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### **EDUCATION**

- 1961–65 Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kansas. Major: Philosophy. Minor: English Literature.  
B.A., 6 June 1965
- 1965–68 California Baptist Theological Seminary, Covina, California. Major: Biblical  
Studies. M.Div. cum laude, 25 May 1968
- 1967 Universitetet i Oslo, Norway. Advanced study in theology
- 1968–73 Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen, Germany. Area of concentration: Old  
Testament. Adviser: Hans-Joachim Kraus. Dr.theol. magna cum laude, 7 Sept 1973

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

- Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen, Germany  
Research Assistant, 1970–72
- American Baptist Seminary of the West, Covina, California  
Adjunct Professor of Old Testament, January – June 1973
- Vanderbilt University Divinity School and Graduate Department of Religion, Nashville, Tennessee  
Assistant Professor of Old Testament, 1973–78  
Associate Professor of Old Testament, 1978–86  
Professor of Hebrew Bible, 1986–2006  
Drucilla Moore Buffington Professor of Hebrew Bible, 2006–present  
Chair, Graduate Department of Religion, 1999–2004  
Director and Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture, 2003–present
- Visiting Professor or Scholar:
- Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen, Germany, Spring 1976  
University of Montana, Missoula, Montana, Summer 1977  
The Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado, Summer 1980  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, 1981–82  
Ecumenical Institute for Theological Research, Tantur, Jerusalem, 1981–82  
Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Tübingen, Germany, 1987–88  
Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan, Spring Semester 1997  
Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, Spring Semester 2004

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

Postgraduate Study Grant, from Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, Germany, 1976  
Basic Theological Scholarship and Research Award, from the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, 1976  
Summer stipends, from Vanderbilt University, 1974, 1978, 1982, 1987, 1993  
University Fellowship Award, from Vanderbilt University, 1981–82  
Fulbright Award, for research in Israel, 1981–82  
Fellowship for University Teachers, from the National Endowment for the Humanities, 1987–88  
Co-Principal Investigator, Managing Complex Information Applications: An Archaeology Digital Library, grant of \$385,000 from the National Science Foundation, for Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives (ETANA, based at Vanderbilt University) to develop a digital library for archaeology, 2003–06 (<http://www.etana.org/projects.shtml>)  
Director, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture, funded by 5-year grant of \$3.1 million from Vanderbilt University, 2003–08 (<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/csrc>)  
Thomas Jefferson Award, Vanderbilt University, 2005

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND COMMITTEES

American Oriental Society, member  
American Schools of Oriental Research, member  
    Institutional Representative for Vanderbilt University, 1991–present  
The Catholic Biblical Association of America, member  
Society of Biblical Literature, member  
    Centennial of Wellhausen's *Prolegomena*, convener, 1978  
    Centennial Committee, Co-chair, 1979–80  
    Nominating Committee, member, 1979–80  
    National Endowment for the Humanities grant, *The Bible in the American Tradition*,  
    Project Director, 1980–85  
    Society Treasurer, 1981–82  
    Development Committee, member, 1994–2003  
Society of Biblical Literature, Southeastern Region  
    Vice-President, 1996–97; President, 1997–98  
Scholars Press, member of Board of Trustees, 1981–82  
Archaeological experience:  
    Aphhek-Antipatris Archaeological Expedition, sponsored by Tel Aviv University, June–July  
    1984  
    Megiddo Expedition survey, sponsored by Tel Aviv University, October 1999  
Area Advisory Committee for the Middle East (for selection of Fulbright Scholars), member,  
    Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Washington, 1984–86  
Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion, member, 1996–99; Chair, 1998–99  
Council on Graduate Studies in Religion, member, 1999–2004  
ETANA: Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives (<http://www.etana.org>)  
    Co-founder, 2000; member of Steering Committee, 2000–present

- Research Group, *The Suffering Body: Asian and Western Perspectives*, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture, Vanderbilt University; and the Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Co-Director with Professors Richard King (Vanderbilt University) and Archie Lee (Chinese University of Hong Kong), 2004–present (<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/csdc/suffering.html>)
- Research Group, Religion and Politics, Center for the Study of Religion and Culture, Vanderbilt University, Co-Director with Professors William L. Partridge and Paul Speer, 2005–present (<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/csdc/politics.html>)
- Research Group, Ideology, Collective Memory, and Canonization in Cross-Disciplinary and Cross-Cultural Perspective, based in the University of Oslo, Norway, in collaboration with the University of Bergen, University of Tromsø, Norwegian Teacher's College (Bergen), Peking University, and Center for the Study of Religion and Culture, Vanderbilt University, member, 2006–present
- Centre for Christian Studies, Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, External Advisor, 2006–present

## EDITORSHIPS AND EDITORIAL BOARDS

### American Schools of Oriental Research

Dissertation Series, Editorial Board member, 1990–91

*Biblical Archaeologist / Near Eastern Archaeology*, Editorial Committee member, 1994–99

### Society of Biblical Literature

Dissertation Series, Associate Editor, 1974–75; Co-editor, 1975–78

Centennial Publications Series, Editorial Board member, 1975–85

*Journal of Biblical Literature*, Editorial Board member, 1991–96

General Editor, *The Bible and Its Modern Interpreters* Series, 3 vols. Chicago/Atlanta: Scholars Press/Society of Biblical Literature; Philadelphia: Fortress Press. Published 1985–89

Series Co-editor, *Issues in Religion and Theology* Series, 4 vols. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1980–87

General Editor, *The Library of Ancient Israel* Series, 8 vols. Louisville and London: Westminster John Knox Press, 1990–present

Editorial Board member, *Merzer Library of Biblical Studies* Series. Macon: Mercer University Press, 1997–present

## BOOKS

- Rediscovering the Traditions of Israel: The Development of the Tradition-Historical Research of the Old Testament, with Special Consideration of Scandinavian Contributions*. Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series, 9. Missoula, Montana: Society of Biblical Literature, 1973. 452 pages. Revised edition. Missoula: Society of Biblical Literature and Scholars Press, 1975. 454 pages. Reissued. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1979.
- Third, expanded edition. *Studies in Biblical Literature*, 16. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2006; Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2006. 378 pages.

*Tradition and Theology in the Old Testament* (editor). Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1977. 351 pages.

French translation: *Tradition et théologie dans l'Ancien Testament*, trans. J. Prignaud, with a preface by Jacques Briend. *Lectio divina*, 108. Paris: Cerf/Desclée, 1982. 354 pages.

Reprint edition. The Biblical Seminar Series, 11. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1990.

*Julius Wellhausen and His Prolegomena to the History of Israel* (editor). *Semeia* 25 (1982). Chico, California: Scholars Press, 1983. 164 pages.

*Humanizing America's Iconic Book: Society of Biblical Literature Centennial Addresses 1980* (co-editor with Gene M. Tucker). Society of Biblical Literature, Biblical Scholarship in North America, 6. Chico: Scholars Press, 1982. 186 pages.

*The Hebrew Bible and Its Modern Interpreters* (co-editor with Gene M. Tucker). The Bible and Its Modern Interpreters, 1. Chico: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1985. 543 pages.

Korean translation: *Hiebru sung syo wa hyundai eyi ha suc sa dul*, trans. Park Mun Jae. Seoul: Christian Digest (Park Myung Gon), 1998. 714 pages.

*Justice and the Holy: Essays in Honor of Walter Harrelson* (co-editor with Peter J. Paris). Homage Series, 12. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1989. 348 pages.

*Ethics and Politics in the Hebrew Bible* (editor). *Semeia* 66 (1994). Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1995. 184 pages.

## ARTICLES IN ACADEMIC JOURNALS, BOOKS, AND DICTIONARIES

The Understanding of Sitz im Leben' in Form Criticism. Pp. 105–25 in *Society of Biblical Literature 1974 Seminar Papers*, ed. George MacRae, vol. 1. Cambridge: Society of Biblical Literature, 1974.

Tradition and Theology. Pp. 1–8 in *Tradition and Theology in the Old Testament*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1977. French translation: Tradition et théologie. Pp. 11–19 in *Tradition et théologie dans l'Ancien Testament*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. Paris: Cerf/Desclée, 1982.

Revelation through Tradition. Pp. 143–80 in *Tradition and Theology in the Old Testament*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1977. French translation: La révélation par la tradition. Pp. 153–91 in *Tradition et théologie dans l'Ancien Testament*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. Paris: Cerf/Desclée, 1982.

Jeremiah and the Dimensions of the Moral Life. Pp. 87–105 in *The Divine Helmsman: Studies on God's Control of Human Events, Presented to Lou H. Silberman*, ed. James L. Crenshaw and Samuel Sandmel. New York: Ktav Publishing House, 1980.

Why Study the Bible? (co-authored with Walter Brueggemann). *Bulletin of the Council on the Study of Religion* 11 (1980) 76–81.

Canon and the History of Tradition: A Critique of Bernard S. Childs' *Introduction to the Old Testament as Scripture*. *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 2 (1980) 127–49.

Old Testament Ethics. *The Christian Century* 99 (1982) 55–59.

Wellhausen and the Interpretation of Israel's Literature. Pp. 21–36 in *Julius Wellhausen and his Prolegomena to the History of Israel*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. *Semeia* 25. Chico: Scholars Press, 1982.

The Pentateuch. Pp. 263–96 in *The Hebrew Bible and Its Modern Interpreters*, ed. Douglas A. Knight and Gene M. Tucker. *The Bible and Its Modern Interpreters*, 1. Chico: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1985.

Editors' Preface (co-authored with Gene M. Tucker). Pp. xiii–xxi in *The Hebrew Bible and Its Modern Interpreters*, ed. Douglas A. Knight and Gene M. Tucker. BMI 1. Chico: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1985.

Cosmogony and Order in the Hebrew Tradition. Pp. 133–57 in *Cosmogony and Ethical Order: New Studies in Comparative Ethics*, ed. Robin W. Lovin and Frank E. Reynolds. Chicago and London: The University of Chicago Press, 1985.

Ethics (pp. 283–85); Old Materials, Sources and Traditions (pp. 732–33). *Harper's Bible Dictionary*, ed. Paul J. Achtemeier. San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1985.

Moral Values and Literary Traditions: The Case of the Succession Narrative (2 Samuel 9–20; 1 Kings 1–2). Pp. 7–23 in *Biblical Hermeneutics in Jewish Moral Discourse*, ed. Peter J. Haas. *Semeia* 34. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1985.

The Ethics of Human Life in the Hebrew Bible. Pp. 65–88 in *Justice and the Holy: Essays in Honor of Walter Harrelson*, ed. Douglas A. Knight and Peter J. Paris. Homage Series, 12. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1989.

Cosmology (pp. 175–76); Ethics in the Old Testament (pp. 267–70); Family (pp. 294–95); Genre, Old Testament (pp. 322–23); Sources, Literary (pp. 852–53); Tradition in the Old Testament (pp. 927–28). *Mercer Dictionary of the Bible*, ed. Watson E. Mills. Macon: Mercer University Press, 1990.

Ancient Israelite Cosmology: Images and Evaluations. Pp. 29–46 in *The Church and Contemporary Cosmology: Proceedings of a Consultation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*, ed. James B. Miller and Kenneth E. McCall. Pittsburgh: Carnegie Mellon University, 1990.

Foreword to the Reprint Edition (co-authored with Robert K. Gnuse). Pp. xxi–xxviii in Sigmund Mowinckel's *The Psalms in Israel's Worship*. The Biblical Seminar Series, 14. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1992.

Tradition History. Pp. 633–38 in Vol. 6 of *Anchor Bible Dictionary*, ed. David Noel Freedman. Garden City: Doubleday & Co., 1992.

Hebrews (pp. 273–74); Idols, Idolatry (pp. 297–98). *The Oxford Companion to the Bible*, ed. Bruce M. Metzger and Michael D. Coogan. New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1993.

Foreword. Pp. v–xvi in Julius Wellhausen's *Prolegomena to the History of Israel*. Scholars Press Reprints and Translations Series, 17. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1994.

The Social Basis of Morality and Religion in Ancient Israel. Pp. 151–69 in *Language, Theology, and the Bible: Essays in Honour of James Barr*, ed. Samuel E. Balentine and John Barton. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1994.

Ethics, Ancient Israel, and the Hebrew Bible. Pp. 1–8 in *Ethics and Politics in the Hebrew Bible*. *Semeia* 66 (1994). Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1995.

Political Rights and Powers in Monarchic Israel. Pp. 93–117 in *Ethics and Politics in the Hebrew Bible*. *Semeia* 66 (1994). Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1995.

Deuteronomy and the Deuteronomists. Pp. 61–79 in *Old Testament Interpretation: Past, Present, and Future: Essays in Honor of Gene M. Tucker*, ed. James Luther Mays, David L. Petersen, and Kent Harold Richards. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1995.

Herrens bud– elitens interesser? Lov, makt, og rettferdighet i Det gamle testamente. *Norsk teologisk tidsskrift* 97 (1996) 235–45.

Har gammeltestamentlig tradisjonshistorie en fremtid? *Tidsskrift for teologi og kirke* 69 (1998) 263–77.

James Barr. Pp. 98–99 in *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*, vol. 1, ed. John H. Hayes. 2 vols. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1999.

Whose Atonement? Whose Ecstasy? The Politics of Deuteronomical Law. Pp. 97–112 in *Shall Not the Judge of All the Earth Do What Is Right?: Studies on the Nature of God in Tribute to James L. Crenshaw*, ed. David Penchansky and Paul L. Redditt. Winona Lake, Indiana: Eisenbrauns, 2000.

Village Law and the Book of the Covenant. Pp. 163–79 in "A Wise and Discerning Mind": *Essays in Honor of Burke O. Long*, ed. Saul M. Olyan and Robert C. Culley. Brown Judaic Studies, 325. Providence: Brown University, 2000.

Academic Freedom and the Plight of German Theological Studies. Pp. 29–35 in *Faith, Truth, and Freedom: The Expulsion of Professor Gerd Lüdemann from the Theology Faculty at Göttingen University*, ed. Jacob Neusner. Binghamton, New York: Global Publications, 2002. Also published in *Religion* 32 (2002) 107–12.

Joshua 22 and the Ideology of Space. Pp. 51–63 in „*Imagining Biblical Worlds: Studies in Spatial, Social, and Historical Constructs in Honor of James W. Flanagan*”, ed. David M. Gunn and Paula M. McNutt. *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament, Supplement Series*, 359. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2002.

The Book of Joshua: Introduction, Commentary, Excursus. Pp. 303–41 in *The New Interpreter's Study Bible: New Revised Standard Version with the Apocrypha*, ed. Walter J. Harrelson. Nashville: Abingdon, 2003.

Foreword. Pp. ix–xi in *Methods of Biblical Interpretation*. (Excerpted from the *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*, ed. John H. Hayes.) Nashville: Abingdon, 2004.

Erobring og okkupasjon: Krig ifølge Josvaboken. Pp. 259–68 in *Historie og Konstruktion: Festskrift til Niels Peter Lemche i anledning af 60 års fødselsdagen den 6. september 2005*, ed. Mogens Müller and Thomas L. Thompson. Copenhagen: Museum Tusulanums Forlag, Københavns Universitet, 2005.

## REVIEWS

Book reviews published in *Hebrew Studies*, *Interpretation*, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, *Journal of Religion*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Theological Education*, and *Bible Review*.

## VOLUMES SELECTED AND EDITED AS SERIES EDITOR

Frank Moore Cross, Jr., and David Noel Freedman, *Studies in Ancient Yahwistic Poetry*. Society of Biblical Literature Dissertation Series, 21. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1975. 198 pages.

James L. Crenshaw, *Hymnic Affirmation of Divine Justice: The Doxologies of Amos and Related Texts in the Old Testament*. SBLDS 24. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1975. 190 pages.

Bruce C. Birch, *The Rise of the Israelite Monarchy: The Growth and Development of 1 Samuel 7–15*. SBLDS 27. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1976. 181 pages.

Alden L. Thompson, *Responsibility for Evil in the Theodicy of IV Ezra: A Study Illustrating the Significance of Form and Structure for the Meaning of the Book*. SBLDS 29. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1977. 410 pages.

Leo G. Perdue, *Wisdom and Cult: A Critical Analysis of the Views of Cult in the Wisdom Literatures of Israel and the Ancient Near East*. SBLDS 30. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1977. 403 pages.

Richard S. Tomback, *A Comparative Semitic Lexicon of the Phoenician and Punic Languages*. SBLDS 32. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1978. 381 pages.

Lester L. Grabbe, *Comparative Philology and the Text of Job: A Study in Methodology*. SBLDS 34. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1977. 243 pages.

Frank S. Frick, *The City in Ancient Israel*. SBLDS 36. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1977. 296 pages.

Harold R. (Chaim) Cohen, *Biblical Hapax Legomena in the Light of Akkadian and Ugaritic*. SBLDS 37. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1978. 201 pages.

John Bradley White, *A Study of the Language of Love in the Song of Songs and Ancient Egyptian Poetry*. SBLDS 38. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1978. 217 pages.

Sandra Beth Berg, *The Book of Esther: Motifs, Themes and Structure*. SBLDS 44. Missoula: Scholars Press, 1979. 232 pages.

Rifat Sonsino, *Motive Clauses in Hebrew Law: Biblical Forms and Near Eastern Parallels*. SBLDS 45. Chico: Scholars Press, 1980. 355 pages.

Paul D. Hanson, ed., *Visionaries and their Apocalypses*. Issues in Religion and Theology, 2. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1983. 175 pages.

James L. Crenshaw, ed., *Theodicy in the Old Testament*. IRT 4. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1983. 175 pages.

Bernhard W. Anderson, ed., *Creation in the Old Testament*. IRT 6. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1984. 192 pages.

Douglas A. Knight and Gene M. Tucker, eds., *The Hebrew Bible and Its Modern Interpreters*. The Bible and Its Modern Interpreters, 1. Chico: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1985. 543 pages.

Robert A. Kraft and George W. E. Nickelsburg, eds., *Early Judaism and Its Modern Interpreters*. BMI 2. Atlanta: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1986. 512 pages.

David L. Petersen, ed., *Prophecy in Israel: Search for an Identity*. IRT 10. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1987. 189 pages.

Eldon Jay Epp and George W. MacRae, eds., *The New Testament and Its Modern Interpreters*. BMI 3. Atlanta: Scholars Press; Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1989. 633 pages.

Joseph Blenkinsopp, *Sage, Priest, Prophet: Religious and Intellectual Leadership in Ancient Israel*. Library of Ancient Israel, 1. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1995. 202 pages.

Susan Niditch, *Oral World and Written Word: Ancient Israelite Literature*. LAI 2. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1996; London: SPCK, 1997. 170 pages.

Philip R. Davies, *Scribes and Schools: The Canonization of the Hebrew Scriptures*. LAI 3. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press; London: SPCK, 1998. 219 pages.

Niels Peter Lemche, *The Israelites in History and Tradition*. LAI 4. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press; London: SPCK, 1998. 255 pages.

Paula M. McNutt, *Reconstructing the Society of Ancient Israel*. LAI 5. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press; London: SPCK, 1999. 284 pages.

Patrick D. Miller, *The Religion of Ancient Israel*. LAI 6. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press; London: SPCK, 2000. 355 pages.

Norman K. Gottwald, *The Politics of Ancient Israel*. LAI 7. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2000. 383 pages.

Philip J. King and Lawrence E. Stager, *Life in Biblical Israel*. LAI 8. Louisville and London: Westminster John Knox Press, 2001. 463 pages.

## TRANSLATIONS

Albrecht Alt, Solomonic Wisdom. Pp. 102–12 in *Studies in Ancient Israelite Wisdom*, ed. James L. Crenshaw. New York: Ktav Publishing House, 1976.

Rudolf Smend, Tradition and History: A Complex Relation. Pp. 49–68 in *Tradition and Theology in the Old Testament*, ed. Douglas A. Knight. Philadelphia: Fortress Press; London: SPCK, 1977.

Walther Zimmerli, Prophetic Proclamation and Reinterpretation. Pp. 69–100, *ibid.*

Odile Hannes Steck, Theological Streams of Tradition. Pp. 183–214, *ibid.*

Hartmut Gese, Tradition and Biblical Theology. Pp. 301–26, *ibid.*

## MISCELLANY

Index of Subjects (with Fred Gutzman, Douglas Hawthorne, Bruce Naidoff, and Noel Osborn). Pp. 114–21 in Ronald J. Williams, *Hebrew Syntax: An Outline*, 2d ed. Toronto and Buffalo: University of Toronto Press, 1976.

Israel: Images of an Ancient Land. *Vanderbilt Alumnus* 68/3 (Spring 1983) 24–28.

Photographs of Israel and Sinai, pp. 15, 20, 83, 123, 156, 157, 261, 263, 271, and 444 in James L. Crenshaw, *Story and Faith: A Guide to the Old Testament*. New York: Macmillan Publishing Company; and London: Collier Macmillan Publishers, 1986.

Whither Thou Goest...: Biblical Studies near the Turn of the Millennium. *The Spire* 20/1 (Summer 1998) 7-8.

Photographs, pp. 136 and 137 in Philip J. King and Lawrence E. Stager, *Life in Biblical Israel*. LAI 8. Louisville and London: Westminster John Knox Press, 2001.

Intelligent Design: Unbiblical and Unscientific. *Vanderbilt Magazine* 87/1 (Spring 2006) 40-42.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

Book: *Law, Power, and Justice in Ancient Israel*. [To appear in the Library of Ancient Israel series, Westminster John Knox Press, Louisville]

Book: *Joshua*. [To appear in the New Cambridge Bible Commentary series, Cambridge University Press]

Book: *Introduction to the Hebrew Bible* (co-authored with Amy-Jill Levine). [To appear at HarperCollins Publishers]

## ACADEMIC LECTURES AND PAPERS [Selected]

And their little ones' (Numbers 16:27): Thoughts on Violence in the Old Testament. Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 15 March 1974.

The Understanding of 'Sitz im Leben' in Form Criticism. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Washington, DC, 27 October 1974.

Toward a Methodology of Old Testament Ethics: Ethos, Morality, and Ethics. Colloquium for Old Testament Research, Harvard University, 14 August 1976.

Old Testament Ethics: On Revitalizing a Neglected Discipline. Union Theological Seminary, New York, 4 October 1977.

Wellhausen and the Interpretation of Israel's Literature. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, New Orleans, 20 November 1978.

Meaning and Method in the Relationship of Past and Present. Conference on Teaching the Old Testament as Religious History, University of Tennessee at Knoxville, 10-11 October 1979.

Story as Value Laden. Consultation on Scripture and Story, The Iliff School of Theology, Denver, 18 June 1980.

Tradition History and the Study of Moral Values. Centennial Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Dallas, 7 November 1980.

History of Traditions: Sigmund Mowinckel's Contributions to Old Testament Studies. Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Dallas, November 1980.

Ethical Dimensions of Cosmogony and Order: Aspects of the Hebrew Tradition. Comparative Religious Ethics Symposium on Cosmogony and Order, The University of Chicago, 7 March 1981.

Cosmogony and Ethical Order in the Hebrew Tradition. Conference on Cosmogony and Ethical Order, The University of Chicago, 16 October 1982.

Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters'— Moral Rights and Responsibilities in the Old Testament: The Individual, The Family, The Society. 1986 Lecture Series (3 lectures), Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, 18-19 February 1986.

Ancient Israelite Cosmology and Modern Scientific Thought. Institut zur Erforschung des Urchristentums, Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Tübingen, Germany, 9 September 1987.

Ancient Israelite Cosmology: Images and Evaluations. Consultation on the Church and Contemporary Cosmology: Implications of Science for Christian Life and Thought, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Task Force on Theology and Cosmology, Burlingame, California, 10 December 1987.

Ethics and the Hebrew Bible. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Kansas City, 25 November 1991.

Political Rights and Powers in Monarchic Israel. International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität, Münster, Germany, 26 July 1993.

Do Biblical Laws Reflect Ancient Israelite Popular Values? International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest, Hungary, 25 July 1995.

Domestic Living and Social Values in Ancient Israel. University of Oslo, Norway, 2 November 1995.

Har gammeltestamentlig tradisjonshistorie en frem tid? Norsk Gammeltestamentlig Selskap, Oslo, Norway, 4 November 1995.

Lov, makt, og rettferdighet i det gamle testamente. School of Mission and Theology, Stavanger, Norway, 6 November 1995; Norwegian Teachers Academy, Bergen, 7 November 1995; The Norwegian Lutheran School of Theology, Oslo, 8 November 1995.

Hermann Gunkel's *Schöpfung und Chaos* (1895): Reflections on an Anniversary. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Philadelphia, 20 November 1995.

Law, Power, and Justice in Ancient Israel. 1996 Spring Theological Lectures Series. Three lectures: Domestic Living and Social Values in Ancient Israel; The Politics of Law and Power; and Equity, Justice, and Reform. State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo State University, Canisius College, and Daemen College, Buffalo, 11–12 February 1996.

Law and Justice in Ancient Israel. Guest Lecture at the 1996 Spring Meeting of the American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Nashville, 31 March 1996.

The Power of Law and the Law of Power in Ancient Israel. Presidential Address at the Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Knoxville, 20 March 1998.

Laws Proclaimed, Justice Administered. The Edward L. Beavin Lectures, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro, Kentucky, 19–20 October 1998.

Village Law and Pentateuchal Law. Southeastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Chapel Hill, NC, 13 March 1999.

Commanding Consent: Establishing Legitimacy through Legal Rhetoric. Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, 18 November 2001.

Disputas: Øystein Lund, Min vei er skjult for JHWH... 'Veim etaforikk og veitem atikk i Jesaja 40–55. Det teologiske Menighetsfakultet, Oslo, Norway, 30 October 2004.

Cosmology, Theology, and Ethics. Norsk Lærerakademi, Bergen, Norway, 1 November 2004.

Erobring og okkupasjon: Krig ifølge Josvaboken. Det teologiske Menighetsfakultet, Oslo, Norway, 4 November 2004; Københavns Universitet, Copenhagen, Denmark, 9 November 2004.

## **COURSES TAUGHT** [All at Vanderbilt University, except where noted otherwise]

Abraham in History and Tradition (at the American Baptist Seminary of the West)

Advanced Hebrew I and II

Akkadian

Apocalyptic (also co-taught once with Amy-Jill Levine)

Aramaic

The Book of Job (also at the Chinese University of Hong Kong)

The Book of Joshua

Deuteronomy (at Iliff School of Theology)

The Ethics of Ancient Israel

Exegesis of the Hebrew Bible (co-taught once with Renita Weems)

Exegesis Seminar

Exercises in Biblical Exegesis (co-taught with either John Donahue or Gerd Lüdemann)  
Exilic Prophecy  
The Hebrew Bible (introduction)  
Hebrew Prophets II  
The History of Ancient Israel  
Jeremiah (also at Doshisha University, Kyoto)  
Law and Justice (at the Ecumenical Institute for Theological Research, Tantur, Jerusalem)  
Law and Justice in Ancient Israel (at Doshisha University)  
Law in Ancient Israel and the Near East  
The Literature, Religion, and Faith of Ancient Israel  
Modern Interpreters of Ancient Israel  
The Pentateuch  
Politics and the Economy of Ancient Israel  
Second Isaiah  
Senior Seminar  
The Sociology of Early Israel (also at Doshisha University)  
The Study of Religion  
The Teaching of Religion  
Themes in the Hebrew Bible  
Ugaritic  
And numerous reading courses

**PH.D. DISSERTATIONS DIRECTED** [Published versions have usually been revised.]

Gnuse, Robert Karl. *The Dream Theophany of Samuel: Its Structure in Relation to Ancient Near Eastern Dreams and Its Theological Significance*. Ph.D., Vanderbilt University, 1980. [Published]

Staudt, Edwin E., III. *Prayer and the People in the Deuteronomist*. Ph.D., Vanderbilt University, 1980.

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Director of Hebrew Bible Area Studies and member of Graduate Policy and Admissions Committee, 1977–81, 1984–87, 1988–93, 1994–95, 1996–97, 2004–06

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