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JUNE 3, 2019 • 7:30-9:00 PM • THE BARN MEETING ROOM

A Desert Theology of Liberation:

Entering the Journey of God's People as Refugee, Outsider, Slave, and Exile in the Urban Desert *A lecture by Raj Lewis*

In his lecture, Raj Lewis will connect the dislocation theory of addiction, the current opioid epidemic, and the journey of God's people through the desert.

Raj Lewis currently serves as the shelter and recovery manager at City Team in Chester, PA working with men in early recovery from addiction, homelessness, and in need of emergency shelter. He is also the housing director for The Negev Life-Sharing Community, a housing community of families living in solidarity with men transitioning out of incarceration and addiction. Raj is also the cofounder of Seven Harvests, a seasonal fine-dining experience that connects local and sustainable agriculture, natural gourmet cooking, theology, and the reintegration of formerly incarcerated individuals. Raj has directed workforce development programs for adjudicated youth and ex-offenders in Chester County and North Philadelphia as well as led leadership development programs with inmates in the Chester Prison. Raj studied comparative religion at Miami University, urban ministry at Westminster Theological Seminary, spiritually-integrated counseling at Biblical Theological Seminary, and is a current pastoral counseling doctoral student at Neumann University. Raj has been a serious student of liberation theology for the past 15 years and is committed to living out the praxis of liberation in his ministry.



