



## ABOUT SIMON GATHERCOLE

Simon Gathercole is a prominent British New Testament scholar, Reader in New Testament Studies and Fellow at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University and elder at Eden Baptist Church in Cambridge. He was formerly Senior Lecturer in New Testament at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, for seven years. Gathercole received an MA at Cambridge, and later completed a MTh and PhD under James D. G. Dunn at the University of Durham. He is regarded by many as one of the rising stars in New Testament scholarship globally.



Simon's main academic interest is the interpretation of the New Testament. He began as a classicist and worked in the field of early Judaism. He has been particularly fascinated by the connections between the New Testament and the literature contemporaneous with it. His principal theological interests are Christology and the doctrine of the atonement.

Simon serves as editor for *Early Christianity* and has written numerous articles and essays. He is an editorial board member for four other journals and was editor of *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* (2007-2012). His books include these: *Defending Substitution: An Essay on Atonement in Paul* (2015); *How God Became Jesus: The Real Origins of Belief in Jesus' Divine Nature – A Response to Bart D. Ehrman* (2014); *The Gospel of Thomas: Introduction and Commentary* (2014); *The Composition of the Gospel of Thomas: Original Language and Influences* (2014); *The Gospel of Judas: Rewriting Early Christianity* (2007); *The Preexistent Son: Recovering the Christologies of Matthew, Mark, and Luke* (2006); *Divine and Human Agency in Paul and his Cultural Environment* (2006); *Where is Boasting?: Early Jewish Soteriology and Paul's Response in Romans 1-5* (2002).