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*From Temple to Mosque: the Transformation
of Sacred Space in the Late Antique Near East*

Saturday 26 May 2012

Ioannou Centre, 66 St Giles', Oxford



CHAIR: **Jeremy Johns** (Oxford)

10.00 am **Judith McKenzie** (Oxford): *Opening remarks*

10.15 am **Harry Munt** (Oxford): *Historical introduction*

11.00–11.30 am: Tea/coffee break

CHAIR: **Neil McLynn** (Oxford)

11.30 am **Gideon Avni** (Hebrew University/IAA): *Archaeological evidence for the interrelations of churches, synagogues and mosques in Early Islamic Palestine*

12.15 pm **Fred Astren** (San Francisco State University): *Response*

12.45–1.45 pm: Lunch

CHAIR: **John Healey** (Manchester)

1.45 pm **Heba Mostafa** (Cambridge): *A new world order: sacrality, authority and the rise of the mosque and shrine in Islam*

2.30 pm **Ross Burns** (Sydney): *Transformation of temple sites to churches/mosques in the Levant*

3.15–3.45 pm: Tea/coffee break

CHAIR: **Bryan Ward-Perkins** (Oxford)

3.45 pm **Elias Khamis** (Oxford): *Sharing shrines between monotheistic faiths in Palestine*

4.30 pm **Judith McKenzie** and **Andres Reyes** (Oxford): *What happened in Egypt?*

5.15 pm *Concluding remarks*

5.45 pm: Drinks

This workshop is free, except for a £10 levy on the day (£5 students), for a sandwich lunch. Please register in advance by emailing <tiffany.chezum@exeter.ox.ac.uk>, indicating if you require lunch, and/or if you wish to join the speakers for dinner at 7pm (at your own expense). Organized by Judith McKenzie, Bryan Ward-Perkins, and Tiffany Chezum, in association with the Leverhulme project, "Late Antique Egypt and the Holy Land: Archaeology, History, and Religious Change".