

# Jesus Seminar



## on the Road

### All Events at

#### Grace United Methodist Church

3700 Cottage Grove Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50311

### Registration

#### All Sessions

Pre-registration (by Oct 31, 2014)	\$60
Registration (after Oct 31, 2014)	\$75
Additional Family Member	\$50

#### Single Sessions

Friday Evening Lecture	\$20
Saturday Morning Workshop	\$30
Saturday Afternoon Workshop	\$30

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## Des Moines, Iowa

### November 14–15, 2014

## Jesus and Politics Then and Now

**Bernard Brandon Scott & Perry Kea**

The recent book by Reza Aslan (*Zealot: The Life & Times of Jesus of Nazareth*) once again raises the question of Jesus' agenda. Was Jesus a religious zealot eager for the fierce judgment of God to burn away injustice and oppression? Or was he dedicated to uplifting God's people with the tools of service and compassion? This seminar will examine Jesus' message and ministry in relationship to Roman imperialism, the divide between rich and poor in Judean society, and the leaders in Jerusalem.

*Jesus: A Revolutionary Zealot?*

*The Empire of Rome and the Empire of God*

*Jesus and the Political Economic Divide in Roman Palestine*

*Jesus and the Jewish Leaders (Herodians and High Priests)*

*Does the Historical Jesus Have Anything to Say  
to Politics Today?*

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