

## In Jung



I obtained a Th. M. at Yonsei University, South Korea. My master's thesis, *The Persecution of the Roman Empire and the Response of the Lukan Community*, won the best dissertation award and was published by *the Korean Association of Accredited Theological Schools* (2010). Before my academic — as well as religious — conversion I studied Mass Communication at Korea University (B.A.) and worked for several years in the field of P.R. and thus, as it were, in the arena of rhetoric.

My current Ph.D. research is titled *Passio Christi, Tribulatio Discipuli: a cognitive-narratological analysis of the Lukan passion story*. This research aims to provide a new perspective on the parallel representation of the passion motives in Luke-Acts. By analyzing the narrative structure and the cognitive process of reader reception I argue that, with regard to suffering, Luke converted the story of *Jesus* into the story of *Disciples*, and that the reader perceives above all the *Disciples* as the primary object of their empathy, while Jesus functions as the model as well as the patron for the people who suffer. The result of this research will also help to develop a new hermeneutical approach for current global contexts of suffering by analyzing the processes and contexts of reception by contemporary readers.

My project will be, to my knowledge, one of the first attempts at a full-scale application of the cognitive-narratological method to a New Testament text. I also use classical exegetical methods for the NT and its parallel texts that deal with the theme of the Passion and suffering. Such methods are made possible through my previous and ongoing exploration of the following languages and literatures: *Classical and Koine Greek* (Graecum, studied under Dr. P. Prestel), *Latin* (Latinum, also under Prestel), *Biblical Hebrew* (Hebraicum, under Dr. A. Ernst), *Rabbinic Hebrew* (under Pfr. K. Günther), *Biblical and Targumic Aramaic* (also under Günther), *Classical Syriac* (under Dr. R. Kutty, Dr. D. Schwiderski) and *Coptic* (under Dr. A. Pries).

### Current research

\* Das Schwurverbot bei Matthäus - unter besonderer Berücksichtigung des Verfolgungskontextes (2012)

\* Das Zeitverständnis in der Antike - ein Stereotyp oder eine Vielfalt? (2013)

\* Wo kommt die Zeit-Paradoxie des NT her? - eine Skizze mit einer konstruktivistisch-wissenssoziologischen Einsicht (2013)

\* Jesus-Stephanus. Eine hierarchische Parallele und die Empathie-Entwicklung (2014)