

ERIC STEWART PUBLICATIONS

Books

2012 *Peter: First-Generation Member of the Jesus Movement.* Paul's Social Network: Brothers & Sisters in Faith. Collegeville, MN: Michael Glazier.

2009 *Gathered Around Jesus: An Alternative Spatial Practice in the Gospel of Mark.* Matrix: The Bible in Mediterranean Context 6. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books.

Books Edited

2008 With Jerome H. Neyrey, S. J. *The Social World of the New Testament: Insights and Models.* Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Press.

2007 With Zeba A. Crook and Anselm Hagedorn, *In Other Words: Essays on Social Science Methods and the New Testament in Honor of Jerome H. Neyrey, S. J.* The Social World of Biblical Antiquity, Second Series 1. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press.

Peer-reviewed Articles and Book Chapters

2020 "Space/Gendered Space," In *The Ancient Mediterranean Social World: A Sourcebook.* Zeba A. Crook, editor. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans. Pp. 124-140.

2019 "You're Not a Man, None of You are Men! Early Christian Masculinity and Lucian's *The Passing of Peregrinus.*" *Hervormde Teologiese Studies* 75.4. <https://doi.org/10.4102/hts.v75i4.5609>.

2018 "Men and Masculinity in the New Testament," *Oxford Bibliographies in Biblical Studies.* Edited by Christopher R. Matthews. New York: Oxford University Press, Feb, 22. DOI: 10.1093/OBO/9780195393361-0256. URL: <http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780195393361/obo-9780195393361-0256.xml?rskey=qet4yo&result=153>

2016 "Ri(gh)ting a Wrong Rite: The Trial and Death of Jesus as Failed Ritual in the *Paradosis Pilatou.*" *Neotestamentica* 50.1: 353-372.

2016 "We'll Make a Man out of You Yet: Peter's Masculinity in the Acts of the Apostles." *Hervormde Teologiese Studies* 72.4. DOI: 10.4102/hts.v72i4.3433

2016 "BTB Reader's Guide: Masculinity in the New Testament and Early Christianity." *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 46.2: 91-102. DOI: 10.1177/0146107916639211

2015 "AAR Review Essay Roundtable: Gospel Writing, Mythmaking and Christian Origins." *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 83.3: 846-851. DOI: 10.1093/jaarel/lfv036

2015 "Sending a Boy to do a Man's Job: Hegemonic Masculinity and the 'Boy' Jesus in the *Infancy Gospel of Thomas*." *Hervormde Teologiese Studies* 71.1. DOI: 10.4102/hts.v71i1.2817

2014 "The Social and Historical Context of the Greco-Roman World," in *Anselm Companion to the New Testament*. Corrine L. Carvalho, editor. Winona, MN: Anselm Academic. Pp. 135-47. Reprinted in *Anselm Companion to the Bible*. Corrine L. Carvalho, editor. Winona, MN: Anselm Academic. Pp. 255-67.

2013 "The Social Context of the Bible," in *Anselm Academic Study Bible*. Carolyn Osiek, RSCJ, general editor. Winona, MN: Anselm Academic. Pp. 33-38.

2012 "BTB Readers' Guide: New Testament Space/Spatiality," in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 42.3: 139-150. DOI: 10.1177/0146107912452245

2011 "I'm Okay, You're Not Okay: Constancy of Character and Paul's Understanding of Change in His Own and Peter's Behaviour," in *Hervormde Teologiese Studies* 67.3. DOI: 10.4102/hts.v67i3.1002

2010 "Social Stratification and Patronage in Ancient Mediterranean Societies," in *The Cultural World of the New Testament*. Edited by Dietmar Neufeld and Richard E. DeMaris. New York: Routledge. Pp. 156-166.

2008 "Afterword," in *The Social World of the New Testament: Insight and Models*. Pp. 277-278.

2007 "The City in Mark," in *In Other Words: Essays on Social Science Methods and the New Testament in Honor of Jerome H. Neyrey, S. J.* Pp. 202-220.

2001 With David E. Aune, "From the Idealized Past to the Imaginary Future: The Theme of Restoration in Jewish Apocalyptic Literature," in *Restoration: Old Testament, Jewish, and Christian Perspectives*. Edited by James M. Scott. Leiden: Brill. Pp. 147-177.

Dictionary entries

2009 "Wither," and "Withered Fig Tree," in *The New Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible*. Edited by Katharine Doob Sakenfeld, et al. Nashville: Abingdon. Vol. 5: 875.

2006 "Alexander (Son of Simon of Cyrene)," in *The New Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible*. A-C. Edited by Katharine Doob Sakenfeld, et al. Nashville: Abingdon. Vol. 1: 98.

2003 "Cebes, Tabula," in David E. Aune, *The Westminster Dictionary of New Testament and Early Christian Literature and Rhetoric*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox. P. 91.

2003 “Philostratus,” in David E. Aune, *The Westminster Dictionary of New Testament and Early Christian Literature and Rhetoric*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox. Pp. 360-361.

Reviews

2022 Review of Mary Ann Beavis, *The First Christian Slave: Onesimus in Context* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 52.2: 126-128.

2021 Review of Ronald Charles, *The Silencing of Slaves in Early Jewish and Christian Texts* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 51.3: 188-189.

2021 Review of Benjamin H. Dunning (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of New Testament, Gender, and Sexuality* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 51.1: 61-63.

2020 Review of Sun Wook Kim, *Jesus and the Missional Movement in Galilee: Markan Spatial Presentation and Its Hermeneutical Significance* in [Review of Biblical Literature](#).

2020 Review of Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, *The Slave Metaphor and Gendered Enslavement in Early Christian Discourse: Double Trouble Embodied* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 50.1: 61-62.

2019 Review of Eric D. Barreto, Matthew L. Skinner, and Steve Walton, *Reading Acts in the Discourses of Masculinity and Politics* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 49.4: 232-233.

2019 Review of Susanna Aisikainen, *Jesus and Other Men: Ideal Masculinities in the Synoptic Gospels* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 49.3: 178-179.

2018 Review of David Wheeler-Reed. *Regulating Sex in the Roman Empire* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 48.4: 220-222.

2018 Review of Clive Marsh and Steve Moyise. *Jesus and the Gospels*. 3rd ed. in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 48.2: 109-110.

2017 Review of J. Brian Tucker and Coleman A. Baker. *T & T Handbook to Social Identity in the New Testament* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 47.4: 235-36.

2017 Review of Stephen K. Black (ed.), *To Set at Liberty: Essays on Early Christianity and Its Social World in Honor of John H. Elliott* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 47.3: 182-83.

2017 Review of Richard A. Horsley, *Jesus and the Politics of Roman Palestine* in *Religious Studies Review* 43.2: 170.

2017 Review of Rubén R. Dupertuis and Todd Penner (eds.), *Engaging Early Christian History: Reading Acts in the Second Century* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 47.2: 123-24.

2017 Review of Dietmar Neufeld, *Mockery and Secretism in the Social World of Mark's Gospel* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 47.1: 59-60.

2016 Review of Ovidiu Creăngu and Peter Ben-Smit, *Biblical Masculinities Foregrounded* in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 46.4: 222-223.

2016 Review of James Crossley, *Jesus in an Age of Neoliberalism: Quests, Scholarship, Ideology* in *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 84.1: 269-71. doi: 10.1093/jaarel/lfv125

2015 Review of Philip Harland (ed.), *Travel and Religion in Antiquity* (Waterloo, ON: Wilfred Laurier Press, 2011) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 45.1: 62-63.

2013 Review of Sharon Betsworth, *The Reign of God is Such as These: A Socio-Literary Analysis of Daughters in the Gospel of Mark* (New York, NY: Continuum, 2010) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 43.3: 169-170.

2012 Review of Susan Sorek, *Remembered for Good: A Jewish Benefaction System in Ancient Palestine* (Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix, 2010) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 42: 214-215. DOI: 10.1177/0146107912461877.

2011 Review of Seth Schwartz, *Were the Jews a Mediterranean Society? Reciprocity and Solidarity in Ancient Judaism* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2010) in *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 79.3: 774-776. DOI: 10.1093/jaarel/lfr032

2011 Review of Cornelia B. Horn and Robert R. Phenix, eds., *Children in Late Ancient Christianity*. Studien und Texte zu Antike und Christentum 58 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2009) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 41.3: 172-173.

2010 Review of Karen J. Wenell, *Jesus and Land: Sacred and Social Space in Second Temple Judaism*. Library of New Testament Studies 334 (London: T&T Clark, 2007) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 40: 164-165.

2010 Review of Ben Witherington III, *The Letters to Philemon, the Colossians, and the Ephesians: A Socio-Rhetorical Commentary on the Captivity Epistles* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 40: 52-54.

2009 Review of John H. Elliott, *Conflict, Community and Honor: 1 Peter in Social-Scientific Perspective* (Eugene: Cascade Books, 2007) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 39: 106-107.

2009 Review of Thomas R. Hatina, ed., *Biblical Interpretation in Early Christian Gospels. Vol. 1: The Gospel of Mark*. Library of New Testament Studies 304 (London: T & T Clark, 2006) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 39: 54-55.

2008 Review of Blake Shipp, *Paul the Reluctant Witness: Power and Weakness in Luke's Portrayal* (Eugene: Cascade Books, 2005) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 38: 145-146.

2007 Review of Ritva H. Williams, *Stewards, Prophets, Keepers of the Word: Leadership in the Early Church* (Peabody: Hendrickson, 2006) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 37: 189-190.

2007 Review of Peter Balla, *The Child-Parent Relationship in the New Testament and its Environment* (Peabody: Hendrickson, 2003) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 37: 140-141.

2006 Review of Magnus Zetterholm, *The Formation of Christianity in Antioch: A Social-Scientific Approach to the Separation between Judaism and Christianity*. Routledge Early Church Monographs (London: Routledge, 2003) in [Review of Biblical Literature](#)

2006 Review of Philip F. Esler, *New Testament Theology: Communion and Community* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 36: 140-141.

2006 Review of I. Howard Marshall, *New Testament Theology: Many Witnesses, One Gospel* (Downer's Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity Press, 2004) in *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 36: 40-41.

PRESENTATIONS

Professional Presentations

Papers

2022 “Who Submits to Whom? Ritual and Masculine Performance in Josephus’ Account of the Meeting of Alexander and the Judean High Priest Jaddua in *Ant.* 11.302-347.” Rituals, Emotions, and Identities: Gender Roles and Gender Identity in Early Christianity, the Greco-Roman World, and Contemporary Discourses 2.0. Interdisciplinary conference held at Universität Rostock. Rostock, Germany.

2018 “Reviewing *Early Christian Ritual Life*.” Ritual in the Biblical World Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Denver, Colorado. November.

2018 “Jesus and Other Priests: On the Masculinity of Ritual Efficacy of Priests in the Second Temple Period.” Cultic Personnel in the Biblical World Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Denver, Colorado. November.

2018 “Masculinity in Ambrose’s *De Officiis*.” St. Ambrose of Milan: (Re-)Constructing Community. An International and Interdisciplinary Conference hosted by the Academy of the Study of St. Ambrose. St. Ambrose University. Davenport, Iowa. April.

2017 “Ain’t I a Man? Marginalized Masculinities in the Jesus Tradition.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. St. Johns, Florida. March.

2015 “Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity: Retrospect and Prospect.” Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA. November.

2015 "Wronging a Rite: Reading Jesus' Trial before Pilate as a Failed Ritual." The Social-Scientific Interpretation of the Bible. The International Centre for Biblical Interpretation. University of Gloucestershire Cheltenham. Cheltenham, UK. June.

2014 "Sending a Boy to do a Man's Job: Hegemonic Masculinity and the 'Boy' Jesus in the *Infancy Gospel of Thomas*." International Meeting of the Context Group. Faculty of the Theology. University of Stellenbosch. Stellenbosch, South Africa. July.

2014 "Space/Place/Gendered Space." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2013 "Negotiating Identities: Marginal Spaces in the Gospel of Mark." Social Scientific Criticism Section. Society of Biblical Literature. Baltimore, MD. November.

2013 "Where are the Spaces of Social Justice? Utopia vs. Lived Space." St. Ambrose Conference on Bible and Justice. St. Ambrose University. Davenport, IA. May.

2013 "Space and Place in Early Christianity." Celebration of Scholarship. Augustana College. Rock Island, IL. February.

2012 "Control of Information in Social Networks: Examples from the Early Jesus Movement." The Context Group & NordForsk Meeting. Helsinki-Järvenpää, Finland. June.

2012 "Information Control in Social Networks in the Eastern Roman Empire in the First and Second Centuries CE." Augustana College Faculty Research Forum. April.

2012 "Information Control in the Jesus Movements: Gossip, Espionage, and Surveillance." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2010 "I'm Okay, You're Not Okay: Constancy of Character and Paul's Understanding of Change in His Own and Peter's Behavior." International Meeting of the Context Group. University of Pretoria. Pretoria, South Africa. August.

2009 Panelist for review of David A. Sánchez, *From Patmos to the Barrio: Subverting Imperial Myths* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2008). John's Apocalypse and Cultural Context Ancient and Modern Section. Society of Biblical Literature. New Orleans, LA. November.

2001 "Mark and Geography." Paper presented to the Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity Colloquium, University of Notre Dame. October.

1995 "Jesus and Cynicism: Weighing the Evidence." Paper presented to the Northwest Region of the Society of Biblical Literature. Portland, OR. March.

Media

2020 “Decolonizing Religious Studies.” Augustana #Scholar Strike Racial Justice Teach-In. Rock Island, IL. September. <https://library.augustana.edu/c.php?g=1047172&p=7885905>

2016 “Gender in the Ancient World.” *Relevant or Irrelevant*. KALA 88.5. National Public Radio station in Davenport, IA. March.
Radio segment: <https://soundcloud.com/david-baker-71/relevant-or-irrelevant-show-181>
Online-only segment:
<https://soundcloud.com/david-baker-71/relevant-or-irrelevant-show-181-website-segment>

2016 “Masculinity in America.” *Paula Sands Live*. KWQC in Quad Cities. January.
<https://web.archive.org/web/20170113133124/http://kwqc.com/2017/01/12/communiversity-winter-classes-masculinity-in-america/>

Responses

2022 Response to Jerome H. Neyrey, “*Halakhot* in Mark (‘It is not Lawful’...‘It is Lawful’): Contributions from the Anthropology of Law.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. March.

2019 Response to Peter Oakes, “A House Church Account of Economics and Empire.” Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section. Society of Biblical Literature. San Diego, CA. November.

2018 Response to Harry O. Maier, “Space and Politics in 1 Clement.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2017 Response to Jerome H. Neyrey, “Was Jesus a Monotheist?” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. St. John’s, FL. March.

2016 Response to Andries van Aarde, “‘By Faith Alone’ in Light of Change Agency Theory: Jesus, Paul, and the Jesus-Group in Colossae.” 30th Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2015 Response to John Kloppenborg, “Luke’s Geography: Knowledge, Ignorance, Sources, and Spatial Conception.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Hiawatha, IA. March.

2013 Response to Erin Vearncombe, “Dress, Materiality and the Ubiquity of the Cloak in the Gospel of Mark.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group, Pickering, Ontario. March.

2011 Response to Ernest Van Eck, “*Social memory and identity: Luke 19:12b-24 and 27.*” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Hiawatha, IA. March.

2010 Response to Dennis C. Duling, “Matthew and the Emergence of Social Scientific Criticism.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2009 Response to Dennis C. Duling, “Ethnicity and Paul’s Letter to the Romans.” Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Stella Niagara, NY. March.

2007 Response to Steven Muir, "The Anti-Imperial Rhetoric of Heb 1:3: *charakter* as a "Double-Edged Sword." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Ashton, PA. March.

2006 Response to Richard E. DeMaris, "Jesus Jettisoned: The Marcan Passion Narrative through a Ritual Lens." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2006 Response to Dennis Duling, "Social Memory and the Empty Tomb." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Portland, OR. March.

2003 Response to Jerome H. Neyrey, S. J., "God, Benefactor &/or Patron in Antiquity: An Apt Interpretive Model." Annual Meeting of the Context Group. Ashton, PA. March.

Other presentations

2020 "How do Theories of Religion Help Us Understand Early Christianity?" First Presbyterian Church. Davenport, IA. February.

2020 "Why are People Religious? Insights from Theories of Religion." First Presbyterian Church. Davenport, IA. February.

2019 "St. Thecla and Other Saints." First Presbyterian Church. Davenport, IA. October.

2019 "In What Sense(s) is the Bible True?" St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. October.

2019 "The Bible and Sexual Orientation." Hope United Church of Christ. Moline, IL. September.

2019 "Taking the Bible out of Context." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. January.

2019 "Open and Affirming." Church of Peace United Church of Christ. Rock Island, IL. January.

2018 "The Bible and Sexual Orientation." Church of Peace United Church of Christ. Rock Island, IL. November.

2018 "The Masculinity of Jesus: Imagining Jesus the Man in the Gospel of Mark and the *Infancy Gospel of Thomas*." Trinity Lutheran Church. Moline, IL. May.

2018 "The Bible and Sexual Orientation." First Congregational United Church of Christ. Moline, IL. March.

2018 "Power, Privilege, and Sexual Misconduct." With Laura Ford and Wendy Hilton-Morrow. Augustana College Social Justice Symposium Day. January.

2017 Bystander Intervention Workshop to Augustana Football Team. December.

2017 Bystander Intervention Workshop to Augustana College Men's Swimming Team. April.

2017 "Intellectual Pathways to God." Presentation to 8th Grade Confirmands of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Rock Island, IL. November.

2017 "Reel Talk: *The Life of Brian*." With Chris Jones. Augustana College Religion Department Reel Talk Series. January.

2017 "Innocence and Privilege." With Dan Morris. Augustana College Social Justice Symposium Day. January.

2016 "Interpreting Paul's Legacy: The Roles of Women." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. December.

2016 "Women in the World of Paul." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. November.

2016 "History and Culture of South Africa." Presentation to the Augustana softball team prior to their trip to South Africa. November.

2016 "What's a Man to Do? Masculinity in Early Christianity." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. May.

2016 "Women and Men in Early Christianity." Four week CommUniversity course. St. Ambrose University. Davenport, IA. February.

2016 "Slavery in Early Christianity." Panel on Social Justice in Antiquity. Augustana College Social Justice Symposium Day. January.

2015 "The Death and Resurrection of Jesus." Four week course taught with Jason Mahn, Augustana College, at CommUniversity. St. Ambrose University. Davenport, IA. February.

2014 "Identity and Ethnicity in Multi-ethnic Families." With Mike Egan, Department of Education, Mamata Marme, Department of Business Administration, and Chris Marme, Department of Economics. Augustana College Symposium Day. September.

2013 "Early Christianity and Empire: Resistance, Rejection, Accommodation, Assimilation." St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport, IA. May.

2012 "Should Ethicists Use the Bible?" Augustana Center for the Study Ethics Community Lecture Series, Augustana College. Rock Island, IL. October.

2012 "Other Acts: Imagining the Disciples in the Second and Third Centuries." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. September.

2012 "Jesus said What? Stories about Jesus Outside the New Testament." St. Paul Lutheran Church. Davenport, IA. September.

2010 "What Have we to Learn from the Early Christians?" First Congregational Church United Church of Christ. Moline, IL. March.