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Course content may be changed, term to term, without notice. The information below is provided as a guide for course selection and is not binding in any form, and should not be used to purchase course materials.

COURSE SYLLABUS

HOMI 830

EXPOSITORY PREACHING AND THE NEW TESTAMENT

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to prepare students to preach from the New Testament. Special attention will be given to genres and theological themes that arise from the New Testament text.

RATIONALE

The purpose of this course is to equip the student with the skills required to preach faithful exposition of New Testament texts. The student will learn how to diagram New Testament passages for faithful interpretation and application of the biblical text. The student will also learn how to discern different biblical genres from the New Testament and structure sermons accordingly.

I. PREREQUISITE

For information regarding prerequisites for this course, please refer to the [Academic Course Catalog](#).

II. REQUIRED RESOURCE PURCHASE

Click on the following link to view the required resource(s) for the term in which you are registered: <http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/liberty.htm>

III. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING

- A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
- B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
- C. Blackboard [recommended browsers](#)
- D. Microsoft Word
- E. School of Divinity Writing Guide:
<https://www.liberty.edu/divinity/index.cfm?PID=28160>

IV. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Evaluate New Testament texts both exegetically and homiletically.
- B. Explain the diverse approaches of interpretation of New Testament Scripture.
- C. Prepare an exegetical analysis and a sermon from representative passages of the major genres of the New Testament Scripture.
- D. Create a preaching plan for preaching the New Testament.

V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

- A. Textbook readings and lecture presentations/notes
- B. Course Requirements Checklist

After reading the Course Syllabus and [Student Expectations](#), the student will complete the related checklist found in Module/Week 1.

- C. Discussion Board Forums (3)

Discussion boards are collaborative learning experiences. Therefore, the student is required to provide a thread in response to the provided prompt for each forum. Each thread must be at least 400 words and must demonstrate course-related knowledge by including at least 3 in-text citations. In addition to the thread, the student is required to reply to at least 2 classmates' threads. Each reply must be at least 150 words.

- D. Video Sermon Reviews (3)

The student will write 3 reviews of video sermons in current Turabian format that focus on the main divisions/points and analyze the message (via strengths and weaknesses). Each review must contain a summary and conclude with its personal significance for the student. Each review must be at least 750 words.

- E. Diagrams and Outlines (3)

The student will diagram 3 New Testament texts in Greek. Each diagram will include a tracing of the argument in English and a possible outline for preaching. The student must select a biblical text from an epistle, an apocalyptic, and a narrative genre from the approved passages.

F. Sermon Manuscripts and Videos (3)

The student will write 3 sermon manuscripts of what he/she plans to say in preaching the chosen biblical text. Each sermon manuscript will come from 1 of the 3 diagrams and outlines. The sermon manuscript must be a minimum of 3,000 words in current Turabian format and expound the biblical passage. The sermon manuscript must include at least 10 scholarly sources (commentaries, articles, Bible dictionaries, etc.) in addition to the course textbooks and the Bible. Additionally, the student must record himself/herself preaching 2 of these sermons to an audience of 5 or more people. The sermon videos must come from the 1st and 3rd sermon manuscripts, covering the New Testament genres of epistle and narrative, respectively. The videos must be 20–30 minutes and uploaded to Blackboard.

G. Book Review

The student will write a 1,500-word (minimum) book review of a selected textbook in current Turabian format. The review must contain an overview of the book, including what the author set out to prove. The review must also provide an analysis (via strengths and weaknesses) and conclude with its personal significance for the student. A minimum of 6 references in current Turabian format is required.

H. Preaching Calendar

The student will write a plan for preaching through the New Testament. The student must include the order of the books he/she would preach, provide a title for each series, and list the number of weeks each series/book will take. The preaching calendar must be submitted with at least 2 columns (number of weeks, book with series titles).

VI. COURSE GRADING AND POLICIES

A. Points

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| Course Requirements Checklist | 10 |
| Discussion Board Forums (3 at 50 pts ea) | 150 |
| Video Sermon Reviews (3 at 50 pts ea) | 150 |
| Diagrams and Outlines (3 at 50 pts ea) | 150 |
| Sermon Manuscripts and Videos (2 at 125 pts ea; 1 at 100 pts) | 350 |
| Book Review | 100 |
| Preaching Calendar | 100 |
| Total | 1010 |

B. Scale

A = 940–1010 A- = 920–939 B+ = 900–919 B = 860–899 B- = 840–859
C+ = 820–839 C = 780–819 C- = 760–779 D+ = 740–759 D = 700–739
D- = 680–699 F = 0–679

C. Style Guidelines

All assignments for this course are to be formatted in accordance with the [LUSD Writing Guide](#) and the latest edition of the Turabian style manual (*A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*). Discussion assignments and essay examinations may use the parenthetical citation style. All other written assignments should use the footnote citation style. Supplemental writing aids are available via the [Online Writing Center](#).

D. Extra Credit

No additional “for credit” assignments will be permitted beyond those given in the course requirements stated above.

E. Course Changes

Course requirements are subject to change by the administration of the University at any time with appropriate notice.

F. Disability Assistance

Students with a documented disability may contact Liberty University Online’s Office of Disability Accommodation Support (ODAS) at LUOODAS@liberty.edu to make arrangements for academic accommodations. Further information can be found at www.liberty.edu/disabilitysupport.

If you have a complaint related to disability discrimination or an accommodation that was not provided, you may contact ODAS or the Office of Equity and Compliance by phone at (434) 592-4999 or by email at equityandcompliance@liberty.edu. Click to see a full copy of Liberty’s [Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy](#) or the [Student Disability Grievance Policy and Procedures](#).

COURSE SCHEDULE

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Textbooks: Arthurs, *Preaching with Variety: How to Re-Create the Dynamics of Biblical Genres* (2007).
 Breidenbaugh, *Preaching for Bodybuilding* (2016).
 Chapell, *Christ-Centered Preaching: Redeeming the Expository Sermon* (2018).
 Dever, *The Message of the New Testament: Promises Kept* (2005).
 Paul & Wenham, *Preaching the New Testament* (2013).
 Schreiner, *Interpreting the Pauline Epistles* (2011).

| MODULE/WEEK | READING & STUDY | ASSIGNMENTS | POINTS |
|--------------|---|---|---------------|
| 1 | Chapell: chs. 1-4 Schreiner: chs. 1-4 1 presentation 1 video | Course Requirements Checklist Class Introductions Video Sermon Review 1 | 10 0 50 |
| 2 | Arthurs: chs. 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 Chapell: chs. 5-9 Schreiner: chs. 5-9 2 presentations | DB Forum 1 Diagram and Outline 1 | 50 50 |
| 3 | Paul & Wenham: chs. 1-6 2 presentations | Sermon Manuscript and Video 1 | 125 |
| 4 | Breidenbaugh: chs. 1-9 Chapell: chs. 10-11, Appendices 1-12 Paul & Wenham: chs. 7-11 1 presentation 1 video | Video Sermon Review 2 Diagram and Outline 2 | 50 50 |
| 5 | Breidenbaugh: chs. 10-12 Dever: chs. 1-5 Paul & Wenham: chs. 12-17 2 presentations | DB Forum 2 Sermon Manuscript 2 | 50 100 |
| 6 | Dever: chs. 6-18 2 presentations 1 video | Video Sermon Review 3 Diagram and Outline 3 | 50 50 |
| 7 | Dever: chs. 19-27 2 presentations 1 lecture note | DB Forum 3 Sermon Manuscript and Video 3 | 50 125 |
| 8 | Breidenbaugh: chs. 13-16 1 presentation | Book Review Preaching Calendar | 100 100 |
| TOTAL | | | 1010 |

DB = Discussion Board

NOTE: Each course module/week begins on Monday morning at 12:00 a.m. (ET) and ends on Sunday night at 11:59 p.m. (ET). The final module/week ends at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on **Friday**.