

OTSR9304: Supervised Reading Colloquium

**Theology and Methodologies**

**Spring 2021**

Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6, May 4

2-4pm

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**Mission Statement:** New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

Course Requirements

1. Read the texts for each meeting
  - a. Each student will prepare **two** book reviews **per session**. The first book is assigned and will be read collectively; the second, selected for each session (regardless of the number of volumes).
  - b. The reviews should include: bibliographic data, the thesis/purpose, identification of the critical idea(s) and contributor(s) to this field of study, and a critique of the book, including reasons (pro/con) for requiring this text in educational pursuit. (**thorough, not exhaustive**)
  - c. Identify two recent critical reviews from peer review journals and include pertinent critique in your assessment.
2. Reviews are due 48 hours before the scheduled meeting (prof & classmates).
3. Active participation in class discussion is expected, as is attendance.

Student Outcomes:

1. Through the literature, students will gain an understanding of the basic methodologies and procedures for OT Theology & hermeneutics.
2. Students will be introduced to the historical development and breadth of the field in Old Testament Theology.



## Colloquium Schedule

**February 2**

**Everyone Must Read:**

**Porter, Stanley E., and Steven M. Studebaker. *Evangelical Theological Method: Five Views*. Downers Grove: IVP, 2018.**

**Choose One:**

Barton, John. *Reading the Old Testament : Method in Biblical Study*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1996. **(BD)**

Exum, J. Cheryl, and David J. A. Clines. *The New Literary Criticism and the Hebrew Bible*. Valley Forge, PA: Trinity, 1994.

Gillingham, S. E. *One Bible, Many Voices : Different Approaches to Biblical Studies*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1999. **(BK)**

Hasel, Gerhard F. *Old Testament Theology: Basic Issues in the Current Debate*. 4, revised and expanded ed. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1991. **SSUMA**

Haynes, Stephen R., and Steven L. McKenzie. *To Each Its Own Meaning: An Introduction to Biblical Criticisms and Their Application*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1993.

Kofoed, Jens Bruun. *Text and History: Historiography and the Study of the Biblical Text*. Winona Lake: Eisenbrauns, 2005. **(RM)**

Oehler, Gustav Friedrich. *Theology of the Old Testament*. T. & T. Clark, 1873. **OR** Davidson (OTT)

Perdue, Leo G. *Reconstructing Old Testament Theology : After the Collapse of History*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005. (SH)

----- . *The Collapse of History: Reconstructing Old Testament Theology*. Minneapolis: Fortress, 1994. (C. Smith)

Prussner, Frederick C., and John H. Hayes. *Old Testament Theology: Its History and Development*. Atlanta: John Knox Press, 1985.

**March 2**

**Everyone Must Read:**

***Klink III, Edward W., and Darian R. Lockett. Understanding Biblical Theology: A Comparison of Theory and Practice. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2012.***

OR

***Thiselton, Anthony. The Two Horizons: New Testament Hermeneutics and Philosophical Description. Eerdmans, 1980 AND New Horizons in Hermeneutics: The Theory and Practice of Transforming Biblical Reading. Zondervan, 1992 (RM and BD)***

**Choose One:**

Albertz, Rainer. *A History of the Israelite Religion in the Old Testament Period*. Vols. 1-2. The Old Testament Library, Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1994.

Barr, James. *The Concept of Biblical Theology: An Old Testament Perspective*. First Printing (Numerals Begin with 1) ed. Augsburg Fortress Publishers, 1999. **SSUMA**

Brown, William P, ed. *Character & Scripture: Moral Formation, Community, and Biblical Interpretation*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002.

Childs, Brevard S. *Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments: Theological Reflection on the Christian Bible*. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress Publishers, 2011. **(BK)**

Hauser, Alan J. and Duane F. Watson, eds. *A History of Biblical Interpretation*. 6 vols. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002.

Hengstenberg (Christology of the OT) (SH)

Knierim, Rolf P. *The Task of Old Testament Theology : Substance, Method, and Cases*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1995.

Longenecker, Richard. *Biblical Exegesis in the Apostolic Period*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1975. **(RM)**

Maier, Gerhard. *Biblical Hermeneutics*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 1994.

Preuss, Horst Dietrich. *Old Testament Theology*. Vols. 1-2. The Old Testament Library, Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1995.

Vos, Gerhardus. *Biblical Theology: Old and New Testaments*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1949. **(BD)**

VanGemeren, Willem. *The Progress of Redemption: The Story of Salvation from Creation to the New Jerusalem*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1996. (C. Smith)

April 6

**Everyone Must Read:**

**De Lubac, Henri. *Medieval Exegesis: The Four Senses of Scripture*. 3 vols. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.**

**Choose One:**

House, Paul R. *Old Testament Theology*. IVP Academic, 1998. **SSUMA**

Janzen, Waldemar. *Old Testament Ethics*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 1994. **AND**  
Rendtorff, Rolf. *Canon and Theology*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1993. **(RM)**

Kaiser, Walter C. *Toward an Old Testament Theology*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1978;  
**AND** *idem, The Promise-Plan of God : A Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2008.

Martens, Elmer A. *God's Design: A Focus on Old Testament Theology*. 4 ed. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2015. **AND** Rendtorff, Rolf. *Canon and Theology: Overtures to an Old Testament Theology*. In *Overtures to Biblical Theology*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1993.

McComiskey, Thomas Edward. *Covenants of Promise*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1985; **AND** William J. Dumbrell, *The Faith of Israel: A Theological Survey of the Old Testament*. Second ed. Grand Rapids, MI: 2002.

Payne, J. Barton. *Theology of the Older Testament*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1980. **(SH)**

Sailhamer, John. *Introduction to Old Testament Theology : A Canonical Approach*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1995. **(C. Smith)**

Schmidt, Werner H. *The Faith of the Old Testament: A History*. Translated by John Sturdy. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1983. **(BK)**

Waltke, Bruce K., and Charles. Yu. *An Old Testament Theology : An Exegetical, Canonical, and Thematic Approach*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007. **(BD)**

Zuck, Roy B., Eugene H. Merrill, and Darrell L. Bock. *A Biblical Theology of the Old Testament*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1991.

**May 4**

**Everyone Must Read:**

**Porter, Stanley E., Jr., and Matthew R. Malcolm. *The Future of Biblical Interpretation: Responsible Plurality in Biblical Hermeneutics*. Downers Grove: IVP Academic, 2013.**

AND

**Porter, Stanley E., and Beth M. Stovell. *Biblical Hermeneutics: Five Views*. Downers Grove: IVP, 2012.**

**Choose One:**

Anderson, Bernhard W. *Contours of Old Testament Theology*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2011. (SH)

Birch, Bruce C., Walter Bruggemann, Terrence E. Fretheim, and David L. Petersen. *A Theological Introduction to the Old Testament*. Nashville: Abingdon, 1999.

Brueggemann, Walter. *Theology of the Old Testament : Testimony, Dispute, Advocacy*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005.

Freedman, David Noel. *Divine Commitment and Human Obligation*, vol. 1. Downers Grove: IVP, 1996. (RM)

Gerstenberger, Erhard S. *Theologies in the Old Testament*. ed. John Bowden, translator. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2002. (BD)

Goldingay, John. *Israel's Gospel*. Vols. 1-3. Old Testament Theology, Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2003. (C. Smith)

Hafemann, Scott J., ed. *Biblical Theology: Retrospect & Prospect*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2002.

Moberly, R. W. L. *Old Testament Theology : Reading the Hebrew Bible as Christian Scripture*. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2013. SSUMA

Pate, C. Marvin, J. Scott Duvall, J. Daniel Hays, E. Randolph Richards, W. Dennis Tucker Jr., and Preben Vang. *The Story of Israel: A Biblical Theology*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2004. (BK)

Sun, Henry T. C., and Keith L. Eades. *Problems in Biblical Theology : Essays in Honor of Rolf Knierim*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1997.

### Overview of Individual Selections

	<b>Feb 2</b>	<b>Mar 2</b>	<b>Apr 6</b>	<b>May 4</b>
<b>Ricky</b>	Kofoed, <i>Text and History</i>	Longenecker, <i>Biblical Exegesis in the Apostolic Period</i>	Waldemar, <i>OT Ethics and Rendtorff, Canon and Theology</i>	Freedman, <i>Divine Commitment and Human Obligation vol 1</i>
<b>Brett</b>	Barton, <i>Reading the Old Testament</i>	Vos, <i>Biblical Theology</i>	Waltke and Yu, <i>An OT Theology</i>	Gerstenberger, <i>Theologies in the OT</i>
<b>Bohye</b>	Gillingham, <i>One Bible, Many Voices</i>	Childs, <i>Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments</i>	Schmidt, <i>The Faith of the OT</i>	Pate et al, <i>The Story of Israel</i>
<b>Sebastian</b>	Hasel, <i>OT Theology</i>	Barr, <i>The Concept of Biblical Theology</i>	House, <i>OT Theology</i>	Moberly, <i>OT Theology</i>
<b>Corbin</b>				
<b>Stephen</b>				