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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2022 - Associate Director of Global Curriculum and Assessment, Adjunct Professor of Apologetics and Systematic Theology
Westminster Theological Seminary, Glenside, PA
- 2015 - 2021 Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology
Torch Trinity Graduate University, Seoul

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Theology
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- 2009 Th.M. Historical and Theological Studies
Westminster Theological Seminary
- 2006 M.A.R. Historical and Theological Studies
Westminster Theological Seminary
- 2001 B.F.A. Music Performance
Carnegie Mellon University

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPHS

Absolute Person and Moral Experience: A Study in Neo-Calvinism. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2022.

Shalom and the Ethics of Belief: Nicholas Wolterstorff's Theory of Situated Rationality. Eugene, OR: PickWick, 2015.

CHAPTERS

"To Think and Act Analogically: Van Til's Moral Anthropology," in *Thinking God's Thoughts After Him: Essays in the Van Til Tradition*, edited by Bradley G. Green (Eugene: Wipf and Stock, forthcoming)

"Comparative Religions and Alternative Philosophies on 'the Way of Salvation'," in *Thine Eye Diffused a Quickening Ray: Efficacious Grace in Historical, Biblical, Theological, and Pastoral Perspective*, edited by Jonathan Gibson and David Gibson (Wheaton: Crossway, forthcoming)

"Comparative Religions and Alternative Philosophies on 'Final Salvation' and Assurance," in *Safe in the Arms of Sovereign Love: Preserving Grace, Persevering Faith in Historical, Biblical, Theological, and Pastoral*, edited by Jonathan Gibson and David Gibson (Wheaton: Crossway, forthcoming)

"Like a Prisoner, He Shakes His Bars: Religions and Alternative Philosophies on Determinism and Free Will," in *Chosen Not for Good in Me: Unconditional Election in Historical, Biblical, Theological, and Pastoral Perspective*, edited by Jonathan Gibson and David Gibson (Wheaton: Crossway, 2025)

"I and the Norm: Comparative Religions and Alternative Philosophies of Sin and Human Nature," in *Ruined*

Sinners to Reclaim, edited by Jonathan Gibson and David Gibson (Wheaton: Crossway, 2024)

“Van Til on God as Absolute Person: Origin, Meaning, and Function,” in *The Future of Apologetics: Collected Essays on Applying Van Til's Apologetic Method to a New Generation* (Glenside: Westminster Seminary Press, 2024)

“Geerhardus Vos on the Nature of Theology,” in *T&T Clark Handbook to Neo-Calvinism* (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2024)

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

“Religions and the Doctrine of God: Comparing J. H. Bavinck and Edmund Cherbonnier,” *Westminster Theological Journal* 88, no. 1 (2026)

“The Vindication of God: Towards a Biblical Theology of Apologetics (Part 2),” *Westminster Theological Journal* 88, no. 1 (2026)

“The Vindication of God: Towards a Biblical Theology of Apologetics (Part 1),” *Westminster Theological Journal* 87, no. 2 (2025)

“Zhou Gong Came to Serve: On the Personal Substance of Confucian Religious Consciousness,” *Verbum Christi* 12, no. 2 (2025): 91-110.

“Genealogy and Doctrine: Reformed and Confucian Sociologies of Knowledge,” *Themelios* 48, no. 1 (2023): 153–73

“Apologetics and Preaching: Lessons from the Preaching of Peter and Paul,” *Verbum Christi* 9, no. 2 (2022): 169–186

“Herman and Johan Herman Bavinck on the Uniqueness of Christian Theism,” *Mission Studies* 39, no. 1 (2022): 50–69

“A Strange Sadness: Margaret Baxter on the Trauma of Conversion,” *Feminist Theology* 30, no. 2 (2022): 143–152

“A Brief Rejoinder to Kevin DeYoung,” *Westminster Theological Journal* 83, no. 2 (2021): 267–73

“Religions and the Doctrine of God: J. H. Bavinck and E. LaB. Cherbonnier,” *Torch Trinity Journal* 23, no. 2 (2020): 29–66

“Junius and Van Til on Natural Knowledge of God,” *Westminster Theological Journal* 82, no. 2 (2020): 279–300

“Ontology and Revelation in Bavinck's Stone Lectures,” *Scottish Journal of Theology* 73 (2020): 112–125

“Covenant Relation as Prolegomena to Knowledge of God: An Exegetical Study of John 5,” *Neue Zeitschrift für Systematische Theologie und Religionsphilosophie* 61, vol. 3 (2019): 333–353

“VanGemeran on the ‘Westminster Hermeneutic’: A Response,” *Torch Trinity Journal* 22, no. 2 (2019): 109–129

“A Biblical Rationale for Teaching Art to Children,” *Journal of Christian Education and Information Technology* 33, no. 1 (2018): 35–57

“Does the Bible Teach Different Things to Different People?,” *Torch Trinity Journal* 21, no. 2 (2018): 288–99

“Christian Cultural Defeatism in the Arts: The Theology of a Common Grace Misstep,” *Journal of Reformed Theology* 11, no. 4 (2017): 401–428

“Believe and Confess: Revisiting Christian Doxastic Intentionality,” *The Heythrop Journal* 58, no. 5 (2017): 749–761

“Son-Condescension and the Logic of Theology,” *Neue Zeitschrift für Systematische Theologie und Religionsphilosophie* 59, no. 2 (2017): 245–264

“The Foundations of Christian Theo-Centric Ethics,” *Torch Trinity Journal* 19, no. 2 (2016): 300–315

“The Doctrine of Scripture and Vosian Biblical Theology,” *Torch Trinity Journal* 18, no. 2 (2015): 244–278

- “Epistemology of Divine Conceptualism,” *International Journal for the Philosophy of Religion* 78, no.1 (2015): 123–130
- “Thinking My Thoughts After Me,” *Imaginatio et Ratio: A Journal of Theology and the Arts* 3, no. 1 (2014): 34–42
- “Aseity of Persons and the Oneness of God: A Review Essay of Brannon Ellis on Calvin’s Trinitarian Theology,” *Philosophia Christi* 16, no. 1 (2014): 197–206
- “Christianity and Evidentialism: Van Til and Locke on Facts and Evidence,” *Westminster Theological Journal* 74, no. 2 (2012): 323–353
- “His Community, His Interpretation: A Review of Merold Westphal’s *Whose Community? Which Interpretation?*,” *Westminster Theological Journal* 72, no. 2 (2010): 415–425

REVIEWS

- Jesus and the God of Classical Theism: Biblical Christology in Light of the Doctrine of God*, by Stephen Duby, *Unio Cum Christo* (2026)
- Understanding Christian Apologetics: Five Methods for Defending the Faith*, ed. Timothy Paul Jones, *Themelios* 50, no. 3 (2026)
- The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus*, by Fleming Rutledge, *Themelios* 45, no. 1 (2020)
- All That Is in God: Evangelical Theology and the Challenge of Classical Theism*, by James E. Dolezal, *Journal of Reformed Theology* 13 (2019)
- Theologies of Retrieval: An Exploration and Appraisal*, Darren Sarisky, ed., *Journal of Reformed Theology* 13 (2019)
- Divine Simplicity: Christ the Crisis of Metaphysics*, by Paul R. Hinlicky, *Journal of Theological Studies* (2017)
- God and Necessity*, by Brian Leftow, *Westminster Theological Journal* 77 (2015)
- Debating Christian Theism*, J. P. Moreland, Chad Meister, and Khaldoun A. Sweis, eds., *Journal of Theological Studies* 65 (2014)
- It was Good: Making Music to the Glory of God*, Ned Bustard, ed., *Imaginatio et Ratio: A Journal of Theology and the Arts* 3 (2014)
- God without Parts: Divine Simplicity and the Metaphysics of God’s Absoluteness*, by James E. Dolezal, *Philosophia Christi* 15 (2013)
- God with Us: Divine Condescension and the Attributes of God*, by K. Scott Oliphint, *Philosophia Christi* 14 (2012)
- Inquiring about God: Collected Essays, Volume 1* and *Practices of Belief: Collected Essays, Volume 2*, by Nicholas Wolterstorff, *Journal of Reformed Theology* 6 (2012)
- The Triumph of God Over Evil: Theodicy for World of Suffering*, by William Hasker, *Westminster Theological Journal* 72 (2010)

PRESENTATIONS

- “Espiritual pero no religioso,” Coloquio de Filosofía de la Religión & la Espiritualidad, Red Colombiana de Filosofía de la Religión, May 2026 (online)
- “Cosmovista y cosmovisión en J. H. Bavinck: el engaño de la cognición natural y el aspecto progresivo de la mente restaurada,” Centros de Estudios Kuyper, Buenos Aires, March 2025 (online)
- “El evangelio y la Renovación de la cultura,” Contra Corriente 2024, Bogotá, Colombia, October 2024 (online)
- “Covenantal Apologetics,” “Redemptive Historical Hermeneutics,” Reformed Theology in Arabic Translation, Horizons International/Dar Manhal/Westminster, Beirut, April 2024
- “*Urzeit* and Culture,” “Honor and Shame,” “Apologetics and Grace,” YMCA Wu Kwai Sha Youth Village, Hong Kong, October 2023

- “Imago Dei” and “Ideología de género,” En Defensa de La Verdad, Iglesia Bautista de la Gracia, Santiago, RD, Sept 2023
- “Van Til on God as Absolute Person: Origin, Meaning, and Function,” Van Til and the Future of Apologetics, Westminster Theological Seminary, March 1, 2023
- “Two Bavincks on the Uniqueness of Christian Theism,” Evangelical Theological Society, online, November 2020
- “Margaret Baxter’s Theology of Evil and Suffering,” American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November 2019
- “Christian Education and the Latest Revolution: A Biblical Rationale for Arts Education,” Korea Society of Christian Education and Information Technology, 17th International Conference, Seoul, February 2018
- “Confession and Community: Sociological Epistemology of Theological Tradition,” International Reformed Theological Institute, Bi-Annual Conference, Public Theology in Pluralistic Contexts, Hong Kong, June 2017
- Response to John Fesko, “From Exegesis to Preaching: Calvin’s Understanding and Use of Ephesians 2:8–10,” 2015 International Academic Conference for Reformation 500, Seoul, October 2015
- “The Epistemology of Divine Conceptualism,” Evangelical Philosophical Society, East Region Annual Conference, March 2014
- “Believe and Confess: Revisiting Christian Doxastic Intentionality,” Evangelical Philosophical Society, North East Region Annual Conference, April 2011
- “The Presumption of Atheism in Locke’s Theory of Evidence,” West Chester University of Pennsylvania Department of Philosophy, “Freedom, Free Will and Belief,” March, 2011
- “I Believe, Help My Unbelief”: Confession as Religious Epistemology,” Evangelical Theological Society, East Region Annual Conference, March 2011
- “The Hermeneutics of Evil,” Villanova University Department of Philosophy, “Philosophy in Progress,” January 2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2025 | Teología bíblica
Seminario Teológico Reformado Peniel
Mariscal, Chiapas, México (online) |
| 2024 | Apologética
Seminario Reformado Latinoamerica
Medellín, Colombia |
| 2024 – | Apologética; Cristianismo y cultura; Teología bíblica
Centros Teológicos Bautistas
Lima, Peru (online) |
| 2024 | Apologética
Seminario Presbiteriano San Pablo
Mérida, Yucatan, México |
| 2011 – | <i>Adjunct Professor of Apologetics and Systematic Theology</i>
Westminster Theological Seminary |
| 2022 – | Reformed Epistemology
GATE Institute: Global Alliance for Theological Education |

(Online)

2011 – 14 *Adjunct Professor, Departments of Philosophy and Theology*
Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia

2007 – 11 *Adjunct Professor, Department of Liberal Arts*
Moore College of Art and Design, Philadelphia

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

A Christian's Pocket Guide to Religions and Worldviews and *Pocket Guides to Christianity*. Christian Focus. Co-editor with Daniel Strange.

Great Thinkers: Critical Studies of Minds that Shape Us. P&R Publishing. Series Editor.

Torch Trinity Journal. Editor of the English language edition, 2020.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE SERVICE

2020 – 2021 *Systematic Theology, Department Chair*

2015 – 2021 *International Student / Torch Strategic Mission Scholarship Committee; Admissions Committee; Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee; International Promotions Committee*
Torch Trinity Graduate University

2013 – 15 *Administrator for Distance Education and Faculty Support*
Department of Academic Affairs, Westminster Theological Seminary

2010 – 13 *Program coordinator*
Center for Theological Writing, Westminster Theological Seminary

ECCLESIASTICAL

Ordained Teaching Elder, Philadelphia Presbytery, Presbyterian Church in America

Assistant Pastor of Preaching, Seoul International Baptist Church (Aug 2018 - Dec 2019)

Interim Pastor, Crossway Mission Church, Seoul (Jan – May 2018)

LANGUAGES

English (native)

Spanish (fluent)

Romanian (conversant)

Biblical Greek and Hebrew, German (reading proficient)