Induction 2023



Objectives today

Priorities and goals for your time at Seminary

Practical information about the course, and Seminary life



The goal

Preparation for preaching & pastoral ministry



Priorities for your time at Seminary

- Growth in your knowledge and love of Christ
- Growth in godliness
- Growth in love for the church

Preparing for ministry



Growth in knowledge & love of Christ

- Not the same as growing in knowledge of theology
- Discipline of devotions
- Personal and family
- Mentoring & 1:1
- Morning worship
- Student prayer meetings



Growth in Godliness

Example to the flock

- Community life
- NB Zoom access to lectures available if necessary

Partnerships: pairs or triplets



John Benton

Director of Pastoral Support, Pastors' Academy



Love for the church

Be a model church member

Accountability/ mentoring relationship

Regular ministry experience



Preparing for Ministry

Always keep the goal in view

Develop clear convictions

Be proactive in seeking a call



Preparing for Ministry

 Be thinking now about your call to a church. It will take many months.

Seeking a Call – on Moodle

Also on Dropbox: Preaching & Pastoral Opportunities

• Consider FIEC Pastors' Network. Application will take Application Seminary

Seminary Life



Key People

- Bill James (Principal) and David Green (Vice-Principal)
- Tutor groups appointments at least once a term, but more generally point of contact about the course.
- Morning Worship feedback (Bill: Tues & Fri, David: Weds & Thurs).

Stephen Wright, Development Director

Key People

- Nigel Redford (Registrar)
- Fees, accommodation, student welfare, First Aid. Library.

- David Wilson (Administrator)
- Course admin eg running Moodle, handling assignments, absence. Setup of lecture rooms
- Hilary Roberts (part-time admin assistant)

• Jane Baker (Bookkeeper), Ruth Godden (Accountant)

Key People - Pastors' Academy

Garry Williams (Director & Systematics Tutor)

Matthew Mason (Asst. Director & Ethics Tutor)

- John Benton (Pastoral Support Director)
- Steven Bowers (North), Phil Raine (Midlands), Malcolm MacGregor (East Anglia), Mike Plant (NE).

Key People - KMT

- London Seminary rents the site from Kensit Memorial Trust (KMT) which employs:
- Ghenadi & Lidia Vasiliev
- · Management of premises, including maintenance and cleaning.
- First Aid.

- Giovanni Corradelli
- Cook. Importance of booking and eating meals. Charging.

This Term

- Martyn Lloyd-Jones Memorial Lecture
- Tuesday 17 October 7.30pm James Eglinton *Preaching & Preachers Bavinck*. All welcome, free of charge.

- Special lectures 17-20 October
- James Eglinton: Bavinck's Theology. Pastors booking in.

Reading week 23-27 October

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Great range of resources

• Commentaries reasonably priced – wait for the sales ie 80% off (or 50% for language tools). Only buy from website (not the app)

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1:1-20: PROLOGUE

ΑΠΟΚΑΛΥΨΙΣ ΠΩΑΝΝΟΥ

1 Άποκάλυψις Ίησοῦ Χριστοῦ ΄ῆν ἔδωκεν αὐτῷ ὁ θεὸς δεῖζαι τοῖς Γδούλοις αὐτοῦ ἂὶ δεῖ γενέσθαι ἐν τάχει, καὶ έσήμανεν ἀποστείλας διὰ τοῦ ἀγγέλου αὐτοῦ τῷ δούλῳ αὐτοῦ Τωάννη, 2 ος ἐμαρτύρησεν τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ τὴν μαρτυρίαν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ὅσα εἶδεν^Τ. 3 Μακάριος ὁ ἀναγινώσκων καὶ 'οἱ ἀκούοντες ' ⁶τοὺς λόγους ¹ τῆς προφητείας Τ καὶ τηροῦντες τὰ ἐν αὐτῆ γεγραμμένα, ὁ γὰρ καιρὸς ἐγγύς.

4 Ίωάννης ταῖς ἑπτὰ ἐκκλησίαις ταῖς ἐν τῆ Ἀσίᾳ· χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ Τ ὁ ὂν καὶ ὁ ἦν καὶ ὁ ἐρχόμενος καὶ άπὸ τῶν ἐπτὰ πνευμάτων Γὰ ἐνώπιον τοῦ θρόνου αὐτοῦ 5 καὶ ἀπὰ Τροοῦ Υριστοῦ, ὁ μάρτρο, ὁ πρατότοκος

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G/K NUMBER:1711

church, congregation, assembly; a

Noun, Dative, Feminine, Plural

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group of people gathered together. It

can refer to the OT assembly of believ-

των νεκρών καὶ ὁ ἄρχων των βασιλέων τῆς γῆς. ^οΤι έν τῷ αἴματι αὐτοῦ, 6 καὶ Γέποίησεν Γήμᾶς Γίβασιλείς 'είς τοὺς αἰῶνας [τῶν αἰώνων]· ἀμήν).

7 Ίδοὺ ἔρχεται Γμετὰ τῶν νεφελῶν, καὶ δψεται αὐτὸν πᾶς ὀφθαλμὸς καὶ οἴτινες ^οαὐτὸν ἐξεκέντησαν,

καὶ κόψονται 'έπ' αὐτὸν πᾶσαι αἱ φυλαὶ τῆς γῆς. ναί, ἀμήν.

- 8 Έγώ εἰμι τὸ ἄλφα καὶ τὸ ὧ^T, λέγει κύριος ὁ θεά
- 9 Έγὼ Ἰωάννης, ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὑμῶν καὶ Γσυγκοινων έγενόμην έν τῆ νήσω τῆ καλουμένη Πάτμω διὰ τὸν λ πνεύματι έν τῆ κυριακῆ ἡμέρα καὶ ἤκουσα 'ὀπίσω μο γράψον εἰς βιβλίον καὶ πέμψον ταῖς ἐπτὰ ἐκκλησίαις, Θυάτειρα ικαὶ είς Σάρδεις καὶ είς Φιλαδέλφειαν κα

12 Καὶ Τ ἐπέστρεψα βλέπειν τὴν φωνὴν ἥτις Γἐλάλ Γέν μέσω τῶν Τλυχνιῶν Γὅμοιον Γυίὸν ἀνθρώπου ἐνξ ζώνην γρυσᾶν. 14 ή δὲ κεφαλή αὐτοῦ καὶ αἱ τρίχες 🕜 πυρὸς 15 καὶ οἱ πόδες αὐτοῦ ὅμοιοι χαλκολιβάνω ὡς πολλών, 16 (καὶ ἔχων) ἐν τῆ (δεξιᾶ χειρὶ αὐτοῦ) [ἀστι έκπορευομένη καὶ ἡ ὄψις αὐτοῦ [δ] ὁ ἥλιος φαίνει]

17 Καὶ ὅτε εἶδον αὐτόν, ἔπεσα Γπρὸς τοὺς πόδας μὴ φοβοῦ` ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ^{Γ1}πρῶτος καὶ ὁ ἔσχατος 18 κα

έπ' έμὲ λέγων Search for ἐκκλησία Lookup ἐκκλησία είς τούς αίωνας τῶν αἰώνων τκαὶ ἔγω τὰς κλεῖς τοῦ θανάτου καὶ του αρου. Υ γραψον τουν α ειρες και α ειριν και ἃ Γμέλλει

^εγενέσθαι μετὰ ταῦτα. ²⁰ τὸ μυστήριον τῶν ἐπτὰ ἀστέρων ^τοὓς εἶδες 'ἐπὶ τῆς δεξιᾶς μου ' καὶ τὰς ἑπτὰ λυγνίας τὰς χρυσᾶς· οἱ ἑπτὰ ἀστέρες ἄγγελοι τῶν ἑπτὰ ἐκκλησιῶν εἰσιν καὶ ʿαἱ λυχνίαι αἱ ἑπτὰ ¹ οἑπτὰ ἐκκλησίαι εἰσίν.

Τῷ ἀγγέλῳ 「τῆς ἐν Ἐφέσῳ ἐκκλησίας γράψον·

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΄ Τάδε λέγει ὁ κρατῶν τοὺς ἐπτὰ ἀστέρας ἐν τῆ ΄δεζιᾳ αὐτοῦὸ, ὁ περιπατῶν ἐν μέσω τῶν ἑπτὰ λυχνιῶν τῶν $^{\text{F}}$ χρυσῶν· 2 οἶδα τὰ ἔργα σου καὶ τὸν κόπον $^{\text{T}}$ καὶ τὴν ὑπομονήν σου $^{\text{O}}$ καὶ ὅτι οὐ δύνη $^{\text{F}}$ βαστάσαι κακούς, καὶ έπείρασας τοὺς λέγοντας έαυτοὺς ἀποστόλους ^τ καὶ οὐκ εἰσὶν καὶ εὖρες αὐτοὺς ψευδεῖς, ³ καὶ 'ὑπομονὴν ἔχεις καὶ έβάστασας διὰ τὸ ὄνομά μου καὶ 'οὐ κεκοπίακες 3. 4 ἀλλ' ἔχω κατὰ σοῦ ὅτι τὴν 'ἀγάπην σου τὴν πρώτην) ἀφῆκες. 5 μνημόνευε οὖν πόθεν ^Γπέπτωκας καὶ μετανόησον καὶ τὰ πρῶτα ἔργα ποίησον· εἰ δὲ μή, ἔργομαί σοι ^Τ καὶ κινήσω τὴν λυχνίαν σου ἐκ τοῦ τόπου αὐτῆς, ἐὰν μὴ μετανοήσης. 6 ἀλλὰ τοῦτο ἔχεις, ὅτι μισεῖς τὰ ἔργα τῶν Νικολαϊτῶν οὰ

INTRODUCTION: THE APOCALYPSE WAS REVEALED FOR WIT-NESS, WHICH RESULTS IN BLESSING (1:1-3)

These three verses contain a general summary of the whole book.

The Revelation Is Given to John as a Heavenly Commentary on What God Has Done in Christ So That John Will Bear Witness to It (1:1-2)

These two verses convey the origin, subject, nature, and one of the purposes of the book.

1 The word ἀποικάλυψις ("apocalypse") expresses the subject and nature of the book. The book is a heightened form of prophecy, which can be referred to as "apocalyptic," as apparent from the use of "apocalypse" and "prophecy" in vv 1-3 and in 22:7. The likelihood that ἀποκάλυψις ("apocalypse") is not a technical term for an apocalyptic genre is evident further from recognition of it as part of an allusion to Daniel 2, since the whole of Rev. 1:1 is patterned after the broad structure of Dan. 2:28-30, 45-47 (cf. LXX, Theod.), where the verb ἀποκαλύπτω ("reveal") appears five times (cf. also 2:19, 22 in Theod.), the phrase ἃ δεῖ γενέσθαι ("what must come to pass") appears three times (see Theod.), and σημαίνω ("signify") appears twice (LXX; cf. also 2:23 LXX).

The significance of this OT background for v 1 is best understood from examination of the following phrase, δεῖζαι . . . ἃ δεῖ γενέσθαι ("to show . . . what must come to pass"), which, together with έν τάχει ("quickly"), is derived from Dan. 2:28-29, 45 (as discussed above, pp. 152-53). ἐν τάχει ("quickly") is a deliberate substitute for Daniel's ἐπ' ἐσχάτων τῶν ἡμερῶν ("in the latter days"; e.g., Dan. 2:28) and connotes neither the speedy manner in which the Daniel prophecy is to be fulfilled 2 nor the mere possibility that it could be fulfilled at any time, 3 but the definite, imminent time of fulfillment, which likely has already begun in the present. This may be evident as we recognize that ἐπ' ἐσχάτων τῶν ἡμερῶν ("in the latter days") in Daniel 2 must be understood as referring only to the temporal aspect of the prophecy's fulfillment and not to the rapid manner in which it is to be fulfilled. John's substitution of ἐν τάχει implies his expectation that the final tribulation, defeat of evil, and establishment of the







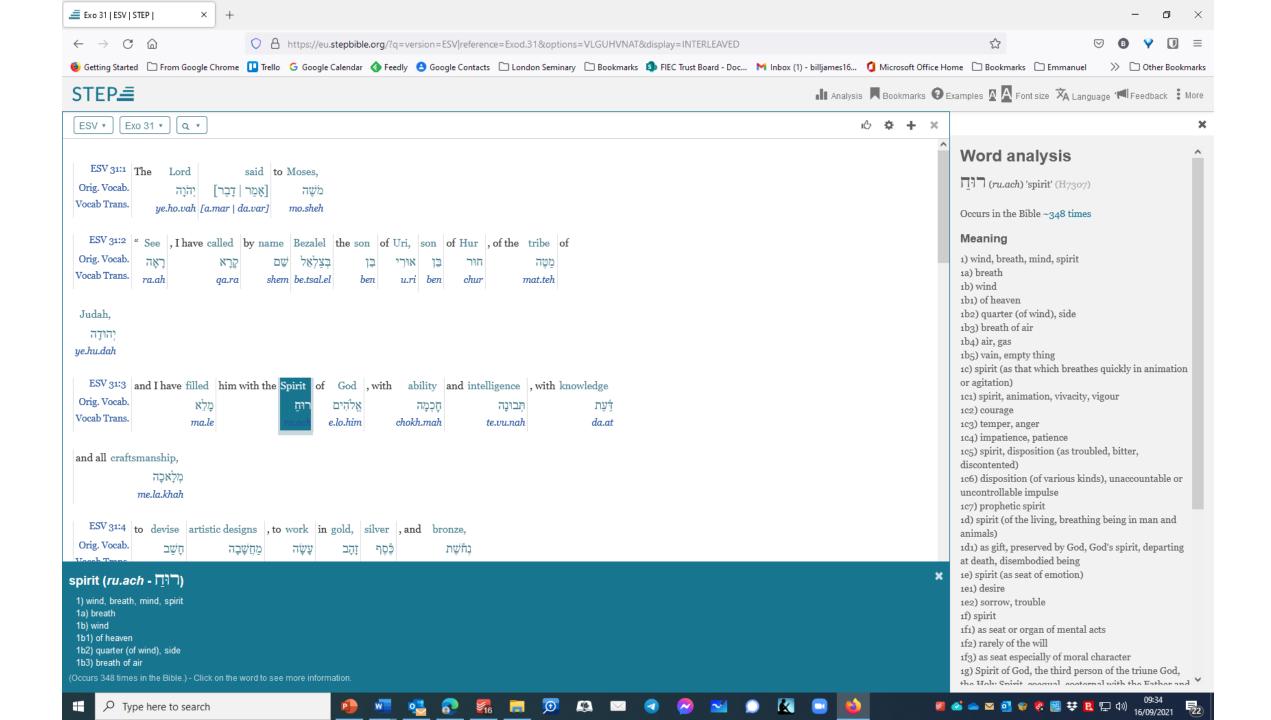


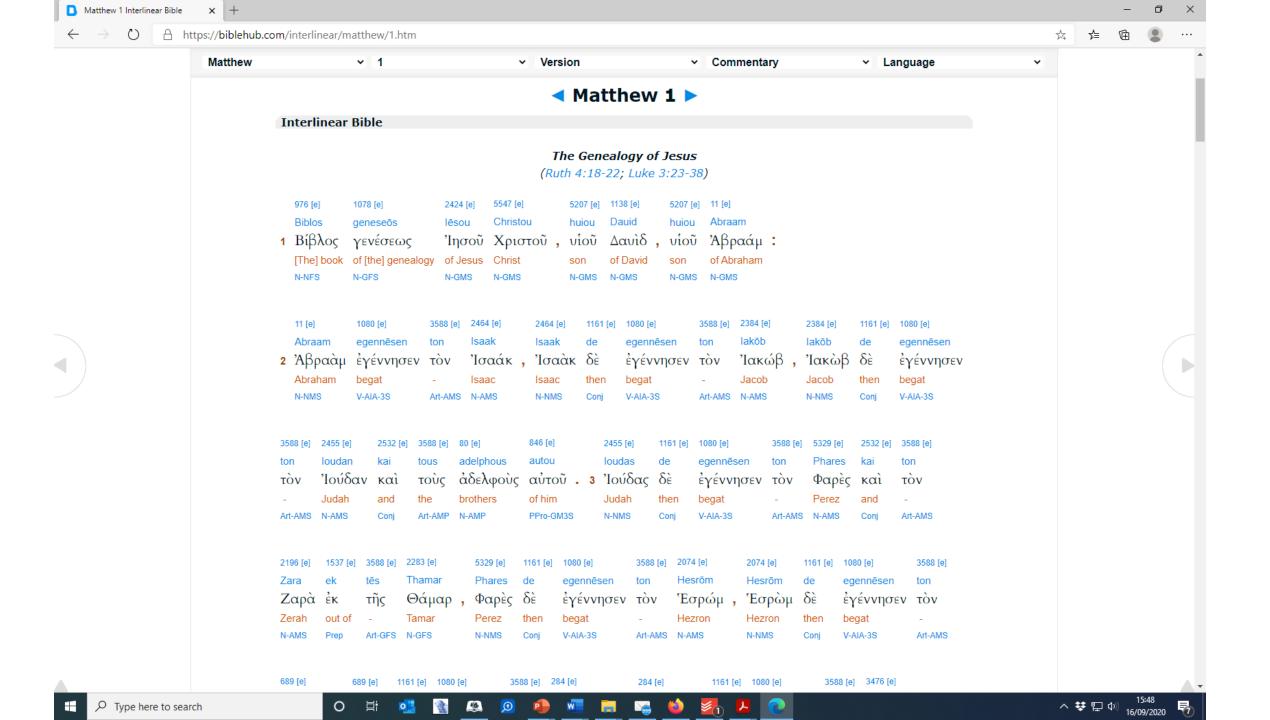
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- Stephen Wright, Development Director, Wednesday 27 September 2.00pm

