (20 min)
Katherine A. Shaner, Wake Forest University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Dialogue on Writing about Enslaved Women and the Bible

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Presiding (5 min)
Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Member (15 min)
Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Member (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-242

SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section / Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 505 (Street Level)

Theme: **Sensecapes**

This session will consider the link between sense and space and will explore how physical, imagined, and social spaces stimulate senses.

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Sarah L. Berns, Brown University
"Every Man with His Censer in His Hand": Incense-Burning and the Sensory Contestation of Space in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Brittany E. Wilson, Duke University
The Aroma of Prayer: Smell, Space, and Sacrificial Praxis in Luke-Acts (25 min)

Joshua Scott, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
Sensations of War: A Rhetorical Reading of 1QM (25 min)

Victor H. Matthews, Missouri State University
Spatial and Sensory Aspects of Battle in Biblical and Ancient Near Eastern Texts (25 min)

Mark George, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-243

SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Paul and Politics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Theme: **Paul and Public Discourse**

This panel investigates Paul and the Pauline legacy within the context of civic and/or public discourse, both ancient and contemporary, and the political nature of public civil speech.

Michael Peppard, Fordham University, Presiding
Timothy Milinovich, Dominican University
Flipping the Script: The Rhetoric of Inversion in Philippians and Political Oratory (25 min)

Steven T. Payne, Fordham University
Ancient Democratic Discourse and Paul's Use of Eleutheria in 2 Cor 3:12–18 (25 min)

Benjamin Lappenga, Dordt College
Peddlers versus the Prosopon: Paul's Public Speech in 2 Corinthians and the Politics of Divine Warrant (25 min)

Anna C. Miller, Xavier University
"Not with Gold, Pearls, or Expensive Clothes": Wealthy Women, Speech and Citizenship in 1 Timothy and the Democratic Polis (25 min)

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto, Respondent (30 min)

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S19-243a

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **Save \$: Learn How to Edit and Proofread Your Work like a Pro**

Learning how to edit and proofread your own work will not only make it easier for you to get published, but also improve your writing skills (and grades if you are still in that phase of your studies).

But editing and proofreading your writing is a lot more than spell checking. Submitting error-free work makes your journal editor's or professor's job easier, and helps you stand out as a professional. In this workshop, learn ways to find the errors that could make you appear like an amateur writer and scholar rather than the professional that you really are. We will discuss ways to actually read your own work to find errors and create your own writer's style guide. The workshop will go over common errors even seasoned writers make, and why spell check programs are not always reliable resources for proofreading and editing any type of professional document.

Stephanie Mojica, Harvard University, Panelist

S19-244

SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 304 (Street Level)

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School,
Presiding

Jeffrey P. García, Nyack College
In the Wilderness with the Baptist: Historical Geography and Jewish Thought in the Synoptic Accounts (30 min)

Christopher M. Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia
Seek the Welfare of the City, or Walk Away as It Burns: An Intertextual and Political Reading of Jeremiah 29 and Luke 17 (30 min)

Bruce Henning, Trinity College - Bristol / University of Aberdeen
The Matthean and Lukan Jesus' Broad, Eschatological Use of Isa 61:1–3 (30 min)

Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School of Theology
Isaiah's Theophany and the Opening Petitions of the Lord's Prayer (30 min)

Christina Harker, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Transfiguration in the Ancient Imaginary (30 min)

S19-245

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Theme: **Textual Criticism: Panel on Women in the Field**

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding
(3 min)

Keynote Address

Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki
Me, the Septuagint, and Textual Criticism: A Lifelong Learning Process (35 min)

Panelists

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg
Women in Text Criticism: My Perspective (20 min)

Sarianna Metso, University of Toronto
Reflections on Women in Textual Criticism (20 min)

Molly M. Zahn, University of Kansas - Lawrence
Women in Text Criticism: The Time is Ripe for Change (20 min)

Deirdre Fulton, Baylor University
Textual Criticism and Gender: A View from a North America Scholar (20 min)

Discussion (32 min)

P19-246

The Qur'an: Surah Studies (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Musabbiḥat**

Shawkat Toorawa, Yale University, Presiding
Adam Flowers, University of Chicago
The Many Genres of al-Musabbiḥāt (40 min)

Karim Samji, Gettysburg College
Mapping the Musabbiḥāt: Genre Boundaries and Sūra Structure (40 min)

Andrew J. O'Connor, University of Notre Dame
Prophetic Authority and Formulaic Diction in al-Musabbiḥāt (40 min)

S19-247

SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 603 (Street Level)

Theme: **Post Colonial Biblical Criticism and Theological Interpretation**

Mark Brett, Whitley College, Panelist (20 min)

Bo Lim, Seattle Pacific University, Panelist (20 min)

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity, Panelist (20 min)

Amanda Mbuvi, High Point University, Respondent (15 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola University Maryland, Presiding (5 min)

Darren Sarisky, Oxford University, Respondent (15 min)



S19-247a

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Jeremiah in Theological Perspective**

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN),
Presiding

Justus Theo Ghormley, Valparaiso University
Scribal Theology: A Theological Examination of the Textual Formation of Jeremiah (30 min)

Rachel Frish, Bar-Ilan University
Sapiential Elements in the Book of Jeremiah: A Revisited Look (30 min)

O. Y. Fabrikant-Burke, University of Cambridge
Tradition as Innovation: Ancient Harmonistic Theologizing in the Temple Sermon (Jer 7:1–8:3) (30 min)

Jonathan D. Bentall, Durham University
“Perhaps They Will Turn...”: The Value of Repentance as a Theological Category in the Interpretation of Jeremiah’s Temple Sermon (Jer. 7.1–15) (30 min)

Johanna Erzberger, Cardiff University
Jeremiah 34: The Liberation of Slaves and the Dispensability of Kings under the Rule of Torah (30 min)

P19-247b

Westar Institute

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Embassy Suites Downtown (ES) – Cripple Creek Ballroom 2 (Second Level)

Theme: **Mimesis Criticism: The Gospels and Greek Literature**

Dennis MacDonald is a contributing scholar to the work of the Westar Institute and has developed a unique approach to the gospels with his method of mimesis criticism. This Westar session seeks to engage MacDonald’s theories and to evaluate the merits of this approach.

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Presiding

Mark Bilby, California State University – Fullerton, Presiding

Michael Kochenash, Presiding

S19-248

SBL Writing Social-Scientific Commentaries of the New Testament Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Methods and Perspectives on Reading the New Testament through Social Identity Theory**

Papers in this seminar session will be pre-distributed and only summarized in the session. If you are interested in participating and receiving papers beforehand, please contact the chairs: *Petri. Luomanen@helsinki.fi* or *Brian.Tucker@moody.edu*

J. Brian Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan,
Presiding (5 min)

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki
The Gospel of Matthew and Social Identity Formation (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Kathy Ehrensberger, Universität Potsdam
What Should Be Cut? (Gal 5.12) Social Identity Formation in Galatians (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (5 min)

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
Social Identity and Mind Sciences in Philemon (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S19-249

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 501 (Street Level)

Theme: **Reconsidering Violence in the Book of Jeremiah**

This will be the first of two sessions that consider the intersectional as well as multi-faceted nature of the way in which violence has been written into the text of Jeremiah that may have distinct consequences for readers who find themselves in violent contexts themselves.

Mark Brummitt, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School,
Presiding (5 min)

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary
The Sounds of Violence in Jeremiah (30 min)

Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch – University of Stellenbosch
Hidden Wounds: Exploring an Intersectional Understanding of Violence in Jeremiah 5–6 (30 min)

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary
Playing with Death: Violent Exceptions and Exceptional Violence in the Book of Jeremiah (30 min)

Julia O’Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Respondent
(25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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S19-250

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

2:45 PM–4:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Benefits of Mind-Mapping (Software) for Research, Planning, and Visually Overcoming Writer's Block: A Demonstration Using MindMaple Classic**

Recent technological trends have been encouraging writers to organize their thoughts into digital flow-charts. Student writers, academics, and seasoned scholars can utilize mind-mapping software to engage with their topics in an innovative, interactive way while also creating useful inter-topic dialogue as they (literally) draw comparisons and connections during the planning stage of paper writing. Mind-mapping software not only encourages knowledge management, but it assists with idea planning and placement for the overall schematic of a paper. Mind-mapping allows authors to create a center topic or subject (possibly a thesis statement), branch out ideas or topic sentences, and color code or embed images to assist with the visual and aesthetic aspect(s) of the brainstorming process. For the student roundtable, I will demonstrate the benefits of mind-mapping, using MindMaple as just one example of this software, and engage participants in a pros and cons discussion regarding mind-mapping software versus hand-drawn illustrations and/or planning.

Madison Tarleton, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver, Panelist

S19-300

SBL NRSV Editorial Board

3:45 PM–4:45 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 604 (Street Level)

S19-301

SBL Aposiopesis: Incomplete Sentences, Unfinished Thoughts, and Ideas that Sputtered

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

The SBL Student Advisory Board invites your unfinished business. In the interest of offering a home at the Annual Meeting for intellectual risks, we ask for research with loose ends, projects that can never be published because the data trail ran out, your best well-reasoned hunches that will always remain conjecture but which live in your scholarly gut, the book you wish you could write. These papers will be presented speedily, in 10–12 minute lightning bursts, with ample time for discussion.

Sarah Porter, Harvard University, Presiding

Joshua Matson, Florida State University, Presiding

Jordan Venditelli, Appalachian State University

A Phenomenological Spatial Reflection of Agency in the Book of Ruth (12 min)

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology

Purple Gospels and Imperial Book Patronage (12 min)

Andrew Tobolowsky, College of William and Mary
Classics and Biblical Studies Have a Lot of the Same Problems, The Paper (12 min)

Cavan W. Concannon, University of Southern California
Ignatius Peregrinus: Ignatius of Antioch as a Voluntary Martyr (12 min)

Break (5 min)

Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University
Stoned: Biblical Ecology of the Seemingly Inanimate (12 min)

Christy Cobb, Wingate University
Women in Syria and the Syrophoenician Woman (12 min)

Nathan Tilley, Duke University
Disciplinary Mechanisms in Basil of Caesarea's Great Asketikon? (12 min)

Gregory Given, Harvard University
Believing without Seeing, between Autograph and Copy (12 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S19-302

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Religion at Home and Work**

Michael Flexsenhar, Rhodes College, Presiding (5 min)

Marshall Evans, University of California-Santa Barbara
Recognizing the Gods: A Brief Historiography of Images in Greek Religion (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Caroline Johnson Hodge, College Of The Holy Cross
Daily Devotions: Early Christians and Household Religion (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Megan Nutzman, Old Dominion University
Between Family and Community: Jewish Epitaphs from Rome (20 min)

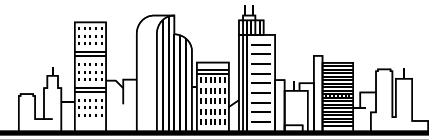
Discussion (5 min)

Dana Robinson, Creighton University
"This Great House...and Also This Laundry": Religion and Work at the White Monastery (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Mark Henry, Boston University
Guard My Entrance and My Exit: Liturgical Acclamations and Domestic Protection in Late Antique Syria (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)



S19-303

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 603 (Street Level)

This session, with invited panelists, features two book reviews. Both raise methodological issues concerning the Bible and visual art. First, we will engage with *The Moving Text: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on David Brown and the Bible* (eds. Garrick V. Allen, Christopher R. Brewer and Dennis Kinlaw; London: SCM, 2018). Second, we will respond to *The Art of Christian Reflection* by Heidi J. Hornik (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2018).

- Roberta Dykema, Strayer University, Presiding
Christopher R. Brewer, Templeton Religion Trust, Introduction (10 min)
Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews, Panelist (15 min)
Christine Joyne, University of Oxford, Panelist (15 min)
Meredith Massar Munson, Texas Christian University, Panelist (15 min)
David Brown, University of St. Andrews, Respondent (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Robert Kruschwitz, Baylor University, Introduction (10 min)
Robin Jensen, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (15 min)
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Gerogetown University, Panelist (15 min)
William Shiell, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)
Heidi Hornik, Baylor University, Respondent (10 min)
Discussion (10 min)

S19-304

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Trauma and Resilience**

Resilience may be understood broadly as the capacity to progress in recovery from traumatic experiences or to withstand to some degree potentially overwhelming experiences. How might resilience be more precisely defined as a productive lens for interpreting or appropriating the biblical text? Papers may interpret biblical or extra-biblical texts through the lens of various dimensions of trauma, including the following: individual, collective, and intergenerational experience; events or ongoing situations that traumatize; effects of traumatization; and strategies for recovery from and resilience against traumatization.

- Christopher Frechette, Paulist Press, Presiding
Anna E. Marsh, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Ruth & Naomi: Marks of Trauma and Resilience (30 min)
Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
"You Have Girded Me with Strength for the Fight" (Ps 18:40): Building Resilience through the Words of the First Book of the Psalter (30 min)
Judith Gärtner, Universität Rostock
Between the Endurance and the Formation of Situations of Distress: The Lament as an Expression of Resilience by the Example of Ps 38 (30 min)

Megan Warner, University of Exeter

A Good, Strong Story: Genesis as Resilience Literature (30 min)

Nathan H. White, Institute for Faith and Resilience

"Treasuring Up": Mary as a Resilient System in Luke-Acts (30 min)

S19-305

SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

Theme: **"Native Theories" of Scriptural Origins**

- Jacqueline Vayntrub, Yale Divinity School, Presiding
Jacqueline Vayntrub, Yale Divinity School, Introduction (5 min)
Flemming A. J. Nielsen, Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland)
Books and Religious Specialists in Kings (30 min)
Julia D. Lindenlaub, University of Edinburgh
"Seeing Glory" as the Origin of Sacred Text: Authorship and Textuality in the Gospel of John (30 min)
Evgenia Moiseeva, Independent scholar
Written and Revealed: Manicheans on the Origin of Their Sacred Books (30 min)
Discussion (25 min)

S19-306

SBL Book of Psalms Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

- Christine Jones, Carson-Newman University, Presiding
Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
"Land" as a Topic in the Book of Psalms? A Focus on the Texts (30 min)
Ka Kwan Almond Sin, Vanderbilt University
Psalms 49: Enigma of Life and Death in Poetic Performances (30 min)
Eric J. Harvey, Brandeis University
The Fractured Psalter: Preliminary Reflections on the Interpretive Implications of a Pluriform MT of the Psalms (30 min)
David Willgren, Academy for Leadership and Theology
Why the Masoretic Sequence of Psalms Should Not Be at the Center of Scholarly Reconstructions of the Formation of the "Book" of Psalms (30 min)
Kevin Scott, Baylor University
"Can You Hear Me Now?...Good!" A Deaf Adder and the Threat to the Righteous in Psalm 58:5–6 (30 min)

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S19-308

SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Sex and Violence in the Christian Apocrypha**

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding (5 min)

Catherine Playoust, University of Divinity
"And Still He Won't Leave Me Alone" (Acts Thom. 43.11): A Toxic Masculine Demon in the Acts of Thomas (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Michael Whinton, Baylor University
A Medical Perspective on Paul's Baldness in Acts of Thecla (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew R. Guffey, McCormick Theological Seminary
Toxic Femininity? Enkrateia and Gender in Christian Apocryphal Literature (20 min)

Jennifer Hunter, Northern Arizona University
Perfection and the Ritual Reunification of Male and Female in the Gospel of Philip (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-309

SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Daniel Patte, Romans: Three Exegetical Interpretations and the History of Reception. Volume 1: Romans 1:1–32**

James Grimshaw, Carroll University, Presiding

Kathy Ehrensperger, Universität Potsdam, Panelist (23 min)

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Panelist (23 min)

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Panelist (23 min)

K. K. Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist (23 min)

Monya Stubbs, United States Coast Guard Academy, Panelist (23 min)

Gary Phillips, Wabash College, Panelist (23 min)

Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (12 min)

S19-310

SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 711 (Street Level)

Theme: **Exploring the Meaning of African Identity among Christians in Vandal Africa**

David Riggs, Indiana Wesleyan University, Presiding

Eric Fournier, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
The Church of the Martyrs: A North African Tradition, c. 250–500 (25 min)

Uta Heil, Universität Wien
The Liber fidei catholicae in Victor of Vita's Historia: A North African Text? (25 min)

Christoph Scheerer, University of Vienna
Catholic Identity in a Hostile Vandal Context: Insights from the Notitia Provinciarum (25 min)

Mark Tizzoni, Angelo State University
African Identities in Vandal-Era Poetry (25 min)

Richard Miles, The University of Sydney, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-311

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 2 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **Atheism in Antiquity**

Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago, Presiding

Tim Whitmarsh, University of Cambridge
The Invention of Atheism and the Invention of Religion (30 min)

Paula F. Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
"The Gods of My Unbelief are Magnificent": Jews, Gods, and Israel's God in the Early Roman Period (30 min)

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University
Atheist Lists as an Organizing Technique in Classical Literary Culture (30 min)

Richard A. Wright, Abilene Christian University
"Out with the Christians, . . . Out with the Epicureans!" Atheism and Constructing the Other in Antiquity (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-312

SBL Cultic Personnel in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Adrianne Spunaugle, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Presiding

Nathan MacDonald, University of Cambridge
Nadab and Abihu's Ritual Innovation (Leviticus 10) (30 min)

Nathan Moretto, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
Calamity, Commemoration, and the Consolidation of Power: The Hero Cult of King Josiah (30 min)



Katharine Fitzgerald, McMaster University
The Function of Aseneth: Her Transformation from an Egyptian Priestess to an Israelite Cultic Figure (30 min)

Giancarlo Angulo, Florida State University
"It's the Economy, Stupid": Economic Concerns in the Dead Sea Scrolls' Polemic against the Wicked Priest (30 min)

Eric Moore, Emory University
Cult Transferrer, Community Founder, or Both? Refining a Conception of the Lukan Paul (30 min)

S19-314

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Jewish-Christian Violence in Word and Deed**

Emanuel Fiano, Fordham University
Shenoute's Jews: Rhetoric and Reality in Late Ancient Egypt (25 min)

Andrew W. Higginbotham, Ivy Tech Community College -
 Lawrenceburg Riverfront
"Let Him Come and Be Whipped!" The Violent Response to Unauthorized Halakha (25 min)

Warren C. Campbell, University of Notre Dame
The Residue of Matthean Polemics in the Ascension of Isaiah: On the Pseudepigraphic Faultline of Jewish-Christian Relations (25 min)

John I Kampen, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
The Gospel of Matthew and Antisemitism (25 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
Blessed Are Those Who Persecute for Righteousness' Sake: Ambrose of Milan and Christian "Holy War" against the Jews (25 min)

Susanna Drake, Macalester College, Respondent (25 min)

Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

S19-315

SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall A (Third Level)

Theme: **Review Panel: The Bible and Feminism**

Katherine Low, Mary Baldwin College, Presiding

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury, Panelist
 (7 min)

Jorunn Økland, Norwegian Institute at Athens/University of
 Oslo, Panelist (7 min)

Rachel Havrelock, University of Illinois at Chicago, Panelist
 (7 min)

Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa, Panelist (7 min)

Anna Fisk, University of Glasgow, Panelist (7 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Panelist (7 min)

Rosamond Rodman, Panelist (7 min)

Fatima Tofighi, University of Religions, Panelist (7 min)

Naomi Goldenberg, Respondent (15 min)

May May Latt, American Theological Library Association,
 Respondent (15 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (15 min)

S19-316

SBL Gospel of Mark Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom H (Third Level)

Vicki Phillips, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Presiding

Alan Cadwallader, Charles Sturt University

If You Want to Be Heard, Make a Noise: Markan Textual Evocations of Speech-Events and Audiential Environments in an Imperial Context (25 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Jen Gilbertson, Briercrest College and Seminary

Unsettled Amazement: The Uses of thambeō, ekthambeō, and existēmi in Mark and Their Significance for Characterization and the Plot of Mark's Narrative (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Steven Marquardt, Emory University

Secret Thoughts and Hidden Feelings: A Study of Mark's Use of Attributed Motives in Light of Thucydides and Plutarch (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Break (5 min)

James M. Neumann, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Intertextual Memory of Mark 1:11 (20 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Benjamin Pascut, McKean Study Center, Bowdoin College
Healing Paralysis and Divinity: A Background Study to Mark 2:1–12 (20 min)

Discussion (12 min)

S19-317

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1E (Lower Level)

Theme: **Interpreting Greek and Roman Religions in Context in the Mediterranean World 1: Spotlight on Egypt**

Chris de Wet, University of South Africa, Presiding (5 min)

Elina Lapinoja, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Mythology Reflecting from the Inscriptions of Voluntary Associations: οἱ μελανηφόροι Worshipping Isis. (25 min)

Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
The Materiality of Animal Worship: From Egypt to Rome (25 min)

Shannon Grimes, Meredith College
Secrets of the God Makers: Alchemy and the Priesthood in Roman Egypt (25 min)

Patricia Ahearne-Kroll, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
The Berenike Cult in the Canopus Decree and the Intersection of Egyptian and Ptolemaic Divine Worlds (25 min)

Paul Dilley, University of Iowa, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Papers will be available beforehand, and can be requested from
 Gerhard van den Heever, vdheega@unisa.ac.za.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-318

SBL Greek Bible Section / International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Theme: **Commenting on the Greek Bible**

Siegfried Kreuzer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Presiding

Jean Maurais, McGill University
Commenting on Greek Deuteronomy 25: Some Reflections on the Challenges of Investigating the Production of the Greek Text (30 min)

Roger Good, Living Stream Ministry
Translating Narrative Waybi in Paraleipomenon: Archaizing or Modernizing by the Translator, in the Vorlage, or in the MT? (30 min)

Antje Labahn, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
God as a Gleaning Cook (30 min)

Ken Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University
Isaiah in Codex Sinaiticus (30 min)

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford
La Bible d'Alexandrie (30 min)

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University, Panelist (15 min)

David Runia, University of Melbourne, Panelist (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S19-321

SBL Johannine Literature Section / Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom F (Third Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Jörg Frey, The Glory of the Crucified One**

A Panel Celebrating the Publication of Jörg Frey's Collection of Essays, The Glory of the Crucified One.

Lindsey Trozzo, Presiding

Tobias Nicklas, Universität Regensburg, Panelist (25 min)

Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College, Panelist (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge, Panelist (25 min)

Susan Hylen, Emory University, Panelist (25 min)

Jörg Frey, Universität Zürich, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-319

SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section / Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section / History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 404 (Street Level)

Theme: **Book Review Panel of J. Watts Belser's Rabbinic Tales of Destruction: Gender, Sex, and Disability in the Ruins of Jerusalem (Oxford, 2017)**

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Presiding (5 min)

Lennart Lehmhaus, Freie Universität Berlin, Panelist (30 min)

Gail Labovitz, American Jewish University, Panelist (30 min)

Laura Zucconi, Stockton University, Panelist (30 min)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-320

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom D (Third Level)

Theme: **Review Panel of Erich S. Gruen, The Construct of Identity in Hellenistic Judaism, De Gruyter 2016**

Sandra Gambetti, College of Staten Island (CUNY), Presiding (5 min)

Steve Mason, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Panelist (15 min)

René Bloch, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Panelist (15 min)

Stewart Moore, Independent Scholar, Panelist (15 min)

S19-322

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 503 (Street Level)

Theme: **Searching the Scriptures: Scrutinizing the Racist Heritage of the Woman's Bible**

The first volume of Searching the Scriptures appeared 25 years ago. It was dedicated to Anna Julia Cooper, whereas the 2nd volume memorialized the Woman's Bible, edited by Elizabeth Cady Stanton. The panel will explore how Searching the Scriptures sought to correct the ambivalent legacy of the Woman's Bible with the feminist Vision of Anna Julia Cooper and discuss how we can continue to correct the racist and anti-immigrant heritage of the Woman's Bible with the feminist vision of Anna Julia Cooper while exploring possible ways of collaboration between feminists/womanists in Biblical Studies & Studies in Religion

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Presiding (10 min)

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Panelist (15 min)

Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Panelist (15 min)

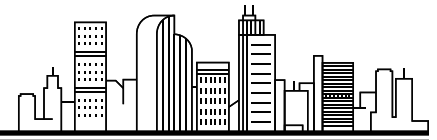
Kamilah Hall Sharp, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Anna Miller, Xavier University, Panelist (15 min)

Isabel Felix, Universidade de Coimbra - Portugal, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S19-323

SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 105 (Street Level)

Lynn Huber, Elon University, Presiding

David M. Dalwood, Yale Divinity School

Lovers Lost: Unrequited Love and the Poetics of Illegibility (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Wei-Jen Chen, Chicago Theological Seminary

A Lesbian-Identified Hermeneutic Re-reading of Paul's Interpretation of Sarah and Hagar in Galatians 4:21–31 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Wiegel, University of Notre Dame

Trans Historiography and the Problem of Anachronism (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

David Tabb Stewart, California State University - Long Beach

Is the Notion of "Sexuality" Inherent to Biblical Law? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union

A Queer Troika: Gender-Bending Dynamics in the Relations of Jezebel, Ahab, and Elijah (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-324

SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar / National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Linguistic Aspects of the Biblical Hebrew Verb**

All papers will be read and discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding

Edward Cook, Catholic University of America and Dan Carver, Lancaster Bible College

Periphrastics and Pseudo-periphrastics in the WAYIHI + QOTEL Construction (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Vladimir Olivero, University of Oxford

How Does the Author Know? Az. yiqtol as Evidential Strategy in Classical Biblical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jacques E. J. Boulet, University of Toronto

Secondary Predicates in the Book of Genesis (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Richard W. Medina, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Position of the Direct Object in Qumran Hebrew Verbal Sentence (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Suchard, Leiden University

Say What? Some New Hebrew Sound Laws and the Seemingly Irregular Forms of 'amar (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-325

SBL Masoretic Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1A (Lower Level)

Theme: **Vocalization and Accentuation**

Geoffrey Khan, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Nehemia Gordon, Makor Hebrew Foundation

A Seventeenth Century Rabbinical Controversy Concerning the Divine Epithet Adonai and the Vowels of the Tetragrammaton (20 min)

Vincent DeCaen, University of Toronto and B. Elan Dresher, University of Toronto

Pausal Forms and Prosodic Structure in Tiberian Hebrew (20 min)

Daniel J. Crowther, Worcester College, University of Oxford

Parallelism, Structural Poetics, and Psalm 18 in the Tiberian Masoretic Reading Tradition (20 min)

Van Acker, David, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

The Conjunctive Accents in Relative Clauses (20 min)

Johan de Jood, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Spelling Richness and Spelling Uniformity: Majority and Minority Spellings in the Masoretic Text (20 min)

Break

In Memory of John Revell (1934–2017)

S19-326

SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3B (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Economics of Meals**

Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster, Presiding (5 min)

Jin Hwan Lee, Independent Scholar

Meals for All, All for Meals (30 min)

Gregg Gardner, The University of British Columbia

Poverty, Charity, and the Economics of Sabbath Meals in Early Judaism (30 min)

Karen Connor McGugan, Harvard University

Hungering and Thirsting for Resurrection: Origen's "On First Principles" and the Realities of Food Scarcity in Antiquity (30 min)

Andrew McGowan, Yale Divinity School

"Having Their Fill of the Loaves": Early Christian Meals and Ancient Bread Distribution (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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S19-327

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 110 (Street Level)

Theme: **Papyri, Manuscripts, and the New Testament**

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University, Presiding (5 min)

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University

The New Testament Text of Didymus the Blind: A Reconsideration of The Tura Papyri and their Text-Critical Value (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Dan Batovici, KU Leuven

Reading Aids in Early Christian Papyri (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Overcash, Macquarie University

“For I Could Not Identify the Syllables”: Reading and Writing Nomina Sacra in Learning Exercises from Late Antiquity (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-328

SBL Pentateuch Section / Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 4 (Fourth Level)

Theme: **History of the Pentateuch: Combining Literary and Archaeological Approaches**

Konrad Schmid, Universität Zürich, Introduction (5 min)

Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University

How Archaeology Can or Cannot Integrate Literary Perspectives (5 min)

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne

How Literary Investigations Can or Cannot Integrate Archaeological Perspectives (5 min)

Assaf Kleiman, Tel Aviv University

Continuity and Change in Settlement Activity in Early Iron Age Northern Gilead and the Pre-Priestly Jacob Traditions (30 min)

Jordan Davis, Universität Zürich and Jürg Hutzli, Université de Lausanne

Historical Geography in the Priestly Literature of the Pentateuch (30 min)

Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne and Erin Hall, Tel Aviv University

The Archaeology of Sanctuaries in Ancient Israel and Judah and the Concept of Cult Centralization (30 min)

Anna Angelini, University of Lausanne, Peter Altmann,

Universität Zürich and Abra Spiciarich, Tel Aviv University
The Food Laws of the Pentateuch: Textual and Archaeological Perspectives (30 min)

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne and Israel Finkelstein, Tel Aviv University

Jeroboam II's Israel: Literary and Archaeological Perspectives (30 min)

S19-329

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4F (Lower Level)

Theme: **Philo's “On the Sacrifices of Cain and Abel”**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers

Torrey Seland, VID-School of Mission & Theology, Presiding

Justin Rogers, Freed-Hardeman University

Commentary on the Sacrifices of Cain and Abel (25 min)

James Royse, Claremont, CA

New and Neglected Readings from De sacrificiis and Other Works of Philo (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Scott Mackie, Independent Scholar

“God Has Had Mercy on Me”: Theology and Soteriology in De sacrificiis Abelis et Caini (25 min)

Ron Cox, Pepperdine University

Philo's Allegorical Interpretation of Sacrifice in “On the Sacrifices of Cain and Abel” (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

S19-330

SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **Panel Discussion of Early Christianity in Lycaonia and Adjacent Areas**

This panel will focus on the significant book by Cilliers Breytenbach and Christiane Zimmermann. Three respondents will take up aspects of the christianization of Lycaonia, critical approaches to the epigraphical testimony and the implications that can be drawn for an understanding of the interaction of Church and society, the shaping of household and family structures and the forms of Christian expression in the region.

Laurence Welborn, Fordham University, Presiding (5 min)

Paul Trebilco, University of Otago, Panelist (25 min)

Christine Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Panelist (25 min)

Arjan Zuiderhoek, Ghent University, Panelist (25 min)

Cilliers Breytenbach, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Panelist (15 min)

Christiane Zimmermann, Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel, Panelist (15 min)



S19-331

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4B (Lower Level)

Theme: **Review of J. C. Reeves and A. Y. Reed, *Enoch from Antiquity to the Middle Ages Sources from Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, Volume I* (Oxford, 2018)**

Kelley Coblenz Bautch, St. Edward's University, Presiding
James VanderKam, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (20 min)
Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Panelist (20 min)
Eva Mroczek, University of California-Davis, Panelist (20 min)
Andrei Orlov, Marquette University, Panelist (20 min)
Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College, Panelist (20 min)
Annette Reed, New York University, Respondent (15 min)
John Reeves, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S19-332

SBL Qumran Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Capitol Ballroom 6 (Fourth Level)

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, Presiding
Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Linguistic Similarity between Qumran's Core Texts: A Computational Stylistic Approach (30 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa
New Readings and Discussion of 4Q249 cryptA Midrash/Sepher Moshe (30 min)

James M. Tucker, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Scroll of 4Q256 (Serekh ha-yahad b): A New (Digital) Edition (30 min)

Drew Longacre, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Reconsidering the Date of the En-Gedi Leviticus Scroll (EGLv): Exploring the Limitations of the Comparative-Typological Paleographic Method (30 min)

Daniel K. Falk, Pennsylvania State University
What Order are the Qumran Festival Prayers? Toward an Improved Reconstruction of 4Q509+4Q505. (30 min)

S19-333

SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles, Presiding
Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University / Al Maktoum College
The Book of Life: Between the Bible and the Qur'an (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Franz Winter, Universität Graz
Abraham, the Iconoclast, in the Gospel of Barnabas: New Insights into a "Jewish-Christian-Muslim Hotchpotch" (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Katharina Keim, University of Manchester
The Creation of the World in al-Tabari's "History of Prophets and Kings" (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
Biblical Violence and Exegesis in Late Antiquity: A Muslim View (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S19-334

SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom C (Third Level)

Theme: **Late Antiquity: Five Fragments**

Panelists will offer close readings of a range of secondary or technical sources outside the field in order to investigate provocative problems, ideas, and disciplinary techniques for scholars who study the late ancient world.

C. M. Chin, University of California-Davis, Presiding (5 min)

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College, Panelist (10 min)

Moulie Vidas, Princeton University, Panelist (10 min)

Michael Pregill, University of California, Los Angeles, Panelist (10 min)

Roland Betancourt, University of California-Irvine, Panelist (10 min)

Discussion (55 min)

Business Meeting (40 min)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-335

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 710 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Sublime in Religious Rhetoric (Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Track 1: New Horizons in Sociorhetorical Interpretation)**

Bart Bruehler, Indiana Wesleyan University, Presiding (5 min)

Christopher Holmes, McAfee School of Theology
Divine Speech, Hebrews, and the Rhetoric of the Sublime (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School
"More Sublime than Speech": On the Rhetoric of Silence in the Gospel of Luke (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Roy Jeal, Booth University College
The Rhetoric of the Sublime in the Narrative of Mary the Mother of Jesus (Luke 1–2) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Thiessen, Université de Strasbourg
The Sublime and Subliminal in Romans 2–3 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Murray J. Evans, University of Winnipeg
The Sublime in Religious Rhetoric: A Response (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

The notion of the sublime indicates a perspective on rhetoric in the ancient world that seeks to transcend the practices and pragmatic guidelines of the Greek and Roman teachers of rhetoric. The treatise *On the Sublime*, attributed to Longinus, considers how rhetoric can move audiences beyond rational thought and experience through apprehension rather than comprehension.

Study of the sublime considers how things like beauty, terror, and metaphor engage humans and their emotions, moving them to beliefs, behaviors, and understandings that transcend careful logic. The authors of the New Testament reach toward the rhetoric of the sublime as they seek to move their audiences into religious experiences of God, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit. This session will explore how the rhetoric of the sublime functions in selected New Testament texts within a broader sociorhetorical framework.

S19-335a

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 612 (Street Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Richard E. DeMaris, Jason T. Lamoreaux, and Steven C. Muir, eds., "Early Christian Ritual Life" (Routledge 2018)**

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University, Presiding

Jade Weimer, University of Manitoba, Panelist (25 min)

Alicia J. Batten, Conrad Grebel University College/University of Waterloo, Panelist (25 min)

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki, Panelist (25 min)

Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL), Panelist (25 min)

Richard DeMaris, Valparaíso University, Respondent (10 min)

Jason Lamoreaux, Texas Christian University, Respondent (10 min)

Steven C. Muir, Concordia University of Edmonton, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

P19-337a

The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Johanne Christiansen, University of Copenhagen, Presiding

Karen L. Carducci, Catholic University of America
Imagining Arabia from "Divinely Blessed" to "Accursed Desert": Greco-Roman Stereotypes about Pre-Islamic Arabian Society (20 min)

Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston
The Evolution of God? Trinitarian Deities in the Qur'an (20 min)

Brannon Wheeler, United States Naval Academy
Pre-Islamic Camel Sacrifice in the Qur'an (20 min)

Stephen J. Shoemaker, University of Oregon
Anastasius of Sinai's Witness to Earliest Islam: Some New Evidence (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-338

SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 501 (Street Level)

Theme: **A Review of Stephen L. Cook, *Ezekiel 38–48* (AYB, 2018)**

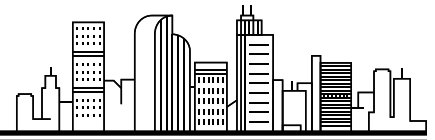
Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Introduction (20 min)

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College, Panelist (20 min)

Marc Brettler, Duke University, Panelist (20 min)

Michael Konkel, Theologische Fakultät Paderborn, Panelist (20 min)



Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews, Panelist (20 min)
Stephen Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S19-340

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 702 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ugaritic Mythology and Incantations**

Brian Doak, George Fox University, Presiding

Matthew McAfee, Welch College

Ugaritic Ditanu and Greek Titans: An Appraisal of Etymological and Thematic Connections (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andres Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
Sorcery or Impotence? Pastiche and the Discourse Patterns of Incantation KTU 1.169 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Grace J. Park, University of the Free State
House of Exorcism in Prov 21:9 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Young Bok Kim, University of Chicago
The Meaning of QRN as "Lightning Flash" in Ugaritic (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S19-341

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Bible and Low(er) Culture**

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding (4 min)

Joel LeMon, Emory University

Duke Does Exegesis: Modes of Interpreting Scripture in Ellington's Three Sacred Concerts (1965–1973) (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

John Byron, Ashland Theological Seminary
The Legacy of Cain (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Rebekah Welton, University of Exeter
Biblical Texts and Video Games: "The Binding of Isaac" as Case Study (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

John W. Fadden, Saint John Fisher College
The Proverbs 31 Woman in Late Twentieth Century Self-Help Literature (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Discussion (6 min)

S19-342

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 505 (Street Level)

Theme: **Reconsidering Violence in the Book of Jeremiah (continued)**

This will be the second of two sessions that consider the intersectional as well as multi-faceted nature of the way in which violence has been written into the text of Jeremiah that may have distinct consequences for readers who find themselves in violent contexts themselves.

Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding (5 min)

Amanda R. Morrow, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Metaphorical Dehumanization of Violence in Jeremiah (30 min)

Jonathan D. Bentall, Durham University
The Stricken Prophet: Violence, Trauma and Faithfulness in Jeremiah 18–20 (30 min)

Samuel Hildebrandt, Briercrest College
"Words like Silence Break the Violence": Jeremiah's (un)spoken Speech as Nonviolent Resistance (30 min)

Oliver Glanz, Andrews University and Torben Bergland, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Jeremiah's Oracles of Violence as Therapeutic Efforts to Reconceptualize a God of Care (pqd) (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S19-343

SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 113 (Street Level)

Theme: **What Do I Do Now? Job Hunting and Looking beyond the Tenure Track**

In this roundtable-workshop session, Jessica Ehinger discusses issues particular to job hunting outside the traditional tenure track, including how to write an effective resume and cover letter, how to identify potential positions, and how nonacademic job hunting differs from the academic market. In doing so, the session provides graduate students and young investigators with a solid understanding of what to expect in the job hunting process, so that they can best

Jessica Ehinger, Boston University, Panelist

S19-443

SBL Press Authors and Editors Reception

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

S19-500

SBL-Westar Institute Jesus Scholar Lecture

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Offsite – St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2015 Glenarm Place

Bernard Brandon Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary
In the Beginning is the End: A Comparison of the Jesus Seminar and John Meier's Marginal Jew (90 min)

P19-500a

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

7:00 PM–8:15 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Review and Discussion of "When the Morning Stars Sang": Essays in Honor of Choon-Leong Seow on the Occasion of his Sixty-Fifth Birthday**

Yii-Jan Lin, Yale Divinity School, Presiding (5 min)
Scott Jones, Covenant College, Panelist (10 min)
Christine Yoder, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)
Brennan Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)
Choon-Leong Seow, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S20-101

SBL Program Unit Chairs Meeting

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 607 (Street Level)

S20-102

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite AB (Third Level)

Theme: **Early Christian Fiction**

Peter Mena, University of San Diego, Presiding
Timothy P. Hein, University of Edinburgh
Birth Pains: What Can (Re)Producing Jesus' Birth Narrative (Re) Produce? (30 min)
Jenna C. Kokot, Boston College
Fires, Lions, and Trials: The Danielic Court-Tales and the Structure of the Acts of Thecla (30 min)
Matthew Wade Ferguson, University of California-Irvine
Staging Bíos: A Diegetic and Mimetic Analysis of Speech in the Gospels within the Biographical Tradition (30 min)

Maria Sturesson, Lunds Universitet

The White Robe: Angels, Appearances, and Resurrection Speech in Gospel Narrative (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S20-103

SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section / Book of Psalms Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 703 (Street Level)

Theme: **Othmar Keel's Symbolism of the Biblical World, 45 years later**

The papers in this session revisit the pioneering work of Othmar Keel: *The Symbolism of the Biblical World: Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Book of Psalms*, first published in German in 1972 (ET 1978).

Brent Strawn, Emory University, Presiding

Joel LeMon, Emory University

The Impact of Keel's Symbolism of the Biblical World on Psalms Commentaries (25 min)

Ryan P. Bonfiglio, Emory University / First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta

Symbolism 2.0: Reflections on Keel's Approach 45 Years Later (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Justin Walker, Emory University

The Poetics of Violence in Lamentations and Ashurbanipal's Palace Reliefs: Reconsidering Keel's "Phenomenological" Approach (25 min)

Robin J DeWitt Knauth, Lycoming College

The Symbolism of Biblical Blood Ritual (25 min)

Alison Gray, Westminster College (Cambridge)

Getting the Wrong End of the Bow? Reconsidering Keel's Images of Psalm 18.35 (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-104

SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 704 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ritual and Sacred Space**

Sarah Madole, Borough of Manhattan Community College (CUNY), Presiding

Mary K. Farag, Princeton Theological Seminary

Copto-Arabic Narratives of Church Consecrations as Ekphrasis of Ecclesial Art (25 min)

John Granger Cook, LaGrange College

Alleged Christian Crosses in Pompeii and Herculaneum (25 min)

Daniel Eastman, Yale University

The Gospel Book as Liturgical Actor (25 min)

Jordan Conley, Boston University

Envisioning the Invisible: A Materialist Analysis of the Late Antique Shrine of SS Cyrus and John (25 min)



Bradley J. Daugherty, Vanderbilt University
*The Basilica of Alexander at Tipasa and Its Structuring of the
 Commemoration of the Dead (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

S20-105

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 2C (Lower Level)

Theme: **The Bible and (Social) Justice**

Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis College, Presiding

Matthew J.M. Coomber, Saint Ambrose University
*Adopting Biblical Ethics into Modern Poverty Contexts: An Ancient
 Tradition (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Erica Mongé-Greer, University of Aberdeen
*A Song for the Poor: Ethical Reflections on the Language of Poverty in
 the Psalter (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Markus Zehnder, Ansgar Teologiske Høgskole
The Role of Government in Promoting Social Justice (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
The Hermeneutics of Christian Social Justice (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (2 min)

Discussion (28 min)

S20-106

SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4E (Lower Level)

Jonathan Watt, Geneva College, Presiding

Bryan W. Y. Fletcher, McMaster Divinity College
Voice in the Greek of the New Testament (30 min)

AW Pitts IV, Arizona Christian University
Paul's Linguistic Competence and the Pseudonymity Debate (30 min)

John J. H. Lee, McMaster Divinity College
*Engaging with the Homogeneous Unit Principle Based on a Linguistic
 Investigation of Ephesians 2:11–22 (30 min)*

Samuel Freney, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Aspect Substitution in the Parable of the Sower (30 min)

Ryder A. Wishart, McMaster Divinity College
*Describing the Structure of Greek: What Inflectional Paradigms Tell
 Us About Syntax (30 min)*

S20-107

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 402 (Street Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Lexicography**

Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding

David J.A. Clines, University of Sheffield
Synonyms in Classical Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mathias Coeckelbergs, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Johan
 de Joode, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
*FastText: A Computational Semantic Approach to Lexical Choice in
 the Hebrew Bible (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Hikaru Kumon, University of Wisconsin-Madison
*The Way Hebrews-Speakers Thought about "Love": The Semantic
 Invariant as Culture Specific Cognition (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Wolfgang Zwiackl, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Gold in the Old Testament (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-108

SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 3C (Lower Level)

Theme: **Trauma and Gender**

We encourage papers on trauma and Gender to interact with the notion of "insidious trauma" – a term coined by the feminist psychotherapist Maria Root to describe the ongoing violation experienced by individuals and groups based on gender, race, sexual orientation, and class that includes the long-term effects of systemic sexism, racism, and classism. Papers may interpret biblical or extra-biblical texts through the lens of various dimensions of trauma, including the following: individual, collective, and intergenerational experience; events or ongoing situations that traumatize; effects of traumatization; and strategies for recovery from and resilience against traumatization.

LeAnn Snow Flesher, American Baptist Seminary of the West,
 Presiding

Gina Hens-Piazza, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley
*Silence Breakers: Woman Zion & the #MeToo Movement:
 Lamentation as Path to Resilience (30 min)*

L Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of
 Stellenbosch
*Nolite te bastardes carborundorum: Insidious Trauma in the Story
 of Rachel, Leah, Bilhah, and Zilpah, and Margaret Atwood's The
 Handmaid's Tale (30 min)*

Kelly D Dagley, Fuller Theological Seminary/ Hope Int
 University
*The Book of Ruth, Immigrant Women, and the Danger of Sexual
 Violence (30 min)*

Christl Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Respondent
 (30 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

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S20-110

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall E (Third Level)

Barry Jones, Campbell University, Presiding

Friederike Neumann, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
Hope for Zion: Prophecy of Salvation in the Book of the Twelve and Its Reception in Late Psalms (30 min)

Nicholas R. Werse, Baylor University
Reconsidering the Literary Links between Hosea and Joel (30 min)

Nathan Wall, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto
Malachi as Hosea's Wise Reader (30 min)

Nathan Hays, Baylor University
Priestly Contempt for the Cult in Malachi? The Interlocutors in Mal 1:7b, 12b (30 min)

David N. DeJong, Saint Louis University
The Eschatological Elijah and the Reinterpretation of the "Day of the LORD" in Mal 3:22–24 (30 min)

S20-111

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 406 (Street Level)

Theme: **New and Forthcoming Commentaries on Chronicles**

This panel features authors of recent or forthcoming commentaries on Chronicles. Panelists will discuss their various approaches to the task of writing commentary, the ways that they present recent scholarship to their respective audiences, and the contributions of their commentaries to the field.

Deirdre Fulton, Baylor University, Presiding

Ken Ristau, MacEwan University
Cult and Community: Commentary on a Second Chronicles Commentary (20 min)

Blaire French, University of Virginia
On the Reception of Chronicles (20 min)

David Janzen, Durham University
Commenting on 1 Chronicles 1–9: Some Problems (20 min)

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University
The Chronicles of the Kings of Judah –Deliberations and Choices in the Composition of a Commentary (20 min)

Ralph Klein, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

S20-112

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 610 (Street Level)

Theme: **New Ways of Studying Jewish-Christian Relations**

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, Presiding

Jennifer R Hunter, Northern Arizona University
From Hebrews to Christians: Religious Identity and Competition within the Gospel of Philip (25 min)

Josiah S. Bisbee, Brown University
Ioudaioi Abroad: "Jewish" or "Judean" Migrants? (25 min)

Collin Cornell, Sewanee: The University of the South
The Costobar Affair: Comparing "Idumaism" and Early Judaism as Species of Hellenistic Levantine Cult (25 min)

Ari Finkelstein, University of Cincinnati
Rekindling the Fire: Fear of Jewish Sacrifice in Late Antique Syrian Antioch (25 min)

Monica Selvatici, Londrina State University
Christian Identities and Judaizing Praxis in Roman Asia Minor in the Second Century CE: A Look upon the Letters of Ignatius of Antioch (25 min)

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
The Slow and Unclear Parting of the (Many) Ways (25 min)

S20-113

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Centennial Ballroom A (Third Level)

Theme: **Violence and Resistance**

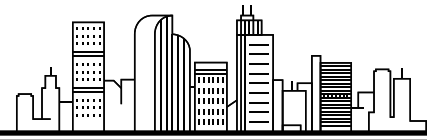
Tyler Mayfield, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary,
Presiding

Audrey M. Nissly, The University of Texas at Austin
"I Would Become Weak Like Anyone Else": Reading Judges 16 as Sexual Violence (30 min)

Anne Létourneau, Université du Québec à Montréal
Dressed for the Part: Joseph and Tamar's Tunics in the Hebrew Bible (Gen 37–50; 2 Sam 13) (30 min)

Nazeer Bacchus, Yale Divinity School
When the Subaltern Speaks: Conquest, Liminality, and the Voice of Resistance in the Book of Lamentations (30 min)

Elizabeth Min Hee Kim, The University of Sydney
The Voice of the Voiceless: Reading Luke 1:46–55 as Genealogy (30 min)



S20-114

SBL Gospel of Luke Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 1C (Lower Level)

Mikael Winnige, Umeå Universitet, Presiding

Mark Jeong, Yale Divinity School

Homeless Jesus, Homeless Church: A Literary Analysis of Luke 4:16–30 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Julie Newberry, Duke University

Joy in the Lukan Infancy Narrative: The Emotional Overtones of Zechariah's Speech(lessness) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Susan E. Benton, Baylor University

Qohelet and Luke's Rich Fool (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Patrick Barber, Augustine Institute and Laurel Eyer, Augustine Institute

Transmitting the Victory: The Lord's Prayer in Luke as a Summary of the Temptations (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John A. Darr, Boston College

Learning to Read with Luke and Theophilus (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-115

SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 507 (Street Level)

Theme: **Interpreting Greek and Roman Religions in Context in the Mediterranean World, Part 2**

Frederick Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Presiding

Susanne Luther, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

Paul's Binding Spells? Pauline Letters and Ancient Curse Tablets (25 min)

Danielle Baillargeon, University of Toronto

Bathing the Body and Performing Purification? Women's Roles in Roman Funerary Ritual (25 min)

Ward Blanton, University of Kent at Canterbury

"We Are Not Drunk as You Suppose": Situating the Mistaken Intoxication in Acts 2 within Greco-Roman Religious and Philosophical Contexts (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

Papers will be available beforehand, and can be requested from

Gerhard van den Heever, vdheega@unisa.ac.za.

S20-116

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 106 (Street Level)

Theme: **Animal Studies and Rabbinic Literature: Review of Beth A. Berkowitz's *Animals and Animality in the Babylonian Talmud* (Cambridge, 2018)**

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College, Presiding (5 min)

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego, Panelist (20 min)

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Mira Wasserman, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Panelist (20 min)

Beth Berkowitz, Barnard College, Respondent (20 min)

S20-117

SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall F (Third Level)

The open call session considers selected papers that have been submitted to a jury on the relationship between biblical scholarship and homiletics. We have selected papers that represent original research and that show promise for new directions in these two fields.

Joy Moore, Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University, Presiding (5 min)

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

The Laughter of Fools: Towards a Homiletics of Humor (20 min)

Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder, Chicago Theological Seminary

When Momma Preaches: A Womanist Maternal Homiletic (20 min)

Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, Campbell University

Preaching Mark's Jesus: Narrative Theology as a Homiletic (20 min)

Patrick J. Russell, Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Preaching the Parables: Results from a National Study (20 min)

Adam Tune, Cumberland University

Listening to the Grieving: Preaching from Lamentations (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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S20-118

SBL Ideological Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 405 (Street Level)

Theme: **Ideological Criticism in an Age of Terror**

Christina Petterson, Australian National University, Presiding

James Crossley, St Mary's University, London

Biblical Studies and "Conservative Liberal" Terror (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christopher B. Zeichmann, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto

Hermeneutics of the Spectacular in Biblical Scholarship since 9/11 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Canada

The Luxury of Interpreting Paul in a Sociopolitical Vacuum (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James N. Hoke, Luther College

Rethinking Rebels: Terrorism and Homonationalism around Romans 13 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College

Carceral Terror: Slave Catechisms and Their Apocalyptic Precursors (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

P20-119

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center (CC) – 104 (Street Level)

Theme: **Goettingen Septuagint: Greek and Coptic**

Reinhard Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding (15 min)

Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki

Challenges of the Critical Edition of 1 Samuel (25 min)

Pablo Torijano, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

The Göttingen Edition of III-IV Kingdoms: The Recension Criticism Approach (25 min)

Robert J. V. Hiebert, Trinity Western University

A Synopsis of the Textual History of 4 Maccabees (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Peter J Gentry, Southern Seminary

Advantages of the Goettingen Editions: Focus on Ecclesiastes (25 min)

Felix Albrecht, Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen

The New Critical Edition of the Psalms of Solomon: Septuaginta. Vetus Testamentum Graecum Auctoritate Academiae Scientiarum Göttingensis Editum, vol. XII/3 (25 min)

Frank Feder, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

The Sabidic Version of the Corpus Ieremiae (25 min)

S20-120

SBL Joshua-Judges Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4C (Lower Level)

Zev Farber, Project TABS, Presiding

Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

A Focus on a Link: The Conception of "Land" in the Interconnection between Joshua and the Pentateuch (30 min)

Brad Crowell, Drake University

Rahab and the Colonizers (30 min)

David Frankel, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

The Evolution of the Circumcision at Gilgal: From Human Initiative to Obedience to the Divine (30 min)

Elizabeth H.P. Backfish, William Jessup University

Nameless in the Nevi'im: An Exploration of Structural Patterning in the Book of Judges Based on Female Characterization (30 min)

Pamela J. W. Nourse, Claremont School of Theology

Into the Hand of a Woman: Deborah and Jael in Judges 4–5 (30 min)

S20-121

SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 601 (Street Level)

Theme: **Topics in LDS Reception of the Bible**

Cory Crawford, Ohio University Main Campus, Presiding

Stephen Betts, Brigham Young University

The Gate and the Way: Constructing Theology in Mormon Scripture through New Testament Quotation (30 min)

Daniel Becerra, Duke University

Cardiac Discourse in the Bible and Book of Mormon (30 min)

Derek Knox, Brookline Public Schools

Reading the Song of Songs Allegorically as a Dialogue between Heavenly Father and Heavenly Mother (30 min)

Colby Townsend, Utah State University

An Illiterate Farm Boy?: Joseph Smith's Use of the Bible from 1828–1830 (30 min)



S20-122

SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 708 (Street Level)

Theme: **Global/Majority World Perspectives on James and 1 Peter**

This session is dedicated to Global/Majority World or Minority Community interpretations of the letters of James and 1 Peter.

Mariam Kamell Kovalishyn, Regent College, Presiding
Adewuya, J. Ayodeji, Pentecostal Theological Seminary
James 5:14–16 in the Context of Contemporary African Christianity
(30 min)

Nelson R. Morales, Central American Theological Seminary
(SETECA)
Patience in the Light of the Lord's Coming: A Latin American Reading (30 min)

David A. deSilva, Ashland Theological Seminary
Reading 1 Peter in Sri Lanka (30 min)

Dennis R. Edwards, Northern Seminary
1 Peter and the African American Diaspora Experience (30 min)

Doug Holm, Denver Seminary
Marginalization, Hope, and Mission: Diaspora Readings of 1 Peter
(30 min)

S20-123

SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 709 (Street Level)

Theme: **Nature Imagery in the Hebrew Bible**

Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University
Bird Metaphors of Nesting and Parenthood: Contents and Functions
(25 min)

Cynthia L. Miller-Naudé, University of the Free State and
Jacobus A. Naudé, University of the Free State
Methodological Considerations in the Identification and Metaphorical Interpretation of Plants and Plant Products (25 min)

Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of
Religion (New York Branch)
God in the Biblical Imagination: Nature Imagery (25 min)

Katheryn Pfisterer Darr, Boston University
Of Trite Tropes and Platitudes: Imagery and Ageism in Biblical Proverbs (25 min)

S20-124

SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Granite C (Third Level)

Theme: **Two New Books: A Review Panel**

There will be panel discussions of two recent books: Geoffrey Smith's *Guilt By Association: Heresy Catalogues in Early Christianity* (Oxford, 2015) and David Litwa's *Refutation of All Heresies: Text, Translation, and Notes* (Atlanta, 2016).

Review Panel: Geoffrey Smith, *Guilt By Association* (Oxford, 2015)

Tuomas Rasimus, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet,
Presiding

Pamela Reaves, Colorado College, Panelist (20 min)

David Wilhite, Baylor University, Panelist (20 min)

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Review Panel: M. David Litwa, *Refutation of All Heresies: Text, Translation, and Notes* (Atlanta, 2016).

Jennifer Barry, University of Mary Washington, Panelist (20 min)

Paul-Hubert Poirier, Université Laval, Panelist (20 min)

M. David Litwa, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P20-125

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 403 (Street Level)

Theme: **Focused Topics in Biblical Research**

Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University, Presiding (5 min)

Serge Frolov, Southern Methodist University
Back to the Basics: Does Any Diachronic Approach Work? (25 min)

William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University
The Divine Name as an Apophaticism in Bibles Hebrew and Otherwise (25 min)

Kenneth A. Cherney, Jr., Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
Weyiqtol in the Book of Isaiah: What Were Those Masoretes Thinking?
(25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-126

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 203 (Street Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Jennifer Knust and Tommy Wasserman, To Cast the First Stone: The Transmission of a Gospel Story (Princeton University Press, 2018)**

JLH Krans, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Presiding (10 min)

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

Chris Keith, St Mary's University, Panelist (25 min)

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University, Panelist (25 min)

Hugh Houghton, University of Birmingham, Panelist (25 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Respondent (10 min)

Tommy Wasserman, Orebro School of Theology, Respondent
(10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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S20-127

SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 706 (Street Level)

Theme: **Papyri**

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University, Presiding (5 min)

Lorne R. Zelyck, Saint Joseph's College - University of Alberta
Sir Harold Idris Bell's Papyrus Syndicate (1920–1935) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel B. Sharp, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus
New Fragments in the Bodmer Library and What They Can Tell Us about the Story of the Bodmer Papyri (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Scott Possiel, Boston University
Ritual Texts and Ritual Performance: Re-categorizing Marginalized Manuscripts (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Zachary K. Dawson, McMaster Divinity College
Does Luke's Preface Resemble a Greek Decree? Comparing the Papyrological and Epigraphical Evidence of Greek Decrees with Ancient Preface Formulae (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John G. Nordling, Concordia Theological Seminary - Fort Wayne
What Light Can Be Shed on the Feuding Christian Women of Philippians 4:2? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S20-128

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall B (Third Level)

G. Anthony Keddie, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Ekaputra Tupamahu, Vanderbilt University
Paul and the Politics of Translation (30 min)

Hyongju Byon, Chicago Theological Seminary
The Contribution and Limitation of the Secular Understandings of Paul as a Political Thinker on Law (30 min)

David A. Roldan, FIET Theological Institute
Contemporary Readings on Paul's Theology: The Latin American Contribution (30 min)

Katherine A. Shaner, Wake Forest University
"Now to One Who Works..." (Rom 4:4): Working Debtors and Grace-Filled Profits as a Neoliberal Capitalist Framework for Romans 4 (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S20-129

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – Mile High Ballroom 4D (Lower Level)

Theme: **Philology of the Self**

Carol Newsom, Emory University

In Search of Cultural Models for Divine Spirit and Human Body in Ancient Israel (25 min)

Christian Frevel, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Buffering the Self: Insights in Inwardness and Outwardness from the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Françoise Mirguet, Arizona State University

Lexical Innovations and the Transformation of the Self: Splanchna and Sensitivity to Others' Pain (25 min)

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Toward a Philology of the Self in the Hebrew Bible and Beyond: A Few Preliminary Sketches (25 min)

Hindy Najman, University of Oxford

Philological Reflections: Subject Formation and Practices of Reading in Jewish Antiquity (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-130

SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 105 (Street Level)

Theme: **Galatia: The Region, the Cities, Religion and Paul, Part 2**

The expansion of early Christianity as an urban phenomenon in the region and cities of Galatia, from the perspective of Paul's letters, the Acts of the Apostles and early Christianity, in the context of the local documentary and archaeological evidence.

Kathy Ehrensperger, Universität Potsdam, Presiding (3 min)

Christoph Heil, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz

The Addressees of Paul's Letter to the Galatians in Their Social and Religious Contexts (25 min)

Peter Oakes, University of Manchester

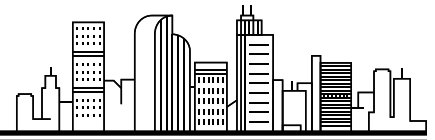
Did Paul Write for Asterix? The Extent of Celtic Ethnicity in Galatia and the Audience of Galatians (25 min)

Aliou Cissé Niang, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

Contested Spaces and the Colonized: A Senegalese Reading of Galatians 3:27–28 (25 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg

Member of Abraham's Family? Hagar's Gender, Status, Ethnos, and Religion in Gal 4:21–31 (25 min)



S20-131

SBL Q Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 608 (Street Level)

David Sloan, John Carroll University, Presiding
Justin David Strong, University of Notre Dame
Parables in Q or Parables in L? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sara Parks, University of Nottingham
The Quest for the Rhetorical Jesus: The Innovation of the Q Gender Pairs (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James Murphy, South Dakota State University
Q's Childless Utopia—Do Gendered Couplets Negate the Limited Evidence for Children among Q Insiders? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Fiodar Litvinau, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Jerusalem Abandoned: Q 13:34–35 in Context (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-132

SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 702 (Street Level)

Theme: **Margaret Atwood and the Bible**

Sarah Emanuel, Colby College, Presiding
Richard Walsh, Methodist University
Speculating (on) the Bible: Biblical Transformations in Atwood's Dystopic Fiction (30 min)

Jennifer L. Koosed, Albright College
Margaret Atwood's Primordial Myth (30 min)

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University Main Campus
The Snake, the Poet: Poetry and Duplicity in Margaret Atwood's Poetry and the Hebrew Bible (30 min)

Peter J. Sabo, University of Alberta
Do Not Take Baths Outside in the Garden: Alias Grace, the Male Gaze, and Susanna and the Elders (30 min)

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College
The Long Pen, the Future Library, and Biblical Prophecy: Thinking Writing with Margaret Atwood (30 min)

S20-133

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 606 (Street Level)

Theme: **Features of Apocalyptic Texture (Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Track 2: Refining Sociorhetorical Interpretation)**

Sheila McGinn, John Carroll University, Presiding (5 min)

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University
Cosmic Texture in Early Christian Writings (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elekosi Lafitaga, Graduate Theological Union
The Sheep and the Son of Man: Metaphoric Texture of Matthew's Apocalyptic Discourse (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robyn Whitaker, University of Divinity
"Like a Lion Roaring": Exploring the Beastly Rhetoric of Revelation 10–13 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert H. von Thaden, Jr., Mercyhurst College
"We Will All Be Changed": Apocalyptic Transformation of Christ Believing Bodies (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Goff, Florida State University
Apocalypticism: A Decentralized Social Phenomenon (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bart Bruchler, Indiana Wesleyan University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sociorhetorical Interpretation is known for its use of multiple textures for the analysis of biblical texts (innertexture, intertexture, social-cultural texture, and ideological texture). An emerging tool of analysis is the exploration of various religious textures that provide key images, arguments, and storylines for persuasion.

These religious textures involve a fluid cluster of features that can be deployed, blended, and reformulated for specific aims. In this session, presenters will explore the features of apocalyptic texture as it is employed and configured in the religious rhetoric of various early Christian writings.

S20-135

SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 705 (Street Level)

Kathy Gaca, Vanderbilt University, Presiding (5 min)

David Bosworth, The Catholic University of America
Slavery and Infanticide: The Abandonment of Moses and Ishmael (25 min)

Kenneth Fox, University of Calgary
Philo of Alexandria and Sex with Pretty Little Slave Girls (25 min)

Joseph E. Brito, Concordia University - Université Concordia
Appropriating the Title of "Servant of God" in the Second Century CE: Slavery and Identity in the Acts of Paul and Thecla (25 min)

Chris de Wet, University of South Africa
Slavery in the Life of Euphemia and the Goth (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S20-136

SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 302 (Street Level)

Theme: **The Temporal Turn in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity: A Roundtable Discussion**

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Presiding (5 min)

Lynne Bahr, Fordham University, Panelist (30 min)

Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University, Panelist (30 min)

Lynn Kaye, The Ohio State University, Panelist (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S20-137

SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center (CC) – 506 (Street Level)

Theme: **Variant Literary Editions**

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego, Presiding

Molly Zahn, University of Kansas

Erasing the Distinction between “Biblical Redactions” and “Variant Literary Editions” (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Stefan Schorch, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg

The First Altar in the Promised Land According to the Textual

History of the Book of Joshua (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Noah Hacham, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Nash Papyrus Reconsidered: A Bilingual Jew? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alessandro Maria Bruni, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice

The Chester Beatty Papyrus 967 and the Old Church Slavonic Bible:

New Insights into the Textual History of Ezekiel and Daniel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Clay Bench, University of Texas at El Paso

Naboth’s Vineyard, Ahab, and Jezebel: New Insights on the Composition History of 1 Kings 21 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-138

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall C (Third Level)

Theme: **The “Other” and the Bible**

Ken Brown, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

“The Other” in Early Seventeenth-Century English Biblical Interpretation (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Joseph M. Spencer, Brigham Young University

The Book of Mormon’s Use of Isaiah 53 (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Laura Jean Torgerson, Graduate Theological Union

Living Interpretation, Living Faith: How Apostolic Pentecostals in Managua Use the Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S20-139

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt Regency (HR) – Mineral Hall D (Third Level)

Theme: **Hypermasculinity, Biblical Interpretation, and “A New Pharaoh”**

Febbie Dickerson, American Baptist College, Presiding

Leah Rediger Schulte, Doane University

Susanna’s #MeToo Moment: Redefining Biblical Masculinities (25 min)

Carolyn Klaasen, Union Theological Seminary

Jael and the Tent Peg: Hegemonic Masculinity in Judges 4 and 5 (25 min)

Ryan Stephen Higgins, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Captive Brides and Covetous Kings: Female Beauty and Male Possession in Biblical Narrative (25 min)

Meredith J. Stone, Hardin-Simmons University

Requesting a Dividend of Hegemonic Masculinity: Esther’s Prayer in LXX Esther (25 min)

Cynthia M. Baker, Bates College

“Have You Allowed All the Women to Live?” A Study of Mosaic Masculinities (25 min)