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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Theology, Quincy University, Department of Theology and Philosophy.

Aug. 2011 – Present.
Tenure-track appointment.

Teaching Scholar (postdoctoral), University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology,

Aug. 2010 – May 2011.
Awarded competitively on the basis of teaching excellence through the College of Arts and Letters.

Adjunct Professor, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Feb. 2011.

Instructor, University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology, Aug. 2009 – Dec. 2009.

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana

Degree: **Ph.D.** (August 2010)
Dept./Area: Theology / Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity
Dissertation: “Paul and the Hermeneutics of the Apostolic Kerygma: Reassessing Paul’s Scriptural Interpretation in Light of His Hermeneutical Statements and His Prosopological Exegesis.”
Committee: David E. Aune (director); John P. Meier and Brian E. Daley (readers)
Grad. Honor: ***The Winner of The Shaheen Graduate School Award in the Humanities—
The Top Graduation Prize, Competitive Across All Disciplines***

Regent College, Vancouver, British Columbia

Degree: **M.C.S.** (April 2004)
Concentration: Biblical Studies
Project (Dual): O.T. Comprehensive Exams and N.T. Comprehensive Exams
Grad. Honor: ***The Biblical Studies Prize***

Whitworth University, Spokane, Washington

Degree: **B.S.** (May 1999)
Major/Minors: Physics; Mathematics, Chemistry
Grad. Honor: ***Summa Cum Laude***

PRINT PUBLICATIONS**Books (sole author):****Published:**

1. *Salvation by Allegiance Alone: Rethinking Faith, Works, and the Gospel of Jesus the King* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2017). Foreword by Scot McKnight.
Endorsed by Gary Anderson, Michael Gorman, Michael Bird, Joshua Jipp, and Scot McKnight.
2. *The Birth of the Trinity: Jesus, God, and Spirit in New Testament and Early Christian Interpretations of the Old Testament* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015; paperback in 2016).
Endorsed by Joel B. Green, Larry Hurtado, Lewis Ayres, and Matthew Levering. Reviews in *RBL*, *ExpT*, *Themelios*, *Heythrop*, *Theology*, *RBECS*, *BBR*, *WTJ*, *IJST*, *JECS*, *Aug. Studies*, *Horizons*, *Theological Studies*, *CBQ*, and on numerous blogs (e.g., by Peter Leithart for *First Things*).
3. *The Hermeneutics of the Apostolic Proclamation: The Center of Paul's Method of Scriptural Interpretation* (Waco, Tex.: Baylor University Press, 2012).
Endorsed by Michael J. Gorman. Reviews in *RBL*, *BBR*, *RSR*, *ExpT*, *JTS*, *Themelios*, *Trinity Journal*, and *Theologische Literaturzeitung*.

Contracted:

4. *The Birth of Christology: Jesus, Divine Persons, and Identity in the New Testament and Early Christianity* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans).
Stage of completion: research. Contract due in Aug. 2018.

Refereed Journal Articles (sole author):

1. "A Christology of Incarnation and Enthronement: Romans 1:3-4 as Unified, Non-Adoptionist, and Non-Conciliatory," *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 77 (2015): 107-27.
2. "Cryptic Codes and a Violent King: A New Proposal for Matt 11:12 and Luke 16:16-18," *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 75, no. 1 (2013): 74-93.
3. "Why do the Seven Sons of Sceva Fail?: Exorcism, 'Magic', and Oath Enforcement in Acts 19,13-17," *Revue biblique* 118, no. 3 (2011): 408-21.
4. "Closed-Minded Hermeneutics?: A Proposed Alternative Translation for Luke 24:45," *Journal of Biblical Literature* 129, no. 3 (2010): 537-57.
5. "Beyond *Stichwort*: A Narrative Approach to Isa 52,7 in Romans 10,15 and 11Q Melchizedek (11Q13)," *Revue biblique* 116, no. 3 (2009): 387-414.
6. "Justin Martyr's Logocentric Hermeneutical Transformation of Isaiah's Vision of the Nations," *Journal of Theological Studies*, n.s. 60, no. 2 (2009): 538-55.

Invited Book Contributions (sole author of a chapter in a multi-author edited volume):**Published:**

1. "Prosopographic Exegesis and Narrative Logic: Paul, Origen, and Theodoret of Cyrus on Ps 69:22-23" in *Greek Patristic and Eastern Orthodox Interpretations of Romans* (ed. Daniel Patte and Vasile Mihoc; *Romans Through History and Cultures* 9; London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2013), 105-34.
2. "Beyond Hays's *Echoes of Scripture in the Letters of Paul*: A Proposed Diachronic Intertextuality with Romans 10:16 as a Test-Case" in *Paul and Scripture: Extending the Conversation* (ed. Christopher D. Stanley; *Early Christianity and Its Literature* 9; Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2012), 263-292.

Forthcoming:

3. "The Old Testament in the New Testament: New Approaches" in *The State of New Testament Studies* (ed. Scot McKnight and Nijay Gupta; Grand Rapids: Baker Academic). Due April 2018.

Book Reviews:

1. Review of Michael J. Gorman, *Becoming the Gospel: Paul, Participation, and Mission* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* (forthcoming).
2. Review of N. T. Wright, *The Paul Debate: Critical Questions for Understanding the Apostle* (Waco, Tex.: Baylor University Press, 2015) in *Themelios* 41 (2016): 130-32.
3. Review of Wesley Hill, *Paul and the Trinity: Persons, Relations, and the Pauline Letters* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015) in *Theological Studies* 77 (2016): 218-19.
4. Review of Gareth L. Cockerill, *The Epistle to the Hebrews* (NICNT; Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2012) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 44 (2014): 220-21.
5. Review of Michael J. Gorman, *Inhabiting the Cruciform God: Kenosis, Justification, and Theosis in Paul's Narrative Soteriology* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2009) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 41 (2011): 104-05.
6. Review of Stanley E. Porter, ed., *Dictionary of Biblical Criticism and Interpretation* (London and New York: Routledge, 2007) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 40, no. 4 (2010): 234-35.
7. Review of J. R. Daniel Kirk, *Unlocking Romans: Resurrection and the Justification of God* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2008) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 40, no. 3 (2010): 168-69.
8. Review of Brevard S. Childs, *The Church's Guide for Reading Paul: The Canonical Shaping of the Pauline Corpus* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2008) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 40, no. 1 (2010): 57-58.
9. Review of Sara Parvis and Paul Foster, eds., *Justin Martyr and His Worlds* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2007) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 39, no. 4 (2009): 222-23.

NEW MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

OnScript Author Interviews:

OnScript is a popular podcast/blog that I co-host with Matthew Lynch, a Dean and Professor at Westminster Theological Centre in the U.K. We conduct live author interviews pertaining to recent books in the field of biblical studies via internet conferencing. We subsequently publish the interviews as podcasts to iTunes, Stitcher, GooglePlay, Facebook, Twitter, and on an interactive blog (onscript.study). Generally I host our guest authors for New Testament titles while Matthew Lynch hosts for the Old Testament—although occasionally we co-host. Only my solo or co-hosted interviews are listed below.

1. Interview of Joshua W. Jipp, *Christ is King* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2015) on Dec. 21, 2015. Published Jan. 27, 2016.
2. Interview of Michael J. Gorman, *Becoming the Gospel* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015) on Jan. 29, 2016. Published Feb. 24, 2016.
3. Interview of John M. G. Barclay, *Paul and the Gift* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015) on Feb. 12, 2016. Published Mar. 23, 2016.
4. Interview of Joel B. Green, *Conversion in Luke-Acts* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2015) on Feb. 24, 2016. Published May 11, 2016.
5. Interview of Crispin Fletcher-Louis, *Jesus Monotheism*, vol. 1 (Eugene, Or.: Cascade, 2015) on May 11, 2016. Published June 21, 2016.
6. Interview of David J. Downs, *Alms* (Baylor University Press, 2016) on July 11, 2016. Published Aug. 2, 2016.
7. Interview of Chris Tilling, *Paul's Divine Christology* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016) on Aug. 3, 2016. Published Sept. 1, 2016. Co-hosted with Matt Lynch.
8. Interview of Richard B. Hays, *Echoes of Scripture in the Gospels* (Baylor University Press, 2016) on Aug. 19, 2016. Published Sept. 20, 2016. Co-hosted with Matt Lynch.
9. Interview of Larry Hurtado, *Destroyer of the Gods* (Baylor University Press, 2016) on Sept. 30, 2016. Published Oct. 25, 2016.
10. Interview of David Starling, *Hermeneutics as Apprenticeship* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016) on Oct. 6, 2016. Published Dec. 1, 2016.
11. Interview of Oliver Crisp, *The Word Enfleshed* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016) on Dec. 7, 2016. Published Jan. 3, 2017.
12. Interview of Fred Sanders, *The Triune God* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2016) on Jan. 4, 2017. Published (forthcoming).

Invited Web-Based Publications:

1. "Interview with Matthew Bates on The Birth of the Trinity—Part I" Nov. 13, 2015. The *Theological Miscellany* Blog:
<http://theologicalmisc.net/2015/11/interview-with-matthew-bates-on-the-birth-of-the-trinity/>

2. "Interview with Matthew Bates on The Birth of the Trinity—Part II" Nov. 16, 2015. The *Theological Miscellany* Blog:
<http://theologicalmisc.net/2015/11/interview-with-matthew-bates-on-the-birth-of-the-trinity-part-2/>
3. "Good Friday: Divine Abandonment or Trinitarian Performance?" April 3, 2015. The Oxford University Press blog:
<http://blog.oup.com/2015/04/good-friday-divine-abandonment-trinitarian-performance/>
4. "Response: *Hermeneutics of Apostolic Proclamation* (pt 2)." Dunelm Road. Oct. 9, 2013. A invited response to Ben Blackwell's review of my first monograph:
<https://dunelm.wordpress.com/2013/10/04/response-hermeneutics-of-apostolic-proclamation-pt-2/>
5. "Response: *Hermeneutics of Apostolic Proclamation* (pt 1)." Dunelm Road. Oct. 4, 2013. A invited response to Ben Blackwell's review of my first monograph:
<https://dunelm.wordpress.com/2013/10/04/response-hermeneutics-of-apostolic-proclamation-pt-1/>

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Invited University Lectures:

1. "Toward a Christology of Divine Persons." Covenant Theological Seminary. Plenary Address for The Sixth Annual Covenant Theology Conference. January 17, 2017.
2. "An Introduction to the Gospel of Mark." University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. November 29, 2016.
3. "Trinitarian Conversations: Septuagintal Dialogue and Divine Differentiation in Hebrews." University of Toronto, Wycliffe College. Wycliffe Center for Scripture and Theology Colloquium. April 29, 2016.
4. "When the Lord Comes to His Temple: Exploring Mark's Christology and Literary Techniques." A Public Lecture for the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. February 16, 2015.
5. "Exegeting the Person." Marquette University, Theology Department. February 11, 2014.
6. "The Use of the Old Testament in the New" for Introduction to the Old Testament, Nashotah House Theological Seminary (Nashotah, Wisconsin), conducted live on-line on Sept. 7, 2013.
7. "Book Celebration—*The Hermeneutics of the Apostolic Proclamation*," Quincy University, Town and Gown Lecture Series. Quincy, Illinois. April 18, 2013.
8. "Paul and Prosopological Exegesis," University of Notre Dame, Christianity and Judaism Colloquium. Notre Dame, Indiana. February, 24, 2010.

Professional Societies (Only National or International Conferences Listed):

Invited Papers:

1. "The Trinity in the Old Testament." Non-member guest lecture for the Evangelical Theological Society. Group: Old Testament Theology. San Antonio: Nov. 2016 (in preparation).

2. "Christology of Divine Identity? Septuagintal Dialogues in the New Testament as Trinitarian Critique." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Section: Theological Interpretation of Scripture. Atlanta: Nov. 2015.

Papers Competitively Selected:

1. "Was Paul an Allegorist?—The Wrong Question." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Section: Christian Theology and the Bible. San Diego: Nov. 2014.
2. "The Spirit as Distinct Person: Prosopological Exegesis and Divine Differentiation." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Section: Development of Early Christian Theology. San Diego: Nov. 2014.
3. "When Jesus Speaks in the Old Testament: A Theodramatic Proposal." Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference. Section: Intertextuality in the New Testament. Baltimore: Nov. 2013.
4. "When Christ Prays the Psalter: Prosopological Exegesis and the Trinity." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Section: Theological Interpretation of the Scripture. Chicago: November 2012.
5. "Prosopoiia as Scriptural Excavation Rather Than Rhetorical Persuasion." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. Section: Intertextuality and the New Testament. Chicago: November 2012.
6. "Veiled Resistance to a Violent King: Rereading Matthew 11:12 and Luke 16:16-18." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Unit: Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World. San Francisco: November, 2011.
7. "The Proto-Creed in Rom 1:3-4 As a Tool of Reconciliation?" The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Group: Romans Through History and Cultures. Atlanta: November, 2010.
8. "Getting Some Fatherly Advice: Refining 'Intertextuality' in the Study of Paul's Scriptural Interpretation." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Seminar: Paul and Scripture. Atlanta: November, 2010.
9. "The Epistle of Barnabas and the Theology of 'Temple': Opposition and Replacement." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Unit: Pseudepigrapha. New Orleans: November, 2009.
10. "Prosopographic Exegesis and Narrative Logic: Paul, Origen, and Theodoret of Cyrus on Ps 69:22-23." The Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Group: Romans Through History and Cultures. Boston: November, 2008.

COURSES TAUGHT

(sole instructor unless otherwise noted)

Undergraduate:

Interpreting the Bible: Romans (TRS 385), Quincy University. Writing enriched course.

Exploring the New Testament (TRS 357), Quincy University.

Introductory Greek I (TRS 271), Quincy University.

Introductory Greek II (TRS 272), Quincy University.

The Life and Teachings of Jesus (TRS 370), Quincy University. Writing enriched course.

Introduction to the Bible (TRS 217W), Quincy University. Occasionally writing enriched course.
History of Christianity I: From Jesus to the Dawn of the Reformation (TRS 251).
History of Christianity II: From the Reformation to the Present (TRS 252).
Western Religious Traditions (TRS 116), Quincy University.
Spirituality and Human Development (TRS 337), Quincy University
Gospels and Epistles (TRS 357), Quincy University.
Technology in Theology (TRS 201), Quincy University.
Theology Capstone (TRS 497), Quincy University. Writing enriched course. Co-taught with Dr. Strudwick.
Foundations of Theology (THEO 10001/20001), University of Notre Dame.
New Testament Introduction (THEO 40108), University of Notre Dame. Assistant for Dr. David Aune.
Honors Foundations of Theology (THEO 20001), University of Notre Dame. Assistant for Dr. Gary Anderson.
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible (THEO 40101), University of Notre Dame. Assistant for Dr. Gary Anderson.

Graduate:

The Bible for Preaching and Teaching (TRS 507), Quincy University.
From Daniel to Jesus: Early Judaism in the Second Temple Period (BIB 536), Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary.
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible (THEO 60105), University of Notre Dame. Assistant for Dr. Gary Anderson.
Power in Weakness: A Pastoral Exposition of Second Corinthians (BIB 659), Regent College. Assistant for Visiting Professor, Dr. Paul Barnett.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Ancient: Greek, Hebrew, Aramaic; *Modern:* German, French

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Paul, Jesus, the Gospels, Justin Martyr, early Christology, the Trinity, use of the OT in the NT, prosopological exegesis, theological interpretation, history of interpretation, ancient rhetoric

SELECT HONORS AND AWARDS

- **The Winner of The Eli J. and Helen Shaheen Graduate School Award in Humanities,** University of Notre Dame, 2011.
 The Shaheen Award is the highest graduation honor bestowed in the humanities at Notre Dame. Each department may nominate only one graduating Ph.D. student to compete and only one winner is selected from among all the departments in the humanities. The selection committee is instructed to identify the graduate who has demonstrated the highest level of combined excellence in research, teaching, fellowships, and grades. See the archived news release at <http://graduateschool.nd.edu/news/22223-2011-graduate-school-shaheen-winners/>
- **Doctoral Candidacy Examinations Completed with Honors,** University of Notre Dame, 2008.
- **The Biblical Studies Prize,** Regent College, 2004.
 A graduation distinction and cash prize which is conferred on the top M.-level graduate in the discipline of biblical studies.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Biblical Literature, Catholic Biblical Association, Institute for Biblical Research

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND SERVICE TO STUDENTS

- Member of the Academic Standards Committee (2014-present)
- Secretary and Member of the Academic Standards Committee (2012-14)
- Host and Leader for the QU's Fireside Faith (meets monthly in my home) (2016-present)
- Academic Advisor (2013-present)
- Faculty Advisor for the Students for Life Organization (2015-present)
- Host and Leader for the QU Student Bible Study (met weekly in my home) (2012-2016)
- Member of the Campus Environment Subcommittee (2015-16)
- Faculty Advisor for the Gospel Warriors (Choir and Dance) Organization (2015-16)
- Search Committee for Assistant Professor of English (2014-15)
- Service Day Participant, Quincy University, Oct 2015
- Volunteer for "Fall Into Your Major" Day, Oct 2015
- QYE "Common Read" Committee, Quincy University (2014-15)
- Judge for QU's Presidential Scholarship Competition (2012-14 and 2016).
- Volunteer for QU's Discovery Days (ten times in 2011-16)
- Rewrote the QU Theology Department's M.T.S. program, transforming it to a M.R.E. program (with Dr. Strudwick and Dr. Lasnoski) (2012-13)

RECENT COMMUNITY AND MINISTRY SERVICE

- Active Member of Faith Presbyterian Church in Quincy, Illinois within the Evangelical Presbyterian Church denomination (2012-present)
- Co-leader, Life Group for Young Married Couples, FPC (2014-present)
- Course discussion facilitator, "James," FPC (2016)
- Pastoral Nominating Committee (search for a new Asst. Pastor), FPC (2015-16)
- Course Instructor, "1 Corinthians," FPC (2015)
- Course Instructor, "Devotional Classics," FPC (2015)
- Course Instructor, "The Screwtape Letters," FP Church, 2014
- Course Instructor, "Hidden Worldviews," FP Church, 2013
- "Why God?" panelist for Quincy University's Overflow club
- Public Lecture, "Why can we trust the Bible?" FP Church, 2013
- Course Instructor, "Hard Sayings of Jesus," Trinity Evangelical Free Church, South Bend, Indiana, 2011.
- Course Instructor, "The Seven Churches of Revelation," TEF Church, 2010.
- Occasional Homilies, Kern Road Mennonite Church, South Bend, 2008.

REFERENCES

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