

Shawn the Baptist, aka Shawn McCraney

Independent Biblical Philosopher | Author | Teacher | Artist | Host of *Heart of the Matter*

Through 25 years of independent biblical research and public teaching, Shawn has come to discover that historical, exegetical, linguistic and contextual evidence of the Bible indicates that the central prophecy and events of the biblical narrative, *including Christ's return and the complete end of collective material religious engagement between God and this world*, were all fulfilled in the first century at the Destruction of Jerusalem. From that perspective, he argues that faith today must be understood as **direct, personal, and spiritual rather than institutional, material, collective or political**. This biblical framework grounds his "Yeshuan Model of Subjective Faith", which emphasizes agape love as the *only* remaining law written on the hearts and minds of believers.

Coming in the spirit of John the Baptist, *Shawn the Baptist* seeks to "prepare the way for a *spiritual* rise of Christ" in the hearts and minds of individuals outside of organized religion. He invites critical religious thinkers into open investigation and scrutiny of his claims. Shawn is interested in discussing *any* and *all* religious topics. He is most studied and unique in his perspectives on Mormonism, religious authority, fulfilled eschatology, the end of sin, hell, Satan and death, The Bible as a fulfilled record, criticisms of the Trinity and the "perfect plural" ontology of God (what he calls the "better Trinity"), Evangelical Christianity's deleterious material objectives, subjective faith and spiritual autonomy, non-politics in Christianity, and unity across religious traditions.

Shawn the Baptist is Shawn McCraney - an independent biblical philosopher known for more than two decades of public engagement with Mormonism, evangelical Christianity, biblical interpretation, and the authority of religious institutions through shows, teachings and writing. He hosts the live show *Heart of the Matter*, formerly broadcast on KTMW TV-20 in Salt Lake City, Utah. His work includes thousands of hours of verse-by-verse teaching through the entire Apostolic Record (New Testament), over fifty books, dozens of debates and interviews, and a body of intaglio acrylic artwork. Along with his family, he founded **Yeshuans.faith**, an online educational ministry exploring what faith looks like *after* the biblical age of material religion, which he claims is now over. Today his work as *Shawn the Baptist* centers on public dialogue, inviting students, scholars, interviewers, and religious audiences to critically examine his conclusions with hope of finding the best approach to increasing liberty and love in believers today.

Shawn is available for podcast interviews, campus lectures, classroom discussions, theology panels, and public dialogue. He is not interested in debate, but earnest and respectful inquisition. [Click here to watch a highlight reel of Shawn's work.](#)

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