
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.



Old Market Hall Vanha Kauppahalli In City Center in Helsinki, Finland

TUESDAY, JULY 31

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
EXHIBITS	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
GENERAL SESSIONS	9:00 AM–5:30 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, Päärakennus - 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, Kielikeskus - 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 (Tupoi) in Athanasius of Alexandria: Their Literary, Exegetical, and Ethical Functions (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Meron T Gebreanaye, 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, Päärakennus - 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 Toiviainen, 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, Päärakennus - 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 Wenxuan, University of Notre Dame
The YHWH Cult at the Time of the Religious Reforms (2 Kings 18–23) in Light of the Urukian Cult Reform in the Eighth Century B.C.E. (30 min)

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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 (South Africa)
“... 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Daniel Eastman, Yale University
Naming Emotions in Early Christian Monasticism (30 min)

Ronit Nikolsky, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Emotional Translation of Rabbinic Culture in the Tanhuma (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 and Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo
Nordic Horizons in Feminist New Testament Scholarship (20 min)

Nina Müller van Velden, Stellenbosch 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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - Room 14

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding

William R. Stewart, Alhacrusis 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)

Discussion (10 min)

Samuele Rocca, Ariel University Center of Samaria
The Source of Herod's Eagle on the Facade of the Temple: Eastern-Hellenistic or Roman? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ljubica Jovanovic, American Public University
Is There a Greek "History of Joseph"? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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 Høgenhaven, Københavns Universitet, Presiding

Emil Anton, University of Helsinki
Heikki Räisänen: Helsinki's Most Controversial Bible Scholar (30 min)

Frederik Poulsen, Københavns Universitet
Old Testament Theology According to Johannes Jacobsen (30 min)

Jesper Høgenhaven, 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)

Discussion (7 min)

Daniel Schmitz, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Sequencing Cylinder Seal Roll-offs: To Lateral Surfaces and Beyond (18 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Visionary Experience as Test Case for the Interrelation of Cylinder Seals and Textual Evidence (18 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki
Hermeneutical Reflections on a Recently Excavated Cylinder Seal Fragment from Abel-beth-maacah (18 min)

Discussion (7 min)

Discussion (20 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, Päärakennus - Room 10

Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Diana Edelman, University of Oslo
Adapting Social Memory to Mold New Attitudes in the Present and Future: Examples from the Books of Deuteronomy, Judges, and Kings (30 min)

Aubrey Buster, Emory University
Recited History and Social Memory in the Ancient Mediterranean (30 min)

Johannes Unsok Ro, International Christian University
Status Inconsistency of Judean Communities in the Persian and Hellenistic Periods (30 min)

Patricia Jelbert, University of Gloucestershire
The Tripartite Structure of Biblical Chronicles: How the Citation Formulae Act as Editorial Markers (30 min)

31-13 SBL Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 21

Theme: Sprit

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)

Discussion (10 min)

31-14 SBL Judaica Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 17

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, Päärakennus - 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)

Discussion (10 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)

Discussion (10 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 Charikleae 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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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, Cyrillo-Methodian Research Centre

Contextualizing the Wisdom of Sirach in Slavia Orthodoxa (30 min)

Iliana 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. Chike, 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 Raging 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 Czibalmos, 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, Päärakennus - 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

Other (5 min)

Ingrid Hjelm, University of Copenhagen and Thomas
L. Thompson, Københavns Universitet

*The Palestine History and Heritage Project: A
Presentation* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Thomas Thompson, Københavns Universitet
*Methods and Themes for the Palestine History and
Heritage Project* (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)

Emanuel Pfoh, CONICET / National University of La
Plata

*Ethnography, Allochronism and the Problem of the
Modern Discovery of the 'Biblical World'* (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)

Discussion (8 min)

Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasília
*The Last "King from the Sun": Odenath of Palmyra and
the Thirteenth Book of the Sibylline Oracles* (25 min)

Discussion (8 min)

Tupá Guerra, Universidade de Brasília
*Times of Evil: Diverse Temporalities in the Apocryphal
Psalms (11Q11)* (25 min)

Discussion (8 min)

PROGRAM BOOK

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)

Mirosław 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 Flew Away and Coldness Ruled His Body": Isho 'dad 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 Univesity / Al Maktoum College
The Qur'an: Authorship between Muḥammad 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)

María 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, Päärakennus - 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 - Humboldt University of Berlin
Reframing Communal Identity: Reading Literature Interculturally at Elephantine (30 min)

Hendrik Bosman, Stellenbosch University
Being an Aramaean according to Deuteronomy 26:5: Considering Hybridity and Mimicry 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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Discussion (5 min)

Sebastian Fink, University of Helsinki
Visual Poetry in Sumerian Lamentations: A Diachronic View (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Anne Kanno, Independent Scholar
Hebrew Poetry's Structure was Ancient! (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (30 min)

Diana Tomingas, Tartu Ülikool
Illuminating Syntactic Seams (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anthony Chapman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

A History of Inclusio Study (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

31-37 EABS Early Christianity Section

2:00 PM–3:30 PM

**Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall
(Juhlasali)**

Theme: Memorial Session in Honour of Heikki Räsänen

Heikki Räsänen, 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, Paul, relationships between early Jews and Christians, and the interpretation of sacred texts, including Qur'an.

Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki, Presiding (15 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (15 min)

Ilkka Lindstedt, University of Helsinki, Panelist (15 min)

Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Panelist (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

31-38 EABS Enoch within and outside the Books of Enoch: Parabiblical Writings, Iconography and Oral Tradition Section
2:00 PM–4:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106

Theme: Celestial Scribe and His Heavenly Writings

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne
The First Heavenly Journey of Enoch (1Enoch 17) according to the Geneva Papyrus 187 (40 min)

Rodney A. Werline, Barton College
Enoch as Ritual Specialist (40 min)

Florentina Badalanova Geller, Freie Universität Berlin
"Enoch the Scribe": God's Amanuensis or Satan's Agent (40 min)

Discussion (30 min)

31-39 SBL Families and Children in the Ancient World Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 13

Theme: Open Session / Child Sacrifice

Anna Solevag, VID Specialized University, Presiding
Shana Zaia, University of Helsinki
"My Brothers Were Plotting Evil": Family Violence in the Ancient Near East (30 min)

George Savran, Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies, Jerusalem
Isaac and Rebecca: Scenes from a Marriage (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Maria E Doerfler, Yale University

Parenting like a Patriarch: Sacrificial Discourses Surrounding the Death of Children in Late Antiquity. (30 min)

Jeremy Punt, Stellenbosch University

Child-Sacrifice, Power and Identity in the New Testament: Links and Problems (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

31-40 SBL Feminist Interpretations Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115

Theme: Gender and Sexuality

Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo, Presiding

Susanna Asikainen, University of Helsinki
Heterosexuality in Joseph and Aseneth (20 min)

Moona Kinnunen, University of Helsinki
Queering Jesus in the Gospel of John (20 min)

Nicholas Ansell, Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto

Androcentric in the Extreme? Rethinking Circumcision from Abraham to Zipporah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

31-41 SBL Gospel of Mark Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723

Theme: Characters and Change in Mark (Session 1)

Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain, Presiding

Gitte Buch-Hansen, Københavns Universitet
An Encounter That Changed the World: Jesus and the Syrophoenician Woman (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Christine Oefele, Universität Basel

Good News for Outsiders: The "Logos" of the Syrophoenician Woman (Mk 7,24–31a) in its Markan Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paul Danove, Villanova University

God's Changing Relationship with God's House/Temple/Sanctuary and Their Overseers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

31-42 EABS Iconography and Biblical Studies Section / Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section
2:00 PM–3:15 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Taylor Gray, University of St Andrews

Identifying Goddesses: Rethinking a Silver Pendant from Tel Mique-Ekron (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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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, Päärakennus - 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)

Break (30 min)

Anna Elise Zerneck, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
Beyond the National Gods (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

31-44 SBL Judaica Section

2:00 PM–3:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 17

Theme: Consolatory Literature

Elad Filler, Bar-Ilan University, Panelist

Cana Werman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev,
Panelist

Serge Ruzer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist

31-45 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - 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 Scaiola, Pontifical Urbanian University
Divine Metaphors in the Book of the Twelve (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven,
Presiding

Tova Forti, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
"For a Bird of the Heavens Will Carry the Sound": Revealing the Secrets of Bird-Related Metaphors (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Agustinus Gianto, Pontificio Istituto Biblico
Of Light, Darkness, and Enjoyment in the Book of Qohelet: The Interaction of Metaphors (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jean-Pierre Sonnet, Pontificia Università Gregoriana
The Interplay of Metaphor and Metonymy in Song of Songs (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

31-46 SBL Methodological Pluralism in the Study of Genesis Consultation

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

Break (30 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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**31-47 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

Theme: Romans

- Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg, Presiding
Emil Anton, University of Helsinki
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
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

Theme: Primeval and Patriarchal Narratives

- Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University
Polemics in the Story of Joseph (30 min)
- Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński 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
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

Theme: 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
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 8

Theme: The Bible and the Psychology of Trauma, Part 2

- Linda Joelsson, 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
2:00 PM–5:30 PM**

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III

Theme: 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 Riqma: Changing the Community Rules (20 min)
- Discussion (30 min)
Break (30 min)
- 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)
- Discussion (30 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)
Jusuf 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Discussion (10 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)

Discussion (10 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)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

Byzantine Heritage

- Sladjana Tomic-Mirkovic, University of South Florida, Presiding
Anissava Miltenova, Institute for Literature Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
Biblical Written Tradition and its Transformation in the Slavonic Oracles of Leo the Wise (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

- Ljubica Jovanovic, American Public University
A Biblical Tradition of Ивцифъ Прѣкрасни (Handsome Joseph) in Slavonic Manuscripts (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (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)

Discussion (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)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (30 min)

- 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: Promythium and Epimythium as a Guide and a Crutch to Interpretation (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

- Mogens Müller, Københavns Universitet
Luke as a Rewriter of Matthean Parables (15 min)

- Robert (J.R.C.) Cousland, University of British Columbia
Matthew's Crowds in Recent Research (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

31-56 EABS Textual Criticism of the New Testament, the Old Testament and the Qur'an Section
2:00 PM–4:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II

Theme: Manuscript Grouping

- Alba Fedeli, University of Birmingham, Presiding (2 min)
 Didier Lafleur, Institut de recherche et d'histoire des textes
Grouping Manuscripts between Text and Context: The Coherence-Based Genealogical Method Facing to Elliott's Application of Thoroughgoing Principles (25 min)
 Peter E. Lorenz, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Profile-Based Classification of Composite Text Forms in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)
 Robert Turnbull, Ridley College Melbourne
Verse Metrics: Analyzing Manuscript Families Using String Comparison Techniques with a Test Case in the Arabic Gospels (25 min)
 Theodora Panella, University of Münster
The Grouping of Pauline Catena Manuscripts: A Crash Test (25 min)

31-57 EABS The Core of Deuteronomy and Its World Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203

- Diana Edelman, University of Oslo, Introduction (10 min)
 Graeme Auld, University of Edinburgh
Synoptic Royal Narrative Reflected in Dt 12–26 (15 min)
 Discussion (25 min)
 Kåre Berge, NLA University College
City and Hinterland: The Implicit City in Deuteronomy (15 min)
 Discussion (25 min)
 Break (30 min)
 Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary
What Was Urdeuteronomium? (15 min)
 Discussion (30 min)
 Benedetta Rossi, Pontifical Urbaniana University
Hermeneutics of Manumission and Hermeneutics of Editing: Jer 34,8–22MT and Deut 15,1–18 between Textual Criticism and Redaction History (15 min)
 Discussion (30 min)
 To obtain copies of the papers to be discussed, please contact Kåre Berge (kb@nla.no) or Diana Edelman (diana.edelman@teologi.uio.no)

31-58 EABS What a God is Not – the Early History of Negative Theology Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 7

Theme: The Ancient Near East and Greece

- Discussion (30 min)
 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 Pinel Martínez, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
“From ‘What a God is Not’ to ‘There are No Gods’”: Negative Theology and Its Interpretation as an Atheistic Attitude (30 min)

31-59 SBL Ancient Near East Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

Theme: Bible and ANE

- 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)

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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)

Constantina Ann Clark, Ubiquity University, Dean of Students

Early Feminist Christian Health-Care Activists: How Early Christian Women Defied Paterfamilias and Changed the Face of Women's Health Care in the Greco-Roman World (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, Päärakennus - Room 17

Theme: 1 John

Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński 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 Balamand
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, Chongshin 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 Theoloji 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, Päärakennus - 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)

PROGRAM BOOK

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)

Yochi 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, Päärakennus - 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-Lovset, 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
Universitet, 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

Georg A. Walser, Independent scholar
The Greek of the Jews and Christians (30 min)

Paul Danove, Villanova University
Interpreting and Translating GINOMAI as a Verb of Process in the New Testament (30 min)

31-70 Conversation with Bezael Porten 6:00 PM–7:00 PM

Tiedekulma, Yliopistonkatu 4 - Stage

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 Bezael 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
Bezael Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem,
Panelist

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)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION.....	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
EXHIBITS.....	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
GENERAL SESSIONS	9:00 AM–5:30 PM
COFFEE BREAKS	11:00 AM and 3:30 PM

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)

Martin O’Kane, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David
Biblical Figures in Islamic Visual Culture: The Case of Al Khidr, “The Green One” and “Servant of Moses” (25 min)
Discussion (10 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, Päärakennus - 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 Section / 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 Fortschreibung 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, Päärakennus - 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 Kostresevic, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Understanding of the Eucharist in the Acta Johannis (ActJoh 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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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, Kielikeskus - 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 Lorenčin, Theologische Hochschule Friedensau
Methodical Analysis Meets Pragmatism: Rhoads' Practical Narrative Approach of "Mark as Story" through the Cognitive Turn Lens of Finner'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, Päärakennus - Room 7

Theme: Biblical Scholarship in Nordic Lands:

Methodological Focus

Julia Rhyder, 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 Slavomil 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 Sæbo (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, Päärakennus - Room 13

Theme: Neo-Assyrian Iconography

Florian Lippke, Université de Fribourg - Universität 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 (7 min)

Gideon Kotzé, North-West University (South Africa)
Neo-Assyrian Visual and Written Sources and Impalement Imagery in Lamentations 5:12 (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, Päärakennus - 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, Chongshin 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
Déjà Vu: Shirley Kaufman's Biblical Poetry (30 min)

1-15 EABS Israel in the Ancient Near East Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406

Theme: Textual and Oral Traditions

Itamar Kislef, University of Haifa
The Vow to Kill Elisha: Function and Meaning in 2 Kgs 6:31–33 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Shira Golani, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Gordon Academic
Lists, Location and Creation: Enuma Eliš' List of Marduk's Names and Biblical Lists (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Reinhard G. Lehmann, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
Arma Virumque Cano: A Hidden Oral–Aural Agenda in the Karatepe Inscriptions? (45 min)

Discussion (15 min)

1-16 SBL Judaica Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106

Theme: Biblical Exegesis

Ying Zhang, East China Normal University, Presiding
 Hagit Taragan, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Motif of Joy in the Prophecies of Isaiah 40–66 (20 min)

Anthony Chapman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Literary Tapestry of Amos 3:1–8 (20 min)

1-17 EABS Medicine in Bible and Talmud Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 403

Theme: Magico-medical Knowledge and Practices among Jews and Others in (Late) Antiquity, Part 1

Markham Geller, Freie Universität Berlin, Presiding
 Mihi Yang, Claremont School of Theology
Comparison of Hezekiah's Healing (Isaiah 38) (40 min)
 Annette Weissenrieder, Martin-Luther University Halle-Wittenberg
Spittle in Biblical Texts and "Popular" and Rational Medicine (40 min)

Lennart Lehmhaus, Freie Universität Berlin
Textual Healing: Magico-medical Practices in Rabbinic Texts Reconsidered (40 min)

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1-18 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203

Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the HB/OT (2)

Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding
 Stefan Wälchli, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
Sheba as a Net of Metaphors across the OT (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Abir Mitra, Université Catholique de Louvain/KU Leuven
Hunting, Illicit Sex, and Pollution: Metaphor Clusters in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elizabeth R Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Making Meaning, Making Metaphor: The Rhetorical Function of the Phrases 'His Hand' and 'His Right Hand' in Psalm 139:5, 7 as a Subset of Embodiment Metaphor (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Bálint Károly Zabán, Hungarian Reformed Church
Proverbs 26:1–28: Admonition against the Antisocial Types and Its Network of Metaphors (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

1-19 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 12

Theme: Romans

Kwang Meng Low, National University of Singapore, Presiding
 Mateusz Krawczyk, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw

Paul the Apostle: A Jew, a Roman, a Greek or ... an Egyptian? An Inquiry in the Light of a Hypertextual Reading of The Letter to the Romans and of the Book of Wisdom (30 min)

Annette Potgieter, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
A Spatial Rhetoric? Spatial Metaphors as a Means of Persuasion in Rom 5:12–21 (30 min)

Edward Pillar, Northern Baptist College
Confession, Trust, Lordship, and Resurrection: A Negotiation of the Salvific Purpose, Consequences, and Effect of the Resurrection of Jesus as Articulated in Romans 10:9 (30 min)

Samuli Siikavirta, Luther Foundation Finland
Paul's Baptismal Teaching: Jewish or Stoic? (30 min)

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1-20 SBL Place, Space, and Identity in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674

Theme: Place, Space and Identity in the Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism(s) I

Karen Wenell, University of Birmingham, Presiding
Johannes Bremer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Spatial Conceptions of "Land" in Gen 12–36 (30 min)

Bruno J. Clifton, University of Cambridge
Pinning Sisera Down (Judg 4:17–22): Self-Construct in Light of the Indeterminate Other (30 min)

Karoline Rumpfer, University of Vienna
"From the End of the Earth": Space and Time in Psalm 61 (30 min)

Gert Prinsloo, University of Pretoria
Gathered from the Lands: Reading Psalm 107 as a Spatial Journey from Exile to Restoration (30 min)

1-20a SBL Postcolonial Studies Section 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 115

Archie Lee, Shandong University, Presiding
Wungtei Buchem, University of Sheffield
Advocating the Voices of Hope in the Deuteronomistic History (30 min)

Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Esther's Composite Identity in Susa: An Analysis of the Role of Gender in the Struggle for Ethnic/Religious Survival and Maintenance under the Persian Empire (30 min)

Luis Menéndez-Antuña, Graduate Theological Union (Berkeley)
The Bare Life of a Gerasene (Luke 8:26–39) (30 min)

1-21 EABS Prophecy and Foreign Nations Section 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724

Theme: Foreign Nations in the Book of Ezekiel

Hannes Bezzel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Uwe Becker, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Lydia Lee, North-West University (South Africa)
The Tyrian Ruler in MT and LXX Ezekiel 28:11–19 (24 min)

Reettakaisa Sofia Salo, University of Münster
Ezekiel 35: Tradition-Historical and Redaction-Critical Aspects (24 min)

Sarah Koehler, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
Downfall Description: Doomed Edom in Ezekiel's Speech (24 min)

Andrew Langley, University of Oxford
The Vindication of YHWH in Ezekiel's Oracles against the Nations. (24 min)

Micaël Bürki, Université de Lausanne
"I'm a God," "I Made the Nile": The Pride of Tyre and Egypt in Ezekiel 28–32 (24 min)

1-22 SBL Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts Section 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali)

Theme: The Bible and Positive Psychological Experience

Linda Joelsson, Ersta-Sköndal-Bräcke University, Presiding

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Contested Liberation from PTSD: Exorcisms in Luke in Psychological Perspective (30 min)

Eben Scheffler, UNISA
Reflecting on the Concept of Gratitude in the Bible from a Positive Psychological Perspective (30 min)

Hendrik Viviers, University of Johannesburg
The Psychology of 'Mountain Top Experiences' and the Psalms of Ascents (Ps 120–134) (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

1-23 SBL Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective Section 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

Theme: Meaning & Distortion

Abdulla Galadari, Khalifa University/Al-Maktoum College, Presiding

Sayed-Hassan Akhlaq, Boston University
The Inspirational Aspect of the idea of "Tahrif" for Inter-religious Dialogue (30 min)

Mohammad Ghandehari, University of Tehran
"Clarifying the Divine Teachings for Thee": Qur'an's Self-Identified Role in Clarifying the Bible (30 min)

1-24 SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section / Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 6

Theme: Ritual and Qumran

Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki, Presiding
Sarianna Metso, University of Toronto
The Ritual of Yom Kippur Interpreted in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Ida Fröhlich, Pázmány Péter Katolikus Egyetem
Rituals of the 364-day Calendar in Qumran (30 min)

Melissa Bach, Københavns Universitet
When Eschatology Tailors One's Identity (30 min)

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology
Retribution and Repair of Norm Infringements in Qumran, Associations, and Pauline Congregations (30 min)

Robin Hamon, University of Sheffield
New Materialism: A New Direction for Ecological Hermeneutics (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Round Table Discussion

Discussion (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 Glenny, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN)
Stylistic Features in LXX Amos (30 min)

1-27 EABS The Biblical World and Its Reception Section / SBL Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 17

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)

1-25a 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 Miltenova, Institute for Literature Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
South Slavonic Apocryphal Collections (20 min)

Discussion (10 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 אָדָם and אֲדָמָה 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 πρᾶσινος in Gen 2:12 (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 Tsalampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

“Buen Vivir” and Its Possible Ecological Relevance: A Biblical Approach (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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1-29 EABS Virtue in Biblical Literature Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723

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 (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 5

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

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 21

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)*

Jan Krans, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
*The Earliest Printed Portions of the Greek New Testament
(30 min)*

An-Ting Yi, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
*Codex Vaticanus and Bentley's Proposed New Testament
Edition: A Preliminary Report (30 min)*

1-31 SBL Writings (including Psalms) Section 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

Theme: Job, Esther, Jonah, and Jewish Pseudepigrapha

Louis Jonker, Universiteit 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, Universiteit 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

1-32 EABS Business Meeting

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P II

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Presiding

All EABS members are cordially invited to this general
meeting of the Association to discuss current and future
issues.

1-32a EABS Grants Information Session

1:15 PM–1:45 PM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P II

The session is open to all those interested in learning more
about the EABS Research and Travel Grants schemes.

Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne, Presiding

Paul Middleton, University of Chester, Presiding

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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 Palmén, 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)
 Pieter Botha, University of South Africa
Marking Bodies: Ritual and Discipline in Early Christian Discourse (25 min)
 Karin Neutel, University of Oslo
Taking the Pain Away: Paul, Circumcision, and the Success of the Gentile Mission (25 min)

Discussion (15 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
 Edward Glenn, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN)
1 Peter 2:13–17 and the Date of 1 Peter (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David G. Horrell, University of Exeter
J.B. Lightfoot as Interpreter of 1 Peter (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nelson R. Morales, Central American Theological Seminary (SETECA)
Reading James and 1 Peter Together: James’s and Peter’s Use of the Old Testament (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

1-43 EABS Concepts of Leadership in the Hebrew Bible Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 13

Theme: Concepts of Leadership in Chronicles

Sarah Schulz, University of Erlangen, Presiding
 Katharina Pyschny, University of Lausanne,
 Introduction (10 min)
 Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew’s College, University of Saskatchewan
David and Darics: Reconsidering an Anachronism in 1 Chronicles 29 (20 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)

Break (30 min)

Lars Maskow, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The Art of Reigning in the Book of Chronicles (20 min)
 Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University
Judges, Elders, and Officers in Chronicles (20 min)
 Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

1-44 SBL Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament) Seminar
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617

Theme: Views from Afar, II

Wei Huang, Shanghai 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)

Beth Elness-Hanson, Johannelunds Teologiska Högskola
The Strength of Hybridity: An Intercultural Case Study of an American and Maasai Analysis of Exod 20:4–6 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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1-45 EABS Deconstructive Poetics Section 2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

Karin 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, Päärakennus - Room 5

Theme: Timo Veijola’s Contribution to Biblical Studies

Martti 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’s 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Break (30 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)

Linda Joelsson, Ersta-Sköndal-Bräcke University
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)

Discussion (10 min)

1-48 SBL Johannine Literature Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

Theme: Critical Studies

- Kari Syreeni, Abo Akademi, Presiding
 Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński
 University in Warsaw
Six Stone Jars in the Fourth Gospel (20 min)
 Louise Gosbell, Mary Andrews College
Sensory Criticism and the Fourth Gospel (20 min)
 Wally V. Cirafesi, University of Oslo
*John, Ethnicity, and the Concept of the Ancestral Land:
 Re-territorializing Jewish Identity in the Fourth Gospel
 (20 min)*
 Carl Johan Berglund, Uppsala University
*How “Valentinian” Was Heracleon’s Reading of the
 Healing of the Son of a Royal Official? (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

1-49 SBL Judaica Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106

Theme: Philo of Alexandria

- Elad Filler, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
 Risto Auvinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors
 Universitet
Philo and the Valentinians (20 min)
 Sami Yli-Karjanmaa, University of Helsinki
*Philo’s Reincarnational Anthropology: A Comparison
 with Clement (20 min)*
 Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School
*Philo of Alexandria’s Life of Moses: An Introduction to
 the Exposition of the Law (20 min)*

1-50 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 203

Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the HB/OT (3)

- Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven,
 Presiding
 Alison Gray, Westminster College (Cambridge)
*“Hear the Metaphors That I Am Commanding You
 Today!” The Affective Dimension of Metaphor Clusters in
 Deuteronomy 4 (20 min)*
 Discussion (10 min)
 Ellen van Wolde, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen
Patterns of Metaphors in Psalm 51 (20 min)
 Discussion (10 min)
 Jennifer Andruska, University of Cambridge
*The Lover’s Body Is a Wonderland: Networks of
 Metaphors in the Song of Songs & ANE Love Songs
 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

- Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven,
 Presiding
 Patrik Jansson, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors
 Universitet
*Prophesying and Twisting: Exploring the Metaphorical
 Description of Prophesying Women in the Greek Text of
 Ezekiel 13:17–23 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

- Juan Cruz, University of Aberdeen
*The Network of “Daughter Zion” Metaphor and Other
 Metaphors in the Book of Micah (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

- Suzanna Millar, University of Leeds
*Dining on Destruction: The Pedagogical Power of a
 Metaphorical World in Proverbs (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

**1-51 EABS Northwest Semitic Epigraphy
 Related to the Biblical World Section**
2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III

- Regine Hunziker-Rodewald, Université de Strasbourg,
 Presiding
 Meir Lubetski, City University of New York
*Are There Traces of Ugaritic or Egypto-Semitic Phrases in
 the Tafsir? (25 min)*
 Aaron Demsky, Bar-Ilan University
Sheger in the Balaam Inscription (25 min)
 Gabriel Barkay, Bar Ilan University
A Bulla of a Priest from the Temple Mount (25 min)

Break (30 min)

- Robert Deutsch, Israel Numismatic Society, Presiding
 Regine Hunziker-Rodewald, Université de Strasbourg
The Siloam Inscription: New Insights (25 min)
 Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Thirty-Five Arad Payment Orders (25 min)
 Daniel Vainstub, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*Frozen Canaanite Letters as Symbols in the Hebrew
 Script of the First Temple Period (25 min)*

1-52 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 12

Theme: Pauline Theology

- Kar-Yong Lim, Seminari Teoloji Malaysia, Presiding
 Mikko Sivonen, University of Helsinki
The Use of Doxa in Disputed Pauline literature (30 min)
 Chiaen Liu, McMaster Divinity College
*Holy and Catholic Church: A Study of Paul’s Purity
 Language (30 min)*
 Rodney Duke, Appalachian State University
A Critique of Substitutionary Atonement (30 min)

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Julia Snyder, Universität Regensburg
Contingent Discourse and the Question of "Paul's Theology" (30 min)

William "Chip" Gruen, Muhlenberg College
Paul, Soteriology, and the Problem of Internal Evidence (30 min)

Xu Jun, Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Comparison of the Love in the Gospel of Matthew and the Pauline Letters (30 min)

1-53 SBL Political Biblical Criticism Section 2:00 PM–5:30 PM Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium III

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Frederik Poulsen, University of Copenhagen
Defining Diaspora in the Joseph Story (Gen 37–50) (30 min)

Joomee Hur, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
Liberationist Hermeneutics: Ruth and a Female Marriage Migrant in Contemporary Times (30 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Yonsei University
Performing the Bible in Postcolonial Context (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Jeremia Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
David Justice, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Transformational Kings (30 min)

Johannes Vorster, University of South Africa
Rhetoric on the Intersection of HIV/AIDS and Biblical Discourse (30 min)

Taylor Weaver, University of Kent
Pauline Gifting and Marxist Criticism (30 min)

1-54 SBL Prophets Section 2:00 PM–3:30 PM Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 6

Theme: Jeremiah, Ezekiel

Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Johanna Erzberger, Cardiff University, Presiding
Eric Peels, Theologische Universiteit (Apeldoorn)
Forgiveness in the Book of Jeremiah (30 min)

Eliza Justice, King's College - London
And Now for Something Completely Different: A Reinterpretation of the Abraham Tradition in Ezekiel 33:24 (30 min)

Vasile Babota, Pontifical Gregorian University
The "Sons of Zadok" in the Book of Ezekiel: A Literary, Historical, and Theological Approach (30 min)

1-55 EABS Slavonic Parabiblical Traditions Section

2:00 PM–4:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319

Theme: Biblical Characters in Parabiblical Sagas

Dolores Kamrada, Pázmány Péter Catholic University
The Tree of Life (30 min)

Emanuela Timotin, Institute of Linguistics of the Romanian Academy
Again about Adam's Contract with Satan: The Romanian Manuscript Tradition of The Lamentation of Adam (30 min)

Reuven Kiperwasser, FU Berlin
Solomon and Qitovras Redux: Regarding the Sources of Palea Interpretata (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

1-56 SBL Stylistics and the Hebrew Bible Section / EABS Literary Features – Fact or Fiction Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 7

Theme: Style and Meaning in the Hebrew Bible

Karolien Vermeulen, University of Antwerp, Presiding
Talia Sutskovar, Tel Aviv University
Dominant Schemata in the Pentateuch: A Cognitive Overview (25 min)

Stephen H. Levinsohn, SIL International
Development Units in Ruth (25 min)

Diana Tomingas, Tartu Ülikool
Focus Up! Focus Structure as a Literary Feature (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (30 min)

Naama Golan, Ariel University
Metal and Stone as Symbols of Humanity and the Divine: A Study of Analogous Narratives (25 min)

G.G. Braun, post-doctorate fellow, before Northwest University
The Divine Indwelling: Literal and Metaphorical Concepts of God's Indwelling Presence (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

1-57 SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

2:00 PM–3:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 10

Theme: Synoptic Problem Revisited & Source Theories

Sakari Häkkinen, Diocese of Kuopio, Finland, Presiding

Josh Peters, Regent University
The Synoptic Problem, Ancient Historiography, and Luke's Preface (15 min)

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 Heart, 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, Päärakennus - Room 17

Theme: Mapping the field

Nina Nikki, University of Helsinki, Presiding (10 min)

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki
Ritual, Ecology and Biblical Traditions (25 min)

James Mclellan, 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 Nikolsky, 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, Päärakennus - Room 21

Reettakaisa 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)

Shirly Natan-Yulzary, Gordeon Academic Colleges, Israel

The Dirge Over Kirta? KTU 1.16 i-ii Reconsidered (30 min)

Joanna Töyräänvuori, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

The Ambiguity and Liminality of the Mediterranean Sea in Ancient Semitic Mythology (30 min)

1-60 EABS Vision and Envisionment in the Bible and its World Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

Theme: Visions and aspects of Spatial Theory - Focus OT

Nils Neumann, Universität Hannover, Presiding (5 min)

Thomas Wagner, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
On Sphere and Space: The Development of ANE Cosmology and Its Effect on Visionary Experiences (30 min)

Nicole Oesterreich, Universität Leipzig
(Initiation) Visions through the Lense of Cognitive Philology (30 min)

Katri Antin, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Intellectual Illumination as a Visionary Experience (30 min)

Break (25 min)

Tyler Duckworth, Universität Wien
"What Does God See in Him?" Seeing the Unseen in Samuel's Anointing of David (30 min)

Eva Hiby, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
Dreams as Visionary Experience in the Joseph Story (30 min)

Uta Schmidt, Paedagogische Hochschule Heidelberg
Reading and Seeing Dan 7: The Vision as Image and as Text (30 min)

1-61 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, Päärakennus - 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 researches 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 Kulikovskiy, 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)

1-67 SBL Methodological Pluralism in the Study of Genesis Consultation
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 10

Theme: Comparative Approaches

- Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley, Presiding
 Hans J. L. Jensen, Aarhus Universitet
Ontology in the Genesis Myths of Origin (30 min)
 Sarah Shectman, San Francisco, CA and Jacqueline Vayntrub, Brandeis University
Rocking the Cradle: Mothers as Transmitters of Authority in Genesis and Beyond (30 min)
 Benjamin D. Giffone, LCC International University
"Israel's" Only Son? The Complexity of Benjaminite Identity between Judah and Joseph (30 min)

1-68 SBL Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

Theme: Texts, Writing, and Material Reconstruction

- Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding
 James M. Tucker, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
What is the Text, Work, and Composition of Serekh ha-Yahad? (30 min)
 Michael Brooks Johnson, McMaster University
Visualizing Material Reconstructions in Three Dimensions: Some Insights on the Placement of 1QM Frgs. 3 and 9 from a Scrollable Digital Model (30 min)
 Andrew Perrin, Trinity Western University
Writing about Books within Scrolls: Portrayals of Scribal Craft and Written Tradition in the Aramaic Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

1-69 SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617

Theme: Ritual and prophetic activity

- Pekka Pitkänen, University of Gloucestershire, Presiding
 Rachel Borovsky, Tel Aviv University
"Levona" (Frankincense) in the Prophecy Literature (30 min)
 Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University
"Open Thine Eyes, O Lord, and See": A Possible Cultic Rite of Text Presentation (30 min)
 Giancarlo Voellmy, Seminar für Biblische Theologie Beatenberg
Biblical Prophecy between Ritual and Liturgy (30 min)

1-70 EABS Sociological and Anthropological Approaches to the Study of the Evidence of the Mishnah Section
4:00 PM–5:15 PM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 724

- Lieve Teugels, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam, Presiding
 Simcha Fishbane, Touro College
Profane and Holy in Mishnah's Cosmos: The Case of the Diaspora (30 min)
 Jack Lightstone, Brock University
Social Cohesion among the Early Rabbis, Part III: Evidence of the Talmuds Compared with Mishnah's (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

1-71 SBL Status of Women in the Profession SBL Committees
4:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 6

Theme: Teaching Gender and the Bible

Panelists will discuss the issues surrounding teaching gender and the Bible in varying locations and contexts (where we take locations and contexts to be broadly and flexibly defined). The panelists will explore how our scholarship and teaching about the study of gender and the Bible impacts and even transforms our students. Panelists will reflect on challenges and opportunities related to teaching and writing about gender and the Bible.

- Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University, Introduction (5 min)
 Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo, Introduction (5 min)

Panel Discussion

- Anna Rebecca Solevåg, VID Specialized University, Panelist (10 min)
 Ekaterini Tsalampouni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Panelist (10 min)
 Hanna Tervanotko, McMaster University, Panelist (10 min)
 Karen Winslow, Azusa Pacific University, Panelist (10 min)
 Maricel Ibita, Ateneo de Manila University, Panelist (10 min)
 Outi Lehtipuu, University of Helsinki, Panelist (10 min)
 Discussion (20 min)

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**1-72 SBL Working with Biblical Manuscripts
(Textual Criticism) Section**

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

**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



Sibelius Monument, Helsinki, Finland

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION.....	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
EXHIBITS.....	8:30 AM–4:30 PM
GENERAL SESSIONS	9:00 AM–5:30 PM
COFFEE BREAKS	11:00 AM and 3:30 PM

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 Brasília,
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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Ma'afu Palu, United Bible Societies
Translating Metaphors of Sex into a Culture Where Sex is a Taboo Subject (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alesja Lavrinovica
Tongues as sêmeion 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 1Thess 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
Friedensau
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)

Reettakaisa Sofia Salo, University of Münster
*The Growth of Ezekiel 6 in Light of the Masoretic Text
and the Septuagint* (25 min)

Patricia Jelbert, 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, Päärakennus - 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)

Discussion (30 min)

2-10 EABS Graeco-Roman Society and the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 7

Theme: Early Christians in the Context of Graeco-Roman Cities

Jennifer Krumm, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/ Bethel, Presiding

Discussion (5 min)

Maya Prodanova, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin
Christians on the Western Black Sea Coast according to the Epigraphic Evidence from Moesia Secunda and Haemimontus (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Panayotis Coutsoumpos, Universidad de Montemorelos
Paul, Adiafora, and the Greco-Roman Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

2-12 SBL History of Biblical Scholarship in the Late Modern Period Consultation

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 674

Theme: Holy Land Explorers: In Recognition of Hilma Granqvist

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 Saarialo and Biblical Archaeology (30 min)

Timo R. Stewart, University of Helsinki
Treasure Hunt or Biblical Archaeology? Valter Juvelius 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)

2-14 SBL Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 723

Theme: Characters

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, Kwansai Gakuin University
Jesus vs. John the Baptist: The Intention and Effect of John 10:40–42 (20 min)

Mark Kulikovskiy, Macquarie University
The Politics of Friendship: A Comparative Study of the Johannine Literature with the Graeco-Roman World (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

2-15 EABS Medicine in Bible and Talmud Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II

Theme: Magico-medical Knowledge and Practices among Jews and Others in (Late) Antiquity, Part 2

Annette Weissenrieder, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College
Women and Ritual Healing in the Aramaic Incantation Bowls (40 min)

Markham Geller, Freie Universität Berlin
A Recipe is a Recipe: Medicine in the Talmud (40 min)

Rivka Elitzur-Leiman, Tel Aviv University
A Magic Recipe from the Book of Mysteries (Sefer Ha-Razim) in a Late-Antique Jewish Amulet (40 min)

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2-16 SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium III

Theme: New Research on the Apocryphon of John

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)

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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 Tannaïtic 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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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, Alpacrucis 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)

Claire E Carroll, Trinity College - Dublin
"We lacked every good thing": The Self-Justification of the Queen of Heaven Worshipers in Jeremiah 44 (30 min)

Lyubov Osinkina, University of Oxford
Testamentum Iobi as a Source for the Instruction of Vladimir Monomakh (35 min)
 Discussion (20 min)

2-23 SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus - 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
Toward a Characterization of the Translation Technique of 3 Kingdoms 2:12–21:43: A Case Study (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Leonardo Pessoa, Pontificio Instituto Biblico
*The Beginning of the *by* Section in 2 Samuel* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

2-26 EABS Slavonic Parabiblical Traditions Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

2-27 SBL Synoptic Gospels Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - 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
The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Lk 16.19-31) and Luke's Strategy for the Salvation of the Rich (15 min)

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)

2-28 EABS The Bible in the Iberian World: Fundamentals of a Religious Melting Pot Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P 617

Ricardo Muñoz Solla, Universidad de Salamanca, Presiding (5 min)

Anthony John Lappin, Maynooth University
Pablo de Santa María's Marginalia on the Apocalypse (30 min)

Discussion (25 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)

Funlola Olojede, University of Stellenbosch and
Madipoane J. Masanya, 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 Golinets, 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 Tergwāmē 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

Daniel Huh, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
The Unlikely Reveal in Mark 5:1-20 (Old Testament Parallels in Mark's Account of the Demoniac) (30 min)

Daniel Lanzinger, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn
Luke-Acts and the LXX Version of Esther: A Study in Common Narrative Patterns (30 min)

Discussion (10 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)

2-33a EABS Programme Unit Chairs Meeting

12:45 PM–1:45 PM

Yliopistonkatu 3, Porthania - P III

Dominika Kurek-Chomyc, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding

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)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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 Adamczewski, 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)

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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)

Break (30 min)

Clayton N. Jefford, Saint Meinrad School of Theology
Reifying the Didache (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Wolfgang Ernst, Universität Wien
Offices in the Communities of the Didache (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 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 Pfoh, 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 Shivtiel, 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)

Dan Schowalter, Carthage College
A Bit of Rome in the Galilee: Tabernae, Phallic Amulets, and and the Nile (30 min)

Raimo Hakola, University of Helsinki
The Ancient Synagogue at Horvat Kur, Galilee: Excavations 2010-2018 (30 min)

Martin Wells, Austin College, on behalf of the Huqoq excavation team directed by Jodi Magness
The 2017–2018 Excavations at Huqoq in Israel’s Galilee (30 min)

2-39 SBL Bible and Empire Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

Break (30 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, Päärakennus - 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 Institute
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
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
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
Martyrdom 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, Päärakennus - 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, Kielikeskus - 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 Wyszyński 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, Kielikeskus - 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/Nehemiah (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)

Ottília Lukács, 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 Grzybowska, Uniwersytet Warszawski
Assuming Identity to Build Identity: The Imagined Other as Narrator and Recipient in the Letter of Aristes and the Third Book of the Sibylline 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 Jooede, 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 Millennium: The Case of PAVONe 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, Západočeská 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)

2-48 EABS Dispelling Demons: Interpretations of Evil and Exorcism in Ancient Near Eastern, Jewish and Biblical Contexts Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 205

Gina Konstantopoulos, University of Helsinki, Presiding
 Johannes Bach, University of Helsinki
Demons and Demonized Enemies in Assyrian Royal Narrative Texts (25 min)
 Clemens Steinberger, University of Innsbruck
Dispelling the Evil at Ugarit: The Incantation KTU 1.82 as a Case Study (25 min)
 Ida Fröhlich, Pázmány Péter Katolikus Egyetem
The “Horned Demon” and Qumran Demonology (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)
 Break (30 min)

Daniel James Waller, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
The Poetics of Magic: Depicting and Dispelling Demons in the Jewish Babylonian Aramaic Incantation Bowls (25 min)
 Cecilia Wassén, Uppsala Universitet
The Impurity of the Impure Spirits in the Gospels (25 min)
 Tom de Bruin, Newbold College
Exorcisms, Silencings, Healings and Apotropaism: The Variegated Portrayal of the Demonic in Mark (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

2-49 EABS Editorial Techniques in the Hebrew Bible in light of Empirical Evidence Section
2:00 PM–5:30 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 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)

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)

2-51 SBL Epistle to the Hebrews Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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
2:00 PM–3:30 PM
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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 Zerneck, 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 Judaeans in the Persian Empire Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319

Theme: Elite Cultures and Achaemenid Koine

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 Buttica, 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 Mark's Gospel Narrates Experiences with Jesus (and What Follows from Them) (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**2-56 SBL Place, Space, and Identity in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section
2:00 PM–3:00 PM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 21

Theme: Place, Space and Identity in the New Testament and the Roman Empire

Gert Prinsloo, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Dimitrije Stanojevic, Trinity International University, Deerfield, IL
Jerusalem of Stones as a Witness of God's Love: The Vantage Point of Salvation Through the Eyes of Righteous Simeon (Luke 2:22–40) (30 min)

Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin
The Divine in the Plaza: the Salutaris Procession at the Domitiansplatz of Ephesos (30 min)

**2-57 SBL Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 10

Theme: Intertextuality

Kate Tinson, Cardiff University
Moses and His Leprosy: Hebrew Bible, Rabbinic Texts and the Qur'an (30 min)

Rachel Dryden, University of Cambridge
How al-Shayṭān Got His Name: The Arabic Recensions of the Narratives from the Syriac Cave of Treasures (30 min)

**2-58 EABS Relationship between the “Major Prophets” and the “Scroll of the Minor Prophets”: Text, Methodology, Hermeneutics and Wirkungsgeschichte Section / SBL Prophets Section
2:00 PM–3:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II

Theme: Major Prophets and The Twelve

Donatella Scaiola, Pontifical Urbanian University
From the Word-Vision of the Prophet to the Prophetic Book (30 min)

Di Pede Elena, Université de Lausanne
Is the Amos Call Narrative a Factor of Unity for the Book of the Twelve and an Element of Contact between the Minor and Major Prophets? (30 min)

Guido Benzi, Pontifical Salesian University
The Beginning and the End of the Latter Prophets: Isaiah I and Malachi; Textual Contacts (30 min)

**2-59 SBL Rethinking Biblical Written Tradition through Slavonic Interpretations Section / Apocalyptic Literature Section / Hellenistic Judaism Section / EABS Slavonic Apocrypha Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 207

Theme: Research on Apocalyptic, Apocryphal, and Second Temple Literature in the Nordic, Baltic, and North Slavic Lands

On Nordic Scholarship

Ljubica Jovanovic, American Public University, Presiding
Vadim Wittkowsky, Humboldt University Berlin
Literary Criticism and Conservative Orthodoxy: Critics of the Q-Hypothesis in Twenty-First Century Denmark and Russia (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sladana Mirkovic, University of South Florida
Slavic Studies and Wissenschaftliche Approach to the Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Milan Kostrešević, Universität Bern - Universität de Berne
The Linguistic Analysis of the Names and Toponyms in the Slavic Apocalypse of Abraham (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

Scholarship in the North Slavic Lands

Anissava Miltenova, Institute for Literature Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Presiding
Daria Penskaya, Independent scholar
The Narration of Our Father Agapius: The Slavonic Arrangement of the Greek Original (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ivan I. Iliev, Sofiyski universitet
The Old Church Slavonic Translations of the Book of the Prophet Daniel: How Many are They and how They Functioned? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Basil Lourié, Scrinium. Review of the Patrology, Critical Hagiography
A Jewish-Christian Exegesis in the Slavonic Text on the Perdition of the Higher Intellect (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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2-60 EABS Septuagint of Historical Books Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

Pablo A. Torijano, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
2 Sam 15:34–37: Two Different Texts and Two Different Stories (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (30 min)

Paavo Huotari, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors
Universitet
Characteristics of the Lucianic Reviser in 2 Samuel (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andres Piquer-Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
David's Dirge of 2 Samuel 1: A Multidisciplinary Approach (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan M. Robker, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Jews and Samaritans in the Textual History of 2 Kings 17 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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, Päärakennus - Auditorium IV

Theme: Christian Arabic Translations and Commentaries

Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University, Presiding
Miriam L. Hjälms, Sankt Ignatios Theological Academy, Stockholm School of Theology
"They Saw No Man, Save Jesus Only": Approaches to Scripture in Christian Arabic Psalm Commentaries (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Robert Turnbull, Ridley College Melbourne
Arabic Gospel Lectionaries at Jerusalem (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Vevian Zaki, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Before the Polyglots: The Journey of a Text of the Arabic Pauline Epistles (25 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)

Istvan Czachesz, University of Tromsø
Evolution as Learning: Early Christianity as a Test Case (25 min)

Nina Nikki, University of Helsinki
Magic, Miracles, and the Cultural Evolution of Pauline Christianity (25 min)

Break (30 min)

Jarkko Vikman, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors
Universitet
Ignatius of Antioch's Bishop is the Cognitively Natural One (25 min)

Vojtech Kase, University of West Bohemia
Distant Reading of Early Christian Texts for Socio-cognitive Interpretation: Introducing the DiRECT Project (25 min)

2-63 EABS Virtue in Biblical Literature Section
2:00 PM–5:30 PM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

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)

Siiri 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)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (30 min)

Daniel Hjort, Lund University

Jesus and the Virtues: The Biographical Presentation of Moral Qualities in the Gospel of Matthew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

2-64 EABS Vision and Envisionment in the Bible and its World Section

2:00 PM–5:30 PM

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 Rüggeleier, 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, Kielikeskus - Festive Hall (Juhlasali)

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 Rûah 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, Päärakennus - 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 Begets 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

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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 Cultic 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 Zawawska, 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.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION 8:30 AM–11:30 AM
GENERAL SESSIONS 9:00 AM–11:00 AM
COFFEE BREAK 11:00 AM

3-1 SBL Allusions in the Gospels and Acts Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 16

Theme: Allusions in 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)

Joshua Paul Smith, University of Denver
“Do You Understand What You Are Reading?” The Nascent Church as Arbiter of Biblical Interpretation in Luke-Acts (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
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 206

Theme: Egypt and the Levant

Jennifer Singletary, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding

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
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 12

Theme: Anthropological Issues and the Bible

Emanuel Pfoh, CONICET / National University of La Plata, Presiding

Anne Katrine Gudme, University of Copenhagen, Presiding

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
9:00 AM–11:15 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Auditorium II

Theme: Apocalyptic Literature: Second Temple Judaism

Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasília, Presiding

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, Hērem 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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Daewoong Kim, Chongshin Theological Seminary
*The Nachleben of Daniel 4 in Pseudo-Philo and the Greek
Apocalypse of Baruch (25 min)*

**3-5 SBL Apostolic Fathers and Related Early
Christian Literature Section**
9:00 AM–11:00 AM
**Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus -
Auditorium IV**

**Theme: Identity and Community in the Writings of the
Apostolic Fathers**

Nancy Pardee, University of Chicago Greenberg
Center for Jewish Studies, Presiding
Kyle R. Hughes, Whitefield Academy
*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)

Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University
*The Reception(s) of a Fragmented Apostolic Father,
Papias of Hierapolis (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, Päärakennus - Room 14

**Theme: Cross-pollinations: Jewish and Christian
Translations, Islamic Terminology**

Marzena University of Warsaw & Jewish Historical
Institute, Presiding

Arik Sadan, Shalem College

*What is the Genealogy of Job and Where is the Land
of Oz? Possible Answers According to Early Christian-
Arabic and Judeo-Arabic Bible Translations and
Commentaries on the Book of Job (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 Sa'adia's Biblical
Translation and Commentary (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Meirav Nadler-Akirav, Bar-Ilan University
*Islamic Elements in Yefet ben 'Eli's Commentary on the
Book of Malachi (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**3-7 EABS Canonical Approaches to the
Bible Section**
9:00 AM–10:30 AM
Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - 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)

Business Meeting (30 min)

**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, Päärakennus - 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, Päärakennus -
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 Tsalamponi, 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 Tsalamponi (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**3-10 EABS Intersections: A Forum for
Research on Ancient Israel, Hebrew
Bible, and Cognate Topics Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 405

Kåre Berge, NLA Høgskolen, Presiding
Ulf Bergström, Uppsala Universitet
*On How to Distinguish between Foreground/Mainline
and Background/Offline in Biblical Hebrew Narrative
Discourse (30 min)*

Eyal Nahum, Polis Institute, Jerusalem
*The Advantages of Teaching Biblical Hebrew as a Living
Language (30 min)*

Franziska Ede, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Hab 3 and Its Relation to Hab 1–2 (30 min)

**3-11 EABS Medicine in Bible and Talmud
Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM**

Fabianinkatu 33, Päärakennus - Room 21

**Theme: Magico-medical knowledge and practices
among Jews and others in (Late) Antiquity III**

Lennart Lehmhaus, Freie Universität Berlin, Presiding
Emunah Levy, Bar Ilan University
*Magic and Rational Medicine in the Twelfth-Century
Manuscripts of the Book of Medicines of Asaf the
Physician (40 min)*

Zahra Kazani, University of Victoria, Canada
*Magic Embodied: Rethinking the Relationship between
Script, Geometry, and Magical Ideas in the Kitab al-
Diryaq (Book of Antidotes) (40 min)*

Ferda Barut, Anadolu University
*The Anargyroi (Physician Saints) in Early Christianity
and Their Reflections on the Painting Programme of
Byzantine Churches in Cappadocia (40 min)*

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**3-12 EABS Metaphor in the Bible Section
9:00 AM–11:00 AM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 406

**Theme: Networks of Metaphors in the Ancient Near
East**

Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven,
Presiding

Marta Pallavidini, Freie Universität Berlin
*Metaphors as Instrument of Diplomacy: Networks of
Metaphors in the Hittite Diplomatic Texts (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Sarah Koehler, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena and
Szilvia Jáka-Sövegjártó, Heidelberg University
*Intangible Imagery: Conceptualizing Fictive Inscribed
Artifacts in Ancient Near Eastern Literatures and in the
Hebrew Bible (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Ludovico Portuese, Freie Universität Berlin
*“And He Placed the Plant of Life in Their Nostrils...”:
Metaphorical Allusions to Life-Giving Plants in Neo-
Assyrian Texts and Images (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Silvia Salin, Università degli Studi di Verona
*The Assyro-Babylonian Medical Texts and the Theory of
the Conceptual Metaphor (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

**3-13 EABS Open Forum for New Testament
and Early Christian Studies Section
9:00 AM–10:30 AM**

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 319

**Theme: Biblical Reception in Ancient Christian,
Rabbinic and the Reformation Literary and
Iconographic Sources**

Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven,
Presiding

Yaffa Englard, Haifa University
*The Theophany at Mamre: Artistic Representations
Reflecting Harmonistic Interpretations (25 min)*

Agneth Siquans, Universität Wien
*Imitation in the Interpretation of Moses' Nativity Story:
Biblical Paradigms for Christian and Jewish Life (25 min)*

W. Gordon Campbell, Union Theological College
(Northern Ireland)

*Visualising Revelation for Luther's New Testament
(1522–1546): Debt, Design and Development (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

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
Parable or Prophecy? (25 min)

Peter J. Tomson, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Fables, Parables, Allegories: Ancient Border-Crossing Stories (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

3-15 SBL Paul and Pauline Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

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 Rhetological 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

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

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 Tribe to Today, and Why? (30 min)

Blessing Boloje, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Baptist Theological Seminary, Eku-Nigeria
Returning to Yahweh and Yahweh's Return: Aspects of the Theme of Return in the Book of Malachi (30 min)

3-18 SBL Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 204

Theme: Open Session

Elisa Uusimäki, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Helen R. Jacobus, University College London
Reconsidering 4QAstronomical Enoch A-B (4Q208–4Q209) in Relation to Late Babylonian Magical Hemerological Texts That Use the "Microzodiac" (30 min)

Katri Antin, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet

Implicit Exegesis as a Mean of Transmitting Divine Knowledge in the Thanksgiving Psalms (30 min)

David A. Skelton, Pepperdine University
Piping Hot Lyres: Instrumental Instruction in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

Josiah S Bisbee, Brown University
The Exegetical Origins of Belial (30 min)

3-19 SBL Septuagint Studies Section

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

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)

Images of Human and Divine Persecution in LXX Lamentations 3:52–66 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

3-20 EABS Slavonic Parabiblical Traditions Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Fabianinkatu 26, Kielikeskus - Room 106

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)

Afinogenova 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 Wuerttemberg, Germany
Remarkable Proportions in the Disposition of the Gospel of Matthew (15 min)

Discussion (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)

Discussion (15 min)

Francois Viljoen, North-West University (South Africa)
To Obey the Teachers of the Law and Pharisees, but Not to Do What They Do: An Intra-textual Reading of Matt. 23:3 (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

3-22 EABS The Biblical World and Its Reception Section / SBL Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

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)

Jon Morgan, University of Exeter
"An Aid that Fits": Genesis 2 and the Anthropological Machinery of Sex Robots (30 min)

3-23 EABS The Language of Colour in the Bible: From Word to Image Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

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
Μέλαις 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)

Naama Sukenik, Israel Antiquities Authority
"Coat of Many Colors": Evidence for the Use of Plant Dyes in Textiles Dating to Kings David and Solomon's Era (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
The Symbolic Role of the Temple in Representing Yahweh in the First Davidic Psalter (30 min)