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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2015
Dissertation: "Making Sense of Out of Suffering: Prominent Poetic Features As Interpretive Matrix in the Book of Lamentations."
- M.Div. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2007 (Magna Cum Laude)
- B.A. University of Illinois at Chicago, History of Art and Architecture, 1992

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

Old Testament Literature and History, Biblical Hebrew (Beginning Grammar, Syntax, Exegesis), Preaching the Old Testament, Biblical Poetry and Wisdom Books, OT Hebrew Prophets, Historic Christian Belief

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

- Associate Professor of Biblical Studies (OT)/ Program Director, Taylor University, 2020 - Present
- Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies (OT), Taylor University, 2015- 2020
- Instructor, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2010-2012; 2014-2015 (Biblical Hebrew Grammar, Lamentations: English Bible, Preaching the Old Testament-co taught)
- Academic Doctoral Office Assistant, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2013-2015
- Instructor, North Park University, 2011- 2013 (Biblical Hebrew Grammar)
- Curriculum Writer, Great Educators, 2013
- Research Assistant, Overseas Research Council, 2009-2013
- Research Consultant, Hewitt Associates/Aon, Health and Welfare/Retirement, 1996- 2007

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

- Lamentations Commentary for the Pillar Old Testament Commentary Series. Wm. B. Eerdmans, Forthcoming 2029
- Recovering Biblical Lament. InterVarsity Academic Press, Forthcoming 2024
- "YHWH" Bible Odyssey <https://bibleodyssey.com/> 2023
- "The Art of Lament" in *Psalms- Exploring Theological Themes: Studies in Scripture and Biblical Theology* (SSBT). Lexham Press, February 2023
- "Lament: A Journey from Pain to Praise" in *A Praying People: Essays on Prayer in Honor of D. L. Moody*. Wipf and Stock, Forthcoming 2023
- "Asking God Tough Questions: The Use of Interrogatives in Habakkuk's First Chapter" in *World Christianity And COVID-19: Discourses and Perspective*. Routledge Pub., 2021
- Nine Bible book Introduction for Abide Bible Project (Nov 2018)

“Response to Being Good Pharisees: The Joy of Inauthentic Community” published in *Christian Higher Education*, Volume 17, 2018

Book Review: *The Message of Lamentations: The Bible Speaks Today*, by Christopher J. H. Wright.
www.booksataglance.com Dec 2015
<http://booksataglance.com/book-reviews/the-message-of-lamentations-by-christopher-j-h-wright>

Book Review: *Lamentations: The Two Horizons Old Testament Commentary*, by Robin A. Parry. *Trinity Journal* 32 (Spring 2011): 98-100.

Lexham Bible Dictionary. Contributing entries on “Timnath Heres,” “Wadi Amud,” “Tell Qiri,” “Eynan,” and “Ubeidyia.”

PROFESSIONAL EDITORIAL WORK/ BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Board Member of Institute for Biblical Research (IBR), *Director of Unscripted Session*, June 2021- present

Editorial Board Member, *Sacred Roots*, Fall 2018– present

Editorial Board Member, *Trinity Journal*, Fall 2010 – Spring 2012.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Panel Discussion, Scripture Engagement Session at Taylor University, March 2023.

Senior Seminar, Seeking Wisdom: Lament and Suffering at Taylor University, March 2020.

Panel Discussion Chair, Sacred Roots Session at the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, Nov 21, 2019.

Lamentations (12 Sessions) Modular Course for TTi (Hong Kong) June 2018 – (2 Additional Session) –April 2021 and June 2021

Lamentations for Empower Students (April 2018 in Indianapolis, July 2018 in Upland, and July in Upland 2019)

“Questioning Faith: The Use Interrogatives in Habakkuk” presentation at the Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting in the Old Testament Prophets and Apocalyptic Books Program, 2017

Response paper to “Habakkuk 2:4 in Romans: Echoes, Allusions, and Rewriting” presentation at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in the Scripture and Paul Program, 2017.

“The Function of Lamentations 5: A New Proposal.” presentation at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in the Hebrew Poetry Program, 2015.

“Correspondence Between the Acrostic Structure and Lineation in Lamentations,” presentation at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in the Hebrew Poetry Program, 2014.

“Correspondence Between the Acrostic Structure and Lineation in Lamentations,” presentation at the Institute of Biblical Research Annual Meeting in the Emerging Scholar Program, 2014.

AWARDS, HONORS, ACHIEVEMENTS

Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award at Taylor University, 2021

Genie Lau Memorial Award 2014, which is awarded to a TEDS student who has a record of excellence in biblical studies with a commitment to service in the church.

Merit Scholar, Departmental of Old Testament and Semitic Languages, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2007-2009.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Biblical Literature, 2008-present

Evangelical Theological Society, 2008-present

Institute for Biblical Research 2016- present (*Board Member*)

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Speaking at Taylor University Chapel (May 2022, April 2020, Oct 2018 and Sept 2015)

Speaking at Urban Light (periodically)

Speaking at Chapel in Hong Kong Large Group session (June 2018)

Retreat speaking (TX- 2018, WI 2019)

Prayer Ministry, Urban Light, Muncie IN (2017- present)

Prayer Ministry Team, Leadership Nomination Committee, Guest Speaker, Spiritual Formation Leadership Ministry, New Community Church, Chicago, IL (2011-2015)

Church planting /Leadership team, Redeemer Church, Chicago, IL (2010)

Church planting /Leadership team, Immanuel Church, Chicago, IL (1995-2010)

Leader for Women's Bible Study Seminars (Judges, Genesis), Grace Community Church, Wheeling, IL (2008-2009)