

APOLOGETICS

in a **PLURALISTIC**

Culture

Key Note Speaker: K. Scott Oliphint

Respondent: Joshua D. Chatraw

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Our Keynote Speaker and Resondent

Dr. K. Scott Oliphint (Ph.D., Westminster Theological Seminary) is professor of apologetics and systematic theology at Westminster Theological Seminary. Dr. Oliphint's academic interests include Cornelius Van Til's apologetics, the relationship between Christian apologetics and philosophy, and the doctrine of God. He is the co-author with William Edgar of *Covenantal Apologetics: Principles and Practice in the Defense of the Faith* and *Product Christian Apologetics Past and Present: A Primary Source Reader (Volumes 1-2)*, as well as the author of several books, including *The Battle Belongs to the Lord: The Power of Scripture for Defending the Faith* and *Reasons for Faith: Philosophy in the Service of Theology*, and numerous other resources and articles.



Dr. Joshua D. Chatraw (respondent) (Ph.D., Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary) is Associate Professor of Theology and Apologetics and Executive Director of The Center for Apologetics and Cultural Engagement at Liberty University. He is a co-author with Karen Swallow Prior of *Cultural Engagement and Truth in a Culture of Doubt: Engaging the Skeptical Challenges to the Bible* (co-authored with Darrell Bock and Andreas Köstenberger), and *Truth Matters: Confident Faith in a Confusing World* (co-authored with Darrell Bock and Andreas Köstenberger).



Schedule

Day One (Friday, March 31st)

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Registration and Exhibit Hall Open (Discount Books!)

1:00-1:50 pm - First Parallel Session (CFAC*)

2:00-2:50 pm - Second Parallel Session (CFAC)

3:00-4:00 pm - First Plenary Session (Room 401 TLC**)

4:10-5:00 pm - Third Parallel Session (CFAC)

5:00 pm - Author's Book Signing (Exhibit Hall Open)

*CFAC: Charles Frey Academic Center

**TLC: Teague Learning Center

Day Two (Saturday, April 1st)

8:30-8:55 am - ETS Eastern Region Business Meeting (Room 401 TLC)

9:00-10:20 am- Second Plenary Session (Room 401 TLC)

Scott Oliphint – (45 minutes)

Josh Chatraw – Response (20 minutes)

Scott Oliphint – Response to the Respondent (10 minutes)

10:30- 11:50 am - Fourth Parallel Session (CFAC)

12:00-12:50 pm - Lunch/Exhibit Hall Open for Final Opportunities (Discount Books!)

1:00-2:30 pm- Third Plenary Session (Room 401 TLC)

Scott Oliphint – (45 minutes)

Josh Chatraw – Response (20 minutes)

Discussion/Q&A - (25 minutes)

Friday Parallel Sessions

Parallel Session 1 (1:00-1:50 pm)

Parallel Session 2 (2:00-2:50 pm)

Name	Title	Affiliation	Room	Session
Anthony Badger	Free Grace Apologetics in a Historically Protestant Culture	Grace Evangelical Society	CFAC 242	Parallel 1
Martin Sheldon	Fundamental Aspects of the Christian Worldview as Expressed in Paul's Letter to The Romans	Liberty University	CFAC 243	Parallel 1
Greg Lamb	Living in Christ and Dying is Gain: Paul's Reimagining of the Human Flourishing in Philippians	Southeastern Baptist	CFAC 240	Parallel 1
Chuanyu Ren	The Theological Design of World Christianity and the Shift of Christian Historiography in the Late Twentieth Century	Virginia Bible University	CFAC 3rd Fl Digital Learning Conference	Parallel 1
Michael Erickson	The Apologetic Triple Constraint Human Rights—Government—Nation's Military (Bounded by God's Wisdom)	Lancaster Bible College	CFAC 2nd Fl Counseling and Social Work	Parallel 1
Jeong Joen	The Biblical Theology of the Five Solae.	Faith Theological Seminary	CFAC 3rd Fl Arts & Sciences Conference Room	Parallel 1
Christopher Date	Dismissive of Hell, Fearful of Death: Conditional Immortality and the Apologetic Challenge of Hell	Liberty University	CFAC 1st Fl Bible & Theology Conference Room	Parallel 1
Kevin Koslowsky	One True Religion: Exclusivity in Timothy Keller's Preaching	Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	CFAC 344	Parallel 1
C. Gordon Olson	The Extreme Importance of Periphrastic Construction in Mt. 16:19: What Did Christ Commission Peter to Do?	DTS/TEDS	TLC 510	Parallel 1
Timothy Bertolet	When Does Christ's Priesthood Begin	University of Pretoria	CFAC 133	Parallel 2
Merrill Cohen & John Doane	Spinoza's Ghost in the Evangelical Closet	Central Penn CC	CFAC 241	Parallel 2
Gregg Strawbridge	The Trinity and Apologetics: The Undeniability of Presuppositionalism - Van Til vs Geisler	All Saints Church	CFAC 240	Parallel 2
Jim Melnick	Adapting Our Apologetics: Understanding Jewish Atheist Thought-Leaders and Their Impact on Society	Lausanne Consultation on Jewish Evangelism	CFAC 3rd Fl Digital Learning Conference	Parallel 2
Robert Talley	The Importance of Historical Perspective on the Ecclesiology of Carl F. H. Henry	Liberty University	CFAC 3rd Fl Arts & Sciences Conference Room	Parallel 2
Doug Taylor	A Twentieth Century Dying and Rising God?	Liberty University	CFAC 1st Fl Bible & Theology Conference Room	Parallel 2
Fred Smith	The Fact/Values Dichotomy in Recent Apologetics: Its Background, Development, and Usefulness	Liberty University	CFAC 344	Parallel 2
Andy Thrasher	Substantial Persons in Trinitarian Relationality	Regent University	TLC 510	Parallel 2
Craig Biehl	The Myth of Neutral Science: Why Good Scientists Believe Impossible and Unscientific Things	Westminster Theological Seminary	CFAC 242	Parallel 2
Daniel Hesse	A Christocentric Construct in a Cross Cultural Communion	Regent	CFAC 243	Parallel 2

Friday Parallel Session 3 (4:10-5:00 pm)

Saturday Parallel Session 4 (10:30-11:50 am)

Patrick Krentz	Incarnational Humanism in Hebrews 2:5-18	Southern Evangelical Seminary	CFAC 132	Parallel 3
Jasmine of Damascus	Islamic Ethics: Is Islam a Religion of Peace		CFAC 133	Parallel 3
Kevin Pierce	Apologetics in a Pluralistic Culture	Liberty University	CFAC 240	Parallel 3
Matthew Joss	Relation and Trinity: The Apologetic Implications of the Evangelical Gender Debate	Southern Evangelical Seminary	CFAC 241	Parallel 3
Jeremiah Stallman	Messianic Judge: The Gospel of John's Representation of Jesus' as Judge in Comparison to the Second Temple Jewish Understanding of Messianic Judge	Liberty University	CFAC 242	Parallel 3
Craig Biehl	The Heart of Presuppositional Apologetics Simplified: The Cause, Nature, and Importance of True and False Faith Assumptions	Westminster Theological Seminary	CFAC 243	Parallel 3
Brian Crawford	Who Presided Over the Sanhedrin? Rabbinic Authority and the Historical Record	Biola	TLC 510	Parallel 3
Joshua Brownfield	Theodosia Alleine as Wife, Teacher, and Author: How a Seventeenth-Century Minister's Wife Met and Challenged Her Cultural Horizons	Westminster Theological Seminary	CFAC 344	Parallel 3
Gary Michael	Divorce and Remarriage in Deuteronomy 24:1 and Matthew 19:9	University of Aberdeen	CFAC 3rd FI Digital Learning Conference	Parallel 3
Mark Draper	The Apologetics of Joseph Butler and Albert Barnes	Evangelical Seminary	CFAC 2nd FI Counseling and Social Work	Parallel 3
Lewis Waha	Natural Marriage as a Rawlsian Public Good	Biola University	CFAC 3rd FI Arts & Sciences Conference	Parallel 3
Jason Poling	The Irenical Turn in the SOGI Debate, and its Implications for Apologetics		CFAC 1st FI Bible & Theology Conference	Parallel 3
John Johnson	Do 'Extraordinary Claims Require Extraordinary Proof' in Christianity and Islam?	Virginia Union University	CFAC 132	Parallel 4
Victor Jacobs	Paul's Heavenly Language: An Exploration	Lancaster Bible College	CFAC 133	Parallel 4
Jon Kaus	Can Logic Be Misused?	Veritas Academy	CFAC 240	Parallel 4
Walter Davis	Man's Capacity to Apprehend Aesthetics as Theistic Argument	Liberty University	CFAC 241	Parallel 4
Eric Silverman	The Pragmatic Value of Christian Meaning Making in Suffering	Christopher Newport University	CFAC 242	Parallel 4
C. Gordon Olson	How Mistranslation Undermines Christian Apologetics	DTS/TEDS	TLC 510	Parallel 4
Tom Gilson	Too Good To Be False	The Stream	CFAC 344	Parallel 4
Mark Hassler	The Testimony of Nebuchadnezzar: The Issues of Conversion and Authorial Intent in Daniel 4	Virginia Beach Theological Seminary	CFAC 3rd FI Digital Learning Conference	Parallel 4
David Huttar	Justin Apologist's Reading, 'He Reigned From the Tree'	Nyack College	CFAC 2nd FI Counseling and Social Work	Parallel 4
Ryan Boys	The Discourse Use of the Imperfect in Ezekiel's First Vision and Rhetorical Implications	Green Pond Bible Chapel	CFAC 3rd FI Arts & Sciences Conference	Parallel 4
Mark Farnham	The Psychology and Implications of Atheism: Psalm 10 in Living Color	Lancaster Bible College	CFAC 1st FI Bible & Theology Conference Room	Parallel 4
Ronnie Campbell	The Time Lord and the LORD of Time: Pop-culture as Apologetic Tool in a Pluralistic Society	Liberty University	CFAC 243	Parallel 4

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