

When One Religion Isn't Enough: Making Sense of Multiplicity

Saturday, January 12, 2019
9:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Northway Christian Church, Dallas

Most people think religions are pure, static, and monolithic, separated by clear boundaries. But some people regularly cross religious borders. Hinxwies, Jubus, Buddhist-Christians, Chrislamics, and others maintain bonds to more than one tradition at the same time. This type of spiritual fluidity blurs categories, evokes prejudice, and complicates religious communities--especially at church. But spiritually fluid people celebrate their connections to multiple religions, which some claim by choice but most inherit from family and culture. Their numbers are growing. The seminar considers questions raised by complex religious bonds: How and why do people become spiritually fluid? What does it mean to claim--or be claimed by--multiple religious traditions? How do spiritually fluid people navigate conflicting truth claims? What can they contribute to congregations and to the common good?



Twelfth Jean and Patrick Henry Seminar

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