

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

BI272

INSTRUCTOR: Gordon Bennett
SEMESTER: Spring, 2009 – Senior
DATES: March 24 – May 14, 2009

REQUIRED READING:

Saving Life of Christ by Major Ian Thomas
The Green Letters (Part One & Two) by Miles Stanford
The Believer's Payday by Paul N. Benware

ADDITIONAL READING: (Recommended): See end of Bibliography.

COURSE HOURS Course BI272 – Two Credit Hours, Two-hour session each day*¹ for a total of 30 hours (1 block).

LEARNING OBJECTIVE STATEMENT:

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to understand the distinctions between positional and conditional truth, the similarities and differences between justification and identification with Christ and how these doctrines relate to healthy spiritual growth. The student will be able to understand the relationship between justification and rewards in the Christian life. The student will also be able to recognize some of the practical ramifications between living under law (legalism) and grace.

GRADE BREAKDOWN:

2 Tests @ 15% each:	<i>(test one to be announced)</i>	30%
2 Homework Assignments @ 20% each:		40%
	Include memory verses	
	Includes class note reading	
	Included Green Letters reading Part One and Part Two	
2 Textbook Reading Assignments (Textbooks)		30%
	The Saving Life of Christ	15%
	The Believer's Payday	15%

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Students are responsible:

1. for the acquisition of all notes and assignments that are presented in class.
2. to complete all papers, tests and reading assignments on time.
3. to participate in asking questions when appropriate.
4. to be able to articulate the basics of the course material to those searching to understand the Christian life.

HOMEWORK POLICY:

Credit will be given for all homework completed **on time**. It is your responsibility to turn in your homework or communicate with the teacher in whatever way he has instructed.

If you know that you will be gone when an assignment is due, (for example, going to a wedding, etc.) have your homework done ahead of time, and record its completion or turn it in.

¹ * unless otherwise indicated in class schedule

Late Assignments:

No late assignments will be accepted unless you were not able to complete the assignment on time due to illness or other emergency. In such a case, fill out a *“Late Assignment” slip* completely, including the reason the assignment was not completed on time, turn it in with the assignment. This must be done within 72 hours (3 days) from the time you returned to class for which the assignment was due. If your reason was valid, and the assignment was turned in within the timeframe described above, you will receive credit for the work.

Exams, Quizzes, Etc., Policy:

Work done in class (exams, quizzes, etc.) may be made up only if you were absent from class for valid reasons. In such a case, communicate with the teacher/secretary in writing, stating the reason you were not in class. If the reason is valid, you will have 72 hours (3 days) from the time you returned to the class to make up any work missed in that class.

CHEATING POLICY:

1. Cheating is grounds for dismissal from NTBI.
2. Cheating includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Doing homework as a group when the teacher did not indicate the assignment was a group assignment. *Assume all assignments are to be done individually unless otherwise instructed.*
 - b. Copying answers from the textbook, internet, fellow student etc, and claiming that the answers were your own answer. i.e. Plagiarism.
3. As a teacher I desire for you to do your own thinking, research, etc. in order to complete the assignments I have given you.

CLASSROOM CODE OF CONDUCT:**Students are expected to arrive to class or the auditorium for chapel:**

1. Prior to the time the bell rings for class – anything else constitutes marking the roll sheet as being late to class.
2. Dressed according to the dress code given through the Dean’s department as proper classroom attire.
3. Properly prepared with the right notebooks or material for note taking and with any homework due to be turned in during that hour.

It is expected that once students are seated in class or the auditorium for chapel:

1. They will remain in their seats for the duration of the class period except for unusual health circumstances.
2. They will give attention to what is being taught.
3. They will not be a distraction or disturbance to other students.
4. They will refrain from packing materials and notes until the teacher dismisses the class.
5. They will not assume postures or act in a manner that would be a poor testimony to others.
6. They will use moderation in beverages and foods brought into the classroom and refrain from bringing any food or beverages into the auditorium.
7. They will give respect to the instructor and other students regardless of whether or not they agree with what is being said or taught.
8. They will not alter or rearrange classroom equipment, seating, tables, etc. without prior permission.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

We expect students to attend all classes in which they are enrolled for credit. Our policy allows up to two absences per credit hour in any course. If this number of absences is exceeded, and any of them are “unexcused,” credit for the course may be lost. In addition, if this number of absences is exceeded, even if for all valid reasons, credit for the course may still be lost **UNLESS** special arrangements are made with the Dean of Education prior to exceeding the number of absences allowed. Therefore, once you reach the number of absences allowed for any course, it is your responsibility to see the Dean of Education for counsel regarding attendance.

1. *Note the following:*
 - a. It is the student’s responsibility to mark “present” or “tardy” on the attendance sheet when it is passed around in class. **Do not** mark the sheet for anyone else, and **be sure** you mark it for yourself.
 - b. If you are absent or tardy, you will receive an **excuse slip** in your mailbox, generally by 5:00 PM on the same day. It is your responsibility to write the reason for the absence (tardy), and turn it in to the “attendance” mail slot. The excuse slip will be stamped with “excused” or “unexcused,” and returned to you. The absence will have been recorded as “unexcused,” and will remain that way **unless** the excuse slip is returned **within 2 working days with a valid excuse**. Keep all excuse slips until you have received a final grade for the course, in case of an attendance dispute.
 - c. **Remember – All absences, whether excused or unexcused, count toward the allowable number of absences.**
 - d. **Note: 3 tardies will equal 1 absence**
 - e. If absences in non-credit courses (Chapel, Days of Prayer) exceed a total of 10, the student will be referred to the Dean of Education.
 - f. If you know that you will be absent due to a planned event (wedding, etc.), communicate with your respective Dean prior to your absence so that you will know if the absence will be excused. Do not assume either way.

DROP CLASS POLICY:

The last day to drop this class with no academic penalty is _____

ASSIGNMENT EXPLANATION: *see attached materials.*

MEMORY VERSES: Gal. 2:19-20; 1Cor. 3:11-15

See Homework Instruction Sheet

HOMEWORK FORMAT:

See Homework Instruction Sheet

CLASS SCHEDULE: Meet at **11:00 A.M.** unless otherwise noted.

Ses	Dates	Topic	Reading/Memory	HW due	Test*
1	Tu., Mar. 24	Introduction			
2	W, Mar. 25	Introduction			
3	T, Mar. 26	Introduction			
4	F, Mar. 27	Birth Truth			
---	Mar. 28 – Apr. 6		Spring Break, *		
5	Tu., Apr. 7	Birth Truth			
6	W, Apr. 8, 10:00	Birth Truth			
7	W, Apr. 8, 11:00	Birth Truth			
8	T, Apr. 9	Birth Truth			
---	W, Apr. 10		Good Friday		
9	M, Apr. 13	Identification Truth	Saving Life of Christ--due		
---	Tu., Apr. 14		Day of Prayer		
10	W, Apr. 15	Identification Truth			
11	T, Apr. 16	Identification Truth			
12	F, Apr. 17	Identification Truth			
13	M, Apr. 20	Growth Truth			
14	Tu., Apr. 21	Growth Truth	Gal. 2:19-20 due with HW # 1	HW # 1 due	
15	W, Apr. 22	Growth Truth			
16	T, Apr. 23, 10:00	Growth Truth			
17	T, Apr. 23, 11:00	Growth Truth			
18	F, Apr. 24, 10:00	Growth Truth			
19	F, Apr. 24, 11:00	Growth Truth			
---	Apr. 27 – May 2		Senior Retreat		
20	M, May 4, 10:00	Growth Truth			
21	M, May 4, 11:00	Growth Truth			
22	Tu., May 5, 10:00	Growth Truth			
23	Tu., May 5, 11:00	Growth Truth			
--	W, May 6		Day of Prayer		
24	T, May 7, 10:00	Rewards			
25	T, May 7, 11:00	Rewards			
26	F, May 8	Rewards			
27	M, May 11	Legalism			
28	Tu., May 12	Legalism			
29	W, May 13	License	1Cor. 3:11-15 due with HW # 2	HW. # 2 due	
30	T, May 14	Test Two	The Believers Payday – due		T 2

***THE DATES FOR TEST ONE WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN CLASS**