DR. AMY-JILL LEVINE

One of the best and most interesting New Testament scholars, Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, is coming to Topeka for two appearances in October.

Levine is a professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt University. Her numerous publications address such topics as formative Judaism, Christian origins, and the historical Jesus. Her recent publications include *The Meaning of the Bible: What the Jewish Scriptures and the Christian Old Testament Can Teach Us; The New Testament: Methods and Meanings*; and *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi*. She will be in Topeka on Wednesday, October 14 and Thursday, October 15. Author and Professor Dr. Amy-Jill Levine has dedicated her career to helping Christians and Jews understand the Jewishness of Jesus.



"After two thousand years of ignorance, the time has come for church and synagogue, Jews and Christians, to understand our intertwined histories, to see Jesus as a Jew who made sense to other Jews in a Jewish context, to learn how our two traditions came to a parting of the ways, to recognize how misunderstandings of Jesus and Judaism continue even today to foster negative stereotypes and feed hate, and to explore how the gains in interfaith relations made over the past several decades can be nurtured and expanded."

- Amy-Jill Levine, The Misunderstood

"Understanding Jesus Means Understanding Judaism." Wednesday, October 14 – 7:00 pm Temple Beth Sholom 4200 SW Munson Avenue

An interfaith workshop open to all. Dr. Levine suggests purchasing and bringing her book *The Jewish Annotated New Testament*, if possible. Underwritten by the Temple Beth Sholom Endlich Fund and funds from First Congregational Church, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Topeka and First Christian Church.

"Pearls and Prodigals: Hearing Jesus' Parables Through Jewish Ears."

Thomas L. King Lecture in Religious Studies Thursday, October 15 – 7:30 pm Washburn University, Memorial Union, Room Washburn A.

For further information contact Washburn University, Department of Philosophy at 785-670-1542.