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Finding Wisdom in the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible

Presented by Tremper Longman
 Thursdays, November 3 and 10
 1:30pm, Valle Verde Social Room
 900 Calle de los Amigos

The wisdom literature of the Old Testament includes Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs. While considered sacred literature by Christians and Jews, the books have interest for people of all and no religious affiliation since they address issues in everyday life. Proverbs gives advice for navigating life in a way that maximizes success and minimizes failure, advocating what today is called emotional intelligence. Job addresses the issue of undeserved suffering, while Ecclesiastes struggles with the meaning of life. The Song of Songs contains erotic love poetry. Tremper Longman's two talks will explore the message and meaning of these four fascinating and less-known books of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament.



Suggested readings:

First session: Proverbs 1, 8 -10, 31 and Job 1-7, 38-42.

Second session: Ecclesiastes 1-2, 9, 12, and Song of Songs 1, 4-5.

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Biography:

Dr. Tremper Longman, 111 has a B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan University; a M.Div. from Westminster Theological Seminary; a M.Phil. and Ph.D. Yale University. He is the Robert H. Gundry Professor of Biblical Studies at Westmont College. He has written over 20 books including commentaries on Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Daniel, and Nahum. His book *How to Read Exodus* is part of a series of books written for InterVarsity Press. His books have been translated into 17 different languages. He has edited and contributed to a number of Study Bibles and Bible Dictionaries. His most recent book (with physicist Richard Carlson) is *Science, Creation and the Bible*. Tremper and his wife Alice have three sons and two granddaughters.



VISTAS Fall 2011 Calendar

Seminar/Event	Inclusive Dates	Time	Venue
Violin Making/Concert	Sunday, Sept 18	2:00pm	Valle Verde Theater
Documentary Club	Thurs, Sept 15	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater
Italy--150 years old	Thurs, Oct 6, 13, 20	2:00pm	Valle Verde Theater
Documentary Club	Thurs, Oct. 20	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater
Building an Opera, La Bohème	Mon, Oct 24	1:30PM	Valle Verde Theater
Harvard Justice Course (4)	Oct. 26, Nov. 2,9,16	9:30am	Valle Verde Social Rm
Documentary Club	Thurs, Nov 17	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater
American Political Parties (2)	Thurs, Dec 1, 8	1:30pm	Valle Verde Theater
Documentary Club	Thurs, Dec 15	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater



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