

HUSSITE THEOLOGICAL FACULTY Charles University

International Research Conference

Social Memory Theory and Conceptions of Afterlife in Early Judaism and Christianity

Charles University, Hussite Theological Faculty, Prague

May 16–17, 2019

Thursday, May 16th – *Hussite Theological Faculty* (Pacovská 350/4, 140 21 Prague 4) Moderators: Thomas R. Hatina / Sandra Huebenthal

10:00 Opening of the Conference

10:00 – 10:05 Welcome from the Hussite Theological Faculty

10:05 - 10:15 Introduction to the Conference (Thomas R. Hatina)

I. Afterlife from Ancient Egypt and Israel to Early Judaism

10:15 – 10:45 Jiří Janák – Weighing of the Heart: Ancient Egyptian Judgement of the Dead and its Later Developments
10:45 – 11:15 Craig Broyles – The Nightmare of Sheol and the Counter-Memories of Yahwism
11:15 – 11:30 Coffee break
11:30 – 12:00 Dávid Cielontko – Eleazar Remembered: The Death and Afterlife of the Maccabean Martyr
12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

II. Afterlife in Early Christianity – A

14:00 – 14:30 **Sandra Huebenthal** – Additional Notes to an Unfinished Symphony. Ressurection and Afterlife according to Mark

14:30 – 15:00 **Thomas R. Hatina** – When the Saints Go Marching in: Remembering Vengeance and Vindication in Matthew 27:52–53

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee break

15:15 – 15:45 **Torsten Jantsch** – A Memory of Hades: The Description of the Underworld in Luke 16:19–31 and Accounts of Journeys into Hades in Early Jewish and Greco-Roman literature

15:45 – 16:15 **Kyle Parsons** – From Romans to Colossians: Making Sense of Competing Conceptions of Resurrection

16:15 – 16:45 František Ábel – The Anamnestic Rhetoric of the Eucharistic Tradition Reflected in 1 Cor 11:24–25: Its Meaning and Role in Perspective of Afterlife Conception

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Friday, May 17th – *House of the Professed* (Malostranské náměstí 2/25, 118 00 Prague 1) Moderators: Sandra Huebenthal / Thomas R. Hatina

9:55 - 10:00 Welcome to conference participants

II. Afterlife in Early Christianity – B

10:00 – 10:30 **Tobias Nicklas** – *The Apocalypse of Peter and its Otherworldly Landscape of Memories* 10:30 – 11:00 **Christian Handschuh** – *Extended Memory? Passio Perpetuae et Felicitatis as "Exempla fidei"* 11:00 – 11:30 **Jiří Lukeš** – *The Apocryphal Acts of Paul and Thecla* – *Sexual Asceticism as a Condition of Eternal Life* 11:30 – 11:45 Coffee break

III. Hermeneutics and Memory

11:45 – 12:15 **Petr Pokorný** – Social Memory Theory and Formgeschichte 12:15 – 12:45 **Zeba Crook** – Form Criticism vs. Memory Theory on Resurrection Belief 12:45 – 14:00 Lunch 14:00 – 14:30 **Jan Payne** – Program for Hermeneutics – To Understand the Past Is to Understand How the Passed Ones Approached Their Future 14:30 – 15:00 **Lukáš Nikl** – The Potential and Limits of Social Memory Approaches in Biblical Studies

15:00 Closing Discussion