

## READING THE BIBLE WITH KARL BARTH: AN ONLINE CLASS

**Instructor:** **Angela Dienhart Hancock**, Associate Professor of Homiletics and Worship, PTS

**Dates:** May 1-26, 2017

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By the end of the course, participants will select and interpret a biblical text, imagining how Barth might read it today.

Those without an orientation to Barth's theology already may benefit from reading Barth's relatively short book, *Evangelical Theology*, before the course begins.

The class will be self-paced and available for participants to engage with the instruction at their own convenience, i.e., offered asynchronously, no set times that you need to sit in front of your computer. If you would like a copy of the syllabus, email [ConEd@pts.edu](mailto:ConEd@pts.edu).

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