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# The Political Jesus

September 14-15, 2018 in Normal, Illinois

with Westar scholars *Arthur J. Dewey and Celene Lillie*

The Jesus of history resisted the political and social realities of his day. Early Christians did the same. Neither one was necessarily successful in their aims, but what do we know about their attitudes toward the economy, immigrants, and war? How did Jesus and emerging Christ communities express concerns for justice and peace? Looking at the world today, what would they say about American politics?

## All Events at

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## Registration

### All Sessions

Pre-registration (by Aug 31, 2018)	\$60
Registration (after Aug 31, 2018)	\$75
Student Registration	\$50

### Single Sessions

Friday Evening, 7:30–9 PM Saturday	\$20
Morning, 9:30 AM–noon Saturday	\$30
Afternoon, 1:30–4 PM	\$30

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## Weekend sessions include:

**Jesus, Empire, And Us:** Might this be a time in American history to listen closely again to what Jesus had to say?

**Jesus & the art of Resistance:** Although Jesus' resistance was subtle, it didn't go unnoticed by Rome.

**Christ Communities and Resistance:** Understanding what early communities say to us today.

**Christian Resistance Today:** In some ways, Christianity today is a movement of resistance within an empire



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