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Tremper Longman III is Distinguished Professor of Biblical Studies at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California. He earned a B.A. in Religion at Ohio Wesleyan University, M.Div. from Westminster Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. in Ancient Near Eastern Studies from Yale University. Prior to joining Westmont in 1998, Longman taught for 18 years at Westminster in Philadelphia.

Tremper has authored or co-authored over thirty books and written numerous articles. His books have been translated into 17 languages. A number of these works are interdisciplinary. His *Literary Approaches to Biblical Interpretation* (Zondervan, 1987), *Complete Literary Guide to the Bible* (contributor and co-editor with Leland Ryken; Zondervan, 1993) and numerous articles approach the study of the Bible through literary criticism.

He also co-authors books with the psychologist Dan Allender including *Bold Love* (NavPress, 1991), *Cry of the Soul* (NavPress, 1994), *Intimate Allies* (Tyndale House Publishers, 1995), *Bold Purpose* (Tyndale House Publishers, 1997), *The Intimate Mystery - Marriage Series* (InterVarsity Press, 2005), *Breaking the Idols of Your Heart: How to Navigate the Temptations of Life* (IVP, 2007) and *God Loves Sex: An Honest Discussion of Sexual Desire and Holiness* (Baker, 2014).

Longman's interest in history and historiography is expressed in *A Biblical History of Israel* (co-authored with Iain Provan and Phil Long, 2nd edition, Westminster John Knox, 2015). He has also written commentaries on Song of Songs (Eerdmans), Ecclesiastes (Eerdmans), Daniel (Zondervan), Nahum (Baker), Jeremiah and Lamentations (Hendrickson), Proverbs, Job (Baker), Psalms (IVP), and Genesis (Zondervan). With InterVarsity Press, he has also written these five books: *How to Read Psalms*, *How to Read Proverbs*, *How to Read Genesis*, *How to Read Exodus*, and *How to Read Job*.

His new book in 2017 is *The Fear of the Lord is Wisdom: A Theological Introduction to Wisdom in Israel*. He also co-edited and wrote articles for *The Dictionary of the Old Testament: Wisdom, Poetry and Writings* (IVP). In addition, he is one of the main translators of the popular New Living Translation and has served as a consultant on other popular translations of the Bible including the Message, the New Century Version, and the Holman Standard Bible.

Tremper is married to Alice, and they have three sons and four granddaughters.

