EARLY BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION SEMINAR  
Michaelmas Term 2019 
Convener: Prof Hindy Najman (Oriel)  
Thursday at 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. 
Location: Harris Seminar Room, Oriel College (except week 3) 
Consult the Oriel College Porters Lodge for the 4-digit passcode and enter by gate 
Weeks 1, 2, 3*, 5, 7, 8** (no meetings weeks 4, 6)

Week 1 – October 17
10:00am – 1:00pm Induction for Old Testament subject group

Week 2 – October 24
Guest speaker: Philip Alexander (Manchester) – The History of the Aramaic Targums: Is the consensus breaking down?

Week 3 – October 3*
Weston library (please note location change)
Guest speaker: Martha Himmelfarb (Princeton) – The Reception of Sefer Zerubbabel in Western Europe: Sefer Hazikhronot and the Other Bodleian Manuscripts.

Week 4 – November 7
No session

Week 5 – November 14
Guest speaker: Daniel Waller (Groningen) – Illocutionary Acts and the Inscription of Demons: Writing and Performativity in the Aramaic Incantation Bowls.

Week 6 – November 21
No session

Week 7 – November 28
Yael Fisch (Oriel) – Postgraduate Session in preparation for the Hermeneutic Interventions workshop (readings will be pre-circulated)

Week 8 – December 5**
In lieu of our weekly seminar, we will be running a two day workshop entitled “Hermeneutic Interventions and Practices of Reading: Between Modernity and Antiquity” on December 1st and 2nd in Oriel College. Click here for the programme.

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