The Book of Romans – 3 Semester Hours

Graduate

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Dates:
Wednesdays: May 21, May 28, June 4, June 11, June 18
Friday and Saturday, June 6-7
Friday and Saturday, June 20-21

Course Description
This study of Paul’s Epistle to the Romans will endeavor to give the student an understanding of this epistle’s messages in the light of the original first century situation. The study will discuss the significance of the epistle’s background, structure, theological content, and contemporary applications. Romans has had significant impact upon the Church throughout history and is a joy to study in depth.

Objectives
General Objective: To give the student a good understanding of the background and content of Romans and an appreciation of its message and significance for today.

Specific Objectives: The specific objectives of the course are as follows:
1. To give the student an ability to discuss, giving the relevant arguments, the background of the epistle that includes authorship, nature of the audience, and purpose.
2. To give the student an understanding of the structure of the letter and give the student the ability to reproduce the development of the writer’s arguments in outline form.
3. To enable the student to trace theological themes throughout the letter.
4. To give the student an understanding of Paul’s presentation of God’s revelation concerning human sin; God’s manifestation of his wrath and righteousness; justification of the believer; sanctification by grace through the Spirit; God’s grand purposes for Jew and Gentile; and practical suggestions for Christian living as a life lived by the Holy Spirit.
5. To help the student appreciate and appropriate the great truths of our justification, sanctification and glorification.
6. To show the student how Paul relied upon and used the Old Testament as part of his argument.
Course Requirements
Graduate Students:
To read all of Romans.
To read relevant textbook assignments.
To complete two six-page papers on biblical passages assigned in class.
To successfully complete a final exam.

Textbooks
Required texts:

ISBN: 0801046211

ISBN: 0830840060

ISBN: 0785249427

Grading Schedule

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