

**In Service of Scripture:**  
**Rediscovering Reason and Tradition in Evangelical Theology**  
*Second UK Convivium Irenicum*  
*The Davenant Institute*  
*September 24, 2022*

**Call for Papers:**

Davenant Conviviums are a hybrid of a typical Christian conference and an academic one. As such, we do not arrange all our speakers in advance, but invite proposals from speakers who wish to present. Speakers may be academics, pastors, or expert laypeople.

We welcome submissions of proposals for paper presentations or guided discussions on topics related to the theme of the Convivium. Papers may be exegetical, historical, or constructive in character and should fill a one-hour time slot, including Q&A. Papers should address questions such as the following:

- Why and how has evangelicalism grown detached from the historic roles of reason and tradition in theology?
- What resources does Protestant theology in particular have to address the imbalances within evangelical thinking?
- Can reason and tradition be shown to be conducive too, rather than at odds with, evangelical commitments to Scriptural authority and the practical application of doctrine?
- Where might Scripture demonstrate an expectation that reason and tradition also play a role in our theology?
- What episodes or figures from Christian history might be worthy of retrieval and appropriation for evangelicals at this time?
- How can evangelicals work at the institutional level to ensure deeper theological formation?

The above are meant to be suggestive of possible avenues to explore, not exhaustive. We welcome other creative suggestions, and are happy to discuss proposals if they are submitted in good time ahead of the deadline.

If you are interested in presenting a paper or leading a discussion for the Saturday portion of this event, or have any further questions, please submit your 200-300-word abstract to Rhys Lavery ([r.lavery@davenantinstitute.org](mailto:r.lavery@davenantinstitute.org)) by **31st of July, 2022**.