



Amy-Jill Levine

is an extraordinary phenomenon: a Yankee Jewish feminist who teaches New Testament to students in Nashville, Tennessee, the 'buckle of the Bible belt'.

She is the *E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of New Testament* at Vanderbilt University Divinity School, and describes her writing and teaching as embodying a commitment to eliminating anti-Jewish, sexist and homophobic readings of scripture.

With a B.A. from Smith College, an M.A. and Ph.D. from Duke University, and honorary Doctorates from the University of Richmond and the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Levine has been awarded grants from the Mellon Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the American Council of Learned Societies. She has held office in the Society of Biblical Literature, the Catholic Biblical Association, and the Association for Jewish Studies, and recorded for the Teaching Company's "great lectures" series.

REVIEWS

The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus

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"Levine does a masterful job of describing the subtleties of anti-Semitism across the years and across the religious spectrum, from the conservative evangelical mission to convert the Jews to the liberation theologians who picture Jews as adherents to an older, less merciful religion."

Publishers Weekly

"Ms. Levine has spent a lifetime exploring the profound connections and equally profound divisions between Christianity and Judaism — and, perhaps more important, between Christians and Jews."

Julie Galambush, New York Times

The Historical Jesus in Context

Ed. Amy-Jill Levine, Dale C. Allison, Jr., John Dominic Crossan

"An impressive volume. Levine, Allison, and Crossan have assembled a group of experts who, by generously citing and carefully analyzing primary sources, contextualize Jesus in the Jewish and wider Greco-Roman world of his time. The essays cast a wide net and collect a rich assortment of information for students of the historical Jesus and the Gospels."

James C. Vanderkam

Author of *The Dead Sea Scrolls*

"This is a source book to help all obtain their own conclusions, by emphasizing that Jesus' own message must be grounded in the original historical context. The task is not only imperative but also demanded morally. No other book does this so well. It is amazingly well done and well written."

James Charlesworth

Princeton Theological Seminary

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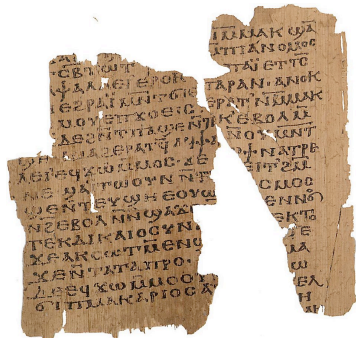
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In a weekend of lectures, Amy-Jill Levine will help us to explore three familiar passages that reveal Jesus from a new angle:

- Entering Jerusalem
- Clearing the Temple
- Sharing the Last Supper.

Dr. Levine is internationally renowned as a scholar of the highest caliber who infuses her presentations with wit, humor and great generosity of mind and heart.

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Schedule

Friday, February 27 Evening Lecture

7:30 PM	Entering Jerusalem
Free – no advance registration required	

Saturday, February 28 Lectures and Discussion

8:30 AM	Registration and Coffee
9:30 AM	Clearing the Temple
11:30 AM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Book signing
1:30 PM	Sharing the Last Supper
3:30 PM	End of Program

Saturday registration \$30 (Student \$15)

Each lecture will be followed by a Question and Answer session.

Dr Levine would welcome questions in advance on the interpretation and meaning of these three events. Please submit them with your registration or email dgfumc@dgfumc.org

Workshop Registration

The fee of \$30 per person includes lunch. Students may register for a reduced fee of \$15.

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_____ adult(s) _____ student(s)

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Memo: Amy-Jill Levine

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Questions?
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