

**Conference on Apocalyptic Literature and
Mysticism. Investigating a Turn in Recent
Apocalyptic Research**

**Hosted jointly by Yale Divinity School and the Faculty of Theology
and Religion, University of the Free State**

Monday, 7 August 2017

**Venue: University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa,
Theology Building Room 120**

08h30–08h50: Opening: Prof Francis Petersen (Rector & Vice-Chancellor, University of the Free State)

08h50–09h30: Pieter de Villiers: *Apocalyptic Literature and Mysticism: Investigating Prolegomena and the State of Affairs*

09h30–10h15: John Collins: *Is There Evidence of Mysticism in the Dead Sea Scrolls?*

10h15–11h00: Adela Yarbro Collins: *Paul, Jewish Mysticism, and Spirit Possession*

11h00–11h30: Refreshments

11h30–12h15: Pieter Botha: *Heavenly Realms and Bodily Realities in Apocalyptic Visions, or: Liminality, Difference and Disability at the End of the World*

12h15–13h00: Jörg Frey: *The Throne Vision of Revelation 4 within the Context of Enochic and Later Markavah texts*

Lunch: 13h00-14h00

14h00-14h45: Greg Sterling: *Dancing with the Stars: The Vision of God in Philo of Alexandria*

14h45-15h30: Paul Decock: *Journeys towards Fullness of Life: A Comparison between Philo and the Apocalypse of John*

15h30–16h00: Refreshments

Short Papers

16h00–16h30: Ananda Geysler-Fouche: *The Distinctive Apocalyptic and Mystical Perspectives in the Yahad (Qumran Community)*

16h30–17h00: Peter Nagel: *Does εἰς χεῖράς σου παρατίθεται τὸ πνεῦμά μου (Luke 23:46) Make a Bodily Resurrection Redundant?*

17h00–17h30: Troy Martin: *Transfigurrection: A Christian View of the Afterlife*

17h30–17h45: Reflection on the Day's Papers

17h45–17h50: Closing: Prof. Fanie Snyman, Dean (Faculty of Theology and Religion)

19h00: Conference Dinner

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