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Course Syllabus

Fall 2012

PREACHING OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVES
PAST 0745

MONDAYS 6:30 TO 9:20 PM

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will build on the philosophy of expository preaching presented in Introduction to Preaching, Past 0641. The course will focus on preaching biblical narratives while upholding a commitment to biblical exposition. Students will prepare sermon outlines and preach in class on assigned texts. The course will emphasize narrative preaching from Old Testament narrative passages. Students will also study preaching style, audience analysis and other significant aspects of the preaching event.

Pre-requisites: Past 0641 and BIBL 0501

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will learn:

- To identify biblical narratives
- To preach a narrative, expository sermon
- Develop effective delivery and communication skills
- Know the principles of effective narrative preaching
- Identify and communicate a single big idea.
- Understand the connection between spirituality and preaching.
- Prepare narrative sermon outlines.
- Appreciate and assimilate the principles of storytelling
- Exegete a biblical text for sermon preparation.

III. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

A. REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

Steven Matthewson. **The Art of Preaching Old Testament Narrative**. ISBN: 0-8010-2296-7

Sidney Greidanus. **Preaching Christ from the Old Testament**. ISBN:978-0-8028-4449-1

John Stott. **The Preacher's Portrait**, ISBN 0-8026-1191-4

GIFT RESOURCE: 6 months of free membership to the Preachingtoday.com website, normally a fee based site. Go to www.Preachingtoday.com/go/tyndalesem to register.

B. ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

1. Read the Mathewson text and complete a book report, **5-7 pages in length**. Include the major ideas of the book, some theological reflection and analysis.
Due date: September 24th

Grade Value: 10 %.

2. Read the Greidanus text and complete a book report, **5-7 pages in length**. Include the major ideas of the book, some theological reflection and analysis.
Due date: October 29th

Grade Value: 10 %.

3. **Exegesis assignment** must be completed for each of your preaching texts and submitted with your sermon outline.

(1) Due: October 1st

(2) Due: November 12th

Grade Value: 10% x 2 = 20%

4. **Sermon outlines:**

You must write 2 sermon outlines on Old Testament narrative texts that address the needs of contemporary culture. Consult your professor on the text selection.

Due dates:(1) October 15th

(2) November 26th

Grade value: 2 X 15 = 30%

5. Preach two sermons (one in a peer group; another in class) , based on your sermon outlines and submit a full sermon manuscript.

Due date: No. 1: November 5

No. 2: December 3 and 10.

Grade Value: 2 x 15= 30 %

C. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN WORK

For proper citation style, consult the [Chicago-Style Quick Guide](#) (Tyndale e-resource) or the full edition of the [Chicago Manual of Style Online](#), especially [ch. 14](#). For citing scripture texts, refer to sections [10.46 to 10.51](#) and [14.253 to 14.254](#).

Academic Integrity

Integrity in academic work is required of all our students. Academic dishonesty is any breach of this integrity, and includes such practices as cheating (the use of unauthorized material on tests and examinations), submitting the same work for different classes without permission of the instructors; using false information (including false references to secondary sources) in an assignment; improper or unacknowledged collaboration with other students, and plagiarism. Tyndale University College & Seminary takes seriously its responsibility to uphold academic integrity, and to penalize academic dishonesty.

Students should consult the current Academic Calendar for academic policies on Academic Honesty, Gender Inclusive Language in Written Assignments, Late Papers and Extensions, Return of Assignments, and Grading System. The Academic Calendar is posted at <http://tyndale.ca/registrar>.

Please Note:

- a) All assignments must be submitted on deadline. Late papers will be penalized, at the rate of 1/3 of a letter grade per week or part thereof (e.g. from B to B-).
- b) Faculty may NOT grant an extension on assignments beyond the last day of class for the semester. Students who have not submitted an assignment by this date will receive a grade of F for the assignment, unless official permission has been obtained from the Registrar due to extreme and extenuating circumstances (see Academic Calendar).

D. SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

Evaluation is based upon the completion of the following assignments [*Sample*]

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Mathewson Book Report | 10 % |
| Greidanus Book Report | 10 % |
| Exegesis Assignment X 2 | 20 % |
| Sermon Outlines X 2 | 30 % |
| Sermon X 2 | 30 % |
| Total Grade | 100 % |

COURSE OUTLINE:

Class 1: PREACHING THEOLOGY AND EXPOSITION (SEPTEMBER 10¹)

- Principles Of Expository Preaching
- Theology Of Preaching (J. Stott)
- The Power of A Single Idea
- All Preaching As Gospel Preaching
- Overcoming Resistance To The Ministry Of Preaching
- Assignment Of Working Texts For The Semester

Class 2: EXEGETING OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVES (SEPTEMBER 17)

- Christian Exegesis of Old Testament Narratives
- Understanding the Art of Storytelling
- How to Preach Genesis as Christian Scripture
- Case Study Text: Genesis 12
- ***Begin the assignment : Exegetical process for your text.***

Class 3: MATHEWSON'S METHODOLOGY: (September 24th)

- Understanding Plot

- Principles For Outlining an Old Testament Narrative Text.
- Case Study:

Class 4 THE GREIDANUS METHODOLOGY: (October 1)

- Preaching Christ from the Old Testament.

Class 5 PAUL WILSON'S FOUR PAGE METHODOLOGY (October 15)

- Preaching the David Stories
- Case Study text:

Class 6 EFFECTIVE SERMON DELIVERY: (October 22)

Heath and Heath: Made To Stick

Andy Stanley: Communicating For A Change.

To Preach Without Notes?

Note: No Class On Oct 29th

Class 7: PREACHING PRACTICUM. (NOVEMBER 5TH)

Class 8: THE PREPARATION OF THE PREACHER : (November 12)

Sermon Planning

Book by Book Exposition

Preaching and Prayer

Preaching and Culture

Incarnational Preaching

Class 9: FIRST PERSON NARRATIVE PREACHING: (November 19)

Kent Edwards

Torrey Robinson

Case Study: Samuel the Prophet

Class 10: THE SPIRITUAL DYNAMICS OF PREACHING: (November 26)

The Role of the Holy Spirit in Preaching

Understanding Preaching as Spiritual Warfare

Class 11: PREACHING PRACTICUM: (DECEMBER 3)

Class 12: PREACHING PRACTICUM: (December 10)

ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE:

ASSIGNMENT:

DUE DATE:

Book report on Mathewson

September 24th

Exegesis #1

October 1st

Outline #1

October 15th

Book Report on Greidanus

October 29th

Peer Preaching (#1)

November 5th

Exegesis #2

November 12th

Outline #2

November 26th

Preaching #2 (In class)

December 3rd and 10th

Note: No class on October 8th (Thanksgiving); Tentatively no class on October 29th ; The make up class is re-scheduled to exam week.

OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVE TEXTS (GENESIS):

1. **Genesis 12:1-9** **Call of Abram**

2. **Genesis 15:1-21** **Covenant with Abram**

3. **Genesis 17: 1-27** **Covenant of Circumcision**

4. **Genesis 18:1-15** **Three Visitors**

5. **Genesis 18:16-33** **Intercession for Sodom**

6. **Genesis 19:1-29** **Destruction of Sodom**

7. **Genesis 22:1-19** **The Binding of Isaac**

8. **Genesis 27:1-46** **Jacob's Deception**

9. **Genesis 28:10-22** **Jacob's Dream**

10. **Genesis 32:22-32** **Jacob's Wrestling Match**

11. **Genesis 37:1-36** **Joseph's Dreams**

12. **Genesis 39:1-23** **Joseph and Potiphar's Wife**

13. **Genesis 41: 1-57** **Joseph's Emergence in Egypt**

14. **Genesis 50:1-21** **Joseph's Faith**

PREACHING TEXTS: OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVES

1. Exodus 2:1-10 Birth of Moses

2. Exodus 3: 1-22 Burning Bush

3. Exodus 12: 1-30 Passover

4. Exodus 16:1-36 Manna in the Desert

5. Exodus 17:8-16 Prayer and War

6. Exodus 18:1-27 A Lesson in Leadership

7. Exodus19:1-25 God Meets Moses on Mt. Sinai

8. Exodus 32:1-35 The Golden Calf

9. Exodus 34:1-35 Moses Encounters the Glory of God

10. 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Samuel Anoints David King

11. 1 Samuel 17:1-58 David Kills Goliath

12. I Samuel 18: 1-30 Saul's Jealousy Of David

13. 1 Samuel 19: 1-24 Saul's Attempt On David's Life

14. **1 Samuel 20** **David's Friendship With Jonathan**

15. **1 Samuel 24: 1-22** **David Spares Saul's Life**

16. **2 Samuel 7: 1-29** **God's Promise And David's Prayer**

17. **2 Samuel 9:1-13** **David Befriends Mephibosheth**

18. **2 Samuel 11:1-27** **David And Bathsheba**

19. **2 Samuel 12:1-14** **Nathan Confronts David**

Sermon Feedback Form

Preacher: _____

Title:

Text: _____

Date:

1. Was this sermon grounded in Scripture? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)
Comment:
2. Was the exegesis and theology sound? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)
Comment:
3. Did the sermon have a sense of unction/anointing? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5
(strong)
Comment:
4. Did it engage your mind from beginning to end? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5
(strong)
Comment:
5. Was the sermon fresh and creative? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5
(strong)
Comment:
6. Was the sermon well structured and clear? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5
(strong)
Comment:
7. Did the sermon have one, clear big idea? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)
Comment:
8. What did you understand that big idea to be?
9. Was the delivery energetic and effective? (weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)
Comment:

10. Application: Did you know what you were supposed to do, think, or feel as a result of this sermon?

(weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)

Comment:

11. Was the proposed application practical and true to life?(weak) 1 2 3 4 5 (strong)

Comment:

12. Was there anything that could have been left out of the sermon? Yes No

If yes, what was it?

13. Was there anything that could have been added to the sermon? Yes No

If yes, what was it?

14. If you could suggest one thing I could improve for the next time I preach, what would that be?

A Narrative Expository Sermon Template

15. Overall, what worked best in this sermon for you?

Title: _____

Text: _____

Exegetical Subject: _____

Exegetical Complement: _____

Exegetical idea: _____

Homiletical Idea: _____

Sermon's Big Image: _____.

Sermon's main doctrine: _____.

Sermon Form: ___ Inductive Narrative ___ First Person Narrative

My Sermon Purpose: _____

Depravity Factor: _____

Sermon stance: indicative _____ imperative _____

My Developmental Question: ___ Prove ___ Explain ___ Apply

Audience Need: _____

Mission: _____

Engaging Introduction: {*Surface a Need in Your Audience*}

Transition

I. Situation:{Hint--Always a Complete Thought, Not a Fragment}

A) SUB-POINT

B) “ ”

C) SUPPORT MATERIAL...ILLUSTRATION...ANECDOTE...STATISTICS...

Transition statement

II. Complication: {Hint--- maintains tension; lose it and the sermon is over!}

A) AS ABOVE...

B) “ ”

Transition statement

III. Resolution: (Hint--- keep your big idea in mind!)

a) As above

b) “ ”

Transition statement...

IV. Application:

Conclusion:

Response to the word:

- prayer... appeal for a decision...
- repentance... call for commitment...worship...

SERMON SELF-EVALUATION:

When I viewed my video tape I discovered...

- 1. PRESENTATION WAS EFFECTIVE?**
- 2. COMMUNICAITON OF A SINGLE BIG, BIBLICAL IDEA?**
- 3. MY ENERGY LEVEL?**
- 4. EYE CONTACT?**
- 5. THE SERMON WAS ENGAGING AND INTERESTING?**
- 6. THE SERMON HAD A SMOOTH FLOW?**
- 7. THE SEMON WAS TOO LONG OR TOO SHORT?**
- 8. THE SERMON MADE GOOD USE OF THE TEXT?**
- 9. THE SERMON WAS PRACTICAL IN ITS APPLICATION?**

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