

## WPUS4316—PREACHING FROM ROMANS

NOBTS || Leavell College  
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Thursdays 8:00pm—10:00pm || Spring 2012

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Preaching from the Book of Romans is an advanced preaching course designed to help the student in two considerable ways. First, it will assist the student to soundly exegete the content of the epistle. Second, it will assist the student to appropriately order, outline, and deliver that content in the form of a sermon.

### STUDENT OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, the student will:

1. Be able to properly exegete and articulate the content of the Epistle to the Romans.
2. Be able to properly prepare applicable, expository sermons from Romans.
3. Be able to apply the methods of interpretation and application to the Bible more broadly.

### REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS

Holy Bible.

York, Hershael W. and Decker, Bert. *Preaching with Bold Assurance*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman, 2003.

Moo, Douglas J. *Romans: The NIV Application Commentary*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2000.

### COURSE METHODOLOGY

This course will employ the following methods of instruction:

1. Lectures and class discussion.
2. Various handouts and visual aids.
3. Reading assignments with interactive note-taking requirements.
4. Student sermon preparation, delivery, and critique.

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. The student will attend and participate in the class sessions. The class will adhere to the attendance policy stated in the catalogue. Any student missing more than three class sessions will receive an automatic grade of "F" for the course, unless excused by the Dean of Leavell College. Three tardies will count as one absence.
2. The student is required to read the assigned material **before** coming to class.
3. **The final grade for the course will be determined as follows:**

#### **25%---Reading Notes.**

The student will take reading notes for each week's reading assignment. *Each week's reading notes must be no less than 1 typed page, double-spaced.* Likewise, each student will read Romans in its entirety each week

of the course. This takes about one hour and will serve as the required third hour of coursework.

**15%---Preaching Notes.**

The student will watch four sermons online through the course of the semester and will submit notes from these sermons at the end of the course. Each sermon must be from a different preacher.

**50%---In-class sermon delivery**

**(two sermons—mid-semester and end-of-semester)**

The student will prepare and deliver two sermons from two different assigned passages in Romans. Required sermon length will be determined based upon course enrollment. The student must submit a copy of the notes used for the delivery of the sermon to the professor. The grade will be based upon the student's interpretation, application, and illustration of the passage, along with delivery of the sermon. Each sermon will be worth 25% of the course grade.

**10%---Completion of all assigned reading.**

**5% --- Extra credit.**

Throughout the semester, extra credit up to 5% of the total class grade (1/2 letter grade) will be offered for various assignments.

## COURSE SCHEDULE

DATE	SUBJECT	DUE (Reading & assignments)
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January 19	<b>Introductions: Preaching and Romans; Romans 1</b>	
January 26	<b>Christ-centered Expository Preaching; Romans 2</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); York and Decker (Y&D) ch.1&2; Moo on Romans 1&2 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
February 2	<b>Preaching the Text; Romans 3</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Y&D ch.3&4; Moo: Romans 3 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
February 9	<b>Introducing, Concluding and Applying the Sermon; Romans 4</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Y&D ch.8-10; Moo: Romans 4 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
February 16	<b>Romans 5 and 6</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 5&6 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
February 23	<b>Romans 7 and 8</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 7&8 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
March 2	<b>Student Sermons on Romans 1-4</b> Each student's text assigned in class.	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all)
March 9	<b>Student Sermons on Romans 5-8</b> Each student's text assigned in class.	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all)
March 16	<b>SPRING BREAK (NO CLASS)</b>	
March 23	<b>Romans 9</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 9 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
March 30	<b>Romans 10</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 10 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
April 5	<b>Romans 11</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 11 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
April 12	<b>Romans 12 and 13</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 12&13 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
April 19	<b>Romans 14, 15, 16</b>	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all); Moo: Romans 14,15, 16 <b>Assignment:</b> Reading Notes
April 26	<b>Student Sermons on Romans 1-4</b> Each student's text assigned in class.	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all)
May 3	<b>Student Sermons on Romans 1-4</b> Each student's text assigned in class.	<b>Reading:</b> Romans (all) <b>Assignment:</b> Preaching Notes

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