

**BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY – BIBLE AND ARCHAEOLOGY FEST XII**

New Orleans Marriott at the Convention Center

November 20-22, 2009

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**HOSPITALITY (PRESIDENTIAL) SUITE 15<sup>th</sup> floor, Suite 1501/1502 – Available to attendees for the duration of the seminar.**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 – Welcome Reception – Creole Queen – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor: 5:00pm-6:00pm**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**RIVER BEND 1**

**-- 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR --**

**RIVER BEND 2**

8:00-9:00am	<b>REGISTRATION- RIVER BEND FOYER-2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – RIVER BEND FOYER</b>	
9:00 - 10:15am	<b>Anson Rainey</b> , “Whence Came the Israelites and Their Language”	<b>Bart Ehrman</b> , “Early Christian Counter Forgeries”
10:15-10:45am	Break	Break
10:45 – Noon	<b>Mark Wilson</b> , “In the Footsteps of Paul in Asia Minor: Are there Still Roman Roads to Follow?”	<b>Steve Mason</b> , “The Historical Problem of the Essenes”
Noon – 2:00pm	Lunch on your own	Lunch on your own
2:00 – 3:15pm	<b>Sean Freyne</b> , “The Archaeology of Roman Galilee: What we have and have not learned about Jesus the Galilean”	<b>Aren Maeir</b> , “Fleshing out the Bible at Philistine Gath: The Interface of Bible and Archaeology”
3:15-3:45pm	Break	Break
3:45 – 5:00pm	<b>Dan Schowalter</b> , “Architecture and Power: Excavations of a Roman Temple Site at Omrit in Northern Israel”	<b>John Curtis</b> “War in Iraq and Damage to Cultural Heritage”
5:00 – 7:00pm	Dinner on your own	Dinner on your own
7:00 – 8:30pm	<b>PLENARY SESSION-RIVER BEND BALLROOM Yosef Garfinkel</b> , “ <b>Khirbet Qeiyafa: A Fortified City in Judah from the Time of King David</b> ”	

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**RIVER BEND 1**

**-- 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR --**

**RIVER BEND 2**

8:00-9:00am	<b>CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – RIVER BEND FOYER</b>	
9:00 - 10:15am	<b>Ben Witherington III</b> , “Oral Texts and Rhetorical Contexts”	<b>April DeConick</b> , “The Magical Judas: Iscariot’s Gospel and Gem”
10:15-10:45am	Break	Break
10:45 – Noon	<b>Peter Flint</b> “The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Septuagint”	<b>James Hoffmeier</b> “Exploring David’s Strange Antics after Defeating Goliath”
Noon – 2:00pm	Lunch on your own	Lunch on your own
2:00 – 3:15pm	<b>Bruce Zuckerman</b> “Technology and Antiquity: The Latest on Recovering Ancient Texts and Artifacts”	<b>Mark Goodacre</b> , “Was the Gospel of Thomas Familiar with the Synoptic Gospels?”
3:15-3:45pm	Break	Break
3:45 – 5:00pm	<b>Sandra Richter</b> , “The Israelites and the Environment: An Ancient Code Speaks to a Current Crisis”	<b>James Charlesworth</b> , “Should the Gospel of John be Used in Jesus Research?”
6:30pm	Reception – Cash Bar	
7:00pm	Banquet – RIVER BEND BALLROOM Question-and-Answer Session with Hershel Shanks, Jane Cahill and James Charlesworth	

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

**RIVER BEND 1**

**-- 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR --**

**RIVER BEND 2**

8:00-9:00am	<b>CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – RIVER BEND FOYER</b>	
9:00 - 10:15am	<b>Gloria London</b> , “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: The Talmud Talks Trash”	<b>Avraham Faust</b> , “The Assyrian Peace: A Re-Examination”
10:15-10:45am	Break	Break
10:45 – Noon	<b>James Tabor</b> “Media Hype, Academic Squabbles, and the James Ossuary: Getting the Facts Straight”	<b>Craig Evans</b> , “Jesus and the Exorcists: What We Learn From Archaeology”
NOON	Conclusion	Conclusion

**Meeting Venue:**

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