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C107 Teaching the Bible

January 8, January 22, February 5 & February 26, 2022

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Description and Purpose

Teaching The Bible (C107) introduces students to the teaching/learning process, invites them to explore human development as it relates to teaching/learning, asks students to experiment with various methods for sharing and engaging biblical truth, and encourages them to embrace and promote learning as change.

This class is based upon the idea that teaching/learning grounded in scripture is fundamental to Christian discipleship as modeled by Jesus with his first disciples.

Focus of this Experience

By participating in class and performing other class work, each student will:

1. Identify what makes teaching the Bible effective.
2. Explore and identify the variety of teaching/learning styles and the impact these make upon effectively teaching the Bible.
3. Contrast differences between understanding learning as the accumulation of information and understanding learning as change.
4. Demonstrate one effective teaching style for use in the student's context.

Required Texts

- 7 Ways of Teaching the Bible to Adults by Barbara Bruce. Abingdon Press, 2000. ISBN 0-687-09084-9.
- The Craft of Christian Teaching: Essentials for becoming a very good teacher by Israel Galindo. Judson Press 1998. ISBN 978-0-8170-1280-9.

Both are usually available at amazon.com new or used at very reasonable prices.

Student Expectations

1. Attend all sessions whenever possible
2. Contact the instructor in advance, if you will be absent
3. Be prepared for each class session
4. Participate in class
5. Support and encourage other students in the class
6. Communicate with the instructor, if you have any questions or concerns

Please have the following with you during each class session:

- Textbooks
- Good English Translation of the Bible
- Notebook (for handouts, assignments and taking notes)
- 2 pens/pencils (electronic device to take notes, if preferred)
- Syllabus, handouts & assignments

Requirements to Earn Credit

1. Completion of all reading, written and/or presentation assignments.
2. Participation in class discussions and exercises.
3. Read additional articles or blogs as may be assigned
4. Have textbooks and completed assignments with you during each class session.
5. Attend at least 15 of the 20 hours of classroom time
6. If absent one class session, earn an excused absence by doing the following:
 - a. contact the instructor about your absence (preferably before the absence, but at least within 72 hours of the absence)
 - b. if you have internet access and the class session you missed was recorded, review the recordings of what you missed before the link to them expires; if the class wasn't recorded, obtain notes from two students who did participate in any class session you missed
 - c. request a copy of the handouts & PowerPoint presentation(s) for the class session you missed in note format (3 slides per page); of course, this only applies if the instructor uses PowerPoint in the class session you missed and/or distributed any handouts.
 - d. complete a special assignment given by your instructor in addition to regular assignments; this is usually an enriching experience that will most likely pertain to the class session the student missed in some way.

Class Sessions

Note: Assignments listed under each class session date are due on or before that date.

Session 1—January 8, 2022

Assignments (complete prior to Session 1):

- read Parts 1-3 of The Craft of Christian Teaching

Focus:

- Overview of the class
- What is the Bible? And why is the Bible important?
- How to interpret the Bible
- Qualities of an effective teacher

Session 2— January 22, 2022

Assignments (complete prior to Session 2):

- read Parts 4-5 of The Craft of Christian Teaching
- write a 1-2 page paper that responds to the following questions: Why is teaching the Bible important to you? How does biblical teaching relate to your faith? If you are a Bible teacher, tell how you prepare to teach? If you are not a teacher, describe your Sunday School class or your Bible study group?

Focus:

- The elements of “effective faith”
- Lesson Planning Method #1
- The link between motivation and learning
- Lesson Planning Method #2

Session 3—February 5, 2022

Assignments (complete prior to Session 3):

- read all of 7 Ways of Teaching the Bible to Adults.
- write a one-page paper in response to the following questions: What makes “teaching the Bible” different from other forms of teaching? What challenges does this present to the teacher?

Focus:

- Lesson Planning Method #3
- Multiple intelligences
- Lesson Planning Method #4
- Triangular teaching

Session 4—February 26, 2022

Assignment (complete prior to Session 4):

- Each student will create a 45-minute lesson plan for a Bible study or a Sunday School class based on a specific scripture text of their choice and using one of the four planning methods presented in class; and he/she will be prepared to lead *our* class through a 20-25 minute portion of this lesson plan.

Focus:

- Final project presentations
- Any remaining questions
- Evaluations

<u>Tentative Daily Class Schedule</u>	<u>Class Location/Participation Info</u>														
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