



Marriage and/as Metaphor in Christian and Jewish Traditions

The 20th Brenninkmeijer-Werhahn Annual Lecture and Conference at the Center for the Study of Christianity In Memoriam of Mr. Hubert Brenninkmeijer-Werhahn

Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 26-27 March 2019

TUESDAY 26TH MARCH

MAIERSDORF FACULTY CLUB, CONFERENCE ROOM 405

17:30 RECEPTION
18:00 GREETINGS:

Prof. Menahem Ben Sasson, Chancellor of the Hebrew University
Prof. Michael Segal, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University

Chair: Prof. Oded Irshai, Director of the Center for the Study of Christianity, Hebrew University

The Twentieth Brenninkmeijer-Werhahn Annual Lecture

Prof. Jennifer Wright Knust, Duke University, USA

DESIRE'S SOCIAL GOOD: THE FATHERS ON MARRIAGE REVISITED

WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH

MAIERSDORF FACULTY CLUB, CONFERENCE ROOM 405

9:00 - 10:00 **FIRST SESSION: NEW TESTAMENT – PAUL**

Chair: Prof. Paula Fredriksen, Boston University & Hebrew University

Dr. Serge Ruzer, Hebrew University: *Jesus and Paul on Marriage and Eschatology*

Dr. Yonatan Moss, Hebrew University: *"There is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ" – The Fate of Galatians 3:28 in the Early Church*

Coffee Break

10:30 - 12:00 **SECOND SESSION: MARRIAGE AND/AS METAPHOR FOR HUMAN DIVINE RELATIONS: RABBIS & CHURCH FATHERS**

Chair: Dr. David Satran, Hebrew University

Dr. Yakir Paz, Hebrew University: *Entering the King's Chambers: Marriage Imagery and Mystical Experience in Rabbinic and Christian Interpretations of Song of Songs*

Dr. Yair Furstenberg, Hebrew University: *Rethinking Marital Relations in a Roman Environment*

Dr. Yifat Monikendam, Tel-Aviv University: *"A Man's Betrothed is his Wife": Law, Theology and Exegesis in Early Christian Literature*

12:30 Lunch for participants

14:00 - 15:30 **THIRD SESSION: MARRIAGE AND/AS METAPHOR FOR HUMAN DIVINE RELATIONS: CHRISTIAN RITUAL, VISUAL ART, AND MYSTICISM**

Chair: Prof. (Emeritus) Guy Stroumsa, Hebrew University

Dr. Gabriel Radle, University of Notre Dame, USA: *The Christianization of Marriage Ritual in Late Antiquity*

Dr. Eirini Panou, Hellenic Open University, Greece: *Veiled Women in the Catacombs of Rome: Social Expediency or a Mystic Marriage in the Afterlife*

Dr. Judith Weiss, Ben Gurion University: *Guillaume Postel (1510–1581) on Divine Marriage, Sex and Family: Catholic Kabbalah in the Sixteenth Century*

Coffee Break

16:00-16:45 **CLOSING SESSION: MARRIAGE AND MODERNITY**

Chair: Prof. Israel Yuval, Hebrew University

Fr. Prof. Etienne Vetö, Director of the Cardinal Bea Center for Judaic Studies, Gregorian University, Rome: *Introductory Remarks*

Mrs. Aldegonde Brenninkmeijer-Werhahn: *The Christian Perspective on Marriage today*