



## Michael B. Cover

### 2016 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship Recipient

We are pleased to announce that the 2016 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Michael B. Cover (Assistant Professor of Theology, Judaism and Christianity in Antiquity, Marquette University) for his paper entitled, “The Death of Tragedy: The Form of God in Euripides’ *Bacchae* and Paul’s *Carmen Christi*.”

Michael, a member of SBL since 2008, has been teaching at Marquette University since 2014. He is the author of *Lifting the Veil: 2 Corinthians 3:7–18 in Light of Jewish Homiletic and Commentary Traditions* (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2015). He received his PhD from the University of Notre Dame in 2013. Prior to his position with Marquette, Michael was a Lilly Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow at Valparaiso University. He will deliver his paper at the SBL Annual Meeting in San Antonio, followed by panel responses and general discussion.

The goal of the Achtemeier Award is to stimulate the finest and most penetrating work in New Testament studies and to foster the future of biblical scholarship. To that end, the award is given to a member who has completed her/his doctorate within the last ten years. There is a cash award of \$1,000. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

- persuasive thesis that engages the New Testament and demonstrates quality of scholarship and significance in the field,
- clarity of expression and thought, and
- originality and creativity.

The 2016 Achtemeier Award Committee consisted of Warren Carter (Brite Divinity School), Clare K. Rothschild (Lewis University), and Laurence L. Welborn (Fordham University).

The call for papers for the 2017 Paul J. Achtemeier Award will open by October 14, 2016.

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