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## **Education**

Ph. D., **The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary** | Louisville, Kentucky  
Graduated: December, 2021  
Major: Biblical Theology

M. Div, **The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary** | Louisville, Kentucky  
Graduated: December, 2014  
Concentration: Biblical and Theological Studies

B.A., **The Ateneo de Manila University** | Quezon City, Philippines  
Graduated: March, 2006  
Major: Psychology

## **Books**

*Vessels of Wrath: A Biblical-Theological Study of Divine Reprobating Activity.*  
Vol. 1: The Testimony of the Old Testament. Eugene, OR: Pickwick, 2023.

*Vessels of Wrath: A Biblical-Theological Study of Divine Reprobating Activity.*  
Vol. 2: The Testimony of the New Testament. Eugene, OR: Pickwick, 2023.

## **Articles and Essays**

“Can We Read Like the Prophets and the Apostles? A Nuanced Answer to an Important Questions.” *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society.*  
Forthcoming.

- “Romans.” In *Guided Annotating Greek New Testament*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2023.
- “Encountering Bultmann as a Biblical Theologian.” *Horizons in Biblical Theology*, 44, no. 2 (2022): 195–227.
- “The Doctrine of Reprobation.” The Gospel Coalition’s Concise Theology Essays. Fall 2020. <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/essay/doctrine-of-reprobation/>
- “The Gift of Prophecy.” The Gospel Coalition’s Concise Theology Essays. Spring 2020. <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/essay/the-gift-of-prophecy/>
- “Towards a Definition of New Testament Prophecy.” *Themelios*, 44.1 (2019): 41–60.
- “My Messenger, the LORD, and the Messenger of the Covenant: Malachi 3:1 Revisited.” *The Southern Baptist Journal of Theology*, 20.3 (2016): 69–95.
- “Reprobation and the Second London Confession.” *Founders Journal*, no. 106 (2016): 23–32.

## Reviews

- Review of *The Lord by Wisdom Founded the Earth: Creation and Covenant in Old Testament Theology* by Katharine J. Dell for Reading Religion. Forthcoming.
- Review of *Demystifying Evil: A Biblical and Personal Exploration* by Ingrid Faro in *The Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*. Forthcoming.
- Review of *Union with the Resurrected Christ: Eschatological New Creation and New Testament Biblical Theology* by G. K. Beale in *The Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, 67.2 (2024): 383–85.
- Review of *Cursing with God: The Imprecatory Psalms and the Ethics of Christian Prayer* by Trevor Laurence for Reading Religion. Accessed June 6, 2024. <https://readingreligion.org/9781481316477/cursing-with-god/>
- Review of *God’s Will and Testament: Inheritance in the Gospel of Matthew and*

- Jewish Tradition* by Daniel Daley for Reading Religion. Accessed Apr 18, 2024. <https://readingreligion.org/9781481315524/gods-will-and-testament/>
- Review of *King of Kings: God and the Foreign Emperor in the Hebrew Bible* by Justin L. Pannkuk for Reading Religion. Accessed Apr 5, 2023. <https://readingreligion.org/9781481314060/>
- Review of *The Path of Faith: A Biblical Theology of Covenant and Law* by Brandon D. Crowe in *The Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, 65.1 (2022): 129–30.
- Review of *Reprobation and God’s Sovereignty: Recovering a Biblical Doctrine* by Peter Sammons in *Themelios*, 47.1 (2022): 199–201.
- Review of *The Gospel of the Son of God: An Introduction to Matthew* by David R. Bauer for Reading Religion. Accessed March 3, 2022. <https://readingreligion.org/books/gospel-son-god>
- Review of *A Kingdom for a Stage: Political and Theological Reflection in the Hebrew Bible* by Mark Hamilton for Reading Religion (2021). Accessed Mar 5, 2021. <https://readingreligion.org/books/kingdom-stage>
- Review of *Both Judge and Justifier: Biblical Legal Language and the Act of Justifying in Paul* by James B. Prothro for Reading Religion (2020). Accessed Dec 14, 2020. <https://readingreligion.org/books/both-judge-and-justifier>
- Review of *God’s Relational Presence: The Cohesive Center of Biblical Theology* by J. Scott Duvall and J. Daniel Hays in *The Southern Baptist Journal of Theology*, 24.3 (2020): 151–53.
- Review of *Finding Favour in the Sight of God: A Theology of Wisdom Literature* by Richard P. Belcher, Jr. for Reading Religion (2019). Accessed Dec 14, 2020. <https://readingreligion.org/books/finding-favour-sight-god>
- Review of *Biblical Theology: The God of the Christian Scriptures* by John Goldingay in *Credo Magazine*, 8.1 (2018). Accessed Dec 14, 2020. <https://credomag.com/article/biblical-theology-without-unity/>

## **Presentations**

“Paul’s Revealing Use of the Hardening Motif in Romans 9:17–18,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, California (November, 2024)

“Beyond ‘Thanks!’ and ‘Good Job!’: A Response to Dr. Gladd’s Reflections on Editing the Dictionary of the New Testament,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, California (November, 2024)

Participant in the Panel Discussion at the Hermeneutics Session, “Reflections on Editing the Dictionary of the New Testament Use of the Old Testament,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, California (November, 2024)

“Can We Read like Apostles and Prophets? A Nuanced Answer to an Important Question,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Antonio, Texas (November, 2023)

“Paul’s Revealing Use of the Hardening Motif in Romans 9:17–18,” Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Anderson, South Carolina (March, 2020; cancelled due to COVID 19)

“Towards a Definition of Prophecy in the New Testament,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Providence, Rhode Island (November, 2017)

“Towards a Definition of Prophetic Activity in the New Testament,” Southeast Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Louisville, Kentucky (March, 2017).

“My Messenger, the LORD, and the Messenger of the Covenant: Malachi 3:1 Revisited,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Atlanta, Georgia (November, 2014).

### **Popular-level Writing**

“Beyond WWJD: Remembering a Neglected Aspect of Christlikeness” posted on the Transform Website, (<https://transform.westernseminary.edu/>), Apr 2023.

“On Compassion and Cruelty: A Brief Reflection on Proverbs 12:10” posted on the Transform Website (<https://transform.westernseminary.edu/>), June 2023.

## Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies: Western Seminary (Summer 2022–present)

Courses:

Introduction to the Prophets  
Exposition of Matthew (Mdiv and ThM level)  
Interpreting the Prophets and Gospels  
Interpreting Acts through Revelation  
Understanding Biblical Theology  
Greek Exegesis of Galatians (Mdiv and ThM level)  
Contours in New Testament Theology (ThM level)  
Issues in Pauline Theology (ThM level)  
Hermeneutics  
Greek Grammar and Syntax

Individual Studies Supervised:

Greek Exegesis of Romans  
Approaching the Theology of First and Second Peter

ThM Thesis Reader for:

Cameron Heger  
Ezra Dunn  
Daniel Arroyo  
Aaron Mattox  
Michael Bowles

Adjunct Instructor of New Testament Interpretation: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Spring 2018 – Fall 2019)

Course: Elementary Greek

Professor: Zion Church Theological Seminary (Fall, 2017)

Course: Old Testament Survey I

Online Teaching Assistant: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (2022–21)

Courses:

Introduction to New Testament II (Fall, 2021)  
Introduction to New Testament II (Spring, 2021)  
The Theology of the New Testament (Fall, 2020)  
Introduction to New Testament II (Fall, 2020)  
Introduction to New Testament II (Summer, 2020)

Garrett Fellow (Teaching Assistant): Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Boyce College (2014–21)

Courses:

Greek Exegesis of Romans, SBTS (Fall 2021)  
New Testament Theology, SBTS (Spring 2020)  
Greek Exegesis of Romans, SBTS (Fall 2015)  
Greek Syntax and Exegesis, SBTS (Spring, 2015)  
Christian Theology III, Boyce College (Spring, 2015)  
Introduction to Teaching, Boyce College (Spring, 2015)  
New Testament I, Boyce College (Spring, 2015)  
Hermeneutics, Boyce College (Spring, 2015)  
New Testament I, Boyce College (Fall, 2014)  
Doctrine of Salvation, Boyce College (Fall, 2014)

Tutor:

New Testament Greek, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2017)

Teacher/Lecturer:

Victory Christian Fellowship, Fort Bonifacio, Philippines  
Systematic Theology Curriculum (2009–11)  
Discipleship Classes – (2008–11)

Guest Lecturer:

Romans Exegesis, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2021)  
Hebrews Exegesis, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2019)  
Elementary Greek, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2019)  
New Testament Theology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Spring, 2019)  
New Testament, Seminary Wives Institute, Southern Baptist Theological Seminar (Spring, 2018)  
Graduate Research Seminar, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2017)  
New Testament II, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Spring, 2017)  
Galatians Exegesis, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2015)  
Romans Exegesis, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Fall, 2015)

Facilitator:

Greek Reader: 1 Corinthians, Summer Enrichment Program (Summer, 2016)

### **Other Relevant Experience**

Elder:

Saving Grace Church, Milwaukie, OR (2024–present)

Founder and Director:

The Center for Evangelical Biblical Theology (2020–present)

Pastoral Intern:

Clifton Baptist Church, Louisville Kentucky (2021–2022)

Keynote Speaker:

First Baptist Church College Retreat, Jackson Tennessee (February 14–15, 2020)

Research Expert:

Boyce Centennial Library, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (2016–2020)

Pastor:

Victory Christian Fellowship, Fort Bonifacio, Philippines (2008–11)

## **Languages**

Hebrew

M.Div. classes: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Exegesis of Jeremiah (Fall, 2014)

Exegesis of Proverbs – (Spring, 2014)

Exegesis of Deuteronomy (Fall, 2013)

Exegesis of Zechariah (Fall, 2012)

Ph.D. seminars: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Hebrew Poetry (Spring, 2016)

Historical Hebrew Grammar (Fall, 2015)

Exegetical Studies in the Hebrew Prophets (Spring, 2015)

Greek

M.Div. classes: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Exegesis of Galatians (Fall, 2014)

Exegesis of Hebrews (Fall, 2014)

Exegesis of Ephesians (Summer, 2014)

Ph.D. seminars: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Pauline Literature: 1 Corinthians (Fall, 2016)

New Testament and Early Judaism (Spring, 2016)

Pauline Literature: Galatians (Fall, 2015)

German (Reading comprehension exam: pass)

French (Reading comprehension exam: pass)

### **Professional Memberships**

Evangelical Theological Society