

Mormon Theology Seminar

Embracing the Law

A scholarly conference on Doctrine and Covenants 42

September 10, 2010 ~ Free Admission

Session 1

9:00 - 10:45 a.m., Stonemetz Conference Room

Jeremiah John, Southern Virginia University
Law and Church in Section 42 of the Doctrine and Covenants

Nate Oman, William and Mary Law School
"I Give Unto You My Law": Section 42 as a Legal Text and the Paradoxes of Divine Law

Discussant: President Rodney K. Smith, Southern Virginia University

Session 2

1:30 - 3:00 p.m., Main Hall 337

Russell Fox, Friends University
"Thou Wilt Remember the Poor": Liberation Theology and a Radical Interpretation of
"The Laws of the Church of Christ"

Robert Couch, Willamette University
Consecration and the End of the Poor

Discussant: TBA

Session 3

3:30 - 5:15 p.m., Main Hall Ballroom

Karen Spencer, independent scholar
"To Teach or Not to Teach": Three Possible Interpretations of D&C 42:12-14

Kristine Haglund, editor of *Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought*
"The Beauty of the Work of Thine Own Hands": On the Possibility of an Aesthetic for Zion

Joe Spencer, University of New Mexico
"Remnants of Revelation": On the Canonical Reading of D&C 42

Discussant: Scott Dransfield, Southern Virginia University