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EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Philosophy of Religion 2025
University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, UK
Supervisor: Oliver Crisp
Thesis: The Ontology of the Soul and Pauline Renewal of the Mind: How Holistic Dualism Accounts for Human Flourishing and the Restructuring of the Soul
- M.A., Philosophy, *summa cum laude* 2018
Biola University, La Mirada, CA
- B.A., Religion, *summa cum laude* 2010
Faith International University, Tacoma, WA
- A.A., Biblical Studies 2008
Calvary Chapel Bible College, Costa Mesa, CA
CA, 1999, 2004; Austria, 2000; Kauai, 2007-08; Israel, 2008

PRACTICE

- Credential, Christ-Centered Therapy 2026
Christian Psychology Institute, Louisville, KY

AREAS OF SPECIALTY

Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Mind & Persons, Philosophical Theology, Spiritual Theology & Formation

AREAS OF COMPETENCY

Metaphysics, Medieval Philosophy, Applied Ethics & Virtue, Philosophy of Science, Religions

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

- “Image as Agency: A Conceptual Model with Ontological Import for Human and Divine Persons,” *TheoLogica* 9, no. 1 (2025): 1-30. 2025
- “Ontological Priority and Persons: On What Do Concretists and Hylomorphists Depend?” *Philosophia Christi* 26, no.1 (2024): 47-73. 2024
- “Demarcating the Foundations of Analytic Theology and Philosophical Theology,” *Forum Philosophicum* 28, no. 1 (2023): 47-62. 2023

Books

- *Phoenix Road*: a personal narrative detailing my world travels and climactic conversion to Christianity, 342 pages with footnotes and index, self-published via LivingStone Publishing. 2014

EDITORIAL

- Edited *Modern Theology* 37, no. 2 (2021), Themed Issue: Science-Engaged Theology, for principal researcher John Perry, and Joanna Leidenhag, University of St. Andrews. 2020

PRESENTATIONS

- “On the Possibility of an Abstract Nature Neo-Dyothelitic Christology” Nov 2025
Society of Christian Philosophers Midwest Meeting, Wilmore, KY
- “Image as Agency: A Conceptual Model with Ontological Import for Human and Divine Persons,” *Evangelical Philosophical Society Far West Meeting, San Diego, CA* Apr 2024
- “Ontological Priority and Persons: On What Do Concretists and Hylomorphists Depend?” *Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, Denver, CO* Nov 2022
- “Demarcating the Foundations of Analytic Theology and Philosophical Theology” Sep 2022
Forum Philosophicum, Jesuit University Ignatianum, Krakow, Poland (online)
- “Toward a Positive Account of Dualism: A Strong Correlation of Structural Transformation in the Human Person-Organism” Apr 2020
Logos Institute Scientific Advisory Workshop, St. Andrews, UK (postponed, Covid-19)
- “Phenotypic Plasticity, Neuroplasticity, and Transformation in the Human Person-Organism: Breaking symmetry at the boundary of material and immaterial structures.” Nov 2019
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, San Diego, CA
- “Phenotypic Plasticity, Neuroplasticity, and Transformation in the Human Person-Organism,” *Society of Christian Philosophers Mountain-Pacific Meeting, Las Vegas, NV* Apr 2019
- “Restructuring the Structure of Your Soul: A Pauline Account of Transformation in Light of Neuroplasticity and Quantum Mechanics” Nov 2018
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, Denver, CO
- “Restructuring the Structure of Your Soul: A Pauline Account of Transformation in Light of Neuroplasticity and Quantum Mechanics” Apr 2018
Evangelical Philosophical Society Far West Meeting, Phoenix, AZ
- “Restructuring the Structure of Your Soul,” *Talbot Philosophical Society Meeting, Biola University, La Mirada, CA* Apr 2018
- “You Can Restructure the Structure of Your Soul,” *Talbot Philosophical Society Boot Camp, Biola University, La Mirada, CA* Aug 2016

MODERATED

- Matthew Wilson, “Hope and Optimism: Should Christians Really Be Both?” Nov 2019
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, San Diego, CA
- M. Dan Kemp, “Geach, Goodness, and Intrinsic Value,” Nov 2019
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, San Diego, CA
- Justin Morton, “A Defense of Global Divine Command Theory” Nov 2019
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, San Diego, CA
- Gregory Bock, “Joseph Butler’s Sermons on Resentment and Forgiveness” Nov 2019
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, San Diego, CA
- Christopher Tomaszewski, “Aquinas on Death and Substantial Corruption,” Apr 2019
Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Meeting, Las Vegas, NV
- Alexandra Romanyshyn, “Agency and Self” Apr 2019
Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Meeting, Las Vegas, NV
- Gary Osmundsen, “Trinitarian Agency: Knowing God Through Sanctifying Actions,” Nov 2018
Evangelical Philosophical Society, Denver National Meeting, CO
- Joel Ballivian, “Design Arguments, Likelihoods, and Total Evidence,” Nov 2018
Evangelical Philosophical Society National Meeting, Denver, CO
- Brandon Rickabaugh, “Assessing Resurrection Objections to Mind-Body Dualism,” Apr 2017
Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific Meeting, La Mirada, CA

AWARDS

- PhD funding via a personal gofundme campaign totaling \$23,000 2019–22
- New Visions in Theological Anthropology (NVITA) PhD participation grant for AAR Science-Engaged Theology workshop 2021
- Fully Funded Scholarship, Discovery Institute, Summer Seminar 2019
- Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges 2017–
- Tobin Sorenson Scholarship for \$1000, Talbot Theological Seminary 2015-16
- Full Tuition Scholarship, Phoenix Seminary 2012-13

TEACHING: ACADEMIC

- Taught two tutorials for DI2010: Philosophical Theology University of St. Andrews, UK 2021
- Substitute teacher for Genesis: “Genesis 42–45” Calvary Chapel Bible College, Kauai, HI Dec 2008
- Topical teaching for Calvary Chapel Bible College, Kauai, HI 2007–08
- Exegesis and topical teachings: “1 Corinthians 12–14” Satya Wacana Christian University, Salatiga, Java, Indonesia Feb 2001

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

- Diversity in the Workplace, University of St. Andrews, UK 2020
- Teaching Online, University of St. Andrews, UK 2020
- Assessment & Academic Misconduct, University of St. Andrews, UK 2020
- Student Services: Supporting Students and Teachers, University of St. Andrews, UK 2020

TEACHING: CHURCH

- “A Transformed Life, Character, and Calling,” youth presentation with Q&A Cornerstone St. Andrews, UK May 2020
- “The Lord is My Shepherd” and “I Am the Good Shepherd” for adult fellowship Evangelical Free Church, Fullerton, CA Jan 2017
- “Acts: 1–5,” Actsess Fellowship, Montrose, CO Summer 2012
- “The Seven I Am’s in John’s Gospel,” Actsess Fellowship, Montrose, CO Spring 2012
- “Getting on the Map: Church History,” Actsess Fellowship, Montrose, CO Feb 2012
- “Discipleship One-to-One,” adult ed., Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2011
- “2 Corinthians” exegesis for men’s group, Batterson book *In a Pit with a Lion* Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2010–11
- Sea of Galilee, Israel tour: “Come to Me (Matthew 14:22-33)” Calvary Chapel, Broomfield, CO Oct 2010
- Invited by senior pastor: “The Word of God” and “Religious Pluralism” for youth Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO Jul 2010
- “Philippians” exegesis for 20s-30s professionals, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO Fall 2009
- “Galatians” and “Ephesians” exegesis for 20s professionals Anacortes Christian Church, Anacortes, WA Spring 2009
- Teaching rota for chapel, Calvary Chapel Bible College, Kauai, HI 2007–08
- “Romans” exegesis for college, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO Fall 2005
- Exegetical and topical bimonthly youth teaching, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2004–05

- Exegetical and topical weekly college teaching, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2004–05
- Senior pastor invitation: exegetical youth teaching, Calvary Chapel, Montrose, CO Spring 2003
- “The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–7),” Calvary Chapel, Cork, Ireland Winter 2001–02
- Exegetical and topical teaching on Bali and Java
Calvary Chapel, Denpasar, Indonesia Winter 2000–01
- Topical teaching on Bali, Lombok, and Sumbawa
Calvary Chapel, Denpasar, Indonesia Jan 2000
- Topical weekly college teaching, Faith United Methodist Church, Neenah, WI 1998–99

SERVICE

- Served on the corporate Prayer Rota for Cornerstone St. Andrews, UK 2020–22
- Founded LivingStone Publishing platform and self-published *Phoenix Road* 2012–14
- Founded Phoenix Road Fund .org serving as the charitable arm of *Phoenix Road* 2014–
- Founded and pastored Actsess International ministry and fellowship serving
young professionals and disenfranchised believers, Montrose, CO 2011–12
- Invited by senior pastor to oversee and teach a men’s leadership group
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2010–11
- Invited by senior pastor into a couple’s leadership group with spouse 2011
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO
- Invited by senior pastor into a men’s leadership group 2010
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO
- Served on usher, communion, and prayer teams with spouse 2009–11
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO
- Hosted a life group and Bible study for 20s-30s professionals 2009
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO
- Invited by senior pastor to cast vision for discipleship Spring 2009
Anacortes Christian Church, Anacortes, WA
- Mentored a native college student through a discipleship curriculum Fall 2008
Calvary Chapel Bible College, Kauai, HI
- Supported a church plant in Tiberias, Israel Jul 2008
Calvary Chapel Bible College, Jerusalem
- Supported launch of Calvary Chapel Bible College extension in Kauai, HI 2007–08
- Samaritan Aviation medical trip to Baja, Mexico with my fiancé an RN Fall 2006
- Served on prayer team, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2005
- Assisted youth pastor at The Grove’s weekly concert outreaches 2004–05
Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO
- Co-lead and taught a college fellowship group, Grace Comm. Church, Montrose, CO 2004–05
- Mentored youth through discipleship curriculum, Calvary Chapel, Montrose, CO 2002–03
- Interim pastor and teacher, Calvary Chapel, Cork, Ireland Winter 2001–02
- Lead a strategic college missions team to Bali and Java, Indonesia Winter 2000–01
Calvary Chapel, Denpasar, Indonesia
- Co-lead a college missions team from Austria to Rome, Italy Spring 2000
Calvary Chapel, Rome, Italy
- Co-lead a college missions team to Bali for outreach to villages and orphanages,
experienced radical persecution on Lombok, Calvary Chapel, Denpasar, Indonesia Jan 2000
- Co-lead a college team outreach to Las Vegas, Calvary Chapel, Las Vegas, Nevada Nov 1999
- Lead and hosted a college home fellowship, Neenah, WI 1998–99

- Assisted the youth pastor weekly, Faith United Methodist Church, Neenah, WI 1998
- Invited by assistant pastor into mentorship, Faith United Methodist Church, Neenah, WI 1997–98

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Evangelical Philosophical Society	2015–
Society of Christian Philosophers	2018–
American Philosophical Association	2021–

SELECTED GRADUATE COURSEWORK: BIOLA UNIVERSITY

Philosophy

- Metaphysics (*J.P. Moreland*)
- Epistemology (*Douglas Geivetti*)
- Philosophy of Mind (*J.P. Moreland*)
- Advanced Philosophy of Mind (*J.P. Moreland*)
- Organicism, Essentialism, and Neuroscience—Independent Study (*J.P. Moreland, Mibretu Guta*)
- Normative Ethics (*David Horner*)
- Ancient and Medieval Ethics: Aristotle, Augustine, Aquinas (*David Horner*)
- Ethical Issues (*Scott Rae*)
- Philosophy of Religion (*Greg Ganssle*)

Theology & Philosophical Theology

- Theology I: Bibliology and the Nature of God (*Michael Laffin*)
- Theology II: Works of God, Angelology, Anthropology and Hamartiology (*Kevin Lewis*)
- Theology III: Christology, Soteriology, and Pneumatology (*Mark Saucy*)
- Theology IV: Ecclesiology and Eschatology (*Mark Saucy*)
- Philosophical Theology Seminar: Aquinas on God (*Greg Ganssle and Kyle Strobel*)
- Philosophical-Theological Anthropology—Independent Study (*Kyle Strobel*)

Spiritual Formation

- Spiritual Theology and Formation (*Steven Porter and Kyle Strobel*)
- Personal Foundations for Spiritual Formation (*Judy Ten Elshof and Kyle Strobel*)
- Personal Spiritual Direction (*Ron Ottenad*)

REFERENCES

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