

**BI324 Creation & Redemption in the Old Testament**

Final Year Advanced Bible – HB Requirement

Three credits

Grade or Credit/No Credit

**FACULTY**

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**DESCRIPTION**

This seminar course is a thematic theological exploration Old Testament texts that narrate/address creation and redemption, with particular attention to what these texts individually and together communicate about who God is and what God does as well what the way about the individual, the cosmos, and lots of stuff in between.

This iteration of the seminar will have a focus on how a biblical theology of creation and redemption intersects with current environmental pressures.

**FORMAT**

The course will be a hybrid of lecture and seminar formats with an emphasis on student engagement and creativity within the bounds of the course's focus. Students with language facility in Hebrew and/or Greek will be encouraged to employ this in their learning.

**ASSESSMENT**

Students will be assessed on thorough and informed engagement (group and individual) with the course material.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY***Required*

Richard Bauckham, *The Bible & Ecology: Rediscovering the Community of Creation* (Baylor, 2010.)

Ellen F. Davis, *Scripture, Culture, and Agriculture: An Agrarian Reading of the Bible* (Cambridge, 2009).

Elizabeth A. Johnson, *Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril* (Orbis, 2018).

Ian A. McFarland, *From Nothing: A Theology of Creation* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2014).