



## Bingham Colloquium 2007

The Colloquium, the thirteenth in a continuing series held at McMaster Divinity College, provides an opportunity for scholars to present important perspectives on a contemporary New Testament theme. The topic this year is Empire in the New Testament. The format of the Colloquium will include presentations, brief question-and-answer sessions and a structured response to promote further discussion. Papers will be 30 minutes in length, followed by 10 minutes for questions from the audience. Participation by those who attend is invited, and will be solicited throughout the day. The exact times and those participating are subject to change. It is anticipated that the papers presented at the Colloquium will be edited for publication by Dr. Stanley E. Porter and Dr. Cynthia Long Westfall following the conference. Previous Colloquia are in the hands of Eerdmans Publishing, the series publisher, who have published or are publishing these volumes:

- Patterns of Discipleship in the New Testament (1996)
- The Road from Damascus: The Impact of Paul's Conversion on His Life, Thoughts, and Ministry (1997)
- Life in the Face of Death: The Resurrection Message of the New Testament (1998)
- The Challenge of Jesus' Parables (2000)
- Into God's Presence: Prayer in the New Testament (2001)
- Reading the Gospels Today (2004)
- Contours of Christology in the New Testament (2005)
- Hearing the Old Testament in the New Testament (2006)
- The Messiah in the Old and New Testaments (2007)
- Translating the New Testament: Text, Translation, Theology (2007)
- Christian Mission: Old Testament Foundations and New Testament Developments (2008)

Sponsorship of the Colloquium is to honour and remember Dr. H.H. Bingham, and is generously provided by members of his family.

*Dr. Craig Evans will teach a course based on this Colloquium from May 28 to June 1, entitled "Christian Origins and the Roman Empire." Registration for this course is required separately. Please contact the College for registration information or visit our website at [www.macdiv.ca/programs/summer.php](http://www.macdiv.ca/programs/summer.php)*



### Directions

*From Toronto, Oakville, Burlington:* Take Highway 403 to the Main Street West exit. At the traffic lights at the top of the ramp turn left and then immediately right on Newton Avenue. Continue to King Street. Cross King Street on to Sterling Street and proceed up Sterling to the McMaster Campus.

*From Brantford and London:* From Brantford travel along Highway 403 to the Aberdeen Street exit. Turn left at the first stoplight on Longwood Road and then left at the next stoplight which is Main Street. Turn right on Newton Avenue (just after the second stoplight). Continue to King Street. Cross King Street on to Sterling Street and proceed to the McMaster campus entrance.

*From Kitchener/Waterloo:* Take Highway 8 to the Town of Dundas. Proceed along King Street and this will become Cootes Drive. At the end of Cootes Drive, you will turn left onto Main Street. At the first stoplight (there are two left turn lanes—stay in right lane), turn left and proceed along the road, past the entrance to the underground hospital parking garage. The road becomes Forsyth Avenue. Turn left at the second stop sign into the main entrance of McMaster University.

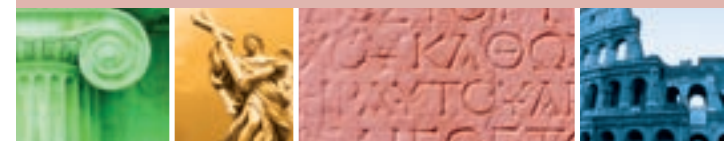
### Parking

Upon receiving your registration, further information will be sent regarding registration and location on the campus. There is no charge for parking at McMaster University for the day.

*For further information about directions, including a campus map, go to:*  
<http://www.mcmaster.ca/welcome/directions.cfm>

# EMPIRE

Bingham Colloquium 2007 in the New Testament



Saturday, June 2, 2007  
8:30 am - 5:30 pm





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## How does a Christian render unto Caesar what is Caesar's, and unto God what is God's?

This year's conference brings scholars from across North America to present substantive papers on Empire in the New Testament. It is an opportunity to examine various considerations and understandings of Empire in the ancient world as the context into which Christianity was born and to which it responded.

Papers will be given on the Old Testament concept of Empire as it relates to the New Testament. Then the various authors of the New Testament will be examined, with a view to their response to the notion of Empire, both human and divine.

### COLLOQUIUM SCHEDULE:

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| AM | <p><b>8:30 Registration and Coffee</b></p> <p><b>9:00 Welcome, Announcements, Prayer</b><br/><i>Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</i></p> <p><b>9:15 Old Testament: Mark J. Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</b> - "Walking in the Light of Yahweh: Zion and Empire in the Book of Isaiah"</p> <p><b>10:00 Old Testament: Douglas K. Stuart, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Massachusetts, USA</b> - "The Old Testament Context of David's Costly Flirtation with Empire-Building"</p> <p><b>10:45 Break</b></p> <p><b>11:00 Matthew-Mark: Warren Carter, Saint Paul School of Theology, Minnesota, USA</b> - "Matthew's Gospel as Imperial Negotiation"</p> <p><b>11:45 Luke-Acts: Craig Evans, Acadia Divinity College, Nova Scotia</b> - "King Jesus and His Ambassador Paul: Political Imagery in Luke-Acts"</p>   |
| PM | <p><b>12:30 Lunch (on your own)</b></p> <p><b>1:30 John: Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University, Ohio, USA</b> - "I Have Conquered the World': The Death of Jesus and the Denial of Empire in the Gospel of John"</p> <p><b>2:15 Major Pauline Epistles: Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</b> - "Paul Confronts Caesar with the Good News"</p> <p><b>3:00 Break</b></p> <p><b>3:15 Minor Pauline Epistles: Matthew Lowe, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</b> - "'This Was Not an Ordinary Death': Empire and Atonement in the Minor Pauline Epistles"</p> <p><b>4:00 Hebrews, the General Epistles and Revelation: Cynthia Long Westfall, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</b> - "Running the Gamut: Endurance in Resistance"</p> <p><b>4:45 Response and Questions:</b><br/><i>Gordon Heath, McMaster Divinity College, Ontario</i></p> <p><b>5:15 Wrap-up</b></p> <p><b>5:30 Closing Prayer</b></p> |

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*\* Please note that lunch is not included in conference fees.*

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