

Shalom Paul to lecture on "The Genesis of Genesis", sponsored by Judaic Studies Program

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BIBLE PROFESSOR TO TALK AT UCSD

Shalom Paul, professor of Bible at Hebrew University in Israel, will deliver a talk at the University of California, San Diego on February 10, at 5 p.m. in Third College Lecture Hall, Room 107.

His topic "The Genesis of Genesis," concerns the birth of the Book of Genesis in the context of the Middle East during Biblical times.

Paul's appearance is sponsored by the UCSD Judaic Studies Program.

"What's impressive about Shalom Paul is that he is an American scholar who got an appointment as professor of Bible in the Hebrew University in Jerusalem," said Judaic Studies Program Director Richard Friedman. "Given the great number of very distinguished Israeli biblical scholars, his appointment there was a great tribute to him as a scholar."

Friedman said that Paul has lectured many times in San Diego, and was once a guest professor at UCSD.

"He is a very popular lecturer with the university and with the general community," Friedman said. "He is an expert on Biblical law and its comparison with other ancient law codes, and he has recently written a commentary on the Book of Amos."

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