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Intensive Program



- Credit points are indicated in [square brackets].



Doing theology with Karl Barth [12]

Theology

Rev David McGregor, Friday afternoons, semester 1 2012

This semester long subject provides a theological grounding for understanding God and human beings from the perspective of the uniquely Christian doctrines of the incarnation of the Son of God as the man Jesus Christ, and the tri-unity of God the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. The subject content is biblically based and is adapted from the presentation of the Christian gospel in Karl Barth's *Church Dogmatics*. David McGregor lectures in theology at Tabor Adelaide, and is focusing on the theology of Karl Barth and preaching in his PhD studies.

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Theology of marriage and the family for ministry [12]

Theology/Ministry

Rev Dr Stephen Barton, April 16-20 2012

This intensive explores the foundations of Christian teaching on marriage and the family, and responses in theology and the churches to movements and issues which affect marriage and the family in the contemporary context. Rev. Dr. Stephen Barton taught in New Testament studies, hermeneutics and on the family in Christian tradition at Durham University England for 22 years. He is an ordained priest of the Church of England and is the author of a number of books including *Discipleship and Family Ties in Mark and Matthew*, and *Life Together: Essays on Family, Sexuality and Community in the New Testament & Today*.

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Paul and "The King Jesus Gospel" [12]

NT Studies/Theology

Dr Scot McKnight, May 21-25 2012

What is the 'gospel'? Some think 'justice'; others, 'personal salvation'; and still others, the Bible's story line as fulfilled in Jesus as Messiah King. Do we begin with Paul in Romans? Or Jesus' message of the kingdom? Or just get on with proclaiming God's love, or God's grace, or the four spiritual laws? This intensive will propose a method for examining the meaning of "gospel" before exploring implications for evangelism, conversion theory, church practice and discipleship. Dr Scot McKnight is the Karl A. Olsson Professor in Religious Studies at North Park University, and is a widely-recognized authority on the New Testament, early Christianity, and the historical Jesus. He is the author of more than thirty books, including *The Jesus Creed: and The King Jesus Gospel*. See his blog, [Jesus Creed](#).

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Israel study tour [12]

Biblical Studies

Rev Dr Stephen Spence and Rev Melinda Cousins, June 4-21 2012

This subject provides students with an opportunity to visit many of the key archaeological sites relating to the life and times of Jesus and to critically evaluate their importance for Gospel study. Join Rev Dr Stephen Spence and Rev Melinda Cousins as you connect key characters and places in Israel with the Gospel texts. FEE-HELP will cover the subject and travel costs of this study tour IF you are enrolled in an accredited degree program (postgraduate or under-graduate). For more information and to register your interest, go to http://www.taboradelaide.edu.au/courses/ministry_studytour.ph.



Information night at Tabor Adelaide on November 3rd 2012; RSVP to sdocherty@adelaide.tabor.edu.au



Spirit-ed missiology for a globalised world [12]

Intercultural Studies/Ministry

Dr Kirsteen Kim, July 23-27 2012 (Adelaide College of Divinity/Uniting College)

In our complex, plural postmodern world we inhabit a world of many spirits – good, bad, indifferent. These are movements, forces, personalities, cultures we have to negotiate. How can we tell which to reject, what to support and who we can cooperate with in our mission? How do we set about discerning the movement of the Holy Spirit among all the other spirits? This intensive will explore how attention to the Holy Spirit in mission enables us to minister faithfully in local contexts while connected to the church worldwide and the greater purposes of God in Christ. **Dr Kirsteen Kim** is Professor of Theology and World Christianity at Leeds Trinity University College, UK and author of *The Holy Spirit in the World: A Global Conversation* (Orbis/SPCK, 2007) and *Joining in with the Spirit: Connecting World Church and Local Mission* (SCM-Epworth, 2009). Offered by Adelaide College of Divinity and the Uniting College, Brooklyn Park. Cross-credit available.

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Praying the Psalms [12]

Formation/OT Studies

Dr David Baer, August 6-10 2012

How should we pray when we have no words? The question flows from human hearts and communities in times of deepest sorrow and in moments of that joy which seems to us unspeakable. The biblical anthology of psalms offers to believers—in both solitude and good company—words which we are invited to pray back to the Lord. For more than two thousand years Jews and Christians have found in the biblical psalms words that resonate authentically with their own experience and words worthy of their Divine Listener. This subject offers the opportunity to cohabit thoughtfully and prayerfully with the psalms in the presence of the Living Lord, not primarily as the inventors of new words but as the inheritors of sturdy old ones that remain ever new. **Dr David Baer** is an internationally recognized Old Testament scholar and the President and CEO of Overseas Council (OC), which supports the training of an emerging generation of biblical leaders – see www.overseas.org.

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Online Program

Coursework

Research Methods

Thesis

- Availability of subjects online is subject to sufficient interest so a cohort of students may be formed.
- Please note: the T/A (Teacher Assistant—the person who oversees and grades the subject) may not be the original lecturer.
- Please nominate your preference for sem 1 or 2.

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The Trinity and Christian life [12]

Formation/Theology

Originally taught by Rev. Dr. Mark Worthing, Rev. David McGregor, & Rev. Dr. Graham Buxton
Explore the relationship between the doctrine of the Trinity and the experience of Christian life.

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Apologetics and contemporary culture [12]

Intercultural Studies/Theology

Originally taught by Rev. Dr. Mark Worthing, Rev. Dr. Graham Buxton, Rev. Dr. Graham Hill, & DJ Konz
Appreciate the nature and importance of Christian apologetics in the light of historical, biblical, theological and cultural considerations.

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Christian leadership - a redemptive perspective [12]

Ministry

Originally taught by Rev. Dr. Graham Buxton and Rev. Dr. Don Owers, with various others
Appreciate the nature & importance of Christian leadership from a redemptive perspective by establishing a theological framework and exploring key aspects in light of contemporary thinking in the area.

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NT theology and ethics [12]

Biblical Studies/Theology

Originally taught by Professor Ben Witherington III

Recognizing the diversity of NT 'theologies', this subject helps you explore what a theology of the NT as a whole ought to look like, and reflect upon the resultant ethical implications and applications of NT theology.

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