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7 p.m. Sept. 23, 2025

Lamentations 1: Weaponizing Exile on Confiscated Bodies

10 a.m. Sept. 24, 2025

Lamentations 2: Macabre Spectacles of Liquidated Bodies

Dr. Gregory Cuéllar promotes critical and ethical engagement with global justice concerns, challenging conventional epistemologies and reimagining the intersections of sacred texts, history and contemporary struggles.

He is the author of Empire, the British Museum, and the Making of the Biblical Scholar in the Nineteenth Century and Resacralizing the Other at the US-Mexico Border: A Borderland Hermeneutic, both published in 2019. He co-edited Activist Hermeneutics of Liberation and the Bible: A Global Intersectional Perspective, which was published in 2023.

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