



# Alumni Connection

## "And They're Off!"

With those words we watch thoroughbreds bolt from a starting gate with energy, passion, and commitment.



I thought about that phrase last Monday morning as the fall semester kicked off and our faculty members began the beautiful privilege of expressing their gifts, calling, and passion as theological educators. What a blessing to work with them. And what a joy to welcome returning and new students into our courses. They come with a desire to learn, grow, and pursue the calling God has laid on their lives.

At Denver Seminary we've been welcoming students into our classrooms and lives for over seventy years. Perhaps you remember both the anticipation and the anxiety of those first seminary classes. Would you take a moment today and **pray for our faculty members and students** as they begin the arduous and exhilarating process of learning and growing together?

Many of our students come to Denver Seminary because of recommendations from our alumni. Thank you for steering students to Denver Seminary.

- President Mark Young

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### **Need Prayer?**

Did you know that each week the Alumni Relations team prays for Denver Seminary alumni? Click the button below to share a prayer request.

**Submit a Prayer Request**

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Dr. Craig L. Blomberg Endowed Chair of New Testament Lecture**

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**GUEST SPEAKERS**

**Dr. Craig Blomberg**

Professor Emeritus of New Testament

**Dr. Joseph Dodson**

Craig L. Blomberg Endowed Chair of New Testament

**Will you be in Denver for ETS this November?**

Denver Seminary invites you to join Dr. Craig Blomberg and Dr. Joseph Dodson in an engaging debate of the biblical interpretation of Romans 7 and its implications for us today.

Following the debate, the floor will be open for a Q&A with Dr. Blomberg, Professor Emeritus of New Testament at Denver Seminary, and Dr. Dodson, named to the newly established Dr. Craig L. Blomberg Endowed Chair of New Testament.

A shuttle service will be available from downtown Denver to the Denver Seminary campus. Shuttle pickup downtown will be at 4:30 p.m. More info to come.

**Thursday, November 17, 2022 | 5:00–7:30 p.m. | Denver Seminary Chapel**

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**The State of the Seminary**



Join us at Denver Seminary's State of the Seminary address.

At this virtual gathering, President Mark Young will give an update on the overall health of the institution and where the past year has taken us as well as share exciting vision for the future.

We will also dedicate a portion of our time to answering questions from you. You will have the opportunity to submit questions during the event, or you may use [this form](#) to send questions prior to the evening. We hope you will join us.

**Tuesday, October 25, 2022 | 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. MDT | Zoom**

**Register Now**

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### **In Perspective: Sexual Abuse and the Church**



Complacency, complicity, and silence on the matter of sexual abuse in the Church contradicts God's call to protect the vulnerable, bring healing, and seek justice. These realities also undermine the credibility of the gospel we claim to believe and preach. In this panel discussion, we will examine how churches can help prevent sexual abuse, meaningfully respond when such abuse comes to light, and be a part of the healing process for victims and their families.

**Thursday, September 29, 2022 | 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. MDT | Zoom**

**Register Now**

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**The Bridge Gallery**



**The Bridge Gallery is proud to present the Thomas Elias Lockhart III Exhibit.**

Thomas Lockhart is an internationally selling artist from Denver, Colorado. He has a background in graphic design, but fine art has always been his passion. Lockhart is a storyteller and historian, using his work to illustrate the stories of Black culture, history, and beyond. Lockhart also loves working with kids, encouraging them to explore and develop their creativity. He hopes that his artwork and design will inspire, encourage, and compel others to follow their dreams and enjoy the many beauties of life that are often hidden in the art world.

“This exhibit is about the diversity and the intricacy of who we are as a people—from our artistry, dance, music, heritage, and history—bringing together a melting pot of the flavors and imagination of us.” - Thomas Elias Lockhart III

**Stop by the Academic Building this fall semester to view Lockhart’s work. It is available for viewing now and will be displayed through December 9, 2022.**

*The Bridge Gallery is a space for visual, theological, and cultural dialogue. Artists present concepts and questions through a variety of media, addressing the topics of our times. The expressions presented at the Bridge Gallery are not necessarily reflective of the theological or philosophical stances of Denver Seminary yet represent the human struggle toward truth and meaning. The mission of the Bridge Gallery is to prepare Denver Seminary students and the public to engage the world through contemporary art.*

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## REFER A STUDENT

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Alumni referrals are one of our most effective means of recruitment and enrollment. Know someone interested in theological training? Counseling skills? Equipment for ministry?

Refer an interested student or let them know about our upcoming visits, including options on campus and over video.

**Student Request Info**

**Campus Visits**

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## DENVER SEMINARY NEWS

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### **PhD in Counseling Education and Supervision**

Did you know that in August we started our second cohort for the PhD program in Counseling Education and Supervision? We now have 20 people in this doctorate program and are committed to growing it going forward. It is a four-year, relational, cohort-based, online doctoral degree program.

As the number of Americans with mental health conditions increases, the demand for professional counselors who have the specialized education and training to care for them is increasing. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors is projected to grow 25% from 2019 to 2029—much faster than many other career fields. This means the industry needs more “training of the trainers.”



Denver Seminary has stepped into this gap to prepare counselor educators and supervisors who can serve in other educational institutions, develop new programs in counseling, increase the number of trained counselors, and, ultimately, serve significantly more clients in need.

If you have specific questions, please contact Assistant Director of Marketing and Recruiting, Rita Salcedo, at [rita.salcedo@denverseminary.edu](mailto:rita.salcedo@denverseminary.edu).

[Learn More](#)

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## Denver Seminary is Hiring!



Denver Seminary seeks out highly qualified and gifted individuals that God has called to assist us in our mission to prepare men and women to engage the needs of the world with the redemptive power of the gospel and the life-changing truth of Scripture. A number of roles are currently available, including:

- **Adjunct Faculty – Counseling Division**
- **Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program**
- **Associate Director of Admissions**
- **Staff Accountant**

See our complete list of open positions at the link below:

[Job Openings](#)

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## RESOURCES AND MEDIA

Stay up to date on Denver Seminary panel discussions and podcasts by regularly checking out our [Newsroom](#) on the Denver Seminary website. New podcasts are released regularly.

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### Engage360 Podcasts



### Episode 98 | Frank Conversations: The Church and Suicide Prevention

Research shows that the Church and ministry leaders are often not engaging in conversations about mental health and suicide prevention. Adam Wilson, assistant professor of Counseling, and Michelle Gonzales, adjunct professor of Counseling and crisis recovery and suicide prevention counselor, explore how and why our church communities need to be active in these conversations, and share about warning signs and ways to engage with someone who may be experiencing suicidal ideation.

[Listen Now](#)



### Episode 97 | The Church, Apologetics, and the Hiddenness of God

With growing skepticism toward Christianity and the Church in society today, a solid biblical foundation and Christian community is vital. Listen in as Professor of Philosophy Dr. Douglas Groothuis shares his thoughts on the importance of being in a church community, the hiddenness of God, and the recently released second edition of his book *Christian Apologetics: A Comprehensive Case for Biblical Faith*.

[Listen Now](#)



### Episode 94 | Finding Hope in Turmoil: Ministering to the US Senate

Sometimes we need to peek behind the curtain to find hope in our broken world. Denver Seminary alumna and Chief of Staff for the US Senate Chaplain, Lisa Schultz, shares about the challenges of ministering at the Capitol over recent years of turmoil and explores where she finds hope in Christ.

[Listen Now](#)

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**Engage Magazine**





The Spring/Summer 2022 edition of Denver Seminary's *Engage* Magazine was published recently.

Didn't receive your issue in the mail? Update your contact information using the link below or email [alumni@denverseminary.edu](mailto:alumni@denverseminary.edu).

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### Alumni Facebook Group

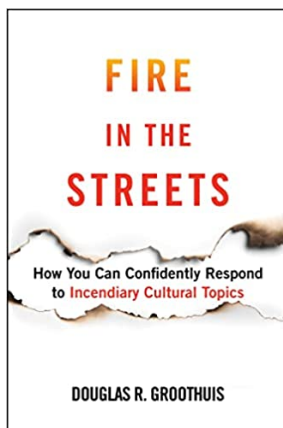


#### Stay connected to other alumni.

Join the Denver Seminary Alumni Facebook Group to share updates, ask questions, and find resources while receiving details about news and events from Denver Seminary.

## FACULTY, STAFF, & ALUMNI PUBLICATIONS

If you have a publication you'd like us to consider sharing, please email [Alumni Relations](#).

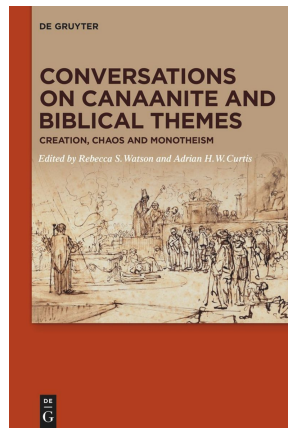


### Fire in the Streets: How You Can Confidently Respond to Incendiary Cultural Topics

Dr. Douglas Groothuis,  
*Professor of Philosophy*

From the origins of critical theory in the bowels of the academy to its use in justifying rioting and arson in the name of a dubious equity agenda, an eminent philosopher unmasks the intellectual origins of this mental virus, and details steps rational thinkers can take to combat its insidious spread.

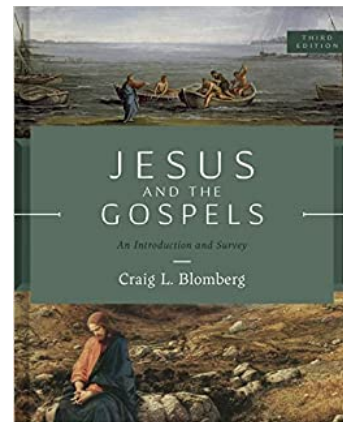
A biblical alternative to matters of justice and politics is available. One that is right and true. One based on the ideals of the American founding. Find it in these pages.



### Conversations on Canaanite and Biblical Themes: Creation, Chaos and Monotheism

Dr. Richard Hess  
(contributor), *Distinguished Professor of Old Testament and Semitic Languages*

Arguments over the relationship between Canaanite and Israelite religion often derive from fundamental differences in presupposition, methodology, and definition, yet debate typically focuses in on details and encourages polarization between opposing views, inhibiting progress. This volume seeks to initiate a cultural change in scholarly practice by setting up

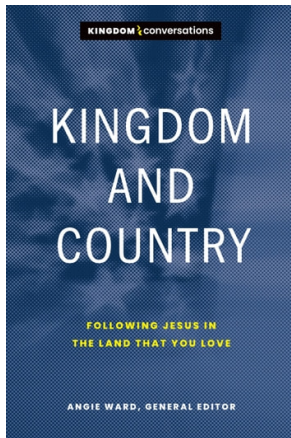


### Jesus and the Gospels, Third Edition

Dr. Craig Blomberg,  
*Professor Emeritus of New Testament*

For too long in Bible stories, women have been ignored, overlooked, or simply left out of the narrative entirely. However, within these pages, you will find a more in-depth look into eight women who were indispensable to Jesus' ministry. Some funded his ministry out of their own pockets, some were family members, but all were intensely invested in making Jesus' ministry a success. May all women who read this book realize that they have never been forgotten by Jesus.

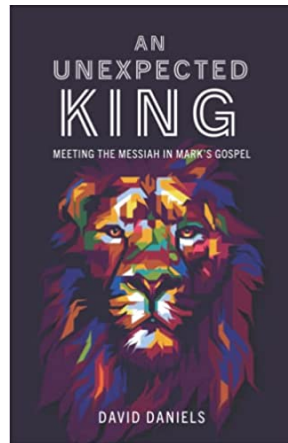
dialogues between pairs of experts in the field who hold contrasting views.



**Kingdom and Country:  
Following Jesus in the  
Land that You Love**

Angie Ward ('96), *DMin Program Assistant Director* (editor), Ryan Tafilowski, *Assistant Professor of Theology* (contributor)

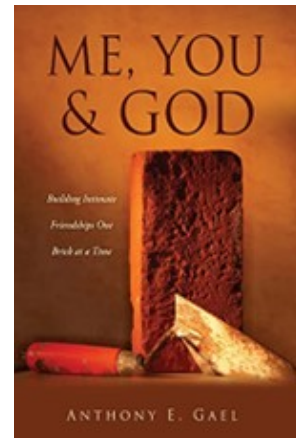
National tensions are at a record high. People on all points in the political spectrum care deeply about their country, although they differ wildly in their opinions about what it looks like to serve that country well. In this book, a collection of leading Christian thinkers and practitioners take a holistic approach to considering the questions of patriotism, nationalism, and where our ultimate loyalties must lie.



**An Unexpected King:  
Meeting the Messiah in  
Mark's Gospel**

David Daniels ('93),  
*alumnus*

This devotional walks you through the life of Jesus, showing the gradual revelation of His ministry, His identity, and His destiny in Mark's Gospel. Each chapter is designed to appeal to both head and heart. As each passage is unpacked, the historical and cultural details will be studied to understand what the author's intent of the text was and connecting each lesson to our personal lives today. *An Unexpected King* is theological and personal—to help you grow in knowing and being.



**Me, You & God: Building  
Intimate Friendships One  
Brick at a Time**

Anthony E. Gael ('13),  
*alumnus*

Trust. Humility. Faithfulness. Belief in someone's potential. These are the four essential bricks crucial to growing intimate friendships with people. But there can be more—much more! If we can use these four bricks in growing intimate friendships with one another, shouldn't we use the same building blocks to grow an intimate friendship with God? This is a question author Tony Gael has asked for many years. He has come to the belief that yes, we can, and yes, we should.

*Please note that the views expressed in alumni publications do not necessarily reflect the views of Denver Seminary.*

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## EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

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## Community Bible Study



Join an in-depth, non-denominational Bible study led by Dr. Jim Greenberg on Job, 1 and 2 Peter, James, and Colossians. Includes small groups for men, women, couples, and young adults (online and in person). Meets every Monday from 7:15 to 9:00 p.m. from September 12, 2022 to April 10, 2023 at Waterstone Community Church. Register [online](#), or contact Rob Liley at 303.944.2401 or [rsliley@comcast.net](mailto:rsliley@comcast.net).

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