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Education

- 2023: PhD, Bible Exposition, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA.
Dissertation: “Shattered Theology: A Trauma Theory Reading of the Book of Job,”
supervised by Dr. Jennifer Brown Jones.
Graduate with High Distinction
- 2005: MATS, Systematic Theology, Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, CA
Graduate with Honors
- 1995: BA, Drama, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, CA
Summa cum laude

Research and Teaching Experience

2022-Present: Director of Discipleship at Destiny Church, Las Vegas, NV. Preaching responsibilities; develops and teaches discipleship classes; assists in training preaching team; oversees small group ministry.

April, 2023: Liberty University: Guest Lecturer Old Testament Backgrounds.

2019-2021: Education Coordinator at Coastline Church, Carlsbad, CA. Developed and taught classes in-person and online; preaching responsibilities; small group leader and mentor; prayer team lead.

Papers and Research

November, 2023: “Shattered Theology: Trauma and De-Creation in the Book of Job,” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting.

April, 2023: Dissertation: “Shattered Theology: A Trauma Theory Reading of the Book of Job.”

May, 2005: “Christianity and the Woman Suffrage Movement,” MA thesis.

Current Projects

IVP Academic: “Miserable Comforters: What the Book of Job Can Teach the Church About Trauma.”

T & T Clark: “Shattered Theology: A Trauma Theory Reading of the Book of Job.”

Professional Memberships

Evangelical Theological Society

Society for Biblical Literature

Institute for Biblical Research

Ministry Experience

Present: Director of Discipleship at Destiny Church Las Vegas, NV.

2019-2021: Education Coordinator at Coastline Church, Carlsbad, CA.

2008-2015: Prison Ministry Coordinator, New Life Outreach International, Fredericksburg, VA.

Other Employment

2006-2021: Author and Freelance Writer. Author of novels and non-fiction books; freelance work in website content and blogs; manuscript critiques; contest judge; developed and taught creative writing and poetry workshops; extensive media experience including television and radio appearances (Fox News, CSPAN, PBS, local news affiliates), podcast interviews, and print media outlets.

Publications

2021: *Farewell to Hollywood*, Ambassador International

2020: *Made in Hollywood*, Ambassador International

2020: *I Am: Thirty Names God Has Given Himself and What They Mean*, Woodside Books

2019: *Mission Hollywood*, Ambassador International

2019: *Light on Glass*, Filles Vertes Publishing

2019: *You Are: Thirty Names God Has Given You and What They Mean*, Woodside Books

2007: *Shared Courage*, Zenith Press

Awards

2021: FHL Reader's Choice Award

2021: Holt Medallion Finalist

2020: Maggie Award