



Knowing
the Word
of God



Being
transformed into
Christ's image



Doing
the work of
ministry

McMaster Divinity College exists to develop effective evangelical Christian leaders for the Church, academy, and society through graduate-level education, spiritual development, and vocational formation. We are committed to the transformational paradigm of Knowing, Being, Doing in all that we do. Our courses impart knowledge that enhances our students' understanding, insight, and perspective on the important issues of the Christian faith (knowing). We are convinced, however, that education goes beyond the informational to the formational (being), resulting in an inner transformation, where we, as a community, aspire to better reflect Christ's image. This paradigm of education includes advanced vocational competencies (doing) so our graduates leave us able to serve their ministry well.



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Cover Artwork

"Winter's Night"
By Erin Wildsmith
Oil on canvas
board

Artist Statement

I painted "Winter's Night" based on a photo I took of a heavy, cloud-laden December sunset. The photograph was taken during the darkest part of the year when sunlight feels rare and precious. The sun that shines beneath dark purple clouds is a reminder of God's faithful love (in Hebrew, hesed), which is always there, even in darkness. This painting hangs in the home of a congregant who often battles deep depression. I hope this image reminds him and others that the redemptive light of God's love for and in us can never be put out. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it," (John 1:5).

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Wishing you a wonderful Christmas filled with Christ's gifts of peace, hope, and joy.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 (NIV)