

Editor's Page

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It is occasionally helpful to remind our readers and potential article submitters about the mission of ATS and the guidelines that inform the scholarship of our contributors. As stated in our mission statement on the ATS webpage (<https://www.atsjats.org/about>), the society “affirms the Bible and the Bible alone as the foundation of its scholarship and activities.” As students of God’s Word we accept that “all Scripture is inspired and that God reveals Himself” through the Holy Spirit “to those who come to it with humble hearts.” “The Society accepts the beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church as its theological position and adheres to the Church’s voted ‘Methods of Bible Study’ as its hermeneutical position.” For readers interested in reading this voted position in full, it can be found online at <https://www.adventist.org/documents/methods-of-bible-study/>.

The Society’s goals and values, which are part of the mission of JATS, are reflected in the following statements—also found on our online webpage:

- Promoting sound biblical scholarship among Seventh-day Adventist scholars, theologians, teachers, pastors, and Bible students;
- Exploring Scripture in order to better understand it;

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- Creating a spiritual and intellectual atmosphere for fellowship and dialogue within the Church and offering support and collegiality to students of God's Word;
- Upholding the fundamental beliefs and piety of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in education, in church life, and in the completion of its mission;
- Sponsoring Bible symposia and conventions in various parts of the world, providing opportunities for reading, discussion, and dissemination of scholarly thought;
- Interacting with Bible scholars and theologians beyond the Seventh-day Adventist community of faith;
- Publishing theological literature;
- Being a positive, relevant theological voice in the church and society at large.

Bible scholars and students who are supportive of these goals are invited—indeed encouraged—to submit their work to the editors of the journal for consideration for publication. We look forward to hearing from you!

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