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Education

Ph.D., Baylor University, 2004–10 (Biblical Studies – New Testament)
M.A., Fuller Theological Seminary, 1999–2003 (Biblical Studies and Theology)
B.A., University of California, Berkeley, 1989–93 (French; Slavic Languages and Literature)

Academic Employment

Christ College, the Honors College of Valparaiso University
Professor of Humanities and Theology, 2024–present
Associate Professor of Humanities and Theology, 2017–2024
Assistant Professor of Humanities and Theology, 2010–2017
Baylor University, Teaching Fellow (Teacher of Record), 2007–2010

Selected Publications

- “Paul, Generosity, and Ecological Flourishing.” Pages 128–138 in *Ecoflourishing and Virtue: Christian Perspectives Across the Disciplines*. Edited by Steven Bouma-Prediger and Nathan P. Carson. New Critical Thinking in Religion, Theology, and Biblical Studies. London: Routledge, 2024.
- “Perfection in the Two Ways Tradition: Aspirational or Attainable?” Pages 361–388 in *Longing for Perfection in Late Antiquity*. Edited by Johan Leemans, Geert Roskam, and Peter van Deun. Ancient Philosophy and Religion. Leiden: Brill, 2023.
- “Unity in Christ: Virtue and the Reign of the Good King in Ephesians and Colossians.” Pages 283–300 in *One God, One People: Oneness and Unity in Early Christianity*. Edited by Stephen C. Barton and Andrew J. Byers. Resources for Biblical Studies 104. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2023.
- Paul and the Good Life: Transformation and Citizenship in the Commonwealth of God*. Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2020.
- Reviews: Frederick David Carr, *Reading Religion* (2022); Todd R. Chipman, *Midwestern Journal of Theology* 21.1 (2022): 108–11; Wesley Thomas Davey, *Journal of Theological Studies* 78 (2022): 340–42; *Filologia Neotestamentaria* 34 (2021): 338–39; Chris Kugler, *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 31.4 (2021): 569–71; B. J. Oropeza, *Theology Today* 78.4 (2022): 438–39; Kenneth G. Stenstrup, *Horizons* 48.2 (2021): 537–38; Megan Stidham, *Currents in Theology and Mission* 49.4 (2022): 49.
- “Response to ‘Paul and Violence’ (by Seyoon Kim).” *Ex Auditu* 34 (2018): 90–96.
- “The *Epistle of Barnabas* and the Two Ways of Teaching Authority.” *Vigiliae Christianae* 68 (2014): 465–97.
- “The Construction of Identity in Mark 7:24–30: The Syrophenician Woman and the Problem of Ethnicity.” *Biblical Interpretation* 20 (2012): 458–481.
- Marguerat, Daniel. “Paul After Paul: A (Hi)story of Reception.” Translated by Michael D. Thomas and Julien C. H. Smith. Pages 70–89 in *Paul and the Heritage of Israel: Paul’s Claim Upon Israel’s Legacy in Luke and Acts in the Light of the Pauline Letters*. Edited by David P. Moessner, Daniel Marguerat, Mikeal C. Parsons, and Michael Wolter. Library of New Testament Studies 452. London: T&T Clark, 2012.

Christ the Ideal King: Cultural Context, Rhetorical Strategy, and the Power of Divine Monarchy in Ephesians. Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament 2/313. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2011.

Reviews: Justin K. Hardin, *Journal of Theological Studies* 65 (2014): 705–07; Timothy G. Gombis, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 76 (2014): 380–81; Christian Schramm, *Biblische Zeitschrift* 58 (2014): 138–41; Jody A. Barnard, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 35 (2013): 98; Sébastien Fresse, *Études Théologique et Religieuses* (2013/2): 279–80; T. Michael W. Halcomb, *Religious Studies Review* 39 (2013): 39–40; Keith A. Reich, *Review of Biblical Literature* (05/2013); Joshua W. Jipp, *Themelios* 37 (2012): 335–36.

“The Rhetorical Function of Refutation in Acts 6–7 and 10–15.” Pages 103–18 in *Contemporary Studies in Acts*. Edited by Thomas E. Phillips. Macon, Ga.: Mercer University Press, 2009.

Selected Book Reviews

The Word of the Cross: Reading Paul, by Jonathan A. Linebaugh. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 85/4 (2023): 817–20.

Paul, Community and Discipline: Establishing Boundaries and Dealing with the Disorderly, by Adam G. White. *Theology Today* 80.1 (2023): 107–09.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/00405736221145258b>.

The Faithfulness of the Risen Christ: Pistis and the Exalted Lord in the Pauline Letters, by David J. Downs and Benjamin J. Lappenga. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 82/4 (2020): 705–06.

Christ is King: Paul’s Royal Ideology, by Joshua Jipp. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 82/2 (2020): 320–22.

Paul: An Outline of His Theology, by Michael Wolter. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 82/1 (2020): 146–47.

Lifting the Veil: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18 in Light of Jewish Homiletic and Commentary Traditions, by Michael Cover. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 79/4 (2017): 707–09.

Paul and the Trinity: Persons, Relations, and the Pauline Letters, by Wesley Hill. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 78/3 (2016): 549–51.

Paul and the Gentile Women: Reframing Galatians, by Tatha Wiley; *Identity Matters: John, the Jews, and Jewishness*, by Raimo Hakola. *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 33/2 (2006): 254–56.

Research Grants

Philip and Miriam Kapfer Endowed Faculty Research Award, Valparaiso University, 2024–25 (semester paid research leave plus \$4,000 stipend)

University Research Professorship, Valparaiso University, 2017–18 (semester paid research leave plus \$4,000 stipend)

Summer Research Fellowship, Valparaiso University, 2015, 2013 (\$3,500 stipend)

Professional Memberships

Society of Biblical Literature, 2004–present

Catholic Biblical Association, 2011–present

Chicago Society for Biblical Research, 2011–present

Selected Service & Professional Development

Biblical Research, Associate Editor, 2015–present

Journal of Theological Studies, manuscript reviewer, 2022–present