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## **EDUCATION**

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Dissertation: The Crisis of Creation: A Critical Analysis of Jürgen Moltmann's Panentheism

**MASTER OF DIVINITY WITH BIBLICAL LANGUAGES** Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

**BACHELOR OF ARTS, HISTORY** University of Maryland

# ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### **CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY**

DEAN, COLLEGE OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES PROFESSOR OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

DIRECTOR, DARRINGTON PRISON UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

ASSOCIATE DEAN, J. Dalton Havard School for Theological Studies

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology J. Dalton Havard School for Theological Studies

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

#### **DALLAS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, DIVISION OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

JULY 2019 - PRESENT Charleston, South Carolina

College Park, Maryland

DECEMBER, 2003

1993 - 1997 Fort Worth, Texas

1990 - 1993

DECEMBER 2010 - JULY 2019 Houston, Texas

DECEMBER 2010 - JULY 2019 Houston, Texas

> FALL 2013 – JULY 2019 FALL 2005 - Spring 2012 Houston, Texas

SPRING 2004 - SPRING 2005 Fort Worth, Texas

Fall 2004 - Spring 2005 Dallas, Texas

# **PUBLICATIONS**

#### BOOKS

IDIOT'S GUIDES: THE BIBLE, (ALPHA BOOKS: NEW YORK, NY), 2014. 352PP

#### CHAPTERS IN EDITED WORKS

"PREACHING AND TEACHING OUR ANCIENT TEXT TO A MODERN STUDENT"

In, <u>Ancient Text, Modern World: Building a God-Centered Worldview in a Me-Centered World</u>, (Randall House Academic: Nashville, TN, 2022).

"<u>WE SPEAK FOR GOD: THE REFORMER'S THEOLOGY OF PREACHING</u>"

In, *Celebrating the Legacy of the Reformation*, (B&H Academic: Nashville, TN, 2019).

#### "THE SCHOLARSHIP OF JAMES LEO GARRETT: A BIBLIOGRAPHY"

In, *Theology in Conversation*, ed. William H. Brackney, Perspectives in Religious Studies, Spring 2006. Vol. 33, no.1

#### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

"THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY IN THE PULPIT: RECONSIDERING PREACHING AS A FORM OF PROPHECY" Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry Vol.16, No.1 (Spring 2019), 12-26.

"FELLOWSHIP OF THE TRIUNE GOD: THE DIVINE CONTEXT FOR A THEOLOGY OF PREACHING" Journal of the Evangelical Homiletics Society Vol.16, No.2 (September 2016), 16-26. "<u>A CREATURE AMONG CREATURES OR LORDS OF CREATION?: THE VOCATION OF DOMINION</u> <u>IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY"</u>

Journal of Markets & Morality, Vol.14, No.1 (Spring 2011): 133-146.

- "GETTING INTO HOT WATER: EVANGELICALS AND GLOBAL WARMING" Journal of Markets & Morality, Vol.12, No.2 (Fall 2009): 315-335.
- "FIAT LUX: THE DOCTRINE OF CREATION AS THE 'ORIGIN' FOR A HIGH THEOLOGY OF PREACHING" Journal of the Evangelical Homiletics Society Vol.9, No.1 (March 2009), 98-116.
- "THE ATTRACTION OF BEAUTY IN AN UGLY WORLD: ON THE RELATIONSHIP OF DISCIPLING AND EVANGELISM" Southwestern Journal of Theology Vol.50, No.2 (Spring 08), 170-182.
- "<u>Tongues in the (Prayer) Closet</u>" Theology for Ministry, Vol. 3, No.1 (May 2008), 93-104.

#### "<u>METHOD MISTAKE: AN ANALYSIS OF THE CHARGE OF ARIANISM IN COMPLEMENTARIAN</u> <u>DISCUSSIONS OF TRINITY</u>" Journal of Biblical Manhood and Womanhood, Vol.13, No.1 (Spring 2008), 42-47.

#### ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

"GENERAL INTRODUCTION," "INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPELS," "INTRODUCTION TO ACTS," "DIVINITY OF JESUS OF NAZARETH," "THE NATURE OF FAITH," "THE WORD OF GOD," "THE TRINITY," THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION." "HOLINESS," AND "SALVATION THROUGH FAITH,"

IN BIG IDEAS: THE BIBLE BOOK, (DORLING KINDERSLY/TOUCAN BOOKS: LONDON), 2018.

"Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood," "Falwell, Jerry," "Inerrancy," and "Institute for Creation Research,"

IN SHOCKLEY, PAUL (ED), <u>Evangelical America: An Encyclopedia of Contemporary American</u> <u>Religious Culture</u> (ABC-CLIO, 2017)

"BERDYAEV, NICHOLAI," "CREATIO EX NIHILO," "DOMINION," AND "KNIGHTS OF MALTA," IN KURIAN, GEORGE (ED), <u>ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION</u>, (BLACKWELL, 2011)

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

**"J. MICHAEL SLEETH, SERVE GOD, SAVE THE PLANET" (ZONDERVAN PRESS, 2006)** Extended Review Essay, Southwestern Journal of Theology, Vol. 52, No.2 (Spring 2010).

#### PUBLIC WRITINGS

**"SCIENCE-FICTION AND ECO-ETHICS"** For Christ and Culture, May 31, 2012

- "IMPROVING ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP WHILE PROMOTING THE GOSPEL" Baptist Press, September 28, 2011
- "CARBON DIOXIDE A POLLUTANT? BETTER HOLD YOUR BREATH" Baptist Press, May 5, 2011

#### "New EPA CO2 REGULATIONS WILL HURT THE POOR" Baptist Press, June 10, 2011

"CHAPTER ONE: THEOLOGY, WORLDVIEW, AND ETHICS OF GLOBAL WARMING POLICY." CO-AUTHORED WITH CRAIG MITCHELL, ET.AL, IN "A RENEWED CALL TO TRUTH, PRUDENCE, AND PROTECTION OF THE POOR: AN EVANGELICAL EXAMINATION OF THE THEOLOGY, SCIENCE, AND ECONOMICS OF GLOBAL WARMING."

Cornwall Alliance for the Stewardship of Creation, December 3, 2009

"TEACHERS AND THE PERSONAL BOOK BUILDER" Logos Blog, January 29, 2008

# **ACADEMIC PAPERS**

"THEOLOGY BEGINS AT HOME: THEOLOGICAL SELF-PERCEPTION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC THEOLOGIANS Evangelical Homiletics Society

"THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY IN THE PULPIT: RECONSIDERING PREACHING As a Form of Prophecy"	NOVEMBER 13, 2018
Evangelical Theological Society	Denver, Colorado
"We Speak the Word of God: The Reformer's Theology of Preaching"	NOVEMBER 17, 2017
Evangelical Theological Society	Providence, Rhode Island
"THE HUMAN (IM)POSSIBILITY OF PREACHING: THEOLOGICAL Anthropology and the Theology of Preaching	October 12-14, 2016
Evangelical Homiletics Society	Fort Worth, Texas
"THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE TRIUNE GOD: THE DIVINE CONTEXT FOR A THEOLOGY OF PREACHING	October 15-17, 2015
Evangelical Homiletics Society	Louisville, Kentucky
<b>"INTEGRAL ECOLOGY: AN EVANGELICAL ASSESSMENT"</b> Evangelical Theological Society: Southwest Regional Meeting	APRIL 11-11, 2015 New Orleans, Louisiana
"A CREATURE AMONG CREATURES OR LORDS OF CREATION?: The Vocation of Dominion in Christian Theology	November 17-19, 2010
Evangelical Theological Society	Atlanta, Georgia
"GETTING INTO HOT WATER: EVANGELICALS AND CLIMATE CHANGE" Evangelical Theological Society	November 19-21, 2008 Providence, Rhode Island
<i>"Fiat Lux:</i> The Doctrine of Creation as the 'Origin' for a High Theology of Preaching	October 16-18, 2008
Evangelical Homiletics Society	Birmingham, Alabama
"METHOD MISTAKE: AN ANALYSIS OF THE CHARGE OF ARIANISM IN COMPLEMENTARIAN DISCUSSIONS OF TRINITY	NOVEMBER 14, 2007
Evangelical Theological Society	San Diego, California
"Lords of Creation: Biblical Theology and Ecological Ethics in Early Modernity	March 23, 2007
Evangelical Theological Society: Southwest Regional Meeting	Fort Worth, Texas
"PREACHING AS TRUTH: REFORMATION THEOLOGIES OF PREACHING AND THE POSTMODERN WORLD"	NOVEMBER 18, 2004
Evangelical Theological Society	San Antonio, Texas
"MOLTMANN'S PANENTHEISM AND THE CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE OF CREATION" Evangelical Theological Society: Southwest Regional Meeting	MARCH 13, 2004 Dallas, Texas

# PUBLIC LECTURES

"DETERMINING ESSENTIALS AND EVALUATING MODELS" - PRESENTER A	ND PANELIST MAY 31, 2018
Partners in Moral Rehabilitation Summit, Global Prison Seminaries Foundation	New Orleans, Louisiana
<b>"IMPORTANCE OF FIELD/PEER MINISTRY" – PRESENTER AND PANELIST</b> Partners in Moral Rehabilitation Summit, Global Prison Seminaries Foundation	MAY 31, 2018 New Orleans, Louisiana
"The Heart of the Reformation" Reformation Day Lecture, Hope Community Church	October 29, 2017 Clear Lake, Texas
"A CREATURE AMONG CREATURES, OR LORDS OF CREATION: THE VOCATION OF DOMINION IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY" Land Center for Cultural Engagement	FEBRUARY 4, 2015 <i>Ft. Worth, Texas</i>
"ARE CORPORATIONS PEOPLE TOO? (AND WHY SHOULD WE CARE?)" Land Center for Cultural Engagement	SEPTEMBER 22, 2014 Houston, Texas
<b>"THE CHURCH AND CIVIL SOCIETY"</b> Towards a Free and Virtuous Society Conference, Pur Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty	MARCH 14-17, 2013 ple Sage Ranch- San Antonio, Texas

<b>"Environmentalism and Biblical Theology"</b> Towards a Free and Virtuous Society Conference, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty	MARCH 14-17, 2013 Purple Sage Ranch- San Antonio, Texas
<b>"ECONOMIC SHALOM"</b>	JANUARY 27, 2013
Land Center for Cultural Engagement	Houston, Texas
<b>"REJOICE THE CITY"</b>	FEBRUARY 7, 2012
Land Center for Cultural Engagement	Houston, Texas
<b>"INTRODUCTION TO A THEOLOGY OF WORK"</b>	SEPTEMBER 27, 2011
Land Center for Cultural Engagement	Houston, Texas
<b>"INTEGRATION OF SOUND ECONOMICS INTO EXPOSITORY PREACHIN</b> Acton University, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Lib	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
<b>"The Church and Civil Society"</b> Towards a Free and Virtuous Society Conference, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty	APRIL 7-10, 2010 Possum Kingdom Lake, Texas
<b>"BIBLICAL THEOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS"</b> Towards a Free and Virtuous Society Conference, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty	APRIL 7-10, 2010 Possum Kingdom Lake, Texas
<b>"EvangeLical Social Thought: Justice Grounded in Love"</b>	JUNE 15-18, 2008
Acton University, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Lib	Derty Grand Rapids, Michigan
<b>"BIBLICAL THEOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS"</b>	JUNE 15-18, 2008
Acton University, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Lib	Derty Grand Rapids, Michigan
<b>"Evangelicals and the Green Movement"</b>	JUNE 15-18, 2008
Acton University, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Lib	Derty Grand Rapids, Michigan
<b>"INTEGRATION OF SOUND ECONOMICS INTO EXPOSITORY PREACHI</b> Acton University, Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Lib	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
<b>"How to Lose Your Religious Liberty"</b>	SEPTEMBER 9, 2005
Baptist Distinctives Conference, Southwestern Baptist Theological	Fort Worth, Texas
<b>"FINDING TRUTH IN TINSELTOWN"</b> Christianity and the Arts Conference, Southwestern Baptist Theolo	FEBRUARY 4, 2006ogical SeminaryFort Worth, Texas
"AUTHORITY AND THE THREE-FOLD WORD OF GOD"	MARCH 24, 2000
Theological Fellowship, Southwestern Baptist Theological Semina	Fort Worth, Texas

PRESIDENTIAL APPRECIATION AWARD (SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY)	2014
KERN FELLOW, ACTON INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND LIBERTY	2012
FELLOW, CORNWALL ALLIANCE FOR THE STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION	2009-2014
HONORS IN ANCIENT HISTORY (UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND)	1993

# **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

EVANGELICAL THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY	2000- Present
EVANGELICAL PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY	2003- Present
EVANGELICAL HOMILETICS SOCIETY	2008- PRESENT

# **CHURCH MINISTRY EXPERIENCE**

- INTERIM PASTOR First Baptist Church, Rosharon
- INTERIM PASTOR Clear Lake Baptist Church

JANUARY 2018 – JUNE 2019 Houston, Texas October 2014 - August 2015 Houston, Texas

<ul> <li>INTERIM PASTOR</li> </ul>	
Highlands Baptist Churc	h

- INTERIM PASTOR First Baptist Church
- PASTOR Fairview Baptist Church
- ORDAINED AS A SOUTHERN BAPTIST MINISTER Fairview Baptist Church
- INTERIM PASTOR West Hyattsville Baptist Church
- INTERIM PASTOR Lighthouse Southern Baptist Church

OCTOBER 2008 - SEPTEMBER 2010 LaMarque, Texas JANUARY - JUNE 2006 Friendswood, Texas 1995 - 2005

Rhome, Texas

JANUARY 2000 *Rhome, Texas* 

JANUARY - OCTOBER 1992 Hyattsville, Maryland

> SUMMER 1991 Alpena, Michigan

> > 2011 - PRESENT

Houston, Texas 2007 - PRESENT

## **MISSIONS EXPERIENCE**

- CURRICULUM AUTHOR, "INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGY," "SALVATION," MAY 2011 DECEMBER 2017 "CHRISTOLOGY AND HUMANITY," "THE HOLY SPIRIT." AND "ESCHATOLOGY" World Hope Bible Institute Houston, Texas
- CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEMBER World Hope Bible Institute

#### • MISSIONS TRIPS

East Asia (Closed Country) Ecuador Honduras Indonesia Kenya Nepal Niger Zambia

# **COURSES TAUGHT**

#### SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

• DOCTORAL SEMINARS	
DMNEP 6112 Expository Preaching: Exegesis of New Testament Literature	DMNCE 6112 Cultural Engagement and Christian World View
DMNEP 6308 Exegesis of Narrative Literature	
• GRADUATE COURSES	
SYSTH 3053 Systematic Theology I	SYSTH 3603 Holy Spirit
SYSTH 3063 Systematic Theology II	SYSTH 3613 Salvation
SYSTH 3073 Systematic Theology III	SYSTH 3703 The Church
SYSTH 3303 The Trinity	SYSTH 3803 Eschatology
SYSTH 3363 Creation	SPFTH 3101 Spiritual Formation 1
BIBST 5383 Advanced Hermeneutics	SPFTH 3111 Spiritual Formation II
CHAHT 3103 Church History I	PRCHG 3313 Introduction to Expository Preaching
CHAHT 3113 Church History II	PRCHG 3323 Advanced Expository Preaching
BPTST 3203 Baptist Heritage	BBHST 3313 Backgrounds to the Life and Times of Jesus
• Undergraduate Courses	
THE 3003 Systematic Theology I	BIB 1003 Introduction to Christianity and College Life
THE 4033 Systematic Theology II	BIB 1122 Virtues of Godly Character
THE 4043 Systematic Theology III	HIS 1113 Western Civilization I
THE 3203 Theological Issues in Prison	HIS 2213 Baptist History & Heritage
SOS 3103 Principles of American Politics	
Dallas Theological Seminary	
ST 101 Theological Method and Bibliology	ST 104 Soteriology
ST 102 Trinitarianism	ST 105 Sanctification and Ecclesiology
ST 103 Angelology, Anthropology, Hamartiology	