

Special Lecture

Professor Troy W. Martin

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at

Sydney College of Divinity
Unit 6b / 5 Talavera Road, Macquarie Park

Wednesday 9th May 2018

7.30 pm – 9.00 pm

followed by supper

Topic: *The Septuagint and the Development of Hellenistic Hope Piety*

The Septuagint played an important role in developing Hellenistic hope piety because the translators decided to render several different Hebrew expressions with the single Greek term *elpizein* ('to expect'). This translation decision changes the semantics and syntax of the Greek term by broadening the meaning of from simple expectation to the fuller and more nuanced meaning of hope that develops among Jewish and Christian communities in the Hellenistic World. This hope piety still characterizes these communities even to this very day and represents one of the lasting and enduring contributions of the Septuagint to the modern world.

RSVP if attending, by Friday 4th May, 2018
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