

## Curriculum Vitae

### **F. LaGard Smith**

#### Calling

**Educator**, for 29 years at the graduate law level and for 5 years in undergraduate liberal arts.

**Author** of some 30 books addressing a wide variety of legal, social, moral, and religious issues.

#### Career History

2011-2015: *Professor of Law, Faulkner University's Jones School of Law*  
Courses: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure

2010-2011: *Special Assistant to the President, C.S. Lewis Foundation*

2007-2009: *Full-time writer*, completing two books.

2005-2006: *Professor of Law, Liberty University School of Law, Lynchburg, Virginia.*

- Courses taught: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure
- Served as chair of Self-Study

1999-2004: *Scholar in Residence for Christian Studies, Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee.*

- Primary role doing research and writing for Christian publications.
- Also responsible for promoting integration of faith and learning throughout the curriculum.
- In addition to numerous chapel talks, co-teaching University Bible, which the entire student body takes as part of the university's required daily Bible instruction.
- Tutor for Honors course
- Lecturer in business ethics for MBA program

1972-1998: *Professor of Law, Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, California.*

- Courses taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure; Evidence; Trial Practice; Law and Morality; Law and Religion; Professional Responsibility.
- Served as Assistant Dean 1974-1975

1971-1972: *Director of Admissions and Professional Conduct*, Oregon State Bar, Portland, Oregon.

Responsible for administration of the Bar Exam, and for disposition of complaints against Oregon attorneys.

1970-1971: *District Attorney*, Malheur County, Oregon.

Prosecuted felonies and misdemeanors, including crimes ranging from drunk driving to first degree murder. Argued appeals before the Oregon Supreme Court.

1968-1970: *Assistant District Attorney*, Malheur County, Oregon.

Prosecuted felonies and misdemeanors, with particular responsibility for prosecuting criminal non-support of children.

### Education

J.D., Willamette University, Salem, Oregon– 1968  
B.S. in Law, Willamette University, Salem, Oregon– 1966  
A.A., Florida College, Temple Terrace, Florida– 1964

### Bar Membership

Oregon State Bar (Inactive)

### Media Exposure

Frequent guest on numerous national radio and television talk shows. Appearances include CNN's "Crossfire," "Hour Magazine," "The 700 Club," "Truths That Transform," and many others. Served as legal commentator on the O.J. Simpson trial.

### Personal

Born in Houston, Texas, December 6, 1944. Age 64.

Married to Ruth Batey Smith. Ruth was born and raised in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. After graduating from Lipscomb University with a music major and additional emphasis in business, Ruth worked for the Nashville investment firm of J.C. Bradford until we married in 1993.

Beginning in 1986, I began spending six months of each year (January-July) writing

books in the English countryside. Together there part-time now for the past eighteen years, Ruth and I enjoy gardening, travel, antiques, and walking in the hills above our cottage. Ruth runs a “not-for-profit” bed and breakfast for our many friends who visit.

### Publication Record

*The Criminal Law Color Book*, Legal Books Distributing, 1978, rev. 1982. Popular study text for law students, using creative graphics to communicate concepts.

*The Narrated Bible*, (paperback titled *The Daily Bible*) Harvest House Publishers, 1984. The New International Version arranged in chronological order and supplemented with explanatory narration providing background and continuity to the text. (More than a million copies sold.)

*Insights For Today*, Harvest House Publishers, 1985. Leather-bound gift edition of the Proverbs with daily devotionals.\*\*

*Out On a Broken Limb*, Harvest House Publishers, 1986. A response to Shirley MacLaine’s New Age book, *Out on a Limb*.\*\*

*The Intimate Jesus*, Harvest House Publishers, 1988. (Also released as *The Daily Gospels*.) The Gospels arranged chronologically with daily devotional commentary for a month.\*\*

*Fallen Spiritual Leaders*, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christian, 1988 (original title, *Fallen Shepherds, Scattered Sheep*), rev. 1992. A critique of high-profile spiritual leaders who fall from grace, and what to do about the aftermath.\*\*

*Crystal Lies*, Servant Publications, 1989. A critique of the New Age movement.\*\*

*Baptism—The Believer's Wedding Ceremony*, Gospel Advocate Publishers, 1989, rev. 1993. A study of biblical baptism, exploring the depths of its meaning and purpose.\*\*

*Male Spiritual Leadership*, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christian, 1989, rev. 1992, rev. 1998. (Published originally by Harvest House Publishers as *Men of Strength for Women of God* and *What Most Women Want*.) A study of gender roles in Scripture.

*Blasphemy and the Battle for Faith*, Hodder & Stoughton (London), 1990. Commentary on blasphemy laws in England in the wake of Salman Rushdie’s *The Satanic Verses*, viewed particularly in light of Islamic beliefs.\*\*

*When Choice Becomes God*, Harvest House Publishers, 1990. Exploration of a culture of choice in light of the abortion controversy.\*\*

*The Cultural Church*, 21st Century Christian, 1992. Review of cultural paradigm shift and its impact on traditional hermeneutics used in the study of Scripture.

*Meeting God in Quiet Places*, Harvest House Publishers, 1992. Devotional parables based upon walks in rural England. Illustrated.

*What You Need to Know About the New Age Movement*, Harvest House Publishers, 1993. An “info-novel” about the New Age Movement.\*\*

*Sodom’s Second Coming*, Harvest House Publishers, 1993. Critique of gay rights movement, and review of legal and moral issues affecting the controversy.\*\*

*Trial of the Century, You Be the Juror*, Marcon Publishers, 1994. Trial guide for readers wishing to understand the O. J. Simpson Case. Co-written with Harvard attorney, Robert J. Walton.\*\*

*ACLU–The Devil’s Advocate*, Marcon Publishers, 1996. Analysis of the American Civil Liberties Union and its impact on America’s legal and religious culture.\*\*

*Meeting God in Holy Places*, Harvest House Publishers, 1997. Devotional parables based upon walks in Israel. Illustrated.\*\*

*Who Is My Brother?* Cotswold Publishing, 1998. (Distributed by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christian) Exploring the boundaries of Christian fellowship.

*Radical Restoration*, Cotswold Publishing, 2001. (Distributed by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christian) A plea for the church to restore more fully primitive Christian faith and practice.

*30 Days With Jesus*, (Formerly *The Intimate Jesus* and *The Daily Gospels*), Harvest House Publishers, 2003. The integrated Gospels in chronological order, with introductory narrative and devotionals.

*After Life–A Glimpse of Eternity Beyond Death’s Door*, Cotswold Publishing, 2003. (Distributed by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christian). Explores what the Scriptures teach about death, hades, heaven, and hell, and also engages beliefs regarding Rapture and other end-times theories as well as the afterlife beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Mormons, and Roman Catholics.

*30 Days Through Psalms and Proverbs*, Harvest House Publishers, 2004. The proverbs presented by topic in 30 sections, together with a corresponding psalm for each section.

*30 Days Through the Bible*, Harvest House Publishers, 2004. Highlights of the Bible in 31 sections with devotional segues throughout.

*Troubling Questions For Calvinists–And All the Rest of Us*, 2007, Cotswold Publishing. Taking a closer look at Calvinist, Arminian, and other faith systems, especially as they pertain to the problem of sin.

*The Daily Bible Devotional*, Harvest House Publishers, 2008. 365 devotionals corresponding with each day's reading in *The Daily Bible*.

*Portrait of an Obama Nanny State*, Cotswold Publishing, 2012. A review of Britain's hyper-regulated nanny state as a warning of where America is headed under an Obama trajectory.

*Angels, Demons, and the Devil*, Cotswold Publishing, (release anticipated 2012). What the Bible tells us about spiritual beings, as "told" by Michael the Archangel.

\*\* Books currently out of print.