Benjamin Browning

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Education

Graduate Certificate in Teaching College Writing **May 2026**
Middle Georgia State University, Macon, GA

Doctor of Philosophy in New Testament (Minor in Church History) **May 2020**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA
Dissertation: *Facing the Mob: Government Responses to Civil Unrest in the Roman Empire and the Implications for New Testament Texts*

Master of Theology in New Testament **Dec. 2017**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Master of Divinity with a Specialization in Biblical Languages **May 2015**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Bachelor of Arts in History, *Cum Laude* **Dec. 2011**
Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville, GA

Academic Experience

Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies **Fall 2026–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary/Leavell College **Present**

- New Testament Survey
- English Composition I
- General Epistles

Contract Faculty **Summer 2024–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **Summer 2026**

- Greek 1 (undergraduate)
- Greek 2 (undergraduate)
- General Epistles (undergraduate)
- Church History 1 (undergraduate)
- New Testament Survey (undergraduate)
- Greek 1 (graduate)
- Church History: Early to Medieval (graduate)
- Interpreting the New Testament 1: Gospels (graduate)
- Interpreting the New Testament 2: Acts–Revelation (graduate)

Adjunct Professor **Spring 2023–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **Spring 2024**

- General Epistles (undergraduate)
- Romans (undergraduate)
- Greek 1 (graduate)
- Interpreting the New Testament: Gospels (graduate)
- Romans (graduate)

Adjunct Lecturer (Volunteer) **Apr. 2022–**
Ambassador International University, Chongwe, Zambia (Remote) **Oct. 2026**

- Teaching Methods (undergraduate)
- Apologetics (undergraduate)
- English Exegesis of Matthew (graduate)
- Theological Research and Writing (graduate)

Upper School Teacher (history, Bible, reading, grammar, and writing) **Spring 2021–**
Victory Christian Academy, Metairie, LA **Spring 2023**

Adjunct Instructor **Fall 2018–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **Spring 2021**

- Exploring the New Testament (graduate)
- Introductory Greek (graduate)

Adjunct Teacher (Undergraduate Certificate Program) **Fall 2016–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **Spring 2020**

- The Early Church (undergraduate)
- The Life and Letters of Paul (undergraduate)
- The Life of Christ (undergraduate)
- The Historical Books (undergraduate)
- The Writings (undergraduate)

Flex Instructor **Fall 2020**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Teaching Assistant **Summer 2020**
for Dr. Gerald Stevens
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Teaching Assistant **Fall 2017-**
for Dr. Norris Grubbs **Spring 2020**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Volunteer Transcriber **Fall 2015, Fall 2016**
Center for New Testament Textual Criticism at NOBTS
International Greek New Testament Paul Project

Grader **Fall 2014**
for Dr. Archie England
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Volunteer (two weeks) **May 2014**
Tel Gezer Water System Archeology Dig, Israel
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Administrative Experience

Director of Distance Learning and Prison Programs **May 13, 2024–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **Present**

Coordinator of Online and Prison Programs **May 31, 2023–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **May 13, 2024**

Director of Research/Chairman of Research Board (volunteer) **Apr. 2022–**
Ambassador International University, Chongwe, Zambia (Remote) **Oct. 2026**

Director of Post Office **June 2016–**
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary **December 2019**

Ministry Experience

Interim Pastor **Oct. 2024 –**
Millville Baptist Church, Ponchatoula, LA **April 2025**

Associate Pastor/Worship leader **Aug. 2016 –**
Cross Culture Community Church (NAMB Church Plant) **Sept. 2022**
New Orleans, LA

Senior Pastor **Nov. 2014 –**
First Baptist Church of Nicholson, MS **May 2016**

Associate Pastor **Apr. 2012 –**
Oak Park Baptist Church, Algiers, LA **Oct. 2014**

Volunteer (Weekly) **Mar. 2012 –**
Homeless Ministry, Gentilly Baptist Church **July 2013**

Bible Study Teacher **Jan. 2011 –**
Northside Baptist Church and Baptist Collegiate Ministries **Dec. 2011**
Milledgeville, GA 70126

Children's Church Leader **Jan. 2007 –**
Eagle's Brooke Community Church, Jackson GA **Jan. 2009**

Military Experience

Radio and ComSec Repairer **Sept. 2004 –**
Georgia Army National Guard **Sept. 2011**
Extra Duties: Battalion Level Instructor of Afghan Culture
and History, and Basic Radio Communications. 2008-2009
Deployments: Afghanistan. June, 2009- April, 2010
Awards: Army Commendation Medal and Georgia Commendation Medal

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

The Bible and Crowd Violence: Moving Toward a Biblical Ethic of Mob Violence
New York, NY: Routledge, forthcoming [estimated year of publication: 2028]

Facing the Mob: Rome, the Crowd, and the New Testament
Eugene, OR: PickWick, 2022

"Civil Unrest in the Lukan Account of the Trial of Jesus"
Engaging the Bible, Mark Roncace, ed., Point of View Publishing, 2020

"Civil Unrest and the Interpretation of Acts"
Dialoguing with the Bible, Mark Roncace, ed., Point of View Publishing, 2019

Journal Articles and Scholarly Book Reviews

"Intentional Inaction or Unremarkable Unrest? Revisiting Gallio's Response to the Attack on Sosthenes in Acts 18:17"
Journal for the Study of the Bible and Violence, December 2025

"'Inconceivable'? Exploring the Plausibility of Claudius Lysias's Decision in Acts 21:40"
Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society, September 2024

"The Fight for Christ: The Role of Violence in the Christological Debates of the Fifth Century"
Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Spring 2023

"Review of *Rethinking the Dates of the New Testament,"* by Jonathan Bernier
Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Spring 2023

"Review of *The Gospel at Work*"

Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Spring 2020

"Review of *All Things in Common,*" by R. A. Montero
Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Spring 2018

"Review of *The Latin New Testament,*" by H. A. G. Houghton
Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Fall 2017

"Review of *Paul Behaving Badly,*" by E. R. Richards and B.J. O'Brien
Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry, Fall 2017

Magazines, Blogs, and Websites

"You Just Decided to Study Paul's Epistles: Now What?"
Bible Study Magazine, September/October 2021

"A Degree Will Not Give You Happiness"
Geaux Therefore: The Official Blog of NOBTS and Leavell College, January 2021

"An Introduction to Social-Scientific Criticism"
Point of View Publishing website, 2020

Society Presentations

"They Feared the Crowd: The Matthean Mob in Its Roman Context"
Evangelical Theological Society, National Meeting, November 2025

"A Prophet without Allies: Exploring Parallels between Jeremiah 26:1-24 and Acts 6:8-8:1"
Evangelical Theological Society, South West Regional Meeting, April 2025

"The Not So Curious Case of Paul's Speech: Exploring the Validity of Acts 21:40"
Evangelical Theological Society, South West Regional Meeting, March 2022

"Intentional Inaction or Unremarkable Unrest? Examining Hubbard's view of Acts 18:17
Evangelical Theological Society, National Meeting, November 2020

"Managing Unrest: An Analysis of Civil Unrest in the New Testament"
Evangelical Theological Society, South West Regional Meeting, March 2019

"Fighting over the Spirit: The Role of Violence in the Pneumatomachian Controversy"
Evangelical Theological Society, National Meeting, November 2018

"Unlikely Exemplars: A Character Analysis of Hebrews 11"
Evangelical Theological Society, South West Regional Meeting, March 2018

Research Interests

The Synoptic Gospels, Acts, and the General Epistles
Civil Unrest and Violence in the New Testament
Conflict and Unity in the Early Church
New Testament Social Setting
Social-Cultural Criticism
Narrative Criticism
Online Pedagogy for Theological Higher Education
English Grammar and Composition