

# MICHAEL KOCHENASH | Curriculum Vitae

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

### APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Fellow, Washington and Jefferson College, 2026–2027  
Radboud Excellence Initiative Fellow, Radboud University, 2022–2024  
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Hunan University, 2018–2020

### EDUCATION

PhD (New Testament), Claremont School of Theology, 2011–2017  
MA (Bible), Yale University, 2007–2009  
BA (Bible & Theology), Malone University, 2003–2007

## RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS—MONOGRAPHS

*Roman Self-Representation and the Lukan Kingdom of God.* Lanham, MD: Lexington/Fortress Academic, 2020.

### BOOKS—EDITED VOLUMES

*Classical Greek Models of the Gospels and Acts: Studies in Mimesis Criticism.* Coedited with Mark G. Bilby and Margaret Froelich. Claremont Studies in New Testament & Christian Origins 3. Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2018.

*Christian Origins and the New Testament in the Greco-Roman Context: Essays in Honor of Dennis R. MacDonald.* Coedited with Margaret Froelich, Thomas E. Phillips, and Ilseo Park. Claremont Studies in New Testament & Christian Origins 1. Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2016.

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

“The Census in Luke 2: Using Josephus to Make Sense of Luke’s Irreconcilable Chronology.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 143 (2024): 503–22.

“The Case for Judith’s Imitation of ‘Nobody’ (among Others).” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 54 (2023): 316–49.

“Unbelievable: An Interpretation of Acts 12 That Takes Rhoda’s Cassandra Curse Seriously.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 141 (2022): 337–57.

“Trojan Horses: The Counterintuitive Use of Dinah, Helen, and Goliath in Joseph and Aseneth.” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 52 (2021): 417–41.

“Reframing Julius’ Kindness (Acts 27) as an Extension of Luke’s Socratic Characterisation of Paul.” *New Testament Studies* 67 (2021): 73–84.

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES (CONT.)

- “Cross-Purposes in the Gospel of Judas: What Judas Intended for Evil, God Intended for Good.” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 28 (2020): 481–500.
- “Better Call Paul ‘Saul’: Literary Models and a Lukan Innovation.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 138 (2019): 433–49.
- “Cornelius’s Obeisance to Peter (Acts 10:25–26) and Judaea Capta Coins.” *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 81 (2019): 627–40.
- “‘Adam, Son of God’ (Luke 3.38): Another Jesus-Augustus Parallel in Luke’s Gospel.” *New Testament Studies* 64 (2018): 307–25.
- “Political Correction: Luke’s Tabitha (Acts 9:36–43), Virgil’s Dido, and Cleopatra.” *Novum Testamentum* 60 (2018): 1–13.
- “The Advent of Christmas and Early Christian Sacred Space.” *Questions Liturgiques* 98 (2017): 60–80.
- “You Can’t Hear ‘Aeneas’ without Thinking of Rome.” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 136 (2017): 667–85.
- “Taking the Bad with the Good: Reconciling Images of Rome in Luke-Acts.” *Religious Studies Review* 41 (2015): 43–51.

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

- “The Jewish Character of Luke’s Imitation of Literary Models: Situating Acts within Judaism.” Pages 245–65 in *Luke and Acts with(in) Second Temple Judaism*. Edited by Isaac W. Oliver, Jocelyn McWhirter, and Joshua Scott. BZNW 256. Berlin: De Gruyter, 2026.
- “The Scandal of Gentile Inclusion: Reading Acts 17 with Euripides’ *Bacchae*.” Pages 125–44 in *Classical Greek Models of the Gospels and Acts: Studies in Mimesis Criticism*. Edited by Mark G. Bilby, Michael Kochenash, and Margaret Froelich. CSNTCO 3. Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2018.
- “Even Good Homer Nods.” Pages 17–24 in *Classical Greek Models of the Gospels and Acts: Studies in Mimesis Criticism*. Edited by Mark G. Bilby, Michael Kochenash, and Margaret Froelich. CSNTCO 3. Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2018.
- “Reconsidering Luke-Acts and Virgil’s *Aeneid*: Negotiating Ethnic Legacies.” Pages 7–38 in *Christian Origins and the New Testament in the Greco-Roman Context: Essays in Honor of Dennis R. MacDonald*. Edited by Margaret Froelich et al. CSNTCO 1. Claremont, CA: Claremont Press, 2016.

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

Society for Classical Studies Contingent Faculty Grant (\$2,548), April 2026  
Catholic Biblical Association Research Grant (\$5,000), June 2025  
Internal Candidate for a British Academy International Fellowship, Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Oxford, February 2024  
Radboud Excellence Initiative Fellowship (€198,940), Radboud University, May 2021  
Outstanding Postdoctoral Fellow Award, Hunan University, April 2020  
China Postdoctoral Science Foundation Grant (¥50,000), November 2019

## INVITED LECTURES\*

Faculty of the School of Arts, Murdoch University  
Study of Texts, Contexts and Concepts in Judaism and Christianity Seminar, Radboud University

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS\*

British New Testament Society Annual Meeting  
Catholic Biblical Association Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting  
Eastern Great Lakes Biblical Society Annual Meeting  
Midwest Regional Meeting for Biblical Studies  
Nangeroni Meeting of the Enoch Seminar  
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting  
Society of Biblical Literature Pacific Coast Regional Meeting

\*dates and titles available upon request

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE, Fall 2025–Fall 2026

REL 105: *Western Religious Traditions*  
REL 201: *The Hebrew Bible in Context*  
REL 202: *The New Testament in Context*  
REL 210: *Greek Myths and the Bible*

RADBOD UNIVERSITY, Spring 2023–Fall 2023

TH/BA 101: *Exegesis of the Old and New Testaments* [co-taught with Carly L. Crouch]  
TH/BA 203: *Exegesis of the New Testament: The Sermon on the Mount*  
PPS/BA 218: *Dying for God: Martyrdom, Terrorism, and Religious Violence*  
RS/MA 102: *Conceptions of Early Christianity: Reception and Exegesis of Acts*  
TH/MA 204: *Gender, Sexuality, and Christians in the Ancient Mediterranean World*

AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Fall 2013–Spring 2016

UBBL 230: *Luke/Acts*

MALONE UNIVERSITY, Spring 2011

BIBL 121: *The New Testament*

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS

Editorial Board Member, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, 2024–Present

Sub-Area Editor (Luke; Acts), *Religious Studies Review*, 2022–Present

Sub-Area Editor (Environments of Early Christianity), *Religious Studies Review*, 2018–2022

### PEER REVIEW

*Biblical Theology Bulletin*, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, Oxford University Press, *Toronto Journal of Theology*

### BOOK REVIEWS

Eighteen book reviews and forty-nine book notes (list available upon request)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### MEMBERSHIPS

Catholic Biblical Association

Society of Biblical Literature

Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas

### LANGUAGES—READING KNOWLEDGE

Aramaic, Coptic, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Latin

### REFERENCES

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