



***Emerging Normativities: Examining the Formation of  
Proto-Orthodox Christianities  
and Rabbinic Judaisms 200 - 800 CE***

**September 21 – 22, 2011**

**Wednesday, September 21, 2011**

4:00 – 5:30 pm      Registration      STM Chelsea Commons

5:30 - 6:45 pm      Dinner      STM Cafeteria

7:00 – 8:45 pm      Plenary Speakers      STM Auditorium

Introduction: Dr. Terrance Downy, STM President

Dr. Daniel Boyarin, Taubman Professor of Talmudic Culture, Professor of Rhetoric,  
University of California, Berkeley

Title: The Parting of the Ways Between Messianic (Christian) and Enochian  
(Rabbinic) Judaism

Dr. Anders Runesson, Associate Professor, New Testament Studies, McMaster  
University

Title: Changing the Facts on the Ground: Judaism, Christianity, and the Politics of  
Religion in Late Antiquity

9:00 – 10:00 pm      Reception      Museum of Antiquities

**Thursday, September 22, 2011**

**Parktown Hotel**

9:15 – 10:30 am      Session I - Normativity in and Around the New Testament,  
Chair: Dr. Alan Reese, History, STM

Dr. John Kampen, Van Bogard Dunn Professor of Biblical Interpretation and  
Professor of New Testament, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Delaware, Ohio

Title: Complex Reactions to the Law within a Sectarian Jewish Community: The  
Gospel of Matthew



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Mr. Ralph J. Korner, PhD Candidate, Religious Studies, McMaster University  
Title: The Collective Identification of Early Christ-Followers as Ekklesia: An Affirmation of Jewish Normativity?

10:30 – 10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45 – noon Session II – Christians, Jews, and Pagans Discussing Normativity,  
Chair: Dr. Tracene Harvey, Curator, Museum of Antiquities

Dr. Daniel Regnier, Assistant Professor, St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon  
Title: Stoic Universalism and the Emergence of Orthodoxy in Judaism, Christianity and Neo-Platonism

Mr. Laurence Broadhurst, PhD Candidate, Department of Religion and Culture,  
University of Winnipeg  
Title: Did the Quartodecimans panic about their strange bedfellows?

Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 – 2:15 pm Session III - In Search of Rabbinic Normativity, Chair: Dr.  
Angela Kalinowski, History, University of Saskatchewan

Mr. Lennart Lehmhaus, Institute for Jewish Studies at Martin-Luther-University  
Halle-Wittenberg  
Title: Making others ourselves – rabbinic identity formation in a context of  
challenge: the tradition of Seder Eliyahu

Dr. Simon Lasair, Religion and Culture, STM  
Title: Patrolling the Borderlines: Ambiguity and Historical Functionality in Mishnah  
*Avodah Zarah*

2:15 – 2:30 pm Coffee Break

2:30 – 4:00 pm Panel Discussion – What Normativities have Emerged? Chair:  
Dr. Simon Lasair, Religion and Culture, STM

Dr. Daniel Boyarin, Tabuman Professor of Talmudic Culture, Professor of Rhetoric,  
University of California, Berkeley

Dr. Anders Runesson, Associate Professor, New Testament Studies, McMaster  
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