

## Joseph Samuel Khalil

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### **Educational Background**

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism (major), New Testament and Early Church (minor), August 2016

- Dissertation: *What Has Ur of the Chaldeans to Do with Sinai? The Abrahamic and Sinaitic Covenants in Second Temple Biblical and Extra-Biblical Texts*

M.A., University of Notre Dame, Hebrew Bible and Early Christian Studies (dual concentration), May 2010

M.Div., Princeton Theological Seminary, Old Testament (concentration), May 2003

B.A., History and Political Science (major), Philosophy (minor), Rutgers University, May 2000

- Honors Thesis: *The Democratic New Deal Coalition and the Push for Civil Rights: Southern Reactions in the Late Forties and Fifties*

### **Awards, Honors, Fellowships, and Grants**

Lewis Summer Dissertation Fellowship, 2015, \$4000

Kinget Summer Dissertation Fellowship, 2014, \$4000

*World & World* Annual Essay Prize, 2012, \$1000

Notebaert Professional Development Award, 2011, \$2000

Ph.D. Tuition and Stipend Fellowship, fall 2010 – spring 2015

Henry Rutgers Scholar (Honors), Rutgers University, May 2000

### **Publications**

“Qoheleth’s Response to the Overconfident Preacher: A New Approach to Ecclesiastes 8:1-3,” *Word & World* 3 (2012): 277-85.

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### Teaching

“Josiah’s Reforms and the Shaping of Jeremiah’s Theological Worldview,” for Prof. James VanderKam’s course, The Prophets, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, Thursday, February 7, 2013

“Israel and the Nations in Isaiah 56 and 66,” for Prof. Gary Anderson’s course, Theological Exegesis, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, Monday, April 23, 2012

### Presentations at Local Churches: A Selection

“The Meaning and Significance of Abraham’s Near-Sacrifice of Isaac in Genesis 22,” St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, LaPorte, IN, Sunday, March 22, 2015

“When Faithfulness to God Leads to Suffering: What Tobit’s Experience Can Teach Us,” Christ the King Lutheran Church, South Bend, IN, Sunday, May 5, 2013

“Appreciating the Trauma of Israel’s Life in Exile through the Lens of Tobit,” Christ the King Lutheran Church, South Bend, IN, Sunday, April 28, 2013

### Academic Service

Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, graduate assistant, Professor James VanderKam; coordinated three review sessions and graded exams and papers for Foundations of Theology (undergrad course, 20 students), and graded midterms and finals for The Prophets (graduate course with 19 students), fall 2012 & spring 2013

Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, teaching assistant, Professor Gary Anderson; graded midterm and final exams for Theological Exegesis (graduate course with 45 students), spring 2012

### International Study

The Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, Israel, May 28 – June 11, 2011; fulfilled all requirements for ‘The Fifth Gospel’: The Origins of Christianity in the Land of Israel, a graduate course that focused on some of the major historical events in the first three decades of Christianity and visited the Holy Land locations where they took place

### Professional Affiliations

Member, Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)

Ordained, Presbyterian Church (USA)

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### **Professional Conferences Attended**

Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015

### **Additional Work Experience**

Allentown Presbyterian Church, Allentown, NJ, 600-member congregation in a town east of Princeton, NJ; interim minister for preaching, education and pastoral care, fall 2007 – summer 2008

First Presbyterian Church, Moorestown, NJ, 1400-member congregation in a suburb east of Philadelphia; interim director of young adult ministries and Christian education, fall 2006 – summer 2007

Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, IN, 5000-member congregation in Indianapolis; Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry, a full-time, two-year fellowship or “residency” for training seminary graduates in ecclesiastical leadership; duties included youth and adult education, worship leadership, and coordination of social and pastoral outreach, summer 2004 – summer 2006

Urban Promise Ministries, Camden, NJ, nondenominational, inner city youth organization, camp counselor, summer 2004

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ, a trauma medical center, chaplain intern (Clinical Pastoral Education), summer 2003

Princeton Theological Seminary, Tutor, Writing Center, summer 2001 – spring 2003

### **Languages**

Arabic (Fluent)

Biblical Hebrew and Greek (Advanced)

French and German (Reading Proficiency)

Akkadian (Intermediate)

Aramaic and Syriac (Introductory Grammar)

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### References

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