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Education

Ph.D., Theological Studies (in progress) — Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas. Enrolled 2024–present. Doctoral program GPA: 3.89 (as reported on October 19, 2026 transcript).

Master of Divinity, Biblical Languages — Liberty University, May 2024.

Bachelor of Science, Accounting — University of New Orleans, December 1995.

Research Interests

Systematic and constructive theology; theological anthropology; theology of trauma and addiction; human desire and narrative identity; neuroplasticity and theological accounts of transformation; neuroscience and theology; ecclesiology and liturgical formation; historical theology; theological method; doctrinal development; Christology and atonement.

Dissertation Research

A Theology of Trauma, Addiction, and the Human Condition (dissertation research). Developing an integrative, constructive theological anthropology that engages and reframes traumatic events and addictive responses through desire re-formation, narrative re-ordering, and neurobiological science. The project brings theological accounts of human desire and narrative into dialogue with neuroplastic brain science and ecclesial liturgical praxis to explore pathways for healing and recovery within the church. It critically examines explanations of trauma and addiction that focus exclusively on sin without adequately attending to narrative fragmentation, maladaptive neurological structures, and relational attachment disorders.

Conference Presentations

Parker, Bradford S. “From Scriptural Patterns to Dogmatic Types: A Canonically Grounded Newmanian Account of Development.” Scheduled presentation, Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, November 18, 2026.

Parker, Bradford S. “The Death and Enthronement of Christ” [presentation title to confirm]. Scheduled presentation, Society for Pentecostal Studies Annual Meeting, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky, March 11–13, 2027 [individual presentation date to confirm].

Parker, Bradford S. “Recapitulation, Desire, and Neuroplasticity: Irenaeus, Maximus, and the Re-Formation of Desire.” Presentation, Evangelical Theological Society Regional Meeting, Western Seminary, February 21, 2026.

Selected Public Scholarship

Parker, Bradford. “The Death and Enthronement of Jesus – A Theological Discourse on Sacrifice.” Restored, March 9, 2022. <https://bradfordparker.com/>.

Parker, Bradford. “The Cosmic Temple View of the Creation Story.” Restored, January 10, 2022. <https://bradfordparker.com/>.

Parker, Bradford. “The Emotional Problem of Evil.” Restored, October 14, 2021. <https://bradfordparker.com/>.

Parker, Bradford. "Ruth: A Theology of Resilience Amidst Vulnerability." Restored, April 27, 2021. <https://bradfordparker.com/>.

Substack — Public theological essays and commentary: <https://substack.com/@bradfordparker>

Academic Preparation

Doctoral seminars: Evangelicalism; Historical Theology; Hermeneutics and Historiography; Theological Systems; History of Doctrine; Systematic Theology; Theological Method; Research Methods; Modern Theology and Theologians (Fall 2026, in progress); Colloquium in Analytic Theology (Fall 2026, in progress).

Graduate language preparation: Reading Theological German (2025); Reading Theological French (2026); Hebrew Exegesis and Old Testament Introduction I–II (2024).

Professional Memberships and Scholarly Affiliations

Evangelical Theological Society (ETS); Society of Biblical Literature (SBL); Society for Pentecostal Studies (SPS); American Academy of Religion (AAR).

Ecclesiastical Credentials and Affiliations

Licensed Minister, Assemblies of God (USA) — March 2026–present.

Professional and Ministry Leadership

Executive Director / Co-Executive Director, Restore — Seattle area, Washington. Leadership in a recovery ministry serving individuals experiencing behavioral addictions, particularly sexual addictions, and their families. [Dates of service to confirm].

Languages

Biblical Greek — Intermediate (three semesters, Liberty University M.Div.); Biblical Hebrew — Intermediate (two semesters, Liberty University M.Div.; additional Hebrew exegesis coursework at Dallas Theological Seminary); Theological German — Intermediate (doctoral reading coursework); Theological French — Intermediate (doctoral reading coursework).