Herman Bavinck's Reformed Ethics
Internationale Conference
TU Kampen

The Kampen theologian Herman Bavinck (1854-1921) has been renowned in the Netherlands for his four-volume Gereformeerde dogmatiek (1st edition 1895-1901) – and all over the world since the translation of this book into English and subsequently in several other languages. It is therefore an international event that this year the extensive manuscript of his intended book on Reformed ethics will be available, both in Dutch (complete edition) and English (partial edition). This manuscript, the result of his teaching in Kampen, was found some years ago in Bavinck’s archive. The original Dutch text has been fixed and annotated by Dr. Dirk van Keulen, researcher at The Neo-Calvinism Research Institute, TU Kampen (NRI), and will be published as Gereformeerde ethiek at publishing house KokBoekencentrum.

To celebrate the release of this second largest text in Bavinck’s bibliography, an international two-day conference has been organized by NRI on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 September, 2019, at Theological University Kampen. Prior to his conference, theologian Dr. Craig Bartholomew will deliver the annual Bavinck Lecture at this university, dedicated to Bavinck’s ethics, on Wednesday night 18 September, 2019.

The conference theme of Bavinck’s ethics is intended to foster conversations and reflection related to the significance of this new publication in all its aspects.

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Program

Thursday 19 September 2019

9.30 Opening Roel Kuiper, Rector TU Kampen
9.45 Presentation Gereformeerde ethiek, Dirk van Keulen, TU Kampen
10.00 Keynote Kees van der Kooi, VU Amsterdam, ‘We as his.’ Some remarks on Bavinck’s Reformed Ethics
11.00 Coffee break
11.30 James Eglinton, New College Edinburgh, *Herman Bavinck on Christian ethics in the age of Nietzsche*
12.00 Wim van Vlastuin, VU/HHS Amsterdam, *Is Bavinck among the Puritans?*
12.30 Lunch

13.30 Keynote John Bolt, Calvin College Grand Rapids, *Herman Bavinck as a ‘man of science’ in the Reformed Ethics* and presentation of volume 1 of the English edition
14.30 Gerard den Hertog, TU Apeldoorn, *Communion with Christ and Discipleship in Bavinck’s Reformed Ethics*
15.00 Coffee break

15.30 Jessica Joustra, TU Kampen, *Conformity to Christ’s Suffering in Self-Denial and Cross-Bearing: Bavinck on the Role of Positive and Negative Virtues in the Imitation of Christ*
16.00 Hans Burger, TU Kampen, *The Renewal of the Mind: Cognitive Aspects of Sin, Conversion and Spiritual Life*
16.30 Reception

17.30 Dinner

19.30 Play *An evening with C.S. Lewis*, by David Payne, performed by the American actor Phil Crowley*

*Friday 20 September 2019*

9.30 Keynote Ernst Conradie, UWC Cape Town, *Could Herman Bavinck be Regarded as an Early Exponent of Christian Ecotheology?*
10.30 Henk van de Belt, VU Amsterdam, *Medicine against Doubt: The Development of Bavinck’s View of Certainty and Assurance*
11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Marcel Sarot, Tilburg School of Catholic Theology, *Bavinck on the Imitation of Christ and Mystical Union: A Roman Catholic Appreciation*
12.00 Gray Sutanto, Covenant City Church Jakarta, *Original Sin in Bavinck’s Ethics and Dogmatics*
12.30 Lunch

13.30 Hillie van de Streek, TU Kampen, *Bavinck’s View on the Position of Women in Society*
14.00 Albert Gootjes, Universiteit Utrecht, *Dispensing with the Dutch? Bavinck Translations from the Reformed Dogmatics to the Reformed Ethics*
14.30 Coffee break

15.00 Keynote Ad de Bruijne, TU Kampen, *Reformed Ethics Today*
16.00 Closure

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Beloved author of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, C.S. Lewis hosts a group of American writers at his home just outside Oxford where students regularly packed his lecture hall just to hear him speak. Follow Lewis as he recounts his childhood in Northern Ireland, his tenure at Oxford University, his friendship with J.R.R. Tolkien and his marriage to an American woman. Get to know C.S. Lewis, the man as he invites you into his living room and into his life. An evening of pure joy!