

DISCERNING DEVOTION: DEVOTION AND DISCIPLESHIP IN A DISCONTENTED AGE

Description: the devotional life takes on many forms. Different cultural contexts and different life experiences pose both problems and possibilities for lives of devotion. This plenary will offer an overarching framework for the symposium. We will consider how our particular cultural moment presents three challenges to the devotional life: distraction, disenchantment, and disillusionment. For each challenge, we will consider how God works through his word to reform our lives of devotion that we may live as faithful disciples in a discontented age.

I. Introduction:

II. Defining Devotion:

III. Cultivating Lives of Devotion in the Midst of Cultural Challenges:

a. Deep Reverence in a Culture of Distraction

b. Devotional Discovery in a World of Disenchantment

c. Devotional Disciplines in Times of Disillusionment