

Curriculum Vitae  
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Professor  
Department of Ancient Scripture  
Brigham Young University

**Degrees:**

Ph.D. **University of California, Berkeley and The Graduate Theological Union**  
Near Eastern Religions, May 2000

*A Narrative Critical Study of the Two Recensions of 'The Testament of Abraham.'* John Endres (chair); Erich Gruen; Daniel Boyarin; Birger Pearson; Victor Gold

Examination Fields: Second Temple Jewish Sects; History of Israel in Hellenistic and Roman Periods; Early Christianity and Gnosticism

M.A. **University of California, Berkeley**  
Biblical Hebrew, 1994

Examination Fields: Biblical Hebrew--Jacob Milgrom; Aramaic Texts--John Hayes; History of Israel--Victor Gold

B.A. **Brigham Young University**  
Near Eastern Studies, 1992 *cum laude*

**Teaching Experience:**

**Brigham Young University**, Department of Ancient Scripture, 2017-  
**Professor-**

**Brigham Young University**, Department of Ancient Scripture, 2006-2016

**Associate Professor-**

**ANES 331**-Readings in Ancient Near Eastern Texts

**ANES 332**-Readings in Classical Near Eastern Texts

**ANES 363**-Hebrew Bible Studies

**Religion A121**-Book of Mormon I

**Religion A122**-Book of Mormon II (Returned Missionary and Freshmen)

**Religion A211**-New Testament I

**Religion A212**-New Testament II (Honors and Regular)

**Religion A250**-Jesus Christ and the Everlasting Gospel

**Religion A275**-Teachings and Doctrine of the Book of Mormon

**Religion A302**-Old Testament II

**Religion C351**-Survey of World Religions and the Gospel

**Brigham Young University**, Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, 2011-2012;  
2016-2017  
*NES 336*-Ancient Near East History

**Brigham Young University-Hawaii**, History and Religion Departments, 2004-2006  
**Associate Professor-**  
*History 201*-World Civilizations: Ancient to 1500  
*History 302*-History of the Middle East  
*History 390R*-The Apocrypha and the Dead Sea Scrolls  
*IDS 390R*-Development of Early Christianity  
*Religion 121*-Book of Mormon I  
*Religion 211*-New Testament I  
*Religion 301*-Old Testament I  
*Religion 351*-Mormonism and the World Religions

**Brigham Young University-Hawaii**, History and Religion Departments, 2000-2004  
**Assistant Professor-**  
*History 201*-World Civilizations: Ancient to 1500  
*History 202*-World Communities: 1500 to Modern (Team-taught, Interdisciplinary course)  
*History 302*-History of the Middle East (Emphasis on Ancient Near East and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Current Events)  
*History 390R*-Origins of Christianity (Rise of Early Christianity)  
*History 490*-Historical Research and Writing (Senior Seminar for History Majors—Guided Students through capstone papers)  
*Religion 121*-Book of Mormon I  
*Religion 122*-Book of Mormon II  
*Religion 211*-New Testament I  
*Religion 212*-New Testament II  
*Religion 301*-Old Testament I  
*Religion 302*-Old Testament II  
*Religion 351*-Mormonism and the World Religions

**University of California, Berkeley**, Religious Studies Dept., Fall 1999.

**Teaching Assistant-**

*Reading Genesis*

Taught discussion sections and graded. Analysis of the text of Genesis and later Jewish, Christian, and Muslim interpretation of Genesis.

**University of California, Berkeley**, Religious Studies Dept., Spring 1998 and Spring 1999.

**Teaching Assistant-**

*Western Religious Traditions - Introduction to Judaism, Islam and Christianity* Taught discussion sections and graded.

**Brigham Young University**, Religion Department, Summers 1995-1999

**Visiting Instructor-**

**Religion A121**-Book of Mormon 1 Nephi to Alma 29 (Returned Missionary and Freshmen)

**Religion A122**-Book of Mormon Alma 30-Moroni 10 (Honors, Returned Missionary, and Freshmen)

**Religion A211**-New Testament: The Four Gospels

**Religion A301**-Old Testament - Genesis to 2 Samuel

**Publications:**

**Books—**

*Exploring the Apocrypha from a Latter-day Saint Perspective*. Springville, UT: Cedar Fort, 2018.

*Revealing World History to 1500*. West Stockbridge, MA: Thinking Strings, 2016.

*Abraham Meets Death: Narrative Humor in the Testament of Abraham*. New York: Continuum (Sheffield Academic Press), 2002.

**Articles—**

“Supersessionism and Latter-day Saint Thought: An Appraisal,” with Andrew C. Reed and Shon D. Hopkin, in *Understanding Covenants and Communities. Jews and Latter-day Saints in Dialogue*. Ed. Mark S. Diamond and Andrew C. Reed. Provo, UT and New York: Religious Studies Center and Central Conference of American Rabbis, 2020, 89-137.

“Power in the Book of Ether,” in *Illuminating the Jaredite Records*. Ed. Daniel L. Belnap. Provo, UT: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2020, 183-202.

“Abraham, Testament of,” *T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism. Volume I*. Ed. Loren T. Stuckenbruck and Daniel M. Gurtner. London and New York: T&T Clark, 2020, 95-96.

“Abraham in the Old Testament Pseudepigrapha: Friend of God and Father of Fathers,” in *Abraham in Jewish and Early Christian Literature*. Library of Second Temple Studies Volume 93. Ed. Sean A. Adams and Zanne Domoney-Lyttle. London and New York: T&T Clark, 2019, 41-58.

“Alma’s Loving Counsel to His Sons about the Law of Justice,” in *Give Ear to My Words. Text and Context of Alma 36-42. 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*. Ed. Kerry M. Hull, Nicholas J. Frederick, and Hank R. Smith. Provo, UT: Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book, 2019, 89-108.

“The First Jewish Revolt against Rome,” in *New Testament History, Culture, and Society*. Ed. Lincoln H. Blumell. Provo, UT: Religious Studies Center, 2019, 230-242.

“Are Weeping and Falling Down Funny? Exaggeration in Ancient Novelistic Texts,” in *Reading and Teaching Ancient Fiction. Jewish, Christian, and Greco-Roman Narratives*.

Writings from the Greco-Roman World Supplement Series, 11. Ed. Sara R. Johnson, Ruben R. Dupertuis, and Christine Shea. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2018, 165-177.

"A Messenger of Good and Evil Tidings. A Narrative Study of Abinadi," in *Abinadi. He Came Among Them in Disguise*. Ed. Shon D. Hopkin. Salt Lake City and Provo: Deseret Book and Religious Studies Center, 2018, 1-26.

"Book of Enoch," "Idolatry," "Jews," "Mahijah," "Mahujah," and "Sons of God" entries in *Pearl of Great Price Reference Companion*. General Editor, Dennis L. Largey. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2017.

"'After All We Can Do' (2 Nephi 25:23)," *Religious Educator* 18/1 (2017): 33-47.

"The Melting Pot: A Jewish Play's Influence on Twentieth-Century LDS Thought," *Mormon Historical Studies* 17/1 & 2 (Spring/Fall 2016), 121-144.

"The World of the Bible," "The Fall of Judah and the Exile," and "Intertestamental Literature and the Dead Sea Scrolls," chapters in *A Bible Reader's History of the Ancient World*. Ed. Kent P. Jackson. Provo, UT: The Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, Brigham Young University, 2016, 1-13, 261-271, 350-363.

"Moses and Paul: The Law." In *As Iron Sharpens Iron: Listening to the Various Voices of Scripture*. Ed. Julie Smith. Salt Lake City: Greg Kofford Books, 2016, 75-84.

"'They Are Not Cast Off Forever.' Fulfillment of the Covenant Purposes." In *The Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon. The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*. Ed. Dennis L. Largey, Andrew H. Hedges, John Hilton III, and Kerry Hull. Provo and Salt Lake City: BYU Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book Company, 2015, 265-279.

"A Narrative Approach to the Joseph Smith Translation of the Synoptic Gospels," *BYU Studies Quarterly* 54/2 (2015): 35-62.

"Stand Down and See the End: Peter's Characterization in the Gospels." In *The Ministry of Peter, the Chief Apostle. 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*. Ed. Frank F. Judd Jr., Eric D. Huntsman, and Shon D. Hopkin. Provo and Salt Lake City: BYU Religious Studies Center and Deseret Book Company, 2014; 67-90.

"Death and the Afterlife in 2 Baruch." In *Interpreting 4 Ezra and 2 Baruch. International Studies*. Ed. Gabriele Boccaccini and Jason M. Zurawski. London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2014; 116-123.

"Anointed," "End of the Earth/End of the World," and "Gnashing of Teeth" entries in *Doctrine and Covenants Reference Companion*. General Editor, Dennis L. Largey. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2012.

"Appropriation of Egyptian Judgment in *The Testament of Abraham?*" In *Evolving Egypt: Innovation, Appropriation, and Reinterpretation in Ancient Egypt*. Ed. Kerry Muhlestein

and John Gee. Oxford: Archaeopress—British Archaeological Reports International Series 2397, 2012; 99-103.

“The Father in the Sermon on the Mount.” In *The Sermon on the Mount in Latter-day Scripture*. Ed. Gaye Strathearn, Thomas Wayment, and Daniel Belnap. 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium; Provo and Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University and Deseret Book, 2010; 140-156.

“The Book of Acts: A Pattern for Modern Church Growth.” In *Shedding Light on the New Testament: Acts through Revelation*. Ed. Ray Huntington, Frank Judd, and David Whitchurch. Provo: Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University, 2009.

“The Powers of the Atonement: Insights from the Book of Mormon.” *Religious Educator* 9/2 (2008): 21-29.

“A Tale of Three Communities: Jerusalem, Elephantine and Lehi-Nephi.” *Journal of Book of Mormon Studies* 16/2 (2007): 29-41.

“Paul’s Use of Old Testament Scripture.” In *How the New Testament Came to Be*. Ed. Kent P. Jackson and Frank F. Judd, Jr. 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium; Provo and Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University and Deseret Book, 2006; 227-242.

“Humor and Paradox in the Characterization of Abraham in the Testament of Abraham,” in *Ancient Fiction: The Matrix of Early Christian and Jewish Narrative*. Ed. Jo-Ann A. Brant, Charles W. Hedrick, and Chris Shea. SBL Symposium Series 32; Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2005; 199-214.

“Abraham’s Visions of the Heavens.” in *Astronomy, Papyrus, and Covenant*. Ed. John Gee and Brian Hauglid. Studies in the Book of Abraham, 3. Provo: ISPART BYU, 2005; 57-73.

“Justice and Mercy in the Book of Deuteronomy. (Is There Mercy in the Old Testament?)” *FARMS Occasional Papers* 4 (2003): 13-24.

“Fear” and 27 smaller entries in *Book of Mormon Reference Companion*. General Ed. Dennis L. Largey. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2003.

“The Testament of Abraham: Which Came First—Recension A or Recension B?” *Journal for the Study of the Pseudepigrapha* 13.1 (2002): 3-15.

“Themes of Discipleship in John.” *The Testimony of John the Beloved. Proceedings of the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium*. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1998. Pp. 94-112

“What are the *Qdose Qdosim* in “The Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice?” *Journal of the Association of Graduate Students in Near Eastern Studies (JAGNES)*, 7 (Spring 1997):42-51.

**Editor—**

*The Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Old Testament.* With D. Kelly Ogden and Kerry Muhlestein. 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium; Provo and Salt Lake City: Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University and Deseret Book, 2009.

*FARMS Occasional Papers, Vol. 4.* Provo: FARMS (BYU), 2003.

**Book Reviews—**

*Qumran and Jerusalem: Studies in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the History of Judaism.* Lawrence H. Schiffman. In *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 73.2 (2011): 424-425.

*The Temple of Jerusalem: Past, Present, and Future.* John M. Lundquist. In *BYU Studies* 49.2 (2010): 184-187.

**Articles Forthcoming or Under Review—**

"The Testament of Abraham," entry in *The Blackwell Companion to the Old Testament Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha*, ed. Randall Chesnutt (forthcoming)

"Untimely Death: Is There a Good Time to Die?" in *Festschrift in Honor of Dale C. Allison*, Brill's NovTSup series (under review)

"Enoch in the Old Testament and Beyond," chapter in Old Testament Volume edited by Daniel Belnap and Aaron Schade (under review)

**Papers Delivered:**

"'Enoch Walked with God, and He Was Not': Where Did Enoch Go After Genesis?" *Tracing Ancient Threads in the Book of Moses*, Interpreter Foundation, Provo, UT, September 2020.

"*Joseph and Aseneth: A Conversion Story or Authorial Playfulness in Hellenistic Jewish Texts,*" *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Hellenistic Judaism Section, San Diego, CA, November 2019.

"The Journey of Angels with Mortals: Earthward Travel," *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Pseudepigrapha Section, San Diego, CA, November 2019.

"Alma's Loving Counsel to His Sons about the Law of Justice," *Sperry Symposium*, Provo, UT, October 2019.

"Untimely Death: Is There a Good Time to Die?" *Society of Biblical Literature, International Meeting*, Rome, Italy, July 2019.

"Enoch in the Tradition of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormonism)," *Enoch Seminar*, Florence, Italy, June 2019.

"Dependency and Transmission of Abraham Traditions in the Pseudepigrapha," *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Transmission of Traditions in the Second Temple Period Section, Denver, November 2018.

“Hyperbolizing Exaggeration: Authorial Playfulness in Hellenistic Jewish Texts,” *Discovering and Interpreting Humor in the Ancient World Conference*, The Ohio State University, Columbus, April 2018.

“Didactic First-Person Characterization in *The Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs*,” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section, Boston, November 2017.

“‘One Like the Son of Man Came with the Clouds of Heaven’: The Context and Influence of the Son of Man Prophecy in Daniel 7.” *46<sup>th</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*, Provo, October 2017.

“The LDS Hymnal and the Sabbath,” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Latter-day Saints and the Bible, San Antonio, November 2016.

“Eusebius and the Performances of the Gospel Stories,” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts, Atlanta, November 2015.

“‘They Are Not Cast Off Forever.’ Fulfillment of the Covenant Purposes,” *44<sup>th</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*, Provo, October 2015.

“Fullness of the Gentiles’: Influence on and Impact of Paul’s Statement in Romans 11:25,” *Society of Biblical Literature, International Meeting*, Pauline Epistles Section, Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 2015.

“Joseph Smith as a Narrator in the Joseph Smith Translation,” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section, San Diego, November 2014.

“Stand Down and See the End: Peter’s Characterization in the Gospels.” *43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sperry Symposium*, Provo, October 2014.

“Is Paul’s Notion of God’s Foreknowledge Consistent with Second Temple Jewish Thought?” *Nangeroni Meeting of the Enoch Seminar*, Re-Reading Paul as a Second-Temple Jewish Author, Rome, June 2014.

“Are Weeping and Falling Down Funny? Exaggeration in Ancient Novelistic Texts,” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section, Baltimore, November 2013.

“Joseph Smith’s Reading of the Jewish Apocrypha and the Pseudepigrapha.” *BYU Church History Symposium*, Provo, March 2013.

“Death and the Afterlife in 2 Baruch.” *Enoch Seminar*, Milan, June 2011.

“The Father in the Sermon on the Mount.” *2010 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium*, Provo, UT; October 2010.

“Has the Widow of Zarephath Been Forgotten? How the Bible has been used to encourage LDS welfare and humanitarian aid.” Co-presented with Michael Biggerstaff (ORCA Mentorship Grant). *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, LDS and the Bible Section, New Orleans, November 2009.

“Uniting All Peoples by the Gospel: David O. McKay and the Melting Pot.” *Society of Mormon Philosophy and Theology*, Claremont, CA, May 2009.

“The Evolution of the Angel of Death in Jewish Literature.” Co-presented with Cary Plocher (ORCA Mentorship Grant). *Society of Biblical Literature, International Meeting*, Judaica Section, Vienna, July 2007.

“The Powers of the Atonement—Insights on the Atonement from the Book of Mormon.” *BYU Easter Conference*, April 7, 2007

“Is the Judgment Scene in *The Testament of Abraham* Egyptian?” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Pseudepigrapha Section, Washington D.C., November 2006

“A Survey of Latter-day Saint Scholarship on John.” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, LDS and the Bible Consultation, Washington D.C., November 2006

“Paul’s Use of Old Testament Scripture in the New Testament.” 2006 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, Provo, UT; October 2006

“Appropriation of Egyptian Judgment in *The Testament of Abraham*?” *Evolving Egypt Conference*, Brigham Young University–Hawaii; February 2006.

“Elephantine and Post-Exilic Jerusalem: Reconstituting Religious Community in New Circumstances.” *Society of Biblical Literature, International Meeting*, Judaica; Singapore; June 2005

“Notions of Death and the Afterlife in the *Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs*.” *Society of Biblical Literature, International Meeting*, Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha, Singapore; June 2005

“Panel Discussion of *The Testament of Abraham* by Dale C. Allison.” Panelist, *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting*, Pseudepigrapha Section, San Antonio, TX; November 2004

“From Apostles to Bishops—Where Did the Apostolic Authority Go?” 2004 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium, Provo, UT; October 2004



“And the Two Went Together’: The Expiatory Binding of Isaac and the Testing of Abraham.” *Genesis 22. Latter-day Saint Perspectives on the Binding of Isaac*, FARMS and Religious Studies Center; Provo, UT; March 2004

“Elephantine and Post-Exilic Jerusalem: Reconstituting Religious Community in New Circumstances.” *Society of Biblical Literature, Regional Meeting, Judaism in the Graeco-Roman Era Section*; Davis, CA; March 2003

“Testament of Abraham: Which Came First—Recension A or Recension B?” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Pseudepigrapha Section*, Toronto; November 2002

“Do Unto Others: Searching for Peace Among World Religions.” *Brigham Young University-Hawaii Convocation Address*; September 2002

“Notions of Death and the Afterlife in the *Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs*.” *Society of Biblical Literature, Regional Meeting, Judaism in the Graeco-Roman Era Section*, Moraga, CA; March 2002

“Progression to the Angelic Realm in Second Temple Literature.” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Qumran Section*, Denver, CO; November 2001

“Justice and Mercy in the Book of Deuteronomy.” *2001 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium*, Provo, UT; Oct. 2001

“Humor and Paradox in the Characterization of Abraham in the Testament of Abraham.” *Society of Biblical Literature, National Meeting, Ancient Fiction and Early Jewish and Christian Narrative Group*, Nashville, TN; November 2000

“Abraham’s Visions of the Heavens.” *FARMS Book of Abraham Symposium*, Provo, UT; Oct. 1999

“Watch Out for the Sickle: Metaphors and Personification of Death in Second Temple Literature.” *Society of Biblical Literature, Regional Meeting, Jews in the Graeco-Roman Era Section*, San Francisco, CA; March 1999

“Themes of Discipleship in John.” *Sidney B. Sperry Symposium*, Provo, UT; Oct. 1998

“Characterization and Mercy in ‘The Testament of Abraham’: Crafting of a Story or Flattening of Characters?” *Society of Biblical Literature Regional Meeting, Jews in the Graeco-Roman Era Section*, Claremont, CA; March 1998

### **Fellowships and Awards:**

ORCA Mentorship Grant, BYU: Winter 2007; Winter 2010.

Newhouse Fellowship for Jewish Studies: 1998-1999, 1999-2000

Hugh W. Nibley Fellowship: 1996-1997, 1997-1998, 1998-1999

Near Eastern Religions Grant: 1997-1998, 1999-2000

Phi Kappa Phi: 1992

**Languages:**

Hebrew (Reading), Greek (Reading), Aramaic (Reading), German (Reading, some speaking), French (Reading), Portuguese (Reading and Speaking)

**University Service at Brigham Young University:**

Ancient Scripture Department Rank and Advancement Committee, chair (2017- )  
2018 Easter Conference Planning Committee, member (2016- )  
Ancient Scripture Department Rank and Advancement Committee, member (2012-2016)  
RSC Publications Ancient Scripture Review Board (2012-2016)  
Jerusalem Center Faculty (2011-2012) (2016-2017)  
ORCA Review Committee, member (2008-2010); Chair (2010-2011)  
2009 Sperry Symposium (Old Testament) Committee, member (2008-2009)  
Editorial Advisory Board for *Studies in the Bible and Antiquity: An Occasional Publication of the Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Studies*, member (2007-2013)  
Religious Education Student Symposium Committee, member (2006-2008)  
New Testament Assessment Committee, member (Winter 2007)  
Peer Reviewer, *2011 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium Papers* (January 2011); *2007 Sidney B. Sperry Symposium Papers* (January 2007)

**University Service at BYU-Hawaii:**

History Department Chair (2004-2006)  
Faculty Advisory Committee, chair (2004-2005)  
Faculty Advisory Committee, member (2003-2004; 2005-2006)  
University Assessment Committee, member (2001-2004)  
Co-Coordinator World Communities Course (2002-2004)  
History 201 (Ancient History-1500) Committee, chair (2002-2003)  
Housing Committee, appointed member (2002-2004)  
Student Research Associateship Committee, member (2003-2004)  
Faculty Advisor—Brazilian Club (2003-2005)

**Professional Association:***Society of Biblical Literature*

Chair, "Latter-day Saints and the Bible" Section, Society of Biblical Literature  
2014-2017

Committee Member, "Latter-day Saints and the Bible" Section, Society of Biblical Literature 2009-2013.

*Enoch Seminar,*

Presenter, 2014

Presenter, June 2011

Participant, June 2009