

Me and my hero

theological master class

The Remonstrant Church in the Netherlands, in cooperation with the HeartEdge network, the Centre for Contextual Biblical Interpretation and the Arminius Institute are inviting you to join this online live master class, around heroism and heroes from the past and in the present.



The difference between a hero and a saint

Rev. Sally Hitchener, St. Martin in the Fields

Sally Hitchiner looks at the differences between heroes in modern secular culture and saints in the Christian tradition. Comparing illustrations from popular culture and international news as with the New Testament and the Christian tradition of saints, she will explore what it means that each of us is invited to live a life of significance in the middle of the everyday world with its ambiguities and hard questions. She will look at how contemporary methods for teaching ethics often presuppose a secular model but how there is another training school available and reflects on the role of the local church. No capes required.

Heroes made great again

Prof. Dr. Peter-Ben Smit, CCBI Amsterdam

Heroes are attractive because they offer opportunities for identification; at the same time, they challenge their admirers, as they embody high standards of, for instance, morality, sanctity, or success. Such familiarity can, however, also turn saints into rather two-dimensional figures. This talk explores the hero of the Christian tradition par excellence, Jesus of Nazareth, from the perspective of queer approaches to the New Testament, arguing that when Jesus is 'made strange' again, he can be an even more fascinating hero, precisely because he eludes the grasp of clear-cut categories and ideals.

When: 12 March 2021

Where: Zoom, free of charge

Time: 8 PM - 9.30 PM

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Please register before March 5, 2021

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