

The Bible's Bloody Bits?

A lamp to my feet, a light to my path? Really?



The Bible – like sacred scriptures of other religions – contains some problematic passages – and even whole books. Many of these difficult sections seem to suggest that God encourages or even mandates violence. This year, for example, the readings at daily morning prayer have featured the Books of Joshua and Judges, in which the Israelite conquest of Canaan, sometimes portrayed in brutal form, is a prominent theme.

**How can and should Christians respond to these ‘bloody bits’?
What do they imply for our understanding and interpretation of scripture?**

You are welcome to join us on Zoom
Here is the link and password.

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**Wednesday 29 July
19.30 CET for 19.45 start**

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This Zoom study session led by Dr Clare Amos will both look in detail at some of the problematic passages of Joshua and Judges, and then explore the wider implications for our understanding and use of the Bible. Until her retirement in 2018 Clare, a biblical scholar by background, led the interreligious office at the World Council of Churches. Partly as a result of her own experience of living in Lebanon for a number of years during its brutal civil war, the topic of religiously motivated violence is one that Clare is deeply concerned with and still continues to speak and write about.