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THE BOOK OF SAMUEL IN THE SHADOW OF EMPIRES

Relations between Israel, Judah, and Neighboring Nations
in Historical, Compositional, and Theological Perspective

Basel, 12–14 October 2022

Conference Organizers: Benedikt Hensel (Oldenburg) & Stephen Germany (Basel)

Wednesday, 12 October

- 9:30** Opening remarks
- 10:00** Zachary Thomas and Erez Ben-Yosef (Tel Aviv)
Copper, Nomads and Kings: The Early Iron Age Context of Edom and Transjordan in the History of David's Reign
- 11:00** Régine Hunziker-Rodewald (Strasbourg)
Transjordan in the Book of Samuel: Historical and Archaeological Perspectives

12:00–14:30 Lunch break

- 14:30** Ann E. Killebrew (Penn State)
The Philistines in the Book of Samuel: An Archaeological Perspective
- 15:30** Benedikt Hensel (Oldenburg)
Philistines and Assyrians in the Ark Narratives in 1 Sam 4–6 & 2 Sam 5–6
- 16:30** Synthesis and discussion

Thursday, 13 October

- 9:00** John Will Rice (Heidelberg/ Tel Aviv)
Cultural and Social Historical Approaches to the Ark Narrative and the Book of Samuel
- 10:00** Hannes Bezzel (Jena)
Who are 'the Philistines' in the Book of Samuel?
- 11:00** Cynthia Edenburg (Open University of Israel)
In Search of Amalek: The Pursuit of an Historical Referent in 1 Sam 15 and 30

12:00–14:30 Lunch break

- 14:30** Ernst Axel Knauf (Bern)
Judah's southern neighbor in the 10th century BCE – Edom or Amalek?
- 15:30** Sarah Yardney (Chicago) [online]
LXX Samuel in the Shadow of Empires? Some Thoughts on Methodology
- 16:30** Synthesis and discussion

Friday, 14 October

- 9:00** Walter Bühner (Bochum)
The Long Shadow of the Gibeonites: 2 Sam 21:1–14 in Context
- 10:00** Stephen Germany (Basel)
Israel, Judah, and Historical Typology in the Book of Samuel
- 11:00** Synthesis and discussion
- 12:00** Information on the conference volume

Location

Wednesday:
University of Basel
Kollegienhaus, Room 035
Petersplatz 1, 4051 Basel

Thursday–Friday:
University of Basel
Deutsches Seminar,
Seminar Room 4
Nadelberg 4, 4051 Basel

Registration

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