Monday, July 30

REGISTRATION ................................................................. 12:00 PM–4:00 PM

30-1 Opening Session
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Unioninkatu 34, Päärakennus - Great Hall

Please join us for the opening session. We look forward to welcoming new and longtime colleagues from around the world. The Great Hall can be accessed from the Senate Square (Unioninkatu 34) or through a side entrance on Aleksanterinkatu 5. Wheelchair access is available at Fabianinkatu 33, 2nd floor (please use the corridor on the right hand side).

Words of Welcome
Outi Lehtipuu, Chair of the Local Organizing Committee, University of Helsinki, Welcome
John F. Kutsko, Executive Director of the Society of Biblical Literature, Welcome
Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Executive Officer of the European Association of Biblical Studies, Welcome

Presentation of EABS Student Award and Research Grant Winners
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, President of the European Association of Biblical Studies, Presiding
Music by Mikko Helenius (piano and bandoneon)

Panel Discussion: What I Would Like to See Happen in Biblical Studies?
Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Changes in the Sacred Texts and Traditions, Presiding
Rick Bonnie, University of Helsinki, Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Ancient Near Eastern Empires, Panelist
Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki, Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Reason and Religious Recognition, Panelist
Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki, Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Changes in the Sacred Texts and Traditions, Panelist
Siiri Toiviainen, University of Helsinki, Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Reason and Religious Recognition, Panelist

The four panelists are members of three Centres of Excellence at the University of Helsinki, Faculty of Theology, representing Old and New Testament Studies, patristics, and archaeology. Based on their view of the present state of biblical studies, the panelists discuss the future directions toward which they would like to see biblical studies to move.

30-2 Opening Reception
6:00 PM–8:00 PM
Banquet Hall - City Hall (Pohjoisesplanadi 11-13)

All meeting registrants are warmly welcome to attend this opening reception, hosted by the City of Helsinki. The reception includes a salad buffet, wine, and refreshments. Vegan option is available. The location of the reception, the City Hall is a 5 minute walk from the University Main Building.
TUESDAY, JULY 31

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION ........................................ 8:30 AM–4:30 PM
EXHIBITS .................................................................................. 8:30 AM–4:30 PM
GENERAL SESSIONS ................................................................. 9:00 AM–4:30 PM
COFFEE BREAKS ...................................................................... 11:00 AM and 3:30 PM

31-1 SBL Bible and Visual Culture Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkus - Room 15
Theme: Hebrew Bible across Modern Media
Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding (5 min)
Rebekah Welton, University of Exeter
Interactive Isaac: Empowerment and Empathy in Video Gaming’s Aqedah (25 min)
Nyasha Junior, Temple University and Jeremy Schipper, Temple University
Visual Representations of Black Samson (25 min)
Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa
Sexuality, Stoning, and Supersessionism in Post War Biblical Epics (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-2 SBL Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kiellikeskus - Room 205
Theme: Imitation and Interpretation
Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding
Jarrett Knight, Emory University
Imitating the Sower: Figurative Appropriation of Jesus’s Parable of the Sower in the Infancy Gospel of Thomas and the Recognitions of Pseudo-Clement (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
David Brakke, Ohio State University
Patterns (Topoi) in Athanasius of Alexandria: Their Literary, Exegetical, and Ethical Functions (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Meron T Gebreananyae, University of Durham
Imitation as Interpretation in the Vita Antonii (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Robert G. T. Edwards, University of Notre Dame
Exemplary Emotional Narratives in John Chrysostom’s Late Works (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

31-3 EABS Bodies of Communication Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkus - Room 6
Theme: Pleasure and Pain
Dirk van der Merwe, University of South Africa, Presiding
Karin Neutel, University of Oslo, Presiding
Peter Smit, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Presiding
Gitte Buch-Hansen, Københavns Universitet
The Law in the Flesh: Reading Rom 6-8 in Light of the Cradle Argument in Hellenistic Philosophy (25 min)
Christina Risch, Universität Koblenz - Landau
Pain in the Apocryphon of John (25 min)
Siiri Toivainen, University of Helsinki
Pleasure Isn’t Always about Sex: Gregory of Nyssa on Genesis 3 as a Hedonist Error (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

31-4 EABS Centralization and Cult in Persian Period Israel: Biblical, Historical and Comparative Perspectives Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkus - Room 5
Theme: Historical and Comparative Perspectives on Centralization
Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne, Presiding
Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Introduction (30 min)
Magnar Kartveit, VID Specialized University, Stavanger Campus, Norway
Samaritan Inscriptions and the Development of a Centralized Cult in the Late Persian and Hellenistic Periods (30 min)
Yuan Wenzuan, University of Notre Dame
The YHWH Cult at the Time of the Religious Reforms (2 Kings 18–23) in Light of the Urkian Cult Reform in the Eighth Century B.C.E. (30 min)
31-5  SBL Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament) Seminar / EABS
The Bible in the Twenty-First Century: Politization of Bibles and Biblization of Politics Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206
Theme: Acculturation and Its Discontents
Archie Lee, Shandong University, Presiding
Annette Evans, University of the Free State
The Contextual Theology of the Earliest Congregationalist Missionaries in Kwazulu-Natal and Its Impact on Postcolonial Black Liberation Hermeneutics (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jaqueline S. du Toit, University of the Free State
"... And Hannah Went home, without Samuel": Why Children’s Bibles Matter to Contemporary Bible Interpretation; A Case Study (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Yael Shemesh, Bar-Ilan University
A Living Soul: On the Complex Status of Animals in the Bible (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam
(In)Fertility and Birth Control in Biblical Literature, Revisited (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

31-6  EABS Emotions and the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Auditorium IV
Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding
David A. Lambert, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Biblical Interpretation and the Linear Model of Emotional Processes (30 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Daniel Eastman, Yale University
Naming Emotions in Early Christian Monasticism (30 min)
Ronit Nikolsky, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Emotional Translation of Rabbinic Culture in the Talmud (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

31-7  SBL Feminist Interpretations Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115
Theme: Feminist Scholarship and Feminist Issues in Biblical Texts
Lilly (Sj) Nortje-Meyer, University of Johannesburg, Presiding
Anna Rebecca Solevåg, VID Specialized University
When Meal-Time Doubles as Feet-Time: Exploring Gender(ed) Ambiguity in the Narrative of John 13:1–17 (20 min)
Sylvie Chabert d’Hyères, Université de Lyon
The Aspect of Consent (20 min)
Carmen Palmer, Toronto School of Theology
The Relevance (or Not) of Using Josephus to Study Social Realities of Women in the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-8  SBL Hellenistic Greek Language and Linguistics Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Auditorium III
Paul Danove, Villanova University, Presiding
Burton L. Visotzky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Greek Usage in Genesis Rabbah 2:4 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Un Sung Kwak, University of Oxford
Social Background of the Chronicles’ Translator (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Jermo van Nes, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit
Peculiar Language in the Pastoral Epistles? A Reassessment of Register Variation as an Explanatory Model (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-9  SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Room 14
Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
William R. Stewart, Alphacrucis College
ΣΗΜΕΙΑ ΚΑΙ ΤΕΡΑΤΑ: The Cosmopolitan Language of Prophets and Signs in the Judean War and Antiquities of Flavius Josephus (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Sladana Mirkovic, University of South Florida
High Priest of the Temple in Jerusalem and the Mosaic Identity of Hellenistic Jews (20 min)
Program Book

31-10 SBL History of Biblical Scholarship in the Late Modern Period Consultation
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403
Theme: Biblical Scholarship in Nordic Lands:
Theological Focus
Jesper Hagenhaven, Københavns Universitet, Presiding
Emil Antón, University of Helsinki
Heikki Räsänen: Helsinki's Most Controversial Bible Scholar (30 min)
Frederik Poulsen, Københavns Universitet
Old Testament Theology According to Johannes Jacobsen (30 min)
Jesper Hagenhaven, Københavns Universitet
Johannes Pedersen between the Wars (30 min)
Mogens Müller, Københavns Universitet
Was Jesus Transcending or Transforming the Judaism of His Day? Representations of the Jesus Figure in Biblical Scholarship in Denmark 1840–1939 (30 min)

31-11 EABS Iconography and Biblical Studies Section / SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405
Theme: Cylinder Seals
Joel LeMon, Emory University, Presiding
Florian Lippke, Université de Fribourg - Universität Freiburg
Rolling Stones and Biblical Literature: Theory and Method of Ancient Media in the Southern Levant (18 min)
Daniel Schmitz, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Sequencing Cylinder Seal Roll-offs: To Lateral Surfaces and Beyond (18 min)
Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Visionary Experience as Test Case for the Interrelation of Cylinder Seals and Textual Evidence (18 min)
Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki
Hermeneutical Reflections on a Recently Excavated Cylinder Seal Fragment from Abel-beth-maacah (18 min)

31-12 EABS Intersections: A Forum for Research on Ancient Israel, Hebrew Bible, and Cognate Topics Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 21
Theme: Spirit
Richard K. Min, The University of Texas at Dallas
Born Again: Circular Rhetoric and Paradox in John 3 (20 min)
Jan Roskovec, Univerzita Karlova v Praze
Judgement of God and Jesus according to John (20 min)
Stan Harstine, Friends University
Rethinking the Johannine Pentecost: An Investigation into UC Von Wahlde’s Counter Claim (20 min)
Kari Syreeni, Abo Akademi University
“As Yet There Was No Spirit…” (John 7:39): Pneumatology and the Making of the Fourth Gospel (20 min)

31-13 SBL Johannine Literature Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 21
Theme: Ancient and Medieval Jewish Literature
Elad Filler, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
Jonathan Jacobs, Bar-Ilan University
The Possibility of God: Revealing His Form Man According to Rashbam’s Commentary on the Pentateuch (20 min)
Ying Zhang, East China Normal University
Observations on the “Special Introductions” in Maimonides’ Guide of the Perplexed (20 min)
Paul Heger, University of Toronto
The Magnitude and Implications of the Rabbinic Interpretive Methods (20 min)
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Yuri Snisarenko, Saint Petersburg State University
Teshuvah in the Jewish Literature of the Second Temple Period (20 min)

31-15 EABS Literary Features – Fact or Fiction Section / Stylistics and the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Room 7

Theme: ‘Up’ in the Hebrew Bible
Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding
Zvi Shimon, Bar-Ilan University
Vertical and Horizontal: The Matrix and Message of the Book of Jonah (25 min)
Adriaan Lamprecht, North West University, South Africa
The Semantic Representation of the Motion Verb (jrd) in Biblical Hebrew (25 min)
Anna Rozonoer, Hellenic College
Sheol Engulfing (the Trees of) Eden: Ezekiel 31:16–18 (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

31-16 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406

Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the NT
Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Robert H. von Thaden, Jr., Mercyhurst University
Rhetorical Children in Galatians: Metaphor, Affect, and Persuasion (20 min)
Soeng Yu Li, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
To Run but Not to Race: Revisiting the Metaphor of Phil 3:12–14 within Its Context (20 min)
Beata Urbanek, Uniwersytet Slaski w Katowicach
Apparel Metaphor in the Book of Revelation (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

31-17 EABS Open Forum for New Testament and Early Christian Studies Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106

Theme: The World of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Writings in Their Social, Economic, Cultural and Literary Context
Outi Lehtipuu, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Christian Wetz, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg
“So They Sat Down in Groups, by Hundreds and by Fifties” (Mark 6:40): New Considerations on Two Cryptic Numbers from an Anthropological Perspective (25 min)

Samuel Rogers, University of Manchester
(Mis)Calculating Economic Markers of Luke’s Parables: The Examples of the Good Samaritan and the Clever Steward (25 min)
R. Gillian Glass, University of British Columbia
Passio Charicleae et Theagenous: Comparing Book VIII of the Aethiopika to Martyrdom (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

31-18 EABS Prophets and Prophecy Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Room 16

Theme: Isaiah and Micah
Antti Laato, Presiding
K. Lallawmzuala, Aizawl Theological College
Land Issues in Isaiah and Micah: A Tribal Perspective (20 min)
Blessing Onoriode Boloje, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Baptist Theological Seminary, Eku-Nigeria
Characterization of the Service of Injustice: An Exegetical and Theological Analysis of Micah 2:1-5 (20 min)
Funlola O. Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
What of the Night? Conceptions and Theology of Night in Isaiah and Micah (20 min)
Chris van der Walt, North-West University (South Africa)
Peace Is More than Swords Being Turned into Plowshares: The Development of Peace in the Books of Isaiah and Micah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

31-19 SBL Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärikennus - Room 8

Theme: The Bible and the Psychology of Trauma, Part 1
Eben Scheffler, UNISA, Presiding
Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria
“Trauma Is Suffering That Remains”: The Theoretical Contribution of a Psychology of Trauma to the Study and Interpretation of Prophetic Literature (30 min)
June Frances Dickie, University of KwaZulu-Natal
The Intersection of Biblical Lament and Psychotherapy in the Healing of Trauma Memories (30 min)
Klaas Spronk, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit
The Prophecy of Nahum and the Positive Aspects of Revenge (30 min)
31-20  EABS Slavonic Parabiblical Traditions Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617
Theme: The Biblical Corpus within the Intellectual Landscape of Slavia Orthodoxa: Reception History
Svetlana Nikolova, Cyrilillo-Methodian Research Centre
Contextualizing the Wisdom of Sirach in Slavia Orthodoxa (30 min)
Ilana Chekova, Sofia University
Old Testament Parallels in the Literary Typology of the Ruler (Based on Examples from Medieval Slavonic Literatures) (30 min)
Ewelina Drzewiecka, Polish Academy of Sciences
Bulgarian Parabiblical Tradition: When Modernity Meets Orthodoxy (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

31-21  EABS Textual Criticism of the New Testament, the Old Testament and the Qur’an Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II
Theme: Textual Criticism of the New Testament, the Old Testament and the Qur’an
Theodora Panella, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding (2 min)
Matthew R. Steinfeld, LCC International University
Before the “Alexandrian Text”: Origen, P46, and the Search for the Earliest Greek New Testament (25 min)
Julian C. Chiike, University of Notre Dame
Expansion or Omission? An Inquiry into the Literary Development of MT 1 Kings 8:1–11 in Light of the Septuagint (25 min)
Anna Persig, University of Birmingham
Unity and Authorship in the Vulgate of the Pauline Epistles: A New Methodology for the Analysis of the Latin New Testament (25 min)

31-22  EABS The Bible and Ecology Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203
Theme: Bible, Ecology, and Other Disciplines
Ekaterini Tsalamponi, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Presiding
Jane Shey, Shey and Associates
Regenerative Agriculture and Restoration of the Bond between Humanity and the Earth (20 min)
Ma. Marilou Ibita, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Response: Landforms in Matthew 5–7 and Mt 13:1–9; An Interdisciplinary Exploration for an Ecological-Economic Reading (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)
David Wiljebrand, Umea University
Framing the “Ecological Crisis” Now and Then: A Call for Historical Approach for a Green Reading of Paul (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University
Is the Biblical City Sustainable? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-23  EABS The Biblical World and Its Reception Section / SBL Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723
Theme: The Bible and Blasphemy
Matthew Collins, University of Chester, Presiding
Samuel Tongue, University of Glasgow
“A Stop to That Rageing Spirit of Atheism” or “Je Suis Thomas”? Thomas Aikenhead’s Bible and the Formation of a Secular Hero (30 min)
Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University
Profanation and Purim (30 min)
David Tollerton, University of Exeter
Jaco Van Dormael’s Brand New Testament as Neo-Life of Brian (30 min)
Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury
The Blasphemous Bible of Léo Taxil (30 min)

31-25  SBL Wisdom Literature in the Bible and in the Ancient Near East Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 12
Theme: Wisdom Literature in the Bible and Ancient Near East, Part 1
Nili Shupak, University of Haifa, Presiding
Ed Greenstein, Bar-Ilan University
The Enumeration of Divine Attributes and Their Parody in the Discourses of Job (25 min)
Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific
“Learn from My Example”: The Reception of Ludlul Bel Nemeqi (25 min)
Nitsa Nave, Haifa University
Lemuel’s Mother (Prov 31:1–9) and the Wise Women in the Biblical Wisdom and Narrative Literature (25 min)
Rachel Frish, Bar-Ilan University
The Use of Proverbs from Didactic Wisdom Literature in the Book of Jeremiah (25 min)


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### 31-27  SBL Writings (including Psalms) Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724  

**Theme: Psalms Interpretation**

- Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Presiding
- Marilyn Burton, University of Edinburgh
  "You Have Bestowed Your Glory upon the Heavens": A Re-reading of Psalm 8:1b (30 min)
- Edgar Kellenberger, Swiss Reformed Church
  "Hesed and Emet Go before Your Face" (Ps 89:15): Faceless Impersonal Forces (Gerstenberger) or Concretisations of YHWH’s Own Activity? (30 min)
- Marcel Krusche, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
  David in Psalm 89: Individual or Collective? (30 min)

### 31-28 Plenary Session - Jewish Identity in Finland: Challenges and Changes  
11:30 AM–12:30 PM  
Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Stage  

The Jewish community in Finland forms a small minority with roughly one thousand members. The history of the community includes some striking aspects—it is one of the only East European Jewish communities that survived the Holocaust intact, with a direct continuum of unique Jewish customs and traditions. This special cultural session offers glimpses from the Jewish life in Finland, past and present. It brings forth challenges faced by the Jewish community in current Finnish society. Finnish Jewish identity will be discussed from multidisciplinary points of view, including ethnographical and historical angles.

- Riikka Tuori, University of Helsinki, Presiding
- Ruth Illman, Åbo Akademi University, Panelist
- Mercédesz Czimbalmos, Åbo Akademi University, Panelist
- Simo Muir, University College London, Panelist
- Simon Livson, Chief Rabbi of Finland, Panelist

### 31-28a EABS Graduate Student Luncheon  
12:30 PM–1:30 PM  
Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Basement  

All EABS Student members are invited for networking and hearing the latest news about student related EABS matters. Lunch is provided for all those who have preregistered. The lunch is graciously sponsored by the Centre of Excellence Ancient Near Eastern Empires.

- Bat Manyika, EABS Student Representative, Presiding

### 31-29  EABS Anthropology and the Bible Section  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkus - Room 12  

**Theme: Anthropology and History of Ancient Palestine**

- Emanuel Pfoh, CONICET / National University of La Plata, Presiding
- Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen, Presiding
- Ingrid Hjelm, University of Copenhagen and Thomas L. Thompson, Københavns Universitet
  The Palestine History and Heritage Project: A Presentation (25 min)
- Discussion (10 min)
- Discussion (15 min)
- Break (30 min)
- Anna Angelini, University of Lausanne and Madalina Mihaela Vartejanu-Joubert, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales
  AnthroPOA: Writing Anthropology of the Ancient Near East (25 min)
- Discussion (10 min)
- Discussion (20 min)

### 31-29a SBL Apocalyptic Literature Section  
2:00 PM–4:15 PM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105  

**Theme: Oracular Practice in Antiquity**

- Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
- Giorgia Bove, Università degli Studi di Padova
  Written in the Stars: Astral Symbolism in the IV Book of the Sibylline Oracles (25 min)
- Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasilia
  The Last “King from the Sun”: Odenath of Palmyra and the Thirteenth Book of the Sibylline Oracles (25 min)
- Tupá Guerra, Universidade de Brasilia
  Times of Evil: Diverse Temporalities in the Apocryphal Psalms (11Q11) (25 min)
- Discussion (8 min)
- Discussion (8 min)
**Lucia Maddalena Tissi, Labex HASTEC (LEM)**  
*The Oracles of the End and the End of the Oracles: Some Reflections in Late Antique Literature (III-VI c. CE)*  
(25 min)  
Discussion (8 min)

### 31-30  
**SBL Bible and Syriac Studies in Context Section**  
2:00 PM–4:30 PM  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674

**Theme: Approaches to Biblical Texts**  
Basil Lourié, St. Petersburg, Presiding  
Daewoong Kim, Chongshin Theological Seminary  
Scriptural Interpretation in the Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch (30 min)  
Miroslaw Rucki, Opole University (Uniwersytet Opolski), Theological Faculty  
*Jewish Haggadah as a Context for Understanding of Syriac Prayers: Examples of Unity and God’s Mercy* (30 min)  
Marion Pragt, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven  
“Warmth Fled Away and Coldness Ruled His Body”: Ishoʿdad of Merv’s Commentary on 1 Kings 1 (30 min)  
Bert Jacobs, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven  
Reading the Gospels in a Muslim Context: Dionysius Bar Salibi’s (Re)Interpretation of Jesus’ Difficult Words and Deeds (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### 31-31  
**SBL Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam) Seminar**  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 10

**Theme: The Mishael Maswari Caspi Memorial Lecture**  
John Tracy Greene, Michigan State University, Welcome (5 min)  
David Crookes, Independent writer, Presiding  
Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University / Al Maktoum College  
The Qur’an: Authorship between Muhammad and the Divine (25 min)  
Yitzhak Peleg, Gordon College  
*Joshua and Elijah as a Second Moses: A Literary Approach* (30 min)  
Break (30 min)  
Nancy Tan, Chinese University of Hong Kong  
*From Shamhat in Gilgamesh to Gomer and the Prostitution Metaphor in Hosea* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### 31-32  
**EABS Centralization and Cult in Persian Period Israel: Biblical, Historical and Comparative Perspectives Section**  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 5

**Theme: Biblical Perspectives on Centralization**  
Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Presiding  
Julia Rhyder, Université de Lausanne  
Standardization and Centralization in the Festal Calendar of Leviticus 23 (30 min)  
Christian Frevel, Ruhr-University Bochum/University of Pretoria  
Living in the Midst of the Land: Issues of Centralization in the Book of Numbers (30 min)  
Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne  
Centralization in Deuteronomy against the Background of the Historical Context of the Persian Period (30 min)  
Break (30 min)  
Benedikt Hensel, Universität Zürich  
Jerusalem and Jerusalem Only? The Different Concepts of Cult Centralization in Kings, Chronicles and Ezra-Nehemiah (30 min)  
Oliver Dyma, KSFH Benediktbeuern  
Center and Periphery: Spatial Concepts in the Psalms (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### 31-33  
**EABS Citizens and Aliens in Greco-Roman Antiquity Section**  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724

**Theme: Citizens and Aliens in Greco-Roman Antiquity**  
Maijastina Kahlos, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
Suvi Kuokkanen, University of Oulu  
Representations of an Ideal Citizen and Justifications of Exclusion from Community in Classical Athenian Law and Literature (30 min)  
Marja-Leena Hänninen, University of Tampere  
Transforming Aliens to Members of the Urban Community: Immigrants and New Citizens in Religious Communities of Ancient Ostia (30 min)  
Maria José Martín Velasco, University of Santiago de Compostela  
Aliens and Moral Anarchy from Aristotle Point of View (30 min)  
Break (30 min)  
Joona Salminen, University of Helsinki, Presiding  
Kirsten H. Mackerras, University of Oxford  
Blood and Justice: Lactantius and Porphyry on Sacrifice, Persecution, and the Pious Citizen (30 min)  
Alexander Weiss, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main  
Citizen and Christian: An Oxymoron? (30 min)
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31-34  EABS Construction of Identity in the Ancient World: Intersections and Reflections Section
2:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Auditorium IV

Theme: Construction of Identity in Eastern Mediterranean and Syro-Mesopotamian Sources

Eastern Mediterranean
Antti Vanhoja, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound
Roman Religion as a Source of Identity in the Early Roman Empire (30 min)
Anna Maria Bortz, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
The List of Returnees in Ezr 2 and the Homeric Catalogue of Ships: The Importance of Lists for the Construction of Identity (30 min)
Marika Rauhala, University of Helsinki
Negotiating the Masculine Ideal: Gender Stereotypes in Ancient Religious Discourse (30 min)

Syro-Mesopotamia
Break (30 min)
Marika Rauhala, Presiding
Ann-Kristin Wigand, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Aspects of Coherence in Texts with a Literary History (25 min)
Mimicry in Identity Construction in Yehud (30 min)
Hendrik Bosman, Stellenbosch University
Being an Aramaean according to Deuteronomy 26:5: Considering Hybridity and Minicery in Identity Construction in Yehud (30 min)
Brandon Simonson, Boston University
Identity and the Theophoric Element: Evaluating the Role of Onomastic Evidence in the Construction of Religious Identity in Syro-Mesopotamia (30 min)

31-35  EABS Developing Exegetical Methods Section
2:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 14

Theme: Evoking Coherence in Redactional Processes of Fortschreibung and in Re-Writing Biblical Texts

Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Presiding
Raik Heckl, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Aspects of Coherence in Texts with a Literary History (30 min)
Eckart Otto, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Diachrony and Synchrony in the Book of Deuteronomy: How to Relate Them (30 min)

Kristin Weingart, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Compositional and Redactional Coherence: Micah 1–3 as a Test Case (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Meike J. Röhrig, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Inverse Strategies of Creating Coherence in the Story of Aaron Being Anointed to Be Priest (Lev 8) (30 min)
Chakrita M. Saulina, University of Cambridge
A New Methodology in Reconstructing the Roles of Satan and Demons in Luke’s Gospel (30 min)
David A. Lambert, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Is Harmonization Natural and Inevitable? The Case of Mordecai’s Refusal to Kneel (30 min)

31-36  EABS Diachronic Poetology of the Hebrew Bible and Related Ancient Near Eastern and Ancient Jewish Literature Section
2:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 21

Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Presiding
Urmas Nõmmik, University of Tartu, University of Helsinki
Changes in Form and Genre: Five Research Questions (25 min)

Eckart Otto, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Visual Poetry in Sumerian Lamentations: A Diachronic View (25 min)

Break (5 min)
Sebastian Fink, University of Helsinki
Hebrew Poetry’s Structure was Ancient! (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Anne Kanno, Independent Scholar
Illuminating Syntactic Seams (25 min)

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Anthony Chapman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
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| 2:00 PM-3:30 PM | EABS Early Christianity Section                                           | Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali) | Memorial Session in Honour of Heikki Räisänen  
Heikki Räisänen, Professor of New Testament Exegesis, passed away in December 2015. In this memorial session, invited panelists will address his final collection of essays, *The Bible among Scriptures* (Mohr Siebeck 2017). The topics to be discussed include Jesus, early Jews and Christians, and the interpretation of sacred texts, including Qur’an. | Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki, Presiding  
Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist  
Ilkka Lindstedt, University of Helsinki, Panelist  
Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Panelist |
| 2:00 PM-4:30 PM | EABS Enoch within and outside the Books of Enoch: Parabiblical Writings, Iconography and Oral Tradition Section | Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106 | Celestial Scribe and His Heavenly Writings  
*The First Heavenly Journey of Enoch (1Enoch 17) according to the Geneva Papyrus 187* (40 min)  
*Enoch as Ritual Specialist* (40 min)  
*Enoch the Scribe*: God’s Amanuensis or Satan’s Agent (40 min) | David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne  
Rodney A. Werline, Barton College  
Florentina Badalanova Geller, Freie Universität Berlin |
| 2:00 PM-5:30 PM | SBL Families and Children in the Ancient World Section                  | Fabianinkatu 33, Piärrakennus - Room 13 | Open Session / Child Sacrifice  
*My Brothers Were Plotting Evil*: Family Violence in the Ancient Near East (30 min)  
*Isaac and Rebecca: Scenes from a Marriage* (30 min) | Anna Solevag, VID Specialized University, Presiding  
Shana Zaia, University of Helsinki  
George Savran, Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem |
| 2:00 PM-3:30 PM | SBL Feminist Interpretations Section                                     | Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115 | Gender and Sexuality  
*Heterosexuality in Joseph and Aseneth* (20 min)  
*Queering Jesus in the Gospel of John* (20 min)  
*Androcentric in the Extreme? Rethinking Circumcision from Abraham to Zipporah* (20 min) | Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo, Presiding  
Susanna Asikainen, University of Helsinki  
Moona Kinnunen, University of Helsinki  
Nicholas Ansell, Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto |
| 2:00 PM-3:30 PM | SBL Gospel of Mark Section                                               | Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723 | Characters and Change in Mark (Session 1)  
*An Encounter That Changed the World: Jesus and the Syrophoenician Woman* (25 min)  
*Good News for Outsiders: The “Logos” of the Syrophoenician Woman (Mk 7,24–31a) in its Markan Context* (25 min) | Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain, Presiding  
Gitte Buch-Hansen, Københavns Universitet  
Christine Oefele, Universität Basel  
Paul Danove, Villanova University |
| 2:00 PM-3:15 PM | EABS Iconography and Biblical Studies Section / Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section | Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405 | Identifying Goddesses: Rethinking a Silver Pendant from Tel Miqne-Ekron (25 min) | Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki, Presiding  
Taylor Gray, University of St Andrews |

**Discussion**

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Lukasz P. Popko, École biblique & archéologique française Jérusalem
*Drinking with a Lion: A Symposium Motif (25 min)*
Discussion (10 min)
Business Meeting (5 min)

31-43  EABS Israel in the Ancient Near East Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 15
**Theme: Gods and the Divine**
Shira Golani, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding
Shirly Natan-Yulzary, Gordon Academic Colleges, Israel
Asherah, Lady of the Sea: A New Look at KTU 1.4 ii (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Amitai Baruchi Unna, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From Physical Cultic Object to Goddess: Asherah in Canaanite and Israelite Religion (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Adrienne Spunaugle, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Continuations of Anat in the First Millennium (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-44  SBL Judaica Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM  Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 17
**Theme: Consolatory Literature**
Elad Filler, Bar-Ilan University, Panelist
Cana Werman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Panelist
Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Serge Ruzer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist

31-45  EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  Fabianinkatu 26, Kiellikeskus - Room 406
**Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the HB/OT (1)**
Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Francis Landy, University of Alberta
Metaphorical Clusters in Isaiah (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet
*Of Burning Ovens, Half-Baked Cakes, and Helpless Birds: Exploring a Cluster of Metaphors in Hosea 7 (20 min)*
Discussion (10 min)
Donatella Sciaiola, Pontificia Urbania University
*Divine Metaphors in the Book of the Twelve (20 min)*
Discussion (10 min)

31-46  SBL Methodological Pluralism in the Study of Genesis Consultation
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Auditorium III
**Theme: Literary Criticism Revisited**
Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien, Presiding
Seth Sanders, University of California-Davis
Ancient but Not Oral: Towards a Literary History of Genesis without Undocumented Assumptions (30 min)
Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne
Scribal Revisions and Oral Traditions in Genesis 39 (30 min)
Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley
Abram's Journeys as Nexus: Toward a Literary Philology (30 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Michaela Bauks, Universität Koblenz - Landau
Intratextual Exegesis in the Primeval History (30 min)
Juerg Hutzli, Université de Lausanne
The Intertextuality between the Table of Nations and the Story about the Tower of Babel (30 min)
Andreas Schuele, University of Leipzig
Remember Abraham – or not? Abraham in the Book of Isaiah (30 min)
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Finnish Catholic Struggles with Paul and Justification: Thoughts on Scott Hahn’s New Romans Commentary (30 min)  
David Johnston, University of St Andrews  
The Problem of Adamic Interpretations of Romans 7:8–10 (30 min)  
Constantina Ann Clark, Ubiquity University, Dean of Students  
Exploring the True Identity of Junia: An Exploration into Identifying Apostleship in Romans (30 min) |
| 31-48 SBL Pentateuch (Torah) Section | Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204 | 2:00 PM–3:30 PM | Primeval and Patriarchal Narratives | Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University  
Polemics in the Story of Joseph (30 min)  
Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw  
Flood as Anti-war in Genesis (30 min)  
Georg A. Walser, Independent scholar  
What Did Jacob Do at Gen. 47:31b? (30 min) |
| 31-49 EABS Prophets and Prophecy Section | Fabianinkatu 33, Pääkennus - Room 16 | 2:00 PM–3:30 PM | The Book of Isaiah from Canonical Perspective | Funlola Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding  
Jaap Dekker, Theologische Universiteit (Apeldoorn)  
"Open the Gates That the Righteous Nation May Enter": The Concept of the People of God in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Zafer Mohammad, Tel Aviv University  
Healing a Holy Traumatized City: Transformation of the City of Jerusalem in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Alvaro F. Rodriguez, Universidad Peruana Unión  
The Sanctuary Motif in the Day of YHWH’s passages of Isaiah: A Canonical Reading (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min) |
| 31-50 SBL Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts Section | Fabianinkatu 33, Pääkennus - Room 8 | 2:00 PM–3:30 PM | The Bible and the Psychology of Trauma, Part 2 | Linda Joëlsone, Ersta-Sköndal-Bräcke University, Presiding  
Belinda E. Samari, University College London  
In the Deep: A Psychological Analysis of Surviving the Waters of Chaos (Gen. 6–8, Mark 4) (30 min)  
Pieter van der Zwan, University of Pretoria  
Scanning the Body-Image of Job Psychoanalytically (30 min)  
Susan Brasier, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Trauma on the Road to Emmaus (30 min) |
| 31-51 SBL Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section | Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III | 2:00 PM–5:30 PM | Ethics and Policies Regarding Unprovenanced Materials | Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Presiding  
Suzie Thomas, University of Helsinki  
Illicit Antiquities and Cultural Objects: Issues, Challenges, and Regulation (20 min)  
Rick Bonnie, University of Helsinki  
Researching Cultural Objects and Manuscripts in a Small Country: The Finnish Experience of Raising Awareness of Provenance, Legality, and Responsible Stewardship (20 min)  
Shani Tzoref, Universität Potsdam  
Raz and Rigma: Changing the Community Rules (20 min)  
Discussion (30 min)  
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Ludvik A. Kjeldsberg, University i Agder  
Christian Dead Sea Scrolls? The Post-2002 Fragments as Modern Protestant Relics (20 min)  
Kipp Davis, Trinity Western University  
Cartesian Doubt and the Ethics of Discovery: Provenance and Publication of the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)  
Matthew Goff, Florida State University and Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki  
Survey Results on Ethics and Policies Regarding Unprovenanced Materials (20 min)  
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#### 31-52 SBL Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective Section

**2:00 PM–3:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205

**Theme: Jesus & the Qur'an**

- John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding  
  George Archer, Iowa State University  
  Ephrem's 27th Hymn on the Nativity in the Quranic Landscape (30 min)  
  Alyssa Gabbay, University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
  Jesus, Son of Mary: Lineage and Descent in the Bible and the Qur'an (30 min)  
  Yusuf Salih, University of Dayton  
  Mustafa Sabri Efendi's Views on the Resurrection of Jesus (30 min)

#### 31-53 SBL Rethinking Biblical Written Tradition through Slavonic Interpretations Section

**2:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraakennus - Room 6

**Textuality and Intertextuality**

- Ivan Iliev, Sofiyski universitet, Presiding  
  Keiko Mitani, University of Tokyo  
  Importance of Intertextuality in Medieval Slavonic Literature: Apocalypse of Pseudo-Methodius in the Legend of Twelve Fridays as a Case (20 min)  
  Emanuela Timotin, Institute of Linguistics of the Romanian Academy  
  The Narrative about Melchisedek in the Romanian Liturgical Tradition: Printed Books and Manuscripts (20 min)  
  Liudmila Navtanovich, Autonomous University of Barcelona  
  Obscure Places in 2 Enoch: What Can They Tell Us about the Provenance of the Text? (20 min)  
  Break (30 min)

**Byzantine Heritage**

- Sladjana Tomic-Mirkovic, University of South Florida, Presiding  
  Anissava Militenova, Institute for Literature Bulgarian Academy of Sciences  
  Biblical Written Tradition and its Transformation in the Slavonic Oracles of Leo the Wise (20 min)  
  Liubica Jovanovic, American Public University  
  A Biblical Tradition of Йѡсифь Прѣкрасни (Handsome Joseph) in Slavonic Manuscripts (20 min)  
  Break (30 min)

#### 31-54 SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

**2:00 PM–3:30 PM**  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617

**Theme: Ritual and Community**

- Daniel Belnap, Brigham Young University, Presiding  
  Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University  
  The Hittite Word šaklai-: Between Ritual and Law (20 min)  
  Hajime Yamamoto, Kyoto daigaku  
  Divine Embodiment of Territorial Boundaries of the Hittite Kingdom (20 min)  
  Pekka Pitkänen, University of Gloucestershire  
  Deuteronomy 26:1–11 and Community Solidarity (20 min)  
  David McCollough, Durham University  
  The Liminal Spirit: Ritual Initiatory Praxis in the Early Christian Sect (20 min)  
  Discussion (10 min)

#### 31-55 SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

**2:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403

**Theme: Parables**

- Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding  
  John Harrison, Oklahoma Christian University  
  "I Forgive You, Because God Has": Assumptions about Forgiveness in Matthean and Lukan Parables (15 min)  
  J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University  
  Methodological Approaches to the Synoptic Slave Parables (15 min)  
  Jonathan Lo, Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary  
  The Appropriation of Isaiah of Isa 6:9–10 and the Parable of the Sower: A Synoptic Study of Citational Patterns (15 min)  
  Thomas E. Goud, University of New Brunswick  
  Frame, Allegory, and the Parable of the Sower (15 min)  
  Break (30 min)

**Byzantine Heritage**

- Daniel Ayuch, University of Balamand  
  Reading the Parables as Semitic Meshalim: Reviewing and Applying Tarazi's Approach to Parables in the Synoptic Gospels (15 min)  
  Justin David Strong, University of Notre Dame  
  Parables and Paratexts: Pronymythium and Epimythium as a Guide and a Crutch to Interpretation (15 min)  
  Mogens Müller, Københavns Universitet  
  Luke as aRewriter of Matthean Parables (15 min)  
  Robert (J.R.C.) Cousland, University of British Columbia  
  Matthew's Crowds in Recent Research (15 min)  
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<td>Peeter Espak, University of Tartu Reflections on the Sumerian Concept of God and Divine World in Light of Negative Theology (30 min) Birgit Christiansen, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München How Humanlike Did the People of Ancient Anatolian Cultures Conceptualize Their Gods? (30 min) Break (30 min) Fabio Porzia, Université de Toulouse - Jean Jaurès Negative Theology in the Levant? A View from Divine Epithets (30 min) Alberto Bernabé Pajares, Universidad Complutense Madrid Negative Theology in Pre-socratic Thought (30 min) Pablo Pirl Martinez, Universidad Complutense de Madrid &quot;From 'What a God is Not' to ‘There are No Gods’&quot;: Negative Theology and Its Interpretation as an Atheistic Attitude (30 min)</td>
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<td>Nyasha Junior, Temple University, Presiding Guy Darshan, Tel Aviv University The Planting of the First Vineyard Following the Flood (Gen 9:20–27) in Light of Ancient Mediterranean Traditions (25 min) Discussion (5 min) Øyvind Bjøru, University of Texas at Austin Jubilee Legislation in the Holiness Code in Light of the Hana Texts (25 min) Discussion (5 min) Jennifer Elizabeth Singletary, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Prophecy at Mari: Examining the Interplay Between Prophets, Court Specialists, Temple Personnel, and Members of the Elite (25 min) Discussion (5 min)</td>
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### 31-61 SBL Feminist Interpretations Section

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115

**Theme: Feminist Interpretation of Family Relationships and Health Care**

- Vilja Alanko, University of Helsinki  
  *Becoming a Subject: Mother-Daughter Relationships in the Acts of Thecla* (20 min)
- Karen Strand Winslow, Azusa Pacific University  
  *Daughters in the Bible: Fathers Doing "Right in Their Own Eyes"* (20 min)
- Madipoane Masenya (Ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa  
  *What Now of Reverend Mother? (African) Biblical Hermeneutics in the Context of "Imposed" Barrenness and "Normative" Motherhood* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Lilly (SJ) Nortje-Meyer, University of Johannesburg, Presiding

### 31-62 SBL Gospel of Mark Section

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723

**Theme: Characters and Change in Mark (Session 2)**

- Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Tech (retired), Presiding
- Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet  
  *"…Answer Me, and I Will Tell You by What Authority I Do These Things": The Rhetorical Function of Question and Counter-Question in Mark 11:27–33* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

- Thaddeus Ekuma, University of Oxford  
  *Against A Stoic Mindset: The Function of Mark’s Portrayal of Jesus’ Emotions* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

- Heike Omerzu, Copenhagen University  
  *Changing Perspectives on the Death of Jesus* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

### 31-63 SBL Johannine Literature Section

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 17

**Theme: 1 John**

- Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw, Presiding
- Dirk van der Merwe, University of South Africa  
  *Early Christian Spirituality Embedded in 1 John Where the Author Refers to His ‘Writing’ Concerning the Son of God* (20 min)
- Jack Khalil, University of Balmand  
  *New Arguments in Favor of the Similar Understanding of ἀρχή and λόγος in 1 John 1:1 and in the Prologue of the Gospel according to John* (20 min)
- Chang-Wook Jung, Chongsin University  
  *"Truly in Deed " or "In Deed and in Truth": The Meaning of the Expression ἐν ἔργῳ καὶ ἀληθείᾳ in 1 John 3:18 and Its Implications for the Interpretation of the Verses Following* (20 min)
- Moon Geoung, KIM, Presbyterian Univ. and Theological Seminary(Seoul)  
  *The "Way" Motif in the Gospel of John: The Reception and Transformation of the Jewish Wisdom Traditions* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

### 31-64 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

**Theme: Philippians and Thessalonians**

- Richard Min, University of Texas at Dallas, Presiding
- Rachael Tan, Taiwan Baptist Theological Seminary  
  *Rediscovering Phroneō: The Missing Link in Understanding Paul’s Perspective on Humiliation and Exaltation in Philippians and the Interpretation of the Carmen Christi* (30 min)
- Kar Yong Lim, Seminari Teoloji Malaysia  
  *"The Fellowship of Christ’s Sufferings” (Phil 3:10): Politics, Sufferings, and Social Identity Formation in Philippians* (30 min)
- Un Chan Jung, University of Durham  
  *Responding to Conflict: A Socio-Economic Approach to 1 Thessalonians 4:9–12* (30 min)

### 31-65 EABS Prophets and Prophecy Section

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 16

**Theme: The Book of Isaiah**

- Jaap Dekker, Presiding
- Csaba Balogh, Protestant Theological Institute of Cluj-Napoca  
  *Shear-Yashuv and the "Heads" of Aram and Ephraim: Unveiling Isaiah’s Esoteric Symbol* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)
Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria
The “Song of the Vineyard” (Isaiah 5:1-7) through the Lens of Trauma and Disaster Studies (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Y ochi Nissani, Bar-Ilan University
Punishing God’s Messenger in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

31-66 SBL Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Piäärakennus - Room 8
Theme: The Bible and Psychological Defense Mechanisms
Eben Scheffler, UNISA, Presiding
Flavia Soldano-Deheza, Universidad de Tres de Febrero
Rahab and the Raid of Jericho Beyond Denial (30 min)
Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill University, UK
Moabites, Edomites, Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Gergashites, Amorites, and Jebusites: Are They All Bad? Or Do They Represent Convenient ‘Whipping Boys?’ (30 min)
Cecilie Skupinska-Løvset, Jevnaker Municipality
Psychiatric Clinic
The Transformation of Emotions: A Look at Love in Ruth (30 min)

31-67 SBL Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205
Theme: Textual & Visual Interpretation
Nina Nikki, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Ilkka Lindstedt, University of Helsinki and Nina Nikki, University of Helsinki
Abraham as an Identity Sign in Paul and the Qur’an (30 min)
Ghilène Hazem, Paris-Nanterre
Avoiding Embarrassing Meanings: Ambiguous Qur’anic Verses, Corrected Scribal Errors and Biblical/Apocryphal Intertexts (30 min)
Ka Kwan Almond Sin, Vanderbilt University
Cultural Hybridity Revisited: Genesis in Islamic Religious Art during the Mongols (30 min)

31-68 SBL Septuagint Studies Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405
Theme: Textual history
Raija Sollamo, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitetet, Presiding
Jacob van Dorp, Netherlands Bible Society
Genesis 4,8: Hebrew Text and the Septuagint Translation Technique (20 min)
Miika Tucker, University of Helsinki
Continuity and Change: A Historical Perspective on the Assessment of Septuagint Jeremiah as a Textual Witness (20 min)
Bradley J. Marsh, Jr., University of Oxford
The Old Greek Witness in the Revision of Jacob of Edessa’s Book of Daniel (20 min)
Katja Kujanpää, University of Helsinki
Job or Isaiah? What Does Paul Quote in Rom 11:35? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

31-69 EABS The Greek of Jews and Christians Through the Pax Romana Section
4:00 PM–5:00 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617
Theme: Interviewed by Tamara Eskenazi
"Conversations with..." are sessions designed to offer senior scholars a chance to share their informal reflections on their careers, the nature of the discipline, and how the field has changed. Join us for this session, where Tamara Cohn Eskenazi will interview Bezalel Porten with a focus on the Elephantine Papyri and their significance to the field.
Tamara Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch), Presiding
Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist

31-70 Conversation with Bezalel Porten
6:00 PM–7:00 PM
Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Stage
Theme: Interviewed by Tamara Eskenazi
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31-71 Philip R. Davies and His Impact on the Field
7:15 PM–8:45 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P II
Sponsored by the EABS Committee. This session will honor the memory of Philip R. Davies (1945–2018) by discussing his legacy and impact on the field of biblical studies.
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Presiding
George Brooke, University of Manchester, Panelist (15 min)
Diana Edelman, University of Oslo, Panelist (15 min)
Athalya Brenner-Idan, Tel Aviv University/University of Amsterdam, Panelist (15 min)
Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne, Panelist (15 min)
Bob Becking, Utrecht University, Panelist (15 min)
Jorunn Økland, Norwegian Institute at Athens/University of Oslo, Panelist (15 min)
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1-1 SBL Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II

Theme: Men, Mary, Magic
Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg, Presiding
Tom de Bruin, Newbold College
"Thus He Has Distinguished Man from Man": Masculinity in The Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Susanna Asikainen, University of Helsinki
Rewritten Masculinities in the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Bradley Rice, McGill University
What Does Mary Know That Joseph Doesn’t? Uncovering Mary’s Mysteries in the Book of the Nativity of the Savior (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Shaily Shashikant Patel, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Valence and Polyvalence: The Function of Magical Discourse in the Acts of Peter (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

1-2 SBL Bible and Visual Culture Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium IV

Theme: Biblical Images in Jewish, Christian and Islamic Visual Art
Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding (5 min)
Gary Phillips, Wabash College
"Just Is" After Atrocity: Lady Justice, Lex Talionis, and the Artwork of Samuel Bak (25 min)
Amanda Dillon, Trinity College Dublin
Imaging Christ in the Twenty-First Century Lectionary (25 min)

1-3 EABS Bible Translation Workshop Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617

Theme: Bible Translation at the Intersection of Narratives and Metaphors: Perspectives and Problematics
Paraskevi Arapoglou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Presiding
Suzanna Millar, University of Leeds
Metaphoric Dynamics in Proverb Translation: Insights from Paremiology and Cognitive Linguistics (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Hans Foerster, Universität Wien
Formal Equivalence and Betrayal of Content? The Pitfalls of Metaphors and Their Translations (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
June Frances Dickie, University of KwaZulu-Natal
New Metaphors Create New Reality: Zulu Youth Find Fresh Meaning in Ancient Psalms (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Hans Combrink, Biblica, Inc.
Unlocking Metaphorical Chains: New Horizons for Ancient Texts in the Modern World (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

1-4 EABS Canonical Approaches to the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III

Theme: Openings and Endings of Biblical Books as Elements of a Canon Theology, Part 1
Oliver Dyma, KSFH Benediktbeuern, Presiding
Heiko Wenzel, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen
When Closure Opens a Door: On Various Canonical Functions of Deuteronomy 31-34 (30 min)
Stephen D. Campbell, University of Durham
Deuteronomy and the Means of Memory: A Study of Deuteronomy’s Frame (30 min)
Zvi Shimon, Bar-Ilan University
The Connection between the Opening and Closing Chapters of the Pentateuch (30 min)
Matthias Millard, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel
Creating History: Comparing Book Divisions and Book Orders of the Former Prophets and the Historical Book of the LXX (30 min)

1-5 SBL Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament) Seminar
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 14
Theme: Views from Afar, I
Jaqueline Du Toit, University of the Free State, Presiding
Wei Huang, Shanghai University
The Reception and Contextualization of Qoheleth's Wisdom in China (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Ora Brison, Tel Aviv University
Contextual Reading of Psalm 45:10 and the Question of Interfaith Marriages in Biblical Times and in the State of Israel (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Resistance in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

1-6 EABS Developing Exegetical Methods / Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in Light of Empirical Evidence Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405
Theme: Evoking Coherence in Redactional Processes of Fortschrreibung and in Re-writing Biblical Texts
Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Eugene Ulrich, University of Notre Dame
Socio-historical Clues of Editorial Revision in Variant Literary Editions (30 min)
Christoph Berner, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Late Redactional Alignments in the Book of Exodus (30 min)
Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne
Coherence within "Chaos": Techniques to Increase or Evoke Coherence in the Book of Numbers (30 min)
Mika Pajunen, University of Helsinki
The Functions of Extensive Psalms and Prayers in Narrative Contexts (30 min)

1-7 EABS Early Christianity Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Auditorium III
Theme: Ritual and Worship in Early Christianity
Paul Middleton, University of Chester, Presiding
Kimberly Fowler, CNRS/Aix-Marseille University
The Liturgical Fragments from Nag Hammadi Codex XI in Light of Recent Scholarship (25 min)
Milan Kostrescevic, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Understanding of the Eucharist in the Acta Johannis (Actioh 85.109) (25 min)
Kyle R. Hughes, Whitefield Academy
Irenaeus and the 'Gnostic' Roots of 'Orthodox' Pneumatology (25 min)
Teresa Lee McCaskill, University of Edinburgh
The Gift of Teaching Theology Through Music (Rom 12:7) (25 min)
Discussion (20 min)

1-8 EABS Emotions and the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 10
David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding
Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
Public Suffering? Affect and the Complaint Psalms as a Form of Private-Political Depression (30 min)
Daniel Maier, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Positive Emotions in the Book of Jubilees: The Insertion of Happiness and Joy into the Stories of Genesis and Exodus (30 min)
Kenneth Cukrowski, Abilene Christian University
The Grammar of Lukan Emotions (30 min)
Discussion (25 min)
Business Meeting (5 min)

1-9 EABS Enoch within and outside the Books of Enoch: Parabiblical Writings, Iconography and Oral Tradition Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 15
Theme: Enochic Traditions and Nag Hammadi Library
Matthew Goff, Florida State University
Primordial History Not according to Moses: The Creative Reformulation of Watchers Mythic Traditions in Nag Hammadi Texts (30 min)
Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin
The Reception of Enochic Traditions in Gnostic Literature (30 min)
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Ivan Miroshnikov, University of Helsinki and Alexey Somov, Institute for Bible Translation
The Function of Enoch and Elijah in the Eschatological Scenario of the Apocalypse of Elijah (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

1-11 SBL Gospel of Mark Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kiellikeskus - Room 206
Theme: Current Issues in Markan Studies
Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain, Presiding
Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Retired, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Jonah and Mark’s Jesus (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Eric Douglass, Randolph-Macon College
Failure to Fit: Textual Strategies for Crafting Change (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Igor Lorenzini, Theologische Hochschule Friedensau
Methodical Analysis Meets Pragmatism: Rhoads’ Practical Narrative Approach of “Mark as Story” through the Cognitive Turn Lens of Finnern’s Narratological Analysis (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

1-11a SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P IV
Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Presiding
Edgar Kellenberger, Swiss Reformed Church
Priests with a Disability: Examples from Israel and Greek-Roman Antiquity (30 min)
Kirsty Jones, Georgetown University
Three Blind Vices: Samson’s Sight, Samson’s Blindness (30 min)
Louise Gosbell, Mary Andrews College
Disability Readings of the Lukan Banquet Parables in 14:7-24 (30 min)
Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Respondent (30 min)

1-12 SBL History of Biblical Scholarship in the Late Modern Period Consultation
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 7
Theme: Biblical Scholarship in Nordic Lands: Methodological Focus
Julia Rydery, Université de Lausanne, Presiding
Aulikki Nahkola, Newbold College
What Has Väinämöinen Got to Do with Moses? Mapping the Influence of Finnish Folklore Scholarship on Biblical Studies and Suggesting Future Directions (30 min)
Jan Rückl, Protestant Theological Faculty, Charles University of Prague
Hebrew Bible and History according to Slavomír C. Daněk (1885–1946) (30 min)
Michael Legaspi, Pennsylvania State University
Thorleif Boman and the Twentieth-Century Quest for the Hebrew Mind (30 min)
Karl William Weyde, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Traditio-historical Method in the Research of Magne Seba (30 min)

1-13 EABS Iconography and Biblical Studies Section / Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 13
Theme: Neo-Assyrian Iconography
Florian Lipkje, Université de Fribourg - Université Freiburg, Presiding
Norma Franklin, University of Haifa
The Assyrian Stylized Tree: Propagation Not Pollination (20 min)
Discussion (7 min)
Robert Kashow, Brown University
Representations of Violence in Functionalist Perspective: The Palace Reliefs of Ashurnasirpal II as a Test Case (20 min)
Discussion (7 min)
Joel M. LeMon, Emory University
A Visual Culture of Violence at the North Palace of Ashurbanipal in Nineveh (20 min)
Discussion (12 min)
Discussion (7 min)

1-14 EABS Intersections: A Forum for Research on Ancient Israel, Hebrew Bible, and Cognate Topics Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 8
Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding
Yoshi Fargeon, Bar-Ilan University
"Will You Fool Him as One Fools Men": Can God Be Deceived according to Biblical Narrative? (30 min)
Sunwoo Hwang, Chongsun University
The Identity of the Messenger of Yahweh in Judges 13 (30 min)
Paola Mollo, Pontifical Biblical Institute (Rome)
Repeated Death-Notices: Redactional and/or Literary Technique (30 min)
Anat Koplowitz-Breier, Bar-Ilan University
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### 1-20 SBL Place, Space, and Identity in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674  
**Theme:** Place, Space and Identity in the Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism(s) I  
**Speakers:**
- Karen Wenell, University of Birmingham, Presiding  
- Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
- Bruno J. Clifton, University of Cambridge  
- Karoline Rumpf, University of Vienna  
- Gert Prinsloo, University of Pretoria

### 1-20a SBL Postcolonial Studies Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115  
**Theme:** Foreign Nations in the Book of Ezekiel  
**Speakers:**
- Archie Lee, Shandong University, Presiding  
- Wungeti Buchem, University of Sheffield  
- Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
- Luis Menéndez-Antuña, Graduate Theological Union (Berkeley)  
- Andrew Langley, University of Oxford  
- Micaël Bürki, Université de Lausanne

### 1-21 EABS Prophecy and Foreign Nations Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724  
**Theme:** Foreign Nations in the Book of Ezekiel  
**Speakers:**
- Hannes Bezzel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding  
- Uwe Becker, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding  
- Lydia Lee, North-West University (South Africa)  
- Reetikaisa Sofia Salo, University of Münster  
- Sarah Koehler, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

### 1-22 SBL Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali)  
**Theme:** The Bible and Positive Psychological Experience  
**Speakers:**
- Linda Joelssohn, Ersta-Sköndal-Bräcke University, Presiding  
- Eben Scheffler, UNISA  
- Hendrik Viviers, University of Johannesburg

### 1-23 SBL Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204  
**Theme:** Meaning & Distortion  
**Speakers:**
- Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University/Al-Maktoum College, Presiding  
- Sayed-Hassan Akhlaq, Boston University  
- Mohammad Ghandehari, University of Tehran

### 1-24 SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section / Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section
**Time:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 6  
**Theme:** Ritual and Qumran  
**Speakers:**
- Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki, Presiding  
- Sarianna Metso, University of Toronto  
- Ida Fröhlich, Pézmány Péter Katolikus Egyetem  
- Melissa Bach, Københavns Universitet
Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology  
Retribution and Repair of Norm Infringements in Qumran, Associations, and Pauline Congregations  
(30 min)

1-25 SBL Septuagint Studies Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205

Theme: Septuagint Syntax  
Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki, Presiding  
Raija Sollamo, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
How to Write a Syntax of the Septuagint? (30 min)  
Anssi Voitila, University of Eastern Finland  
Usage-Based Translation Syntax of the Septuagint (30 min)  
Marieke Dhont, University of Cambridge  
Word Order in the Septuagint within Post-Classical Greek (30 min)  
Edward Glneny, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN)  
Stylistic Features in LXX Amos (30 min)

1-25a EABS Slavonic Apocrypha Section  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 207

Basil Lourié, Scrinium: Review of the Patrology, Critical Hagiography, Presiding  
Ivan Biliarsky, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences/Institute of History
The Testament of Abraham in a Juridical Manuscript of XVI Century (20 min)  
Break (10 min)  
Maria Vitkovskaya, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin  
Rewriting Methods in the Palaea Historica and in the Slavic Cycle of Abraham (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Anissava Mitenova, Institute for Literature Bulgarian Academy of Sciences  
South Slavonic Apocryphal Collections (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)

1-26 EABS The Bible and Ecology Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105

Theme: Bible, Ecology, and Other Disciplines  
Maricel Ibita, Ateneo de Manila University, Presiding  
Ekaterini Tsampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  
"Buen Vivir" and Its Possible Ecological Relevance: A Biblical Approach (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Robin Hamon, University of Sheffield  
New Materialism: A New Direction for Ecological Hermeneutics (20 min)  
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Round Table Discussion  
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1-27 EABS The Biblical World and Its Reception Section / SBL Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact Section  
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Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University, Presiding  
Erin Runions, Pomona College  
Scripturalized Paranoia, Apocalypse, and U.S. Slave Catechisms (30 min)  
Alex Damm, Wilfrid Laurier University  
Gandhi and the New Testament: What Do We Know? What Must We Ask? (30 min)  
Heidi M. Szpek, Central Washington University  
"May the Dew Fall upon Them": Jewish Epitaphic Poetry from the Late 19th – Early 20th Centuries in Bialystok and Bible Reception (30 min)  
Meir Seidler, Ariel University  
Rabbi Joseph Carlebach: His Exegesis and His Approach to Higher Biblical Criticism (30 min)

1-28 EABS The Language of Colour in the Bible: From Word to Image Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319

Theme: Colour: Biblical Lexicography  
Lourdes García Ureña, Universidad CEU San Pablo  
What Does Colour Mean in the Bible? A Study from MT, LXX and Vulgate (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Carlos Santos Carretero, Israel Institute of Biblical Studies  
Red as a Cow and Reddish as Esau? Reconsidering the Uses of אדם and אדמוני in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Anna Rambiert-Kwasniewska, Pontifical Faculty of Theology  
The Semantics of Melas in the Greek Bible (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Emanuela Valeriani, Université de Genève  
Colours and Precious Stones in the Greek Bible: ὁ λίθος ὁ πράσινος in Gen 2:12 (20 min)  
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**1-29 EABS Virtue in Biblical Literature Section**

**Theme:** Gendered Virtue?
- Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
- Agnethe Siquans, University of Vienna

*The Male Gender of Virtue: The Allegorical Interpretation of Pharaoh's Decree in Exodus 1* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anna-Liisa Tolonen, University of Helsinki

*Beyond Reason? The "Manliness" of the Mother in 4 Maccabees* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Johannes Vorster, University of South Africa

*Claiming Superiority through "Virtue" as a Configuration of Empowering Bodily Strategies in 4 Maccabees* (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**1-31 SBL Writings (including Psalms) Section**

**Theme:** Job, Esther, Jonah, and Jewish Pseudepigrapha
- Louis Jonker, University van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
- Tobias Häner, University of Vienna

*God's Questions: Irony in God's First Speech in the Book of Job* (Job 38:1–39:30) (30 min)

Ayelet Seidler, Bar-Ilan University

*"For He Had Told Them …": Mordechai the Jew and Jonah the Hebrew: Conflict and Identity* (30 min)

**1-31a International Cooperation Initiative Committee**

11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

Juan Manuel Tebes, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Member

Carmen Palmer, Toronto School of Theology, Member

Louis Jonker, University van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Member

S. Teofilo Correa, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies - AIIAS, Member

Jaqueline du Toit, University of the Free State, Member

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Member

Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific, Member

Christopher Hooker, Society of Biblical Literature, Member

**1-30 EABS Wisdom in Israel and in ANE Wisdom Literature Section**

**Theme:** Ethics and Character Ethics in Proverbs, Job, and Other Wisdom Books
- Tova Forti, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding
- Katharine Dell, University of Cambridge

*"The Lord Loved Him": Solomon as Idealized Character and Paradigm for Character Ethics within the "Solomonic" Canon* (30 min)

Patricia Vesely, Union Presbyterian Seminary

*Friendship and Character Formation in Job* (30 min)

Timothy J. Sandoval, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

*Virtue Ethics, Natural Law, and Wisdom: Reconsidering Proverbs 8:22–31* (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Nuria Calduch-Benages, Pontifical Gregorian University

*The Imagery of Female Characters in Ben Sira* (30 min)

**1-30a SBL Working with Biblical Manuscripts (Textual Criticism) Section**

**Theme:** Job, Esther, Jonah, and Jewish Pseudepigrapha
- Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, Presiding
- Ronald van der Bergh, University of Pretoria

*A Comparison of Paragraph Division in Codex Sinaiticus and Codex Bezae's Luke* (30 min)

Bill Warren, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

*When Is a Ligature Not a Ligature? Scribal Traits and Errors* (30 min)
1-33 SBL Ancient Near East Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 8
Theme: Writing and Re-writing Social Boundaries
Lisa Cleath, George Fox University, Presiding
Nadia Ben-Marzouk, University of California-Los Angeles
*Othering the Alphabet: A New Proposal for the Social Context of the Proto-Sinaitic Writing System's Invention (25 min)*
Discussion (5 min)
Mark Lester, Yale University
*Multimodality and Cultural Transmission in Ancient Near Eastern Treaty Traditions (25 min)*
Discussion (5 min)
Sigrid K. Kjaer, University of Texas at Austin
*Two Sides to the Story: Royal Inscriptions from Late Antique Yemen and Ethiopia (25 min)*
Discussion (5 min)

1-34 EABS Anthropology and the Bible Section / Food as Concept / Symbol / Metaphor Consultation
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405
Theme: Food as Symbol
Claudia Bergmann, Universität Erfurt, Presiding
Alexey Somov, Institute for Bible Translation, Presiding
Emanuel Pfoh, CONICET / National University of La Plata, Presiding
Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen, Presiding
Other (6 min)
Jesper Høgenhaven, Københavns Universitet
*Abundance and Life Versus Abstinence and Death? Eating and Drinking in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)*
Discussion (12 min)
Claudia D. Bergmann, Universität Erfurt
*Food as Divine Reward (30 min)*
Discussion (12 min)
Break (30 min)
Rebekah Welton, University of Exeter
*A Land Flowing with Milk and Honey*: Yahweh’s Promised Provision of Food (30 min)
Discussion (12 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (28 min)

1-35 SBL Apocalyptic Literature Section
2:00 PM–3:45 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II
Theme: Apocalyptic Literature: Late Antiquity and the Mediaeval World
Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
Emanuela Valeriani, Université de Genève
*The Resurrection of the Dead in the First Apocryphal Apocalypse of John (25 min)*
Discussion (10 min)
Hadi Taqavi, Hadi Sabouhi, Ehsan Roohi, University of California-Irvine
*A Re-examination of the Common Hypothesis about the Messianic Figures in Medieval Islamic and Byzantine Apocalyptic Literature (25 min)*
Discussion (10 min)
Christopher Denny, Saint John's University
*From Drowned World to Ecclesial Bestiary: Noah's Ark in the Beatus Apocalypses (25 min)*
Discussion (10 min)

1-36 ATLA
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204
Theme: Presentation and Interactive Conversations about Religion and Theology Resources
ATLA offers a prestigious product line of global electronic resources to support the scholarly study of religion and theology. Come interact with ATLA staff members and hear updates about ATLA Products, including the ATLA Religion Database® (ATLA RDB®) and ATLASerials PLUS™ (ATLAS PLUS™), an online collection of more than 440 full-text religion and theology journals. The first part of the session will include a presentation from ATLA, and the latter part will involve interactive conversations with ATLA staff to understand how ATLA's products are used. ATLA staff will also welcome suggestions for new content additions and coverage areas.

1-37 SBL Authority and Influence in Ancient Times Section
2:00 PM–4:45 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium IV
Theme: Authority and Influence in the New Testament
Marius J. Nel, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
*A King's Ransom: The Inversion of Authority and Power in Matthew 20:20–28 (25 min)*
Discussion (10 min)
Maria Micheal Felix, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
*Peter's and/or Jesus' Leadership? An Exegetical Study of John 21:15–17 in the Light of the Notion of Leadership (25 min)*
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Discussion (10 min)
Break (10 min)
Jonathan Lo, Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary
Pauline Authority in the Letter to Philemon: Identifying the Theological Underpinnings of Paul’s Persuasive Discourse (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Sylvie Chabert d’Hyères, Université de Lyon
Priestly Authority? (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)

1-38 SBL Biblical and Ancient Near Eastern Law Section
2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403
Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding
Amrei Koch, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg
Intertwining Law and Narrative: Structural Observations in the Covenant Code and Their Legal Relevance (30 min)
Ed Greenstein, Bar-Ilan University
“If the Sun Shone on Him” (Exodus 22:2): A Different Approach (30 min)
Lea Jacobsen, Gordon College
Social and Legal Aspects of the Violation of the Widowed Mother’s Rights in the Book of Proverbs and Ancient Near Eastern Legal Sources (30 min)
Idan Breier, Bar-Ilan University
Animals in Biblical and Ancient Near Eastern Law: Tort and Ethical Laws (30 min)

1-39 SBL Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam) Seminar
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali)
Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University / Al Maktoum College of Higher Education, Presiding
David Z Crookes, Independent writer
The Greek Text and the Authorship of II Peter (30 min)
Virginia Ingram, Charles Sturt University
The Unknown “Truth” of Nathan’s Character (30 min)
Richard K. Min, The University of Texas at Dallas
The Son of God in Psalm 110 in the Light of the New Testament (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Keren Abbou Hershkovits, Center for the Study of Conversion and Interfaith, Ben-Gurion University
Women and the Truth that is Islam (30 min)
Rami Arav, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Were the Israelite Tribal Eponyms Real People? (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

1-40 SBL Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity Section
2:00 PM–4:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205
Theme: Imitation of Biblical Characters
David Brakke, Ohio State University, Presiding
Mari E Doerfler, Yale University
Imitating Sacrifice: Doubling Abraham in Biblical and Patristic Imagination (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Agnethe Siquans, University of Vienna
Imitation in the Interpretation of Moses’ Nativity Story: Biblical Paradigms for Christian and Jewish Life (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Paul A. Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary
An Altruistic Alter Christus: Polycarp, Paul, and Imitating the Essential Norm of Christ’s Self-Donation (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Cory B. Louie, University of Notre Dame
Imitating Paul in His Many Contests: Life, Death, and the Ambiguous Metaphors of 2 Tim 4:6–8 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

1-41 EABS Biblical Reception History and Authority in the Middle Ages and Beyond Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406
Religious Identities and Interpretations of Sacred Texts in the Middle Ages and Early Modern World
Katja Ritari, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Carola Krieg, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Rashi and His Interpretation on Isaiah 40ff (30 min)
Melania Soler Moratón, University of Murcia
Woman and Devotion: The Use of the Bible and Other Devotional Objects in the Religious Formation of Joanna I of Castile and Katherine of Aragon (30 min)
Ken Brown, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Between Joshua and Jamestown: Identity and Interpretation in King James England (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Theoretical and Philosophical Approaches to the Authority of the Bible in the Middle Ages and the Modern Era
Ritva Pälmén, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Mikko Posti, University of Helsinki
God’s Knowledge of Creation in Scholastic Theology: Biblical and Philosophical Perspectives (30 min)
Sami Pihlström, University of Helsinki and Sari Kivistö, Tampereen yliopisto
The Emergence of Antitheodicism: On the Literary and Philosophical Reception of the Book of Job (30 min)
Heikki J. Koskinen, University of Helsinki
Textual Interpretation, Metaphysical Power, and Pathologies of Recognition (30 min)

1-42  EABS Bodies of Communication Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674
Theme: Pleasure and Pain
Karin Neutel, University of Oslo, Presiding
Dae Jun Jeong, Wycliffe College
The Fate of the Beautiful and the Ugly in the Book of Judges (25 min)
Nicole Wilkinson Duran, First Presbyterian Church of Cape May
“What She Did Will Be Said”: Pleasure, Pain, and Words in Mark’s Gospel (25 min)
Peter-Ben Smit, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Pleasure and Pain: Jesus’ Body and Topping from the Bottom in Mark’s Passion Narrative (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Break (30 min)
Peter Smit, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Presiding
Laura Quick, Princeton University
Bodies That Speak: Body Adornment in Ancient Jewish Narrative (25 min)
Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew’s College, University of Saskatchewan
David and Darics: Reconsidering an Anachronism in 1 Chronicles 29 (25 min)
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
Leadership in the World of Memories Evoked by Chronicles in the Context of the Late Persian/Early Hellenistic Period (20 min)
Isabel Cranz, University of Pennsylvania
Diseased Leadership (20 min)
Louis Jonker, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Respondent (20 min)
Discussion (35 min)

1-42a  SBL Catholic Epistles Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723
Theme: Reception of 1 Peter and James
Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding
Archie C. C. Lee, Shandong University
The Biblical God and the Divine Opponents in the Translation of the Scripture in Northeast Asia (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
MENG Zhenhua, Nanjing University
A Contextual Observation of the Biblical Depiction of Persia (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Wei Huang, Shanghai University, Presiding
Beth Elness-Hanson, Johannelunds Teologiska Högskola
The Strength of Hybridity: An Intercultural Case Study of an American and Mauaai Analysis of Exod 20:4–6 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
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**1-45 EABS Deconstructive Poetics Section**  
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Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 14

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield, Presiding  
Flavia Soldano-Deheza, Universidad de Tres de Febrero  
Gen 16 and Gen 21: A Lacanian Perspective (30 min)  
Kåre Berge, NLA University College  
The Subversive Poetic Function of the "Fantastic" in the Exodus Narrative. (30 min)  
Karim Hakalax, VID Specialized University  
"Abjection, your Honour!": A Reading of Psalm 88 as a Work of Abject Art (30 min)

**Break (30 min)**

Joel Kuhlin, Lunds Universitet  
Deleuze and Suspension-till-Death in Mark's Gospel (30 min)  
Clarissa Breu, Universität Wien  
Representing Representation: A Postmodern Reading of the Apocalypse of John (30 min)  
Andrew P Wilson, Mount Allison University  
"I Have Seen the Lord": Jesus in Contemporary Art (30 min)

**1-46 EABS Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in light of Empirical Evidence Section**  
2:00 PM–5:00 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 5

Theme: Timo Veijola's Contribution to Biblical Studies

Marti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding (9 min)  
Marko Marttila, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu  
Timo Veijola's Finnish Publications and their Influence (27 min)  
Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
The Institutional Context of Biblical Scribal Tradition According to Timo Veijola (27 min)  
Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
Timo Veijola's Commentary on Deuteronomy (27 min)

**Break (30 min)**

Walter Dietrich, Universität Bern - Université de Berne  
Timo Veijola Beitrag zur Erforschung der Samuelbücher (27 min)

**Discussion (33 min)**

**1-47 EABS Europe Contested: Contemporary Bible Readings Performed by “Ordinary” Readers in a European Context Section**  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 15

Gitte Buch-Hansen, Københavns Universitet, Presiding  
Kathleen McCallie, Phillips Theological Seminary  
Lesbian Resistance in the Heart of the Beast (30 min)

**Discussion (15 min)**

Sharon Jacob, Pacific School of Religion  
Under the Guise of Modesty! Women's Bodies, Cultural Purity, and the Politics of Dress in 1 Timothy 2:8–15: A Contextual, Feminist, and Postcolonial Reading (30 min)

**Discussion (15 min)**

Omari Hutchinson, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
Multiple Perspectives on Research Method, Practical Theology, and Pedagogy with Black Queer Christian Men Seeking Refuge in the UK (30 min)

**Discussion (15 min)**

Walter Dietrich, Universität Bern - Université de Berne  
Anatomy and Anthropology: The Interpretation of Flesh by Ordinary Readers (30 min)

**Discussion (15 min)**

**1-47a SBL Feminist Interpretations Section**  
2:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P724

Theme: Feminist Interpretation and Cultural Studies

Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo, Presiding  
Orit Avnery, Shalem College and Shalom Hartman Institute  
Otherness, Belonging, and Gender: Comparative Study of the Five Megillot (20 min)  
Alexandra Glynn, Bemidji State University  
Marriage in the Bible: An Inquiry Beginning with Genesis 6:2 (20 min)  
Lilly Nortje-Meyer, University of Johannesburg  
The Wife as Stranger in the Family (20 min)  
Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
Jezebel as the “Ultimate Other”: Postcolonial and Intersectional Perspectives on a Foreign Woman, Loyal Baal-Worshipper, and Powerful Queen in 1 and 2 Kings (20 min)

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<td>Karolien Vermeulen, University of Antwerp, Presiding&lt;br&gt;<strong>Dominant Schemata in the Pentateuch: A Cognitive Overview</strong> (25 min)</td>
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<td>G.G. Braun, post-doctorate fellow, before Northwest University&lt;br&gt;<strong>The Divine Indwelling: Literal and Metaphorical Concepts of God's Indwelling Presence</strong> (25 min)</td>
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<td>Sakari Häkkinen, Diocese of Kuopio, Finland, Presiding&lt;br&gt;<strong>The Synoptic Problem, Ancient Historiography, and Luke's Preface</strong> (15 min)</td>
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Phillip Davis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn  
"Some Tendencies in Luke’s Use of the Jewish Scriptures and Their Bearing on the Synoptic Problem" (15 min)  
Discussion (15 min)  
Anna Pessina, Catholic University of Sacred Hearth, Milano  
"Μετὰ τὴν ἔγερσιν αὐτοῦ": Philological Evidences of an Interpolation in Matthew 27:53 (15 min)  
Martina Vercesi, Università degli studi di Milano  
"Kai Eis Panta ta Ethne Proton dei Kerychthenai to Eyaggelion" (Mk 13,10): An Inclusion in the Most Ancient Christian Apocalypse? (15 min)  
Discussion (15 min)  

1-58  
EABS The Biblical World and Cultural Evolution Section  
2:00 PM–4:45 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 17  
Theme: Mapping the field  
Nina Niki, University of Helsinki, Presiding (10 min)  
Risto Uro, University of Helsinki  
"Ritual, Ecology and Biblical Traditions" (25 min)  
James Mcelhan, Bar-Ilan University  
"Social Evolution of the Central Highlands of Israel in the Iron Age I: A Neo-evolutionary Perspective on the Current Polarity of Israelite State Development" (25 min)  
Paul Shrell-Fox, Schechter Institute  
"Is Descendant-Leaving Success the Function of Religion" (25 min)  
Break (30 min)  
Nirmal Fernando, Ashram Community / Urban Theology Union Sheffield  
"Cultural Change in Context: Jesus on Sexuality in the Discipleship Community: Ius Gentium?" (25 min)  
Ronit Nikolovsky, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen  
"The Cultural Evolution of the Word ‘Love’ in the Hebrew Bible" (25 min)  

1-59  
EABS Ugarit and the Bible: Life and Death Section  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 21  
Reetkaisa Sofia Salo, Clemens Steinberger, Introduction (30 min)  
Sebastian Fink, University of Helsinki  
"Entering and Leaving This World: Birth and Death in Mesopotamia" (30 min)  
Klaas Spronk, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit  
"Reconsidering the Cult of the Dead in Ugarit" (30 min)  
Break (30 min)  
Virginie Muller, University of Lyon  
"Some Aspects of Mourning according to Sumero-Akkadian Texts" (30 min)  

1-60  
EABS What a God is Not – the Early History of Negative Theology Section  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105  
Theme: Negative Theology in the Bible  
Annette Schellenberg, University of Vienna  
"Traces of Negative Theology in the Hebrew Bible" (30 min)  
Stéphanie Anthonioz, UMR 8167  
"Negative Theology in the Book of Isaiah: The Inaugural Vision" (30 min)  
Amos Geula, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
"Different Descriptions of God’s Revelation in the Bible: What the God is NOT" (30 min)  
Break (30 min)
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Lauri Laine, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
What God Should Not Be, but Still Somehow Is?
Cognitive Perspectives on “Theological Incorrectness”
(30 min)

Peter Nagel, Stellenbosch University
The Existential Value of an Incompetent God: A Critical Evaluation of the παντοκράτωρ Concept in Revelation
(30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

1-62  SBL Ancient Near East Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraakennus - Room 8
Theme: Revising the Dictionary of Classical Hebrew
David J.A. Clines, University of Sheffield
How Is This Dictionary Different from All Other Hebrew Dictionaries? The New Dictionary of Classical Hebrew Revised (30 min)
Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet, Respondent
(15 min)
John Sawyer, University of Edinburgh, Respondent
(15 min)
Discussion (30 min)

1-63  SBL Catholic Epistles Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723
Theme: Reception of James and Jude in the Catholic Epistles
Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding
Kelsie G Rodenbiker, Durham University
Narrative Exemplars in the Catholic Epistles: A Terminological Suggestion (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Sun Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin
What Do You Mean the Letter of James is Paraenetic? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Beth Langstaff, Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums
Keeping Jude Company: The Epistle of Jude and Its Shifting Relationships in the Early Reformation (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

1-64  SBL Early Career Development Workshop
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P IV
The event is jointly sponsored by the EABS Committee and the SBL Professional Development Committee.
This interactive workshop is open to Doctoral and Early Career researchers in all subjects represented in EABS and ISBL.

We will discuss best practice and future needs for supporting Doctoral and Early Career researchers in Biblical Studies and related fields. The workshop will include reflections on the support of ECRs in Helsinki’s Changes in Sacred Texts and Traditions Project as well as introduce the recently launched Second Temple Early Career Academy (STECA) based at the University of Birmingham UK with a strong international outlook.
Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, STECA, Presiding
Elisa Uusimäki, University of Helsinki, CSTT, Presiding

1-65  SBL Johannine Literature Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206
Theme: Rhetoric
Mark Kulikovsky, Macquarie University, Presiding
Friedrich G. Lang, Retired minister of the Lutheran Church of Wuerttemberg, Germany
Observations on the Disposition of the Gospel of John (20 min)
Sara Marino, University of Milan
The Relationship between the Micro-Asiatic Sitz im Leben and John’s Gospel (20 min)
Burton Everist, Wartburg Theological Seminary
The Gospel according to John—the Pastor (20 min)
Florensia Theograsia, University of Newcastle, Australia
See Trinity through the Fourth Gospel (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

1-66  SBL Judaica Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106
Theme: Biblical Linguistic Analysis
Hagit Taragan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding
Haim Dihi, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Re-examination of Homonymic and Polysemic Roots from the Book of Ben Sira (20 min)
Shamir Yona, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Different Types of Pivot Pattern (20 min)
David Van Acker, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Johan de Joode, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
A Corpus Linguistic Approach to the Prosodic Function of the Masoretic Accents (20 min)
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<td>Pekka Pitkänen, University of Gloucestershire, Presiding&lt;br&gt;Rachel Borovsky, Tel Aviv University&lt;br&gt;Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University&lt;br&gt;Giancarlo Voellmy, Seminar für Biblische Theologie Beatenberg</td>
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<td>Theme: Teaching Gender and the Bible</td>
<td>Anna Rebecca Solevåg, VID Specialized University, Panelist (10 min)&lt;br&gt;Ekaterini Tsalampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Panelist (10 min)&lt;br&gt;Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University, Panelist (10 min)&lt;br&gt;Karen Winslow, Azusa Pacific University, Panelist (10 min)&lt;br&gt;Maricel Ibита, Ateneo de Manila University, Panelist (10 min)&lt;br&gt;Outi Lehtipuu, University of Helsinki, Panelist (10 min)</td>
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Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II
Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, Presiding
Jeff Cate, California Baptist University
*Isaiah 40 in the Manuscript Tradition of the Gospels* (30 min)
Alesja Lavrinovica
1 Cor 14:33b without vv34-5: Internal Evidence and Its Six Possibilities (30 min)
Jonathan E. Soyars, Louisville Seminary
"Utterly Perishing” or Simply “Dying to God”? Tracing the History and Assessing the Contextual Plausibility of a Crucial Variation Unit in the Shepherd of Hermas 72.4 [Sim. 8.6.4] (30 min)

1-73 Conversation with Paula Fredriksen and Adele Reinhartz
6:00 PM–7:00 PM
Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Stage
"Conversations with..." are sessions designed to offer senior scholars a chance to share their informal reflections on their careers, the nature of the discipline, and how the field has changed. Join us for this session, where Paula Fredriksen and Adele Reinhartz will converse with each other, bringing their unique perspectives about the field.
Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist
Adele Reinhartz, Université d’Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Panelist

1-74 University of Helsinki Reception
7:00 PM–8:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Teachers’ Lounge and Lobby
Please join us for drinks and a vegan salad buffet hosted by the University of Helsinki.
Petri Luomanen, Vice Dean, Research Affairs, Faculty of Theology, University of Helsinki, Presiding
2-1  SBL Apocalyptic Literature Section  
9:00 AM–11:15 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205  
Theme: Apocalyptic Literature: New Testament  
Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasilia, Presiding  
Rodney Duke, Appalachian State University  
The Idiom of “Wailing and Gnashing Teeth” (25 min)  
Discussion (8 min)  
Mateusz Kusio, University of Oxford  
Two Horns like Those of a Lamb: Mimetic Rivalry in the Revelation of John (25 min)  
Discussion (8 min)  
Joel Rothman, University of Divinity  
A Visual-Narrative Reading of Apocalyptic Cosmology (25 min)  
Discussion (8 min)  

2-2  SBL Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 6  
Theme: Fragments and Marginalia, Editors and Scribes  
Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding  
Lorne R. Zelyck, St. Joseph's College - University of Alberta  
The Lord's Field and Elisha's Spring: Reconstructing P. Egerton 2, 2v (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Paul D. Wheatley, University of Notre Dame  
Collecting Thecla: Supplement, Paraphrase, and the Dynamics of Textual Reception (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Jeremiah Coogan, University of Notre Dame  
A Gospel in the Margins? “To ioudaïikon” in Manuscripts of Matthew (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University  
A Guide to Best Practices for Editing a Fragmented Work (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  

2-3  SBL Authority and Influence in Ancient Times Section  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 14  
Theme: Authority and Influence in the First Testament  
Dominik Markl, Pontifical Biblical Institute  
The Rhetoric of Power in Esarhaddon's Succession  
Treaties and in Deuteronomy (30 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Paul Krueger, North-West University (South Africa)  
Regimes and Regime Changes in Samuel (30 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  

2-4  EABS Bible Translation Workshop Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106  
Theme: Bible Translation at the Intersection of Narratives and Metaphors: Perspectives and Problematics  
Simon Crisp, Nida Institute at American Bible Society, Presiding  
Morten Beckmann, University of Agder  
The Difficult Ambiguity: Theology and Translation (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Máafu Pulu, United Bible Societies  
Translating Metaphors of Sex into a Culture Where Sex is a Taboo Subject (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Aleja Ravrinovica  
Tongues as σεμεῖον in 1 Cor 14:22: Madness, Mystery or Miracle? (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Paraskevi Arapoglou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  
From One Pole to the Other: Reading 1 Thess 4:4 across Discourse of Linguistic Selection and Combination (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)
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2-6   EABS Deconstructive Poetics Section  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403  
Theme: The Postmodern Bible in Retrospect  
Francis Landy, University of Alberta, Presiding  
Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College  
*After The Postmodern Bible: Theory, Silence, and Other Barbarisms* (30 min)  
Hugh S. Pyper, University of Sheffield  
*The Postmodern Bible and Reception History* (30 min)  
Discussion (30 min)  
Andrew Wilson, Mount Allison University, Respondent

2-7   EABS Early Christianity Section  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724  
Theme: Ritual and Eschatology  
Kimberley Fowler, CNRS/Aix-Marseille University, Presiding  
Bernhard Oestreich, Theologische Hochschule Freiburg  
*Ritualized Actions Stirring Eschatological Hope* (25 min)  
Rodrigo Galiza, Andrews University  
*The Polluting Enemy in the Sanctuary: An Early History of an Eschatological Motif* (25 min)  
Brian Schmisek, Loyola University of Chicago  
*The Origins of the Quartodecimans: A Possible Solution* (25 min)  
Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University  
*Courage, Betrayal, and the Roman State: Persons Enslaved to Christians in the Persecution at Lyons* (177 CE) (25 min)  
Discussion (20 min)

2-8   EABS Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in Light of Empirical Evidence Section  
9:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206  
Theme: Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible  
Timo Tekoniemi, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding (5 min)  
Reetkaisa Sofia Salo, University of Münster  
*The Growth of Ezekiel 6 in Light of the Masoretic Text and the Septuagint* (25 min)  
Patricia Gelbert, University of Gloucestershire  
*Two Editing problems in the Masoretic Text, the Septuagint and Kings: 2 Chr 36.8; 1 Sam 16,17* (25 min)  
Martin Kächele, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen  
*Textual History of Judg 6:7–10 and its Implications on Redactional History* (25 min)  
Megan Turton, University of Sydney  
*The Textual Transmission of Law and Narrative in Exodus: A Statistical Comparison* (25 min)

2-9   SBL Food as Concept / Symbol / Metaphor Consultation  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105  
Theme: God and Food  
Claudia Bergmann, Universität Erfurt, Presiding  
Alexey Somov, Institute for Bible Translation, Russia/CIS  
*Cognitive Metaphor Studies and Eschatological Meal Imagery: Some Methodological Observations* (40 min)  
Alexey Somov, Institute for Bible Translation, Russia/CIS, Presiding  
Peter-Ben Smit, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
*Broken and Outpoured: On Symbolism in the “Words of Institution”* (40 min)  
Discussion (10 min)

2-9a  SBL Fostering Biblical Scholarship Worldwide: The Teaching and Mentorship Program of the International Cooperation Initiative (ICI)  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 15  
The SBL International Cooperation Initiative (ICI) serves as host for the SBL Teaching and Mentorship program. The ICI is revisiting the program in its current guise to ask members for advice on how to conceive of this initiative to best serve all ICI constituencies. We recently disseminated a questionnaire on this topic to SBL members who volunteered to participate in the Program from 2009 onwards. This session will report the preliminary findings and solicit feedback on how to increase the effectiveness and extend the reach of the teaching collaboration and mentoring program, but also think imaginatively on how to broaden its scope and reach. Please join us: we welcome your suggestions on how this program can be re-imagined and expanded. Ample time for discussion will be allowed.  
Juan Manuel Tebes, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Presiding  
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Panelist (15 min)  
Jaqueline du Toit, University of the Free State, Panelist (15 min)  
Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Panelist (15 min)  
Archie Lee, Shandong University, Panelist (15 min)  
Nelson Morales, Central American Theological Seminary (SETECA), Panelist (15 min)  
Christo Lombard, University of South Africa, Panelist (15 min)  
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<td>Early Christians in the Context of Graeco-Roman Cities</td>
<td>Jennifer Krumm, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Presiding Maya Prodanova, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Christians on the Western Black Sea Coast according to the Epigraphic Evidence from Moesia Secunda and Haemimontia (25 min) Discussion (5 min) Panayotis Coutoumpos, Universidad de Montemorelos Paul, Adiaphora, and the Greco-Roman Context (25 min) Discussion (5 min)</td>
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<td>Holy Land Explorers: In Recognition of Hilma Granqvist</td>
<td>Shani Tzoref, Universität Potsdam, Presiding Kira Pihlflyckt, University of Helsinki Anthropology among Fellahs and Diplomats: Hilma Granqvist in Palestine 1925-1931 (30 min) Kirsi Valkama, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet Aapeli Saaristo and Biblical Archaeology (30 min) Timo R. Stewart, University of Helsinki Treasure Hunt or Biblical Archaeology? Valter Juelius in Jerusalem 1909–1911 (30 min) Izaak J. de Hulster, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet Predecessors of Hilma Granqvist: Women Exploring the Land(s) of the Bible before 1920 (30 min)</td>
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<td>Carl Johan Berglund, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding Gilbert Soo Hoo, Singapore Bible College Philip: Human Bridge between the Prologue and the Fourth Gospel (20 min) D. Francois Tolmie, University of the Free State The Characterization of the Royal Official in the Fourth Gospel (20 min) Yutaka MAEKAWA, Kwansei Gakuin University Jesus vs. John the Baptist: The Intention and Effect of John 10:40–42 (20 min) Mark Kulikovsky, Macquarie University The Politics of Friendship: A Comparative Study of the Johannine Literature with the Graeco-Roman World (20 min) Discussion (10 min)</td>
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<td>Magico-medical Knowledge and Practices among Jews and Others in (Late) Antiquity, Part 2</td>
<td>Annette Weissenrieder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College Women and Ritual Healing in the Aramaic Incantation Bowls (30 min) Rikka Elitzur-Leiman, Tel Aviv University A Magic Recipe from the Book of Mysteries (Sefer Ha-Razim) in a Late-Antique Jewish Amulet (40 min) This research unit and its panels at the EABS/SBL meeting are generously supported by the Collaborative Research Center – SFB 980 Episteme in Motion of Freie Universität Berlin and the German Research Foundation/Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG).</td>
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<td>New Research on the Apocryphon of John</td>
<td>René Falkenberg, Aarhus Universitet, Presiding Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin Self-Begotten, Not Equal: The Pre-existence of Christ and the Elect in the Apocryphon of John (30 min) Christina Risch, Universität Koblenz - Landau Aspects of Anthropology in the Different Versions of the Apocryphon of John (30 min) Pamela Reaves, Colorado College Cosmic Clouds and Divine Encounters in Paraphrase of Shem (NHC VII,1) and Related Traditions (30 min) Discussion (30 min)</td>
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### 2-17  EABS Orality and Literacy in Early Christianity Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III
**Theme: Orality and Literacy in Mark, Part 1**
Sandra Huebenthal, Universität Passau, Presiding
Christine Oefele, Universität Basel
*Triplets in Mark’s Gospel as Backbone of Structure and Story* (30 min)
Discussion (10 min)
*Priscille Marschall, Université de Lausanne*
*Aural Structuring Elements in the Prologue of Mark’s Gospel* (30 min)
Discussion (10 min)
*Pieter Botha, University of South Africa*
*The Gospel of Mark, Orality Studies, and Performance Criticism: Opening a Window on Events within Early Christianity* (30 min)
Discussion (10 min)

### 2-18  EABS Parables in Rabbinic Judaism and Early Christianity: Towards a New Comparative Approach Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405
**Theme: Early Christian and Rabbinic Parables: Ancient Redaction and Modern Edition**
Annette Merz, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit, Presiding
Martijn Stoutjesdijk, Tilburg School of Catholic Theology
*Building a Fence around the Vineyard: Shepherd of Hermas’ Parable of the Fasting* in Light of Comparative Parable Research (25 min)
Cecilia Haendler, Freie Universität Berlin
*A Rabbinic Matryoshka: A Midrash within a Parable (Tsan 8:9); The Divine as Feminine and the World as House* (25 min)
Jonathan Pater, Tilburg University
*The Parable of the Vomiting Son (Sifre Deut 43) In or Out of Context* (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
*Lieve Teugels, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam*
*Towards an Annotated Edition of the Parables in the Tannaitic Midrashim: Relevance and New Insights* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

### 2-19  SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 12
**Theme: Corinthians Letters**
Edward Pillar, Northern Baptist College, Presiding
Benjamin D. Giffone, LCC International University
*The Nexus of Sacrifice-Eating and Ritual Sexuality* as Unifying Motif in 1 Corinthians 8–11 (24 min)
Markus Nikkanen, University of Aberdeen
*Koinōnia and Koinōnos in 1 Corinthians 10:16 in Light of Documentary Evidence* (24 min)
Anne Mikkola, University of Helsinki
*Why Did Paul Ask Men Not to Cover Their Heads and Women to Cover Their Heads? Interpretation of the Passage in 1 Cor. 11:2–16* (24 min)
Jack Khalil, University of Balamand
*Interpreting “Thorn in The Flesh, Angel of Satan” in 2 Cor 12:7 through an Original Exegetical Analysis Of Its Context* (24 min)
Lukas Hagel, Lunds Universitet
*The Angel of Satan in Corinth* (24 min)

### 2-20  SBL Place, Space, and Identity in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikkennus - Room 21
**Theme: Place, Space and Identity in the Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism(s) II**
Karen Wenell, University of Birmingham, Presiding
Gert Prinsloo, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Manitza Kotzé, North-West University (South Africa)
*In-Group and Out-Group in Daniel 1: An Investigation into Food and Identity* (30 min)
Joshua M. Matson, Florida State University
*Unholy Bodies Navigating Sacred Places: Embodied Space and Communal Identity in the Dead Sea Scrolls* (30 min)
Joseph Scales, University of Birmingham
*The Construction and Demarcation of Sacred Space in Hasmonean and Herodian Galilee* (30 min)

### 2-21  SBL Prophets Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406
**Theme: Jeremiah**
Johanna Erzberger, Cardiff University, Presiding
Edward Silver, Wellesley College
*Dirty Underpants and the Voice of God: Jer 13 in the Context of the Israelite Domestic Economy* (30 min)
William R. Stewart, Alphacrucis College
*The Death of the Prophet? A Comparative Study of Prophetic Sign-Reports in Ancient (Mari) Syria (ARM 26/1.206) and Israel (Jeremiah 19:1–13)* (30 min)
2-23  SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraakennus - Auditorium IV
Theme: Review Session on “A Commentary on Numbers: Narrative, Ritual and Colonialism”
Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University, Presiding
Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University, Introduction (10 min)
Giancarlo Voellmy, Seminar für Biblische Theologie Beatenberg, Panelist (15 min)
Christian Frevel, Ruhr University Bochum, Panelist (20 min)
Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Panelist (20 min)
Pekka Pitkänen, University of Gloucestershire, Respondent (10 min)
Discussion (15 min)

2-24  EABS Septuagint of Historical Books Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraakennus - Room 13
Theme: Translation Technique and Revisions
Ville Mäkipelto, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
Sarah Yardney, University of Chicago
Did the Translator Have a Crib Sheet? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Julian C. Chike, University of Notre Dame
Towards a Characterization of the Translation Technique of 3 Kingdoms 2:12–21:43: A Case Study (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Leonardo Pessoa, Pontificio Istituto Biblico
The Beginning of the βγ Section in 2 Samuel (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

2-25  SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kiellikeskus - Room 203
Theme: Social and Inter-contextual Studies of the Synoptic Gospels
The papers deal with poverty and economy. For the discussion it would be useful to read in advance: Sakari Häkkinen, The Gospel of the Poor (Lambert Academics 2018).
Sakari Häkkinen, Diocese of Kuopio, Finland, Presiding
Sam Rogers, University of Manchester
Coins Not Calories: An Economic Analysis of Behaviors and Possessions in Luke’s Parables (15 min)
James Panthalanickel, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Aaron M. Gale, West Virginia University
Matthew’s Own Ten Thousand Talents: Was the First Gospel Community Richer Than the Rest? (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Sakari Häkkinen, Diocese of Kuopio, Finland
Interpreting the Gospel Stories in Their Social Context (10 min)
Glenna Jackson, Otterbein University, Respondent (5 min)
Daniel Ayuch, University of Balamand, Respondent (5 min)
Glenna S. Jackson, Otterbein University
A Hermeneutic of Resonance in the Parables (10 min)
Sakari Häkkinen, Diocese of Kuopio, Finland, Respondent (5 min)
Discussion (20 min)

2-26  EABS Slavonic Parabiblical Traditions Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraakennus - Room 10
Theme: Reconstructing Parabiblical Templates of Chronographic Narratives (the Case of Slavia Orthodoxa)
Dmitry Afinogenov, Russian Academy of Sciences Institute of World History
A Lost Manual on Biblical History: Towards the Reconstruction (35 min)
Lyubov Osinkina, University of Oxford
Testamentum Iobi as a Source for the Instruction of Vladimir Monomakh (35 min)
Discussion (20 min)
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**2-29  EABS Virtue in Biblical Literature Section**
**9:00 AM–11:00 AM**
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

**Theme: Is there Virtue in Semitic texts?**

Anna-Liisa Tolonen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
Lotta Valve, Abo Akademi

*The Book of Malachi and the Transformation of Deuteronomic Concepts of Righteousness/Virtue (20 min)*

**Discussion (5 min)**
Jonathan Thambyrajah, University of Sydney

*Is There a Unified Sense of Virtuous Character and Action in the Book of Haggai? (20 min)*

**Discussion (5 min)**

Hanneke van der Schoor, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

*Virtues in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls in a Hellenistic context (20 min)*

**Discussion (5 min)**

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

*Is There 'Virtue' in Semitic texts? An Analysis of the Testament of Qahat (20 min)*

**Discussion (5 min)**

**Discussion (20 min)**

**2-30 SBL Wisdom Literature in the Bible and in the Ancient Near East Section**
**9:00 AM–11:00 AM**
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali)

**Theme: Wisdom Literature in the Bible and Ancient Near East, Part 2**

Edward Greenstein, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
Bálint Károly Zabán, Hungarian Reformed Church

*House, Storehouses, and Wealth as a Ransom: A Comparison of a Possible Connection between the Instruction of Supe-Ameli and Proverbs (25 min)*

Funloja Olojede, University of Stellenbosch and Madipono J. Masena, University of South Africa

*Ask the Animals and They will Teach You*: An Investigation into Various Didactic Settings for Israelite Wisdom Teachings (25 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Baekseok University

*Use of Desire and Aversion in the Moral Discourse in the Book of Proverbs and Its Effect on Character Formation (25 min)*

Jesse Mirotznik, Harvard University

*Deed and Danger in Proverbs and Ben Sira (25 min)*

**2-31 SBL Working with Biblical Manuscripts (Textual Criticism) Section**
**9:00 AM–11:00 AM**
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

**Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, Presiding**

**Viktor Golinet, Hochschule für Jüdische Studien Heidelberg**

*Manuscripts of the Hebrew Bible: Their Typology and the Use in Biblical Textual Criticism (24 min)*

B. E. Bruning, University of Notre Dame

*In Search of the "Earliest Recoverable Text" of the Tabernacle Chapters: Retention of the Vorlage of the LXX in MT Exodus 25–40 (24 min)*

Hadi Sabouhi, University of California-Irvine

*Identifying Davidic Beloved King And The Bride of His: Textual Criticism of Psalm 45 (24 min)*

James R. Hamrick

*The Influence of the Tergwâmē to Daniel 11 in the Ge‘ez Manuscript Tradition (24 min)*

Nehemia Gordon, Makor Hebrew Foundation

*Blotting Out the Name: Scribal Practices Related to Correcting the Tetragrammaton in Medieval Hebrew Bible Manuscripts (24 min)*

**2-32 SBL Writings (including Psalms) Section**
**9:00 AM–11:00 AM**
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319

**Theme: Interpretation of Chronicles and Nehemiah**

Phil Botha, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Louis Jonker, University of Stellenbosch

*Holiness in Chronicles: Any Links with Pentateuchal Traditions on the Concept? (30 min)*

Hava Shalom Guy, David Yellin College, Jerusalem

*The Reference to Moses in Neh 9:14b: Sources, Significance, and Function (30 min)*

Paul Byun, University of Sydney

*Narrative Identity and the Nehemiah Memoir: Nehemiah’s Resilient but Lonely Road (30 min)*

Jaeyoung Jeon, Université de Lausanne

*The Levitical Struggle against the Priests and the Tent of Meeting in Chronicles (30 min)*
2-33 Conversation with Raija Sollamo and Antti Marjanen
11:30 AM–12:30 PM
Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Stage
Interviewed by Cecilia Wassen
This event is cosponsored by the SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee. Raija Sollamo, Professor emerita of Biblical Languages and former vice-rector of the University of Helsinki, and Antti Marjanen, Professor emeritus of Gnostic studies will talk about their careers, characterized by establishing new fields of study (Dead Sea scrolls, Nag Hammadi and other Coptic literature) and leading several research projects at the Faculty of Theology in Helsinki. Having actively promoted careers of female scholars in their respective teams, they also reflect on the prospects and obstacles women can face in biblical studies. They will be interviewed by Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala University, Sweden.
Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, University of Oslo, Presiding
Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala University, Presiding
Raija Sollamo, University of Helsinki, Panelist
Antti Marjanen, University of Helsinki, Panelist

2-33a EABS Programme Unit Chairs Meeting
12:45 PM–1:45 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III
Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

2-34 SBL Allusions in the Gospels and Acts Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 8
Theme: Allusions of Jewish Literature in the Canonical Gospels and Acts
Sung Uk Lim, Yonsei University, Presiding (5 min)
Bartosz Adamczelewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw
The Allusive Significance of the Character of Nicodemus (30 min)
Anne Kanno, Independent Scholar
Ecclesiastes, Gospels, and Acts (30 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Break (30 min)
Chang-Wook Jung, Chongshin University, Presiding (5 min)
David Ganlin XIE, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Deterioration of Judas’ Image in Light of Comparison between Allusion to Psalm 40:10(LXX) in Mark 14:18 and Its Parallel Citation in John 13:18 (30 min)

2-35 SBL Ancient Near East Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P724
Theme: Texts in Space
Lisa Cleath, George Fox University, Presiding
Jeremy D. Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles
What is a Monumental Inscription? Reflections on Space, Time, and Materiality (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Timothy Hogue, University of California-Los Angeles
With Apologies to Hazael: The Monumentality and Counter-monumentality of the Tel Dan Inscription (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Helen Dixon, Wofford College
Sign, Performance, Possession, Home: What Are Non-royal Phoenician Mortuary Stelae Doing? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

2-36 EABS Anthropology and the Bible Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 12
Theme: Shamanism in the Bible and Cognate Literature
Flemming Nielsen, Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland), Presiding
Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen, Presiding
Other (5 min)
Håkan Rydving, University of Bergen
Cross-Cultural Applications of the Concept of Shamanism: A Critical Assessment (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki
Why Prophets Are (Not) Shamans (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Break (30 min)
Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University
Reading 1 Samuel 28 and Odyssey 11 through the Lens of Shamanism (25 min)
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2-37  SBL Apostolic Fathers and Related Early Christian Literature Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105
Theme: Identity and Community in the Didache
Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding
Nancy Pardee, Univ Chicago Greenberg Center for Jewish Studies
The “Yoke of the Lord” and the Identity of the Community/ies of the Didache (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jonathan Draper, University of KwaZulu-Natal
“For the Whole Period of Your Faith Will Be of No Use Unless You Are Found Perfect in the Last Time” (Did. 16.2): Salvation by Works in the Didache and the Shepherd of Hermas? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Shawn J. Wilhite, California Baptist University
“You Must Love Those Who Hate You”: The Use of Social Identity Theory, the Identity of Persecution, and Social Oppression in the Didache’s Two Ways (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Clayton N. Jefford, Saint Meinrad School of Theology
Reifying the Didache (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

2-38  EABS Archaeology and the Biblical World Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204
Rick Bonnie, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Kirsi Valkama, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Juan Manuel Tebes, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
The Materiality of the Iron Age Desert Cults and the Yahwistic Southern Home and Exodus/Patriarchal Traditions (30 min)
Emanuel Pföh, CONICET / National University of La Plata
The Need for a Comprehensive Sociology of Knowledge of Biblical and Archaeological Studies of the Southern Levant (30 min)
Yinon Shritiel, Zefat Academic College
“Cliff Shelters”:Caves Cut into Cliff Tops in the Galilee during the Jewish Revolt against the Romans and Their Historical Significance (30 min)
Break (30 min)

2-39  SBL Bible and Empire Section
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Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 17
Theme: Eschatology and Empire
Ana Valdez, University of Évora/University of Lisbon, Presiding (5 min)
Joshua Scott, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
A “Grammar of (Davidic) Messianism”? God’s Emissary in 1 Enoch (25 min)
Sydney Elise Tooth, University of Edinburgh
The Return of the King: An Eschatological Challenge to the Empire (25 min)
Menahem Kister, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Four Empires, the Laws of History, and Israel according to the Midrash (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Daewoong Kim, Chongshin Theological Seminary
The Satirical Portraiture of Imperialism in Daniel 4 and Its Nachleben in Early Judaism (30 min)
Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
A New Nation at the Hands of “Black Moses”? The Bible and the Bahamian Quest for Independence in the Words of Sir Lynden Pindling (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

2-40  SBL Biblical and Ancient Near Eastern Law Section
2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 7
Theme: Eckart Otto’s Commentary on Deuteronomy
Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Presiding
Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne
Deuteronomy and Deuteronomism: Eckart Otto’s commentary on Deuteronomy (Vol. 1) (30 min)
Dominik Markl, Pontifical Biblical Insitute
The Decalogue and Deuteronomistic Deuteronomy (30 min)
Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Eckart Otto’s Models of “Urdeuteronomium” and Deuteronomistic Deuteronomy (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Deuteronomy and the Pentateuch: Eckart Otto’s Commentary on Deuteronomy vol. 4 (30 min)
Eckart Otto, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
On Writing a Commentary: Experiences and Perspectives on Research to Deuteronomy (30 min)

2-41 SBL Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam) Seminar
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Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674
Keren Hershkovits, Center for the Study of Conversion and Interfaith, Ben-Gurion University, Presiding
Joseph E. Jensen, Georgetown University
‘For I Handed on to You as of First Importance What I in Turn Had Received’ (1 Cor. 15:3): The Primitive Faith of the Earliest Believers in Jesus as Reflected in Paul’s Letters (30 min)
Jerome Douglas, Valley Forge College
The Sage on Power: An Examination of Qoheleth’s Perspective on Socio-political and Religious Power (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Sayed-Hassan Akhlaq, Boston University
The Biblical and the Quranic Image of Moses and Jesus (30 min)
Heike Omerzu, Copenhagen University
Maryrdom in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

2-42 EABS Canonical Approaches to the Bible Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 5
Theme: Openings and endings of biblical books as elements of a canon theology. Part 2
Matthias Millard, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Presiding
Oliver Dyma, Katholische Stiftungshochschule Benediktbeuern
Canonical Framings of the Twelve (30 min)
Tobias Häner, Universität Wien
The Seams of Wisdom: The Beginnings and Ends of the Books of Job, Proverbs and Psalms in Intertextual Perspective (30 min)
G.G. Braun, postdoctoral fellow, before Northwest University
The Connection between God’s Praise and God’s Presence: A Canonical-Intertextual Study (30 min)

2-43 EABS Comparative Methodology Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kieliokeskus - Room 106
Tavis Bohlinger, University of Durham, Presiding
Samuel Tedder, Finnish School of Theology (Suomen Teologinen Opisto)
Re-appropriating Scripture for Cultural Transformation: Comparing the Allegorical Practices of Philo and Paul (25 min)
Break (10 min)
John Ritzema, King’s College - London
Comparison and the “Semiotics of Epiphany”: Isaiah 6 and the Homeric Hymn to Demeter (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Mateusz Krawczyk, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw
Can We Understand Romans without Wisdom? Reproaching for Transgressions of the Law and Boasting in God; The Wisdom of Hypertextuality (25 min)
Break (30 min)
Kaisa Vaittinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Mesopotamian Parallels and Eleventh Chapter of the Book of Daniel (25 min)
Break (10 min)
Gregory E. Lamb, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Paul’s Reimagining of Living and Dying Well in the First Century CE: A Comparative Analysis Between Philippians and Egyptian Sources (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)

2-44 EABS Concepts of Leadership in the Hebrew Bible Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kieliokeskus - Room 405
Theme: Concepts of Leadership in Ezra-Nehemiah
Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne, Presiding
Sarah Schulz, University of Erlangen, Introduction (5 min)
Lukasz Niesiolowski-Spano, University of Warsaw
Moses (De)constructed in the Persian Period (25 min)
Bob Becking, Universiteit Utrecht
Was Ezra a Persian or a Yehudite Leader? (25 min)
Raik Heckl, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Respondent (15 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Break (30 min)
Christiane Karrer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Struggling with the Concept of Kingship in Ezra/Neemiah (25 min)
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Anna Maria Bortz, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Conflicting Roles of Leadership in the Temple Building Account of Ezr 1–6 (25 min)
Sarah Schulz, University of Erlangen, Respondent (15 min)
Discussion (25 min)

2-45 EABS Construction of Identity in the Ancient World: Intersections and Reflections Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406
Theme: Construction of Identity in the Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism
Hebrew Bible
Antti Vanhoja, University of Helsinki, Presiding
George Savran, Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
The Jacob Cycle and Fluidity of Boundaries: Identity Confusion and its Resolution (30 min)
Ottilia Lukacs, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Role of the Sabbath in the Construction of Exilic Identity Construction in the Book of Ezekiel (30 min)
Josiah S. Bisbee, Brown University
Joudaioi Abroad: “Jewish” or “Judean” Migrants? (30 min)
Break (30 min)

Early Judaism
Marika Rauhala, Presiding
Alexander Panayotov, Centre for Advanced Study Sofia
Jewish Identity and Everyday Life in Early Byzantium (30 min)
Agata Graybowska, Uniwersytet Warszawski
Assuming Identity to Build Identity: The Imagined Other as Narrator and Recipient in the Letter of Aristaeus and the Third Book of the Sybiline Oracles (30 min)
Antti Vanhoja, University of Helsinki
Polemics and Identity in the Pseudo-Clementine Basic Writing (30 min)

2-46 EABS Deconstructive Poetics Section / SBL Stylistics and the Hebrew Bible Section / EABS Literary Features - Fact of Fiction
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403
Theme: Silence and Violence in the Hebrew Bible
Social media have given new voice and power to those who have suffered between the realities of life and the rigorous criteria and risks of the legal system, with momentum building now to correct past wrongs, transform our culture’s gendered biases, and equalize treatment and opportunity.
The panel means to evoke the violence of silence with respect to the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, bringing out the different ways biblical literature can bury identities or highlight their plight.
Karolien Vermeulen, University of Antwerp, Presiding
Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles
Silent Victims in the Hebrew Bible: The Case of Ishmael and Dinah (30 min)
Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago
Ezekiel Ben Buzi, the Raggedy-Ann Prophet (30 min)
Elaine James, Saint Catherine University
Voicing Violence: Women, Solidarity, and Estrangement in Biblical Poetry (30 min)
Break (30 min)

F. W. Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary
Amid Silence and Violence: Jeremiah 36 and the Emergence of Written Discourse in Ancient Israel and Judah (30 min)
Francis Landy, University of Alberta
Rape, Weeping, Silence in Isaiah 22 (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

2-47 SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical Studies, Early Jewish and Christian Studies Section / EABS Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 14
Theme: Digital Humanities and Biblical Studies
David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Presiding
Peter M. Phillips, University of Durham
Digital Bibles and Manuscripts: Exploring Breadth, Durability and Materiality (30 min)
Johan de Jode, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Variable Spellings of the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)
Elie Dannaoui, University of Balamand
A Digital Humanities Approach to Reconstructing the Arabic Text of The Gospels in the First Millenium: The Case of PAVO Ne project (30 min)
Break (30 min)

Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics
Bible in a Multimodal Culture: Questions and Challenges (20 min)
So Miyagawa, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Use of Digital Tools in Studies of Biblical Intertextuality in Early Christian Authors: The Case of Shenoute and Besa, Coptic Abbots in the 4-5th Centuries (20 min)
Zdenka Špiclová, Západoceská univerzita v Plzni
Distant Reading of the Gospel of Thomas (20 min)
David Landau, Tampere University of Technology
Studying the Ambrosian Gothic Palimpsests with the Help of Digital Technology (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
2-49 EABS Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in light of Empirical Evidence Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

Theme: Joshua 8 – Literary Development in Light of Text, Literary, and Redaction Critical Perspectives

The session focuses on text-, literary- and redaction critical considerations on Joshua 8, and especially on the possible overlaps of these methods.

Ville Mäkipelto, University of Helsinki, Presiding
(2 min)

Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg
Joshua’s Narrative Strategy and the Strategies of Comparing Texts (22 min)

Marcus Sigismund, Protestant University Wuppertal
‘Agite Ergo Et Vos’: The Patristic Evidence on the Text of Jos 8:1–29 (The Battle of Ai) (22 min)

Graeme Auld, University of Edinburgh
Ai and Ebal in Greek Jesus (22 min)

Thomas Dozeman, United Theological Seminary
Bethel in the Wars of Ambush in Josh 7–8 and Judg 19–21 (22 min)

Discussion (15 min)

2-49 EABS Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in light of Empirical Evidence Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

Theme: Joshua 8 – Literary Development in Light of Text, Literary, and Redaction Critical Perspectives

The session focuses on text-, literary- and redaction critical considerations on Joshua 8, and especially on the possible overlaps of these methods.

Ville Mäkipelto, University of Helsinki, Presiding
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Kristin De Troyer, Universität Salzburg
Joshua’s Strategy and the Strategies of Comparing Texts (22 min)

Marcus Sigismund, Protestant University Wuppertal
‘Agite Ergo Et Vos’: The Patristic Evidence on the Text of Jos 8:1–29 (The Battle of Ai) (22 min)

Graeme Auld, University of Edinburgh
Ai and Ebal in Greek Jesus (22 min)

Thomas Dozeman, United Theological Seminary
Bethel in the Wars of Ambush in Josh 7–8 and Judg 19–21 (22 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (30 min)

Uwe Becker, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (65 min)

2-50 EABS Enoch within and outside the Books of Enoch: Parabiblical Writings, Iconography and Oral Tradition Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723

Theme: The Ethiopic Enoch

Bruk Ayele Asale, Mekane Yesus Seminary
Enoch and the Development of a Christian Tradition: The Reception and Appropriation of Enoch and Enochic Imagery in the Ethiopian Church (40 min)

Ewa Balicka-Witakowska, Uppsala University
Iconography of Enoch: The Case of Ethiopian Tradition (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

2-51 SBL Epistle to the Hebrews Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääraikennus - Room 15

Theme Session

Paul Middleton, University of Chester
Moses the Martyr: A Martyrological Reading of Hebrews 11 (30 min)

David Allen, Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education
Embarrassing Inclusion: Samson and Jephthah in the Epistle to the Hebrews (30 min)

Lotta Valve, Abo Akademi
Elijah, Elisha, and Other “Prophets” in Hebrews 11:33–38 (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Open Session

David Allen, Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education, Presiding

Cynthia Long Westfall, McMaster Divinity College
Critical Spatial Theory and the Place of the Atonement in Hebrews (30 min)

Albert Coetsee, North-West University (South Africa)
Deuteronomy’s Motif of Life in Hebrews (30 min)

Justin Harrison Duff, University of St. Andrews
“The Oil of Gladness” and Priestly Investiture in the Epistle to the Hebrews (30 min)

2-51a SBL International Meeting Program Committee
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2-52 EABS Israel in the Ancient Near East Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 6
Theme: Anatolia and the Levant
Anna Elise Zernecke, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding
Ian Rutherford, University of Reading
From Dagan to Kronos: Hesiod’s Theogony and Syrian Geo-politics (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Amir Gilan, Tel Aviv University
A Genre in Decline? The Late Hittite Cuneiform Historiography (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Ilya Yakubovich, University of Marburg
Lexical Contacts between Anatolian and Hebrew: Historical and Sociolinguistic Interpretation (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Break (30 min)
Noga Ayali-Darshan, Bar-Ilan University
“The Good, the Bad, and the Beautiful”: The Diffusion of a Mythologeme in Egyptian and Anatolian literature (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Meik Gerhards, Universität zu Köln
Has Araunah Anything to Do with an Indo-Aryan God? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Discussion (30 min)

2-53 EABS Judeans in the Persian Empire Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319
Theme: Elite Cultures and Achaemenid Koiné
Lisbeth S. Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Local Elites vs. Imperial Elites in the Achaemenid Empire: The Temple as the Locus of Control (45 min)
Caroline Wallis, University of Helsinki
On the Use of the Term “Elite” in Research on the Ancient Near Eastern Empires (45 min)
Break (30 min)
Caroline Waerzeggers, Leiden University
Elite Shifts in Babylonia under Xerxes (45 min)
Jason M. Silverman, University of Helsinki
Imperium as Context for Defining “Elite”: Persians and Yahwistic Socio-economic Structure (45 min)

2-54 SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section / Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha Section
2:00 PM–4:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium III
Theme: Coptic Apocrypha
Ulla Tervahauta, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
Hugo Lundhaug, Universitetet i Oslo
The Transmission of Apocrypha in Egyptian Monasteries (30 min)
Lloyd G Abercrombie, University of Oslo
The Context of the Edfu Manuscripts: Egypt at the Turn of the First Millennium (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
René Falkenberg, Aarhus Universitet
The Historical Context of the Treatise on the Resurrection (30 min)
Paul Linjamaa, Lunds Universitet
The Reception of Pistis Sophia: Exploring the Relation between Theologians and Esoteric Groups in Eighteenth-Nineteenth-Century Europe (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

2-55 EABS Orality and Literacy in Early Christianity Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III
Theme: Orality and Literacy in Mark. Part 2
Simon Butticaz, University of Lausanne, Presiding
Geert Van Oyen, Université catholique de Louvain
The Impact of the Orality/Literacy Debate on the Gospel of Mark: Doing Exegesis with More Questions Than Answers (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Edwin K. Broadhead, Berea College
Orality and the Emergent Nature of Human Discourse (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Break (30 min)
Henning Hupe, Independent Scholar
Performing the Messianic – Messianic Performance: The Frequency of Disruption in Mark (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Sandra Huebenthal, Universität Passau
“You Cannot Live with an Experience That Remains without a Story” (Max Frisch): How Mark3 Gospel Narrates Experiences with Jesus (and What follows from Them) (30 min)
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<td>Kate Tinson, Cardiff University&lt;br&gt;Moses and His Leprosy: Hebrew Bible, Rabbinic Texts and the Qur'an (30 min)&lt;br&gt;Rachel Dryden, University of Cambridge&lt;br&gt;<em>How al-Shayṭān Got His Name: The Arabic Recensions of the Narratives from the Syriac Cave of Treasures</em> (30 min)</td>
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2-60  EABS Septuagint of Historical Books Section  
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Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 13  
Theme: Textual Criticism  
Timo Tekoniemi, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki  
Re-linking 1 Sam 3 and 4 (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki  
Editing the Septuagint of 2 Samuel (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Paavo Huotari, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet  
Characteristics of the Lucianic Reviser in 2 Samuel (20 min)  
Discussion (10 min)  
Jarkko Vikman, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet  
Ignatius of Antioch's Bishop is the Cognitively Natural One (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Vojtech Kase, University of West Bohemia  
Distant Reading of Early Christian Texts for Socio-cognitive Interpretation: Introducing the DiRECT Project (25 min)  
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2-61  EABS The Bible in Arabic in Judaism, Christianity, Islam Section / SBL Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation  
2:00 PM–3:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Auditorium IV  
Theme: Portraying Virtue  
Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
Anna-Liisa Tolonen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
Jed Wyrick, California State University, Chico  
The Persecution of Virtue in Greco-Judaean Texts (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Mina Monier, King's College London  
Luke’s Jesus and Pliny’s Trajan: The Virtue of “Pietas” in the Wake of a Roman Succession Crisis (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Siri Toivainen, University of Helsinki  
Virtue in Abundance: Solomon as an Anti-hedonist Exemplar in Gregory of Nyssa’s Homilies on Ecclesiastes (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  

2-62  EABS The Biblical World and Cultural Evolution Section  
2:00 PM–4:45 PM  
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203  
Theme: Early Christianity in Cultural Evolution  
Ronit Nikolsky, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Presiding  
(10 min)  
Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki  
From Micro to Macro Level Evolutionary Analysis (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Istvan Czachesz, University of Tromsø  
Evolution as Learning: Early Christianity as a Test Case (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
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2-63  EABS Virtue in Biblical Literature Section  
2:00 PM–5:30 PM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkkennus - Room 16  
Theme: Portraying Virtue  
Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
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Daniel Hjort, Lund University
Jesus and the Virtues: The Biographical Presentation of Moral Qualities in the Gospel of Matthew (20 min)
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Kenneth Cukrowski, Abilene Christian University
An Ethnography of Virtue in Luke’s Gospel (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Dogara Ishaya Manomi, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Virtue in the Letter to Titus (20 min)
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2-64 EABS Vision and Envisionment in the Bible and its World Section
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Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617
Theme: Visions and Aspects of Spatial Theory - Focus NT
Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Presiding
Joel Rothman, University of Divinity
A Visual-Narrative Reading of Space in Revelation (30 min)
Michael Gilbertson, Church House Chester
Heavenly Secrets, Divine Action and Earthly Experience: The Spatial Dimension of the Book of Revelation (30 min)
Steven J. Friesen, University of Texas at Austin
Divine Visions in situ: The Temple of the Sebastoi at Ephesos and the Heavenly Throne of Revelation 4–5 (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Jan Rüggemeier, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
God Backstage: Story World and Vision Accounts in Mark’s Gospel (30 min)
Nils Neumann, Leibniz Universität Hannover
Visions and the Spatial Conception of Acts (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

2-65 EABS Wisdom in Israel and in ANE Wisdom Literature Section
2:00 PM–4:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kieliškeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlalari)
Theme: Wisdom, Mind and Body
Katharine Dell, University of Cambridge, Presiding
JiSeong Kwon, Universität Zürich
Job’s Body Parts, Sensibility, and Mind (30 min)
Tyler Duckworth, Universität Wien
Cultivating Rûaḥ in the Ethos of Proverbs (30 min)

James E. Harding, University of Otago
The Ambiguous Use of “Nephesh” in Job 7:11–16 (30 min)
Break (30 min)
Nili Shupak, University of Haifa
Speaking to One’s Heart/Soul in Wisdom Literature (30 min)

2-66 EABS Canonical Approaches to the Bible Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 5
Theme: Openings and Endings of Biblical Books as Elements of a Canon Theology, Part 3
Heiko Wenzel, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen, Presiding
Andrew M. Gilhooley, University of Pretoria
Chronicles, Matthew, and Evidence of Canon Binding between the Testaments (30 min)
Timothy P. Hein, University of Edinburgh
A New Canon Begins New Birth: Beginning a Canon with Birth Narratives (30 min)
Stefan M. Attard, University of Malta
Philemon: A Conclusion to Paul’s Letters? (30 min)

2-67 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
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Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Auditorium IV
Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the Bible
Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
Barbara Strzalkowska, University of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński, Warsaw
The Metaphor of the ‘Bee’ in the Hebrew and Greek Traditions of the OT and Its Influence on Post-biblical Literature and Thought (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Constantin Oancea, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu
Metaphors and Symbols in Jonah (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Mason Lancaster, Wheaton College (Illinois)
Refreshing Rains or Devouring Lion? Towards a Methodology for Conceptual Coherence among Prophetic Metaphors (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
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2-68 SBL Pentateuch (Torah) Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 21
Mark A. Awabdy, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies
The Holiness Contribution to the Hexateuch in Numbers 20–36 and Deuteronomy 32 (30 min)
Josef Forsling, Stockholm School of Theology
The Limits of the Pentateuch as Narrative (30 min)
Belinda É. Samari, University College London
Body, Soul or Neither? Reconsidering Terminology and the Biblical Conceptualization of the Human (30 min)

2-69 EABS Prophets and Prophecy Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724
Theme: Second Isaiah
Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Sunwoo Hwang, Chongshin University
The Identity of the Servant in the Fourth Servant Song in the Book of Isaiah (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Joanna Bauer, NLA Høgskolen
Isaiah 53: Peace by Righteous Living, Vicarious Suffering, and Caltic Expiation (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Antti Laato, Abo Akademi University
The Book of Isaiah and Ezra (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

2-70 SBL Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II
Theme: History, Kingship and the Economy
Jessi Orpana, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
Giancarlo P. Angulo, Florida State University
(Don't) Show Me the Money: Economy, Corruption, and the Temple Scroll (30 min)
Vasile Babota, Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome (Italy)
The Institution of the Hasmonean Kingship and the Rise of the “Sons of Zadok” in the DSS (30 min)
Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham
From A–Z: The Relegation of the A-List of Biblical History in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

2-71 EABS The Bible in Arabic in Judaism, Christianity, Islam Section / SBL
Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723
Theme: Biblical Characters and Episodes in Arabic Sources by Jews, Christians and Muslims
Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University, Presiding
Zafer Mohammad, Biblia Arabica Research Project
A Study of the References to Jerusalem in Her Promising Times in the Judaeo-Arabic Versions of the Book of Isaiah (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Marzena Zawanowska, University of Warsaw & Jewish Historical Institute
Reception of the Character of David in Judah Halevi’s Book of Kuzari (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Joonas Maristo, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
"Infants Who Spoke" Topos in the Hadith Literature (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

2-72 Local Cultural Event: Concert in the Rock Church
7:30 PM–9:00 PM
The Rock Church, Lutherinkatu 3 - Offsite
Come see one of the major attractions of Helsinki while enjoying a musical program. The concert is jointly sponsored by the Center of Excellence Changes in Sacred Texts and Traditions. For details and directions, see information section at the front of the program book.
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**3-1 SBL Allusions in the Gospels and Acts Section**

- **Theme:** Allusions in the Luke-Acts
  - Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Presiding (5 min)
  - Justin L. Daneshmand, University of Manchester *Coming of Age: The Child Jesus in the Temple and Telemachus on a Journey* (25 min)
  - Daria Winiarczyk, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw *Lydia: Was She the Only Rich Woman in Philippi?* (25 min)

**Discussion (10 min)**

**3-2 SBL Ancient Near East Section**

- **Theme:** Egypt and the Levant
  - Jennifer Singletary, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding (5 min)
  - Elisabeth Sawerthal, King’s College - London *Communicating with the Divine: Yahweh and His People in Light of Ancient Egyptian Divination* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- Tyler R. Yoder, Culver Academies *“To Know One Is to Love One”: Verbal Connotations of Care in the Amarna Letters and the Hebrew Bible* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

- Andres Nõmmik, Tartu Ülikool *A Consideration of the City-States of the Late Bronze Age Southern Levant* (25 min)

**Discussion (5 min)**

**3-3 EABS Anthropology and the Bible Section**

- **Theme:** Anthropological Issues and the Bible
  - Emanuel Pfoh, CONICET / National University of La Plata, Presiding (5 min)
  - Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen, Presiding (5 min)
  - Pieter F Craffert, University of South Africa *The Anthropological Study of Possession Phenomena: An Exercise in Cross-disciplinary Research* (23 min)

**Discussion (7 min)**

- M. L. Case, Elon University *Pre-monarchic Israel as a Somatic Society: Judges 19–21 and the Regulation of Bodies* (23 min)

**Break (7 min)**

- James S. Lee, International Theological Seminary *Daniel and the Trickster King: An Exploration of Trickster Motif in the Book of Daniel* (23 min)

**Break (7 min)**

**3-4 SBL Apocalyptic Literature Section**

- **Theme:** Apocalyptic Literature: Second Temple Judaism
  - Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasília, Presiding (5 min)
  - Joseph Hyung S. Lee, University of Aberdeen *The Redemption of the Lord in the Parables of Enoch: Formulaic and Thematic Allusions in 1 Enoch 48 and 50* (25 min)

**Discussion (8 min)**

- T M Lemos, Huron University College, Univ of Western Ontario *Dehumanization and Mass Killing in the War Scroll, Ḥērem Texts, and Neo-Assyrian Sources Compared* (25 min)

**Discussion (8 min)**

- Hanna Vanonen, University of Helsinki *Apocalyptic Vision or Ritual Instructions? The Qumran War Texts as Apocalyptic Literature* (25 min)

**Discussion (8 min)**
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**3-5 SBL Apostolic Fathers and Related Early Christian Literature Section**  
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Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Auditorium IV  
Theme: Identity and Community in the Writings of the Apostolic Fathers  
Nancy Pardee, University of Chicago Greenberg  
The Spirit of Barnabas: Pneumatology and the Construction of an Early Christian Identity (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Paul A. Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary  
Community and Identity as a "Third Race" in Ad Diognetum and the Martyrdom of Polycarp (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Taras Khomych, Liverpool Hope University  
Foretold Ministry in First Clement (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

**3-6 SBL Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation / EABS The Bible in Arabic in Judaism, Christianity, Islam**  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 14  
Theme: Cross-pollinations: Jewish and Christian Translations, Islamic Terminology  
Marzena University of Warsaw & Jewish Historical Institute, Presiding  
Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University  
The Reception(s) of a Fragmented Apostolic Father, Papias of Hierapolis (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Aurélie Bischofberger, Université de Lausanne  
Drawing on Different Sources: Reexamining the Christian Arabic Translation of the Peshitta (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Yosef Yuval Tobi, University of Haifa  
Arabic and Islamic Elements in the Sādāqā’s Biblical Translation and Commentary (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

**3-7 EABS Canonical Approaches to the Bible Section**  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 10  
Theme: Openings and Endings of Biblical Books as Elements of a Canon Theology: Part 4  
Oliver Dyma, KSFH Benediktbeuern, Presiding  
Matthias Millard, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/ Bethel, Presiding  
Heiko Wenzel, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen, Presiding  
Darian Lockett, Biola University  
James and Jude as Bookends to the Catholic Epistles Collection (30 min)  
Discussion (30 min)  
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**3-8 EABS Enoch within and outside the Books of Enoch: Parabiblical Writings, Iconography and Oral Tradition Section**  
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Room 15  
Theme: Conceptualizing Enoch: Biblical and Parabiblical Traditions  
Vadim Wittkowsky, Humboldt University Berlin  
"The Seventh from Adam" and "the Seventh from Joseph" in the Lucan Genealogy of Jesus (40 min)  
Discussion (10 min)

**3-9 EABS Graeco-Roman Society and the New Testament Section**  
9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
Fabianinkatu 33, Pääräkennus - Auditorium III  
Theme: Marginal Groups in Graeco-Roman Cities  
Soeng Yu Li, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding  
Shaily Shashikant Patel, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Marginal or Mainstream? Magic in the Acts of the Apostles (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Pieter B. Hartog, Protestant Theological University  
Travel and Identity in Philostratus and the Acts of the Apostles (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Ekaterini Tsalampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  
"We Have Become a Spectacle to the World": Gladiators and Other Entertainers as Marginal Groups in the Graeco-Roman Cities (25 min)
### Discussion (5 min)
Jennifer Krumm, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel

*Paul, Gladiators, and Marginal Groups: A Response to Ekaterini Tsalampouni (25 min)*

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#### 3-14 EABS Parables in Rabbinic Judaism and Early Christianity: Towards a New Comparative Approach Section

**Date:** 9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 7  
**Theme:** Ancient Parables and the Literary Personality of the Speaker: Comparison across Borders  

- **Lieve Teugels,** Protestant Theological University Amsterdam, Presiding  
- **Justin David Strong,** University of Notre Dame  
- **Aesop,** Shimon bar Kappara, and Jesus: The Literary Personality of the Historical Fable Teller (25 min)  
- **Lauri Thurén,** University of Eastern Finland  
- **Peter J. Tomson,** Katholieke Universiteit Leuven  
- **Eliezer Adler,** Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
- **Discussion** (15 min)

#### 3-18 SBL Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section

**Date:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204  
**Theme:** Open Session  

- **Elisa Uusimäki,** Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding  
- **Helen R. Jacobus,** University College London  
- **Katri Antin,** Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet  
- **Josiah S Bisbee,** Brown University  
- **The Exegetical Origins of Belial** (30 min)

#### 3-15 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section

**Date:** 9:00 AM–11:00 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 8  
**Theme:** Deutero-Pauline Letters  

- **Rodney Duke,** Appalachian State University, Presiding  
- **Andrea Taschl-Erber,** University of Graz  
- **The Conflict in Colossians in the Context of “Jewish-Christian” Discourses of Identity** (30 min)  
- **Kwang Meng Low,** National University of Singapore  
- **Paul Beyond Piety: A Reading of Paul’s Injunction to Prayer** (1 Timothy 2:1–7) (30 min)  
- **Mark D. Given,** Missouri State University  
- **Paul and Pseudonymity in the Early Church: A Rhetotheological Approach** (30 min)  
- **Richard K. Min,** University of Texas at Dallas  
- **The Liar Paradox in Titus 1:12** (30 min)

#### 3-17 SBL Prophets Section

**Date:** 9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203  
**Theme:** The Twelve  

- **Alphonso Groenewald,** University of Pretoria, Presiding  
- **Marian Kelsey,** University of St. Andrews  
- **The Relenting of God in the Book of Jonah** (30 min)  
- **Jo-Mari Schäder,** University of Pretoria  
- **Fishing for Jonah’s Sitz im Leben: What Has Changed from Trible to Today, and Why?** (30 min)  
- **Blessing Boloje,** Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Baptist Theological Seminary, Eku-Nigeria  
- **Images of Human and Divine Persecution in LXX Lamentations 3:52-66** (20 min)

#### 3-19 SBL Septuagint Studies Section

**Date:** 9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
**Location:** Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 6  
**Theme:** Interpretation  

- **Anssi Voitila,** Itä-Suomen yliopisto, Presiding  
- **Jelle Verburg,** University of Oxford  
- **The Emergence of Intention in Early Interpretations of Biblical Law** (20 min)  
- **Pavlos D. Vasileiadis,** Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece  
- **Exodus 3:14 as an Explanation of the Tetragrammaton: What if the Septuagint Rendering Had No Platonic Nuances?** (20 min)  
- **Alexey Somov,** Institute for Bible Translation, Russia/CIS  
- **“Physicians” in LXX Ps 87:11 and Isa 26:14 as an Example of the Septuagint Polemic against the Hellenistic Cultural-Religious Environment** (20 min)  
- **Gideon R Kotzé,** North-West University (South Africa)  
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Theme: Heavenly Encounters
Julian Petkov, Heidelberg University
Inside an Apocalyptic Gallery? Visionary Re-adaptations of Biblical Traditions in the Hellenistic Era and Later On (30 min)
Afnogenova Olga, The Orthodox Encyclopedia
The Bogomil Apocrypha about the Archangel Michael: Translation from Slavonic into Greek? (30 min)
Florentina Badalanova Geller, Freie Universität Berlin
The Homily of John Chrysostom on How Archangel Michael Defeated Satanail: Between Apocryphal Literature and Oral Tradition (30 min)

3-21  SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205
Theme: Special Themes
Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Friedrich G. Lang, Retired minister of the Lutheran Church of Wuerztemberg, Germany
Remarkable Proportions in the Disposition of the Gospel of Matthew (15 min)
Georg A. Walser, Independent Scholar
Quoted Text and Interpretation; Is There Always a Correspondence? Jer. 31:15 (LXX 38:15) in Matt. 2:18 (15 min)
Francois Viljoen, North-West University (South Africa)
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3-22  EABS The Biblical World and Its Reception Section / SBL Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact Section
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Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403
David Tollerton, University of Exeter, Presiding
Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam
An Infamous Trinity: Herod Antipas, Herodias, and Salome in Josephus and Gustave Flaubert (30 min)
Matthew A. Collins, University of Chester
On the Trail of a Biblical Serial Killer: Sherlock Holmes and the Book of Tobit (30 min)
Petter Spjut, Uppsala Universitet
Unearthing the Pagan Temple in Popular Culture (30 min)

3-23  EABS The Language of Colour in the Bible: From Word to Image Section
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Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 105
Theme: Colour: Biblical Lexycography
Anna Angelini, University of Lausanne
Compounded Adjectives for Purple in the LXX (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Clare K. Rothschild, Lewis University
Μέλας in the Epistle of Barnabas (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Marina Salvador Gimeno, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
A Chromatic Study of: Purpureus” in the “Vulgata” (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

3-24  SBL Writings (including Psalms) Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 17
Theme: Psalms Interpretation II
Edgar Kellenberger, Swiss Reformed Church, Presiding
Florian Oepping, University of Zurich
Yahweh of Bashan (30 min)
Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Interaction and Interplay: Methodological Remarks on the Composition and Redaction of the Psalter (30 min)
David Willgren, Academy of Leadership and Theology
A Teleological Fallacy in Psalms Studies? Decentralizing the Masoretic Psalms Sequence in Discussions of the Formation of the “Book” of Psalms (30 min)
Phil J. Botha, University of Pretoria
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