

## EARLY BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION SEMINAR

Convener: Prof Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Thursday at 9.00–10.30 a.m.

Location: Harris Seminar Room, Oriel College

### Michaelmas Term 2018

#### Week 1 – October 11

Introduction to the Dead Sea Scrolls and Electronic Resources

Speakers: Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Eibert Tigchelaar (Leuven)

#### Week 3 – October 25

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Hodayot* (Thanksgiving Hymns), 1QH<sup>a</sup> IX

#### Week 4 – November 1

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Hodayot* (Thanksgiving Hymns), 1QH<sup>a</sup> IX

#### Week 5 – November 8

Guest speaker: Sean Adams (Glasgow) – *Philo and the Biographical Tradition*

#### Week 6 – November 15

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Hodayot* (Thanksgiving Hymns), 1QH<sup>a</sup> IX

#### Week 8 – November 29

Guest speaker: Crispin Fletcher-Louis (University of Gloucestershire) – *The Self-Glorification Hymn (1QH<sup>a</sup> 26 and parallels), Ben Sira 50 and Liturgical Theology's Response to Ruler Cult*

## Hilary Term 2019

### Week 1 – January 17

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Hodayot* (Thanksgiving Hymns), 1QH<sup>a</sup> IX

### Week 2: January 24

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Serekh* (Rule of the Community), 1QS XI

### Week 3 – January 31

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Serekh* (Rule of the Community), 1QS XI

### Week 4 – February 7

Dead Sea Scrolls Reading Session: *Serekh* (Rule of the Community), 1QS XI

### Week 5 – February 14

Speaker: Hindy Najman (Oriël) – *Practices of Reading and Modes of Interpretation*

\*With additional contributions by Yael Fisch (Oriël) and Omer Michaelis (Tel Aviv)

### Week 6 – February 21

Guest speaker: Noam Mizrahi (Tel Aviv University) – *Cursing Belial: From The Priestly Blessing to the Apotropaic Curses in the Dead Sea Scrolls*

### Week 7 – February 28

Guest speaker: Menahem Kister (Hebrew University) – *The Damascus Document, Columns IV and V*

### Week 8 – March 7

Chair: Alison Salvesen (Mansfield)

Guest speaker: Bradley Marsh (Oriental Institute) – *The 'Harklean' Version of Susanna: A Jewish or Christian Revision*

## Trinity Term 2019

### Week 1 – May 2

Guest speaker: Tessa Rajak (Somerville) – *The Torah of 4 Maccabees*

### Week 2 – May 9

Guest speaker: Barry Hartog (Protestant Theological University, Groningen) – *Pesher in Context*

### Week 4 – May 23

Guest speaker: Loren Stuckenbruck (Munich) – *1 Enoch and the Interpretation of the Psalms*

### Week 6 – June 6

No seminar this week

Postgraduate conference in Leuven **4 June** (Groningen-Leuven-Oxford Encounters on the Dead Sea Scrolls)

### Week 8 – June 21 Day-long postgraduate workshop: *70 years of Dead Sea Scrolls*

**Time: 8.45 a.m. – 6.30 p.m.**

**Venue: Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, Walton Street**

Conveners: Markus Bockmuehl (Keble), Martin Goodman (Wolfson), and Hindy Najman (Oriel)

Keynotes: George Brooke (Manchester) and Eibert Tigchelaar (Leuven)