

Theology of the Bible

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Cost: \$120 if paid on 9/15.

\$15 a class after that.

Time: 12 Tuesdays 7-9pm

Course Description:

This first year seminar is aimed to explore the key works in the canon of Sacred Scripture with the assistance of Sacred Tradition. This includes the Hebrew Scriptures/the Old Testament and the Gospels and letters which make up the New Testament. Attention will be focused on Christ, the cohesiveness of all of Sacred Scripture and the skill of exegesis.

Course Goals:

Interpretation and the forms of Biblical criticism using the 4 senses of Scripture

The process and skill of exegesis including use of Biblical Commentaries

History of the canon of Sacred Scripture

Deepen our love of Christ and His presence in Sacred Scripture, both the Hebrew Scriptures and New Testament.

The Biblical witness to certain important theological doctrines: creation, evil, providence, Christology, covenants, law, sacrifice, the church, the Sacraments and Christian eschatology.

Text: * Dauphinais, Michael and Levering, Matthew. Holy People, Holy Land: A Theological Introduction to the Bible. Brazos Press, 2005.

- Church Doctrine Online (see below or download: cnlap.org).
- The Bible. The instructor will use the New American Bible Revised Edition, 2011.

Suggested Text

- Brown, Raymond E. An Introduction to the New Testament. ABRL. New York: Doubleday, 1997.
- Pontifical Biblical Commission. The Jewish People and their Sacred Scriptures in the Christian Bible. 2002.
http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/pcb_documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20020212_popolo-ebraico_en.html
- Reardon, Patrick Henry. Christ in the Psalms. 2000.
- Catholic Commentary on Holy Scripture, 1953.

Grade

- 10% participation
- 10% attendance
- 20% from 5 highest (out of 9) in class exegesis summaries
- 20% First Exegesis Paper
- 40% Final Exegesis Paper

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Homework and Papers

- For every class that a reading is due, a exegesis presentation is due (4 points).
 - Take 5-18 verses
 - Tell the general plot (1 pt)
 - 1 repetitious word or phrase (1 pt)
 - Meaning of the passage: use 1 outside source (text, book, commentary) (1 pt)
 - 3-5 minute presentation (1 pt, lose if too long or too short!)
- Exegesis papers (First 3-4 page and Final 5-6 page) see due dates below
 - Typed or untyped
 - 1 page equals 250 words
 - Works cited page with at least 2 Bible commentaries
 - 5-10 minute presentation of paper

Schedule

1. 9/8 On Divine Revelation [Dei Verbum](#) (1965), The Senses of Scripture: [Catechism 115-119](#),
2. 9/15 Myth and Prehistory. Abraham (briefly). [Genesis HPHL pp. 9-40](#)
3. 9/22 Law. [Exodus, Deuteronomy. HPHL pp. 57-80](#)
4. 9/29 Exegesis, Historical Critical method, History of the canon of Scripture
5. 10/6 The King and the Temple. [1 Samuel, 2 Kings. HPHL pp. 81-110.](#)
6. 10/13 Prophets and Psalms [Ezekiel, Isaiah. Psalms 2, 3, 23, 24, 27, 37, 45, 50, 110, 118, 119, 137. HPHL pp. 111-136](#)
7. 10/20 Prophets and Psalms continued. **FIRST EXEGESIS PAPER DUE**
8. 10/27 St. Matthew's Gospel of Jesus. [Matthew. HPHL pp. 137-166](#)
9. 11/3 St. John's Gospel of Jesus. [John. HPHL pp. 167-192](#)
10. 11/10 St. Paul. [Romans. HPHL pp. 193-212](#)
11. 11/17 Priest, Prophet, King and the Church of St. Peter. [Hebrews, 1 Peter. HPHL pp. 213-230](#)
12. 11/24 Apocalypse [Revelation. HPHL pp. 230-255.](#) **FINAL EXEGESIS PAPER DUE**