

THEO-DTHE 410: Syllabus for Theology and Practice of Spiritual Warfare

A three (3) Credit, Brainerd Free School of Ministry and Mission course

Course Description:

A 3 credit course taught at the undergraduate 400 level pertaining to the study of the Biblical passages and the major theologies regarding evil supernatural power, the deliverance ministry, purity and healing commensurate with the process of deliverance and testimony regarding regional victory through power encounter. This course will be approximately 45 hours class time taught four times in a weekend seminar style format plus study time, lab experience and final test time.

Four weekends will consist of the following topics:

1. Introduction to spiritual warfare and power encounter taught from a salvation-conversion methodology through the study of key biblical passages, a contemporary book(s) (Rudge) on the topic and testimony regarding regional victory through power encounter.
2. Study of the 'missing middle' in seeing God move in power for Kingdom Advance. We'll take a look at Paul Heibert's model, Mary Douglass and others. Regional Case Studies. Deliverance methodologies, personal 3 R Exercise, Holy Spirit led inventories and prayer sessions, process of confession, repentance, renouncing, restoration, healing and forgiveness. Personal Case studies.
3. Material presented to the Russian C&MA church by a member (Rev. Myron Wattenphul) of the delegation there from Western PA on Spiritual Warfare. Also theology and testimonies from a Christian workforce missionary, Christian business person Carl Kuntz.
4. Introductory training on the Soul Care program given by District leader Rev. Rob Douglas abd. Healing methodologies associated with deliverance to be employed both before and after a person has been prayed for deliverance. Helping "you live from a healthy soul and wisely lead others towards authentic transformation...Spiritual Formation—into the character or likeness of Jesus Christ... (through) Seven core spiritual practices..."
5. Bonus Material: Purity in a corrupt age, hedge of protection, holiness, consecration and sanctification as it pertains to spiritual warfare and ministry readiness.

Instructors:

1. Rev. Bryan Downs, MDiv, MSBA (Instructor of Record)
2. Rev. Dr. Bill Rudge, (author, international speaker)
3. Rev. Myron Wattenphul, (pastor, team member of Western PA C&MA delegation to Russian church on Spiritual Warfare)
4. Mr. Carl Kuntz (workplace missionary, Christian businessperson)
5. Rev. Rob Douglas, abd (District Director of Church Health, Soul Care trainer)

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Objectives:

- Student will be able to speak or write intelligently about the prevailing theologies of spiritual warfare/deliverance ministry.
- Student will have become familiar with a number of Bible passages and verses to refer to regarding the practice of spiritual warfare in ministry.
- Student will be able to recognize the position another practitioner is likely approaching the subject.
- Student will receive training so that they may feel competent to be part of a team that may have to engage in spiritual warfare or deliverance ministry.
- Student will spend some time in meditation and prayer towards The Holy Spirit bringing health and freedom to their own lives.

Book List: (603 pages of reading @ ~ 200 pages per credit hour)

1. The Holy Bible (pertinent verses in NIV, NASB, KJV, NKJV or CEV)
2. Spiritual Warfare and Victory in Christ by Dr. Bill Rudge ISBN: 1-889809-06-3 (50600) Living Truth Publishers, Hermitage, PA
(read all 79 pages)
3. Shamaim Spiritual Warfare Packet by McGraw et al
Shamaim Ministries, 215 Shoreline Lane, Westminster, SC 29693-9429
(read selection = 20 pages)
4. The Bondage Breaker, by Anderson, Neil T., Eugene or Harvest House, 2000 (updated and expanded edition) *ORU
(read selection = 35 pages)
5. The Authority of the Believer, by MacMillan, John A., Wingspread, Camphill 1997 or later *ORU *Ordination
(read selection = 35 pages)
6. The Handbook of Spiritual Warfare, by Dr. Ed Murphy ISBN: 0-7852-4530-8
(read pp. 429-538, 590-604 = 124 pages)
7. Various Case Studies
(10 pages)
8. "The Triumphant Church" by Kenneth Hagin - ISBN: 0-89276-520-8
(read selection 75 pages)
9. The knowledge of the Holy by: A.W. Tozer ISBN 978-0-06-068412-9
(read selection 75 pages)
10. Mansions of the Heart: Exploring the Seven Stages of the Heart by Thomas Ashbrook.
(read Chapters 4-11 ~ 150 pages of 300 page book)

Recommended:

11. Spiritual Warfare for Every Christian, by Sherman, Dean., YWAM, 1990 *ORU
12. A Believer with Authority: The Life and Message of John A. MacMillan, by King, Paul L., CPI, 2001 *ORU

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Papers:

1. Write a four-page paper supporting your position with Scripture that a Christian can or cannot be demon possessed. Include mention of seven sons of Sceva, who were unsuccessful in using the name of the Lord Jesus to cast out spirits and how that is relevant to you as a believer today. Also include contemporary illustrations (citing Biblical examples) in your life or someone you personally know of the power of God/Christ being greater than Satan. (Rudge) Due 4 weeks after the weekend.
2. Write a four page paper on strategy (both Divine and malign) including the following: Pertaining to Christian Strategy: Middle Zone of Power; Regional strongholds and victory over them; include a section on the Armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-20) and how each piece needs to be used in our life today. Pertaining to the strategy of the enemy: strategies of Satan to blind the eyes of the unbelieving and to compromise and undermine the faith of believers in Jesus Christ. Give some real-life illustrations. Include how a believer can effectively overcome the strategies, giving one or more examples. (Downs & Rudge) Due four weeks after the week end.
3. Write a one to two page paper listing at least four of God's attributes and explain how each play a role in Spiritual warfare. (Wattenphul) Due four weeks after the weekend.
4. Write a one to two page paper with the title: "Oppression, obsession, possession of evil, verses, choices and the Holy Spirit." Be sure to give Bible verses, talk about the choices people make which can lead to oppression, demonization, obsession or even possession and how the Holy Spirit can deliver them. (Kuntz) Due four weeks after the weekend.
5. Do the 'Grief Journal Exercise' as provided by Rev. Rob Douglas for the Soul Care weekend. (Douglas) Due one week after the weekend.
6. Bonus Points/Optional Paper: Write a two-page paper on the encounter of Saul with the Witch of Endor and whether you believe it was really Samuel or a familiar spirit impersonating Samuel. (Rudge) Due at the Final Exam.

Final Exam:

There will be a final exam scheduled on a different day upon which the student will be required to answer a ten questions from each weekend. The questions shall consist of 8 multiple choice and 2 short answer for each week end. Material for the test will be taken from the lectures.

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Grading Matrix:

	Course Component	Points	Percentage
1	Attendance & Class Participation	90	9%
2	Reading	180	18%
3	Paper #1 (Rudge)	120	12%
4	Paper #2 (Downs)	120	12%
5	Paper #3 (Wattenphul)	70	7%
6	Paper #4 (Kuntz)	70	7%
7	Paper #5 (Douglas)	100	10%
8	Final Exam	250	25%

Missional Component:

Each Brainerd Course has a *Missional Component* wherein we look at practical missiology and attempt to apply it in our own real life ongoing ministry as it develops. This is 'mandatory extra credit' which means that it can only help your grade but until it is done the student receives an 'Incomplete' for the course grade and credit. The points for these assignments are applied as a maximum possible total of 10% of the overall course grade in the form of bonus points.

Assignments:

1. Examine stronghold material that you have researched as you have taken Brainerd Courses and with a team from the class, develop a prayer and witnessing strategy. Schedule at least two times where you assemble to work out this strategy wherein you are involved in prayer on at least one occasion and in active ministry on the other occasion.
2. Prayerfully and under the leading of The Holy Spirit conduct a personal inventory upon which you make optionally make use of the 3 R's Flyer.
3. Report on each of these exercises with a half to one page paper each.

Instructor Contact Information:

1. Rev. Dr. Bill Rudge – ask during class what he prefers...
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3. Rev. Myron Wattenphul - – ask during class what he prefers...
4. Mr. Carl Kuntz - kuntzmotors.carl@comcast.net
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