

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Theology and Apologetics (July 2013)

Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA

Dissertation: "To the Jew First: A Biblical-Theological and Socio-Historical Analysis of the Pauline Teaching of 'Election' in Light of Second Temple Jewish Patterns of Thought"

Supervisor: Dr. Leo R. Percer

Readers: Dr. Gary E. Yates and Dr. Michael S. Heiser

Cognate Field: Biblical Studies

Comprehensive Exams: Apologetics, Biblical Studies, and Theology

Coursework: Anthropology, Apologetic Method, Augustine, Bibliology, Historical Jesus, Isaiah/Jeremiah, Miracles, New Atheism, Theology of Psalms, Religious Doubt, Second Temple Period, Theological Method, Theology of Paul, Torah, Use of the Old Testament in the New Testament.

Biblical Languages: Greek and Hebrew

Modern Research Languages: French and German

GPA: 3.92

M.Div., Biblical Studies (May 2008)

Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA.

Coursework: Ancient Christianity, Apocrypha, Church Administration, Church Growth, Discipleship Ministries, Hebrew Grammar, Hebrew Syntax, Jonah and Ruth (Hebrew Exegesis), Old Testament, Philippians (Greek Exegesis), Septuagint Greek, Spiritual Formation

GPA: 4.0

MAR, Biblical Studies (May 2006)

Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA.

Coursework: Apologetics, Corinthian Correspondence, Cross-cultural Church Planting, Galatians (Greek Exegesis), Gospel of John, Greek grammar, Greek syntax, Hermeneutics, Personal Evangelism, Professional Communication for Christian Ministry

GPA: 4.0

B.S., Religion (December 2004)

Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA.

Specialization: Biblical Studies

Relevant Coursework: Apologetics, Biblical Archaeology, Church History, Daniel/Revelation, Greek Grammar, Humanities, Inductive Bible study, Joshua/Judges, New Testament Backgrounds, New Testament Survey, Old Testament Backgrounds, Old Testament Survey, Philosophy, Romans, Theological Issues

GPA: 3.78

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY PROFICIENCIES:

Content Delivery Tools

Adobe Illustrator CS4, Adobe Photoshop CS4, Adobe Professional, Microsoft Access, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Outlook, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft SharePoint, Microsoft Visio, Microsoft Word, PointeCaste, Web Manager (WYSIWYG)

Course Management Systems

Blackboard Learn (LMS System Administrator)

Student Information Systems

Argos Reports (SQL), IBM AS400/CMD5, IBM Query, SCT Banner

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Summa Cum Laude, Master of Divinity, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, May 2008.

Excellence in Biblical Languages Award, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, 2007.

Summa Cum Laude, Master of Arts in Religion, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, May 2006.

Master of Arts in Religion Award, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, 2006.

Magna Cum Laude, Bachelor of Science, Liberty University, December 2004.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Assistant Professor of Apologetics and Biblical Studies, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary (Spring 2009 – Present)

Introduction to Apologetics (APOL500). Fall 2013 – Present.

New Testament Introduction (NBST510). Spring 2013 – Present.

To the Jew First: An Exploration of the Relationship of Paul and Judaism (NBST697). Summer 2014.

Greek Language Tools (NGRK505). Fall 2011 – Present.

Beginning Greek I (NGRK520). Fall 2011 – Present.

Beginning Greek II (NGRK525). Summer 2013 – Present.

Greek Syntax (NGRK620). Summer 2013 – Present.

Greek Exegesis: Colossians (NGRK646). Fall 2014 – Present.

Directed Research in New Testament Greek (NGRK695; Graduate). Summer 2014 – Present.

Directed Research in Theology (THEO995; Doctoral). Summer 2014 – Present.

Adjunct Instructor, Liberty University, School of Religion (Spring 2007 – Spring 2011)

Greek Grammar I (GREK201). Fall 2007 – Fall 2010.

Greek Grammar II (GREK 202). Fall 2008 – Spring 2011.

Greek Grammar III (GREK 301). Fall 2011 – Spring 2012.

Survey of Biblical Literature (BIBL 104). Spring 2007 – Summer 2011.

Adjunct Instructor, Liberty University, Wilmington School of the Bible (Summer 2006 – Fall 2007)

Gospel of John (BIBL 160). Summer 2006 – Fall 2007.

Romans (BIBL 161). Fall 2006.

Revelation (BIBL 162). Spring 2006 – Spring 2007.

Hebrews (BIBL 163). Fall 2006 – Spring 2007.

Acts (BIBL 165). Spring 2006 – Fall 2006.

Chronological Survey of the New Testament III (GBST 165). Summer 2007.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Professional Development

Attended national meetings of the Evangelical Theological Society since 2010.

Attended regional meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society in 2013 (Lynchburg, VA).

Attended national meetings of the Society of Biblical Literature since 2010.

Attended “Blackboard Upgrade Training” workshop in January 2013; “Making the Trinity Understandable” workshop in January 2013; Liberty University faculty development/orientation in August 2012; “Renovating Departmental Culture for Improved Faculty and Student Morale” workshop in August 2012; “Using YouTube to Enhance Your Classroom Teaching” workshop in August 2012; “Blogs in the Classroom” workshop in February 2012; “Teaching Act: Higher, Deeper” workshop in September 2011; “The Christian Scholar and the Scriptures” workshop in September 2011; “Blackboard: Import/Export Management” workshop in August 2011; “The ESL Student Writer” workshop in August 2011; “Teaching Act: Engagement” workshop in August 2011; Liberty University faculty development/orientation in August 2011; “Evaluating Classroom Assignments” workshop in April 2011; “Assessment of Learning” workshop in March 2011; “World View – Past and Present Considerations” workshop in March 2011; “The Christian University in Today’s World” workshop in February 2011; “Blackboard Grade Center Management” workshop in November 2010; “Constructing Meaningful Writing Assignments” workshop in August 2010; “Start SMART” workshop in August 2010; “Blackboard at LU” workshop in August 2010; “Getting Ready to Teach a Class” workshop in August 2010;

Liberty University faculty development/orientation in August 2010; Liberty University faculty development/orientation in May 2010; “Managing Conflict in the Online Environment” workshop in April 2010; “Stopping Plagiarism Before it Starts” workshop in February 2010; “Policies and Procedures for LU Online” workshop in September 2009.

University Service

Served on the Seminary faculty interview committee beginning in the Fall of 2009.

Served on the Executive Committee of the Seminary beginning in the Fall of 2011.

Served on ad hoc committee to review and revise degree completion plans for the Master of Arts in Christian Ministry, Master of Arts in Theological Studies, and Master of Arts in Religion in the Fall of 2011.

Served on ad hoc committee to review the feasibility of offering a thesis component for the Master of Theology program in the Spring of 2012.

Administered the Institutional Challenge Exams for NGRK520 (Beginning Greek I), NGRK525 (Beginning Greek II), and NGRK505 (Greek Language Tools).

Served as the Qualtrics Coordinator for LBTS in order to assist students doing graduate research that is based upon statistical data related to the Seminary.

Served on the University Quality Enhancement Plan Committee beginning in 2013-14.

Served on the ThM Program Review Committee in 2013-14.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Associate Editor (2013-Present), *Eruditio Ardescens: The Journal of Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary* Assisted with the planning and development of a peer-reviewed, graduate student journal. Assigned reviewers to analyze and critique submitted manuscripts. Synthesized review reports and evaluated manuscripts to make recommendations for publication to the editorial board.

Managing Editor (2013-Present), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary Faculty Blog. Assisted with the planning and development of an online faculty blog. Provided technical, work flow and editing support to the blog. Determined whether a submitted post was initially appropriate for the blog. Scheduled post publications and actively recruited contributors.

Department Chair, Theological Studies (2012-Present), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA. Assisted Associate Dean with administrative duties for residential and online programs. Communicated with faculty concerning policies, procedures, and

scheduling. Forecasted hiring needs for online faculty by academic discipline. Directed Instructional Mentors (IM's) in providing oversight and evaluation of online faculty. Administered evaluations for residential faculty and IM's. Assisted students with concerns regarding online courses and faculty. Reviewed student grade appeals in conjunction with the faculty and Associate Dean. Reviewed complaints filed against faculty in conjunction with the Associate Dean. Assisted with scheduling and curricular issues. Assisted with department assessment reports.

Department Chair, Biblical Studies (2011-2012), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA. Assisted Associate Dean with administrative duties for residential and online programs. Communicated with faculty concerning policies, procedures, and scheduling. Forecasted hiring needs for online faculty by academic discipline. Directed Instructional Mentors (IM's) in providing oversight and evaluation of online faculty. Administered evaluations for residential faculty and IM's. Assisted students with concerns regarding online courses and faculty. Reviewed student grade appeals in conjunction with the faculty and Associate Dean. Reviewed complaints filed against faculty in conjunction with the Associate Dean. Assisted with scheduling and curricular issues. Assisted with department assessment reports.

Subject Matter Expert (2011-Present), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA. Provided oversight for the online courses: NBST525 (New Testament Introduction); NGRK505 (Greek Language Tools), NGRK520 (Beginning Greek I), and NGRK525 (Beginning Greek II). Managed the course content and assessments. Revised the course in conjunction with the University's QEI (Quality Enhancement Initiative) project.

Managing Editor (2012-2013), *Eleutheria: The Graduate Student Journal of Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary*. Assisted with the planning and development of a peer-reviewed, graduate student journal. Provided technical, work flow and procedural support to the journal. Determined whether a submitted manuscript was initially appropriate for the journal and assigned to an associate editor as needed. Scheduled publications, balance workloads for editors and reviewers. Resolved any conflicts during the review process. Actively recruited reviewers and contributors and promote the journal.

Associate Editor (2010-2012), *Eleutheria: The Graduate Student Journal of Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary*. Assisted with the planning and development of a peer-reviewed, graduate student journal. Served as an associate editor for the area of Scripture and Interpretation. Assigned reviewers to analyze and critique submitted manuscripts. Synthesized review reports and evaluated manuscripts to make recommendations for publication to the editorial board.

Online Chair, Biblical Studies (2009-2011), Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA. Assisted Associate Dean with administrative duties. Forecasted hiring needs for online faculty by academic discipline. Directed Instructional Mentors (IM's) in providing oversight and evaluation of online faculty. Assisted students with concerns regarding online courses and faculty. Reviewed student grade appeals in conjunction with the

faculty and Associate Dean. Reviewed complaints filed against online faculty in conjunction with the Associate Dean.

Director of Academic Support (2006-2009), Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA. Communicated University information regarding academics to students, staff, faculty and deans. Supported students, staff, and faculty with technical issues pertaining to University systems. Managed distance learning course schedules and online bookstore listings. Assessed registration and schedule data to ensure quality and accuracy. Supervised the Disability Support office and services provided for Distance Learning students. Managed Academic Support department personnel.

Associate Director of Academic Support (2006), Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA. Communicated University policy regarding academic affairs to students, staff, proctors, and faculty. Oversaw the mailing, receipt and grading of Distance Learning assessments. Monitored the Distance Learning catalog and section master to ensure accurate course information. Supported students, staff, proctors and faculty with technical issues pertaining to Blackboard™. Assisted the Director of Academic Support with academic operations.

Course Developer (2005), Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA. Created online 8-week modular course for the Wilmington School of the Bible. Imported instructional content and organized into 8, 1 week long, “modules”. Developed assignments to create student interaction with instructional content. Deployed quiz and test assessments in order to evaluate students’ comprehension of material.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

2009-Present Evangelical Theological Society
2009-Present Society of Biblical Literature

PUBLICATIONS:

Dissertation

To The Jew First: A Socio-Historical and Biblical-Theological Analysis of the Pauline Teaching of ‘Election in Light of Second Temple Jewish Patterns of Thought.
Lynchburg, VA: Liberty University Baptist Theological Seminary, 2013.

Articles and Essays

"A Theology of Psalm 88." *Evangelical Quarterly*. Forthcoming, 2015.

“Election.” *Lexham Theological Wordbook*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2014.

- “Emotional Doubt and Divine Hiddenness.” *Eruditio Ardescens*, 1:2 (2014):
Forthcoming.
- "Spheres of Influence' in the Epistle to the Galatians." *Horizons in Biblical Theology*,
36:1 (2014): 21-41.
- “Parham, C. F.” *The Popular Encyclopedia of Church History: The People, Places, and
Events that Shaped Christianity*. Edited by Ed Hindson and Dan Mitchell.
Eugene, OR: Harvest House Publishers, 2013.
- “Pelagianism.” *The Popular Encyclopedia of Church History: The People, Places, and
Events that Shaped Christianity*. Edited by Ed Hindson and Dan Mitchell.
Eugene, OR: Harvest House Publishers, 2013.
- “The Resurrection of Jesus and Spiritual (Trans)Formation.” *The Journal of Spiritual
Formation and Soul Care* 5:2 (Fall 2012): 243-256.
- “Ahab.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos
Bible Software, 2012.
- “Altar.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos
Bible Software, 2012.
- “Burial.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos
Bible Software, 2012.
- “Chronology of the Old Testament.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry.
Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2012.
- “Election.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos
Bible Software, 2012.
- “Enoch, Second Book of.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry.
Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2012.
- “The Exodus.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA:
Logos Bible Software, 2012.
- “King.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos
Bible Software, 2012.
- “Philo Judaeus.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA:
Logos Bible Software, 2012.

“Poor.” *Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry. Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2012.

“Scholarship and Ministry in the Life and Thought of Augustine,” *Eleutheria* 1:2 (Spring 2011): 107–114.

Book Reviews

Review of David R. Wallace, *Election of the Lesser Son: Paul’s Lament Midrash in Romans 9-11*. *Review of Biblical Literature*, forthcoming.

Review of Preston M. Sprinkle, *Paul & Judaism Revisited: A Study of Divine and Human Agency in Salvation*. *Neotestamentica*, 47:2 (2014): 414-418.

Review of Scot McKnight, *The King Jesus Gospel*. *Eleutheria*, 2:1 (Winter 2012): 95-98.

Presentations

“Why All the Hate? Jacob and Esau Traditions in Early Judaism and in Paul’s Letter to the Romans.” Presented at the ETS Annual Meeting, San Diego, November 20, 2014.

Recorded lecture for HOMI601 and Liberty University iTunesU: Expository Preaching in August of 2014: “The Theology of Philippians.”

“Incarnation or Deification? Recent Debate about Jesus’ Divinity.” Presented at Liberty University, Ratio Christi Lecture, March 24, 2014.

“Jacob and Esau Traditions in Early Judaism and in Paul’s Letter to the Romans.” Accepted for presentation at Houston Baptist University, Theology Conference (Paul and Judaism), March 19, 2014.

Recorded lectures for SEMI500 and Liberty University iTunesU: Introduction to Seminary Studies in June 2013: “Plagiarism,” “Seminary and Cynicism.”

Recorded lectures for NGRK525 and Liberty University iTunesU: Beginning Greek II in August of 2013: “Imperfect Indicative and Second Aorist Active/Middle Indicative;” “First Aorist Active/Middle Indicative, Aorist and Future Passive Indicative, and Perfect Indicative;” “Introduction to Participles and Present Adverbial Participles;” “Aorist Adverbial Participles;” “Adjectival Participles, Perfect Participles, and Genitive Absolutes;” “Subjunctive Mood;” “Infinitive and Imperative Mood;” “ $\mu\iota$ Verbs and Conditional Sentences.”

Recorded lectures for NGRK520 and Liberty University iTunesU: Beginning Greek I in May of 2013: “Introduction and Study Tips;” “Nouns Overview;” “Prepositions and Adjectives Overview;” Third Declension and Personal Pronouns Overview;”

“Demonstrative and Relative Pronouns Overview;” “Greek Verbs and Present, Active, Indicative Overview;” “Contract Verbs and Present, Middle/Passive, Indicative Overview;” “Future, Active and Middle, Indicative and Verbal Roots Overview.”

Recorded lecture for APOL500 and Liberty University iTunesU: Introduction to Apologetics in January of 2013: “Pluralism.”

Recorded lectures for GBST163 and Liberty University iTunesU: Chronological Survey of the New Testament I in November 2012: “The Canonization of the New Testament;” “Introduction and Overview of the Gospel of Mark.”

Recorded lectures and presentations for NGRK505 and Liberty University iTunesU: Greek Language Tools in December 2011: “Introduction to Greek Language Tools and Translations;” “Alphabet, Transliteration, and Pronunciation;” “Grammar, Phrasing, and Word Studies;” “Phrases, Clauses, and Diagramming; Indicative Mood Verbs;” “The Importance of Context;” “Non-Indicative Mood Verbs;” “Grammar: ‘The Connective Tissue of a Text’;” “Greek Nouns and Functions;” “Exegetical Problems and Theologizing;” “Textual History and Textual Criticism;” “Applying a Text.”

Presented and recorded the professional development workshop “Class Business” for the Liberty University Center for University Excellence in September 2009.

Interviews

“The Afterlife and Near Death Experiences.” Victory Radio Network (Victory FM), 4/30/2014.

Web Publications

“The Problem with Others” Christ and Pop Culture. <http://christandpopculture.com/problem-others/>

“The Logic of Abortion.” Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary faculty blog. <http://www.liberty.edu/seminary/index.cfm?PID=26955&ID=665855>

“Need a Little Jesus in Your Life?” Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary faculty blog. <http://www.liberty.edu/seminary/index.cfm?PID=26955&ID=652436>

RESEARCH LANGUAGES:

Biblical/Koine Greek
Biblical Hebrew
Theological French

Theological German

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- 2013-Present **Worship Leader**, Periodically led worship in Seminary Chapel for Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA.
- 2009-Present **Guest Speaker**, Periodically offered devotional messages upon request in various University departments' staff meetings, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA.
- 2008 **Small Group Leader**, Led an in-home men's small group, New Town Community, Lynchburg, VA.
- 2004 **Volunteer Youth Worker**, Worked with middle school youth ministry program, Rivermont Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg, VA.
- 2003 **Intern Youth Pastor**, Led middle and high school youth ministry program, Grace Church of Gainesville, Gainesville, VA.
- 1999-2003 **Volunteer Youth Worker**, Worked with middle and high school youth ministry program, Thoroughfare Bible Church, Madison, VA.