

**Note:**

**Course content may be changed, term to term, without notice. The information below is provided as a guide for course selection and is not binding in any form, and should not be used to purchase course materials.**

## ***COURSE SYLLABUS***

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### **HOMI 675**

### **PREACHING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to prepare students to preach from the New Testament. Special attention will be given to genres and theological themes that arise from the New Testament text.

#### **RATIONALE**

This course is designed to further students' understanding of the principles and method of biblical preaching by concentrating on issues particular to expounding the New Testament. Students will be challenged to develop and utilize proper homiletical tools related to New Testament genres, doctrines, and methods.

#### **I. PREREQUISITE**

For information regarding prerequisites for this course, please refer to the [Academic Course Catalog](#).

#### **II. REQUIRED RESOURCE PURCHASE**

Click on the following link to view the required resource(s) for the term in which you are registered: <http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/liberty.htm>

#### **III. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING**

- A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
- B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
- C. Microsoft Word  
(Microsoft Office is available at a special discount to Liberty University students.)

#### **IV. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Evaluate New Testament texts both exegetically and homiletically.
- B. Interpret the different types of literature/genres in the New Testament.
- C. Employ significant doctrines related to preaching the New Testament.
- D. Justify interpretations of difficult passages in the New Testament.
- E. Develop textual and thematic New Testament series.

**V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS**

A. Textbook readings and lecture presentations

B. Course Requirements Checklist

After reading the Syllabus and [Student Expectations](#), the student will complete the related checklist found in Module/Week 1.

C. Discussion Board Forums (2)

The student is required to write a thread in response to the provided prompt for each forum. Each thread must be at least 400 words and demonstrate course-related knowledge. In addition to the thread, the student is required to reply to 2 other classmates' threads. Each reply must be at least 200 words. (Outcomes: A, B, C, D)

D. Group Discussion Board Forums (3)

The instructor will place the student into a group at the beginning of the course. The student must post his/her manuscript as a thread attachment in his/her designated Group Discussion Board Forum. In the following module/week, the student must view the sermon video (as assigned in that module/week's Group Discussion Board Forum assignment) and then post a reply to each of the group members' threads. In each reply, the student will provide a thoughtful and thorough analysis of the hermeneutical and homiletical aspects of the classmate's manuscript. The student must also reference ideas from the video that inform the critique. Each reply must be at least 400 words. (Outcomes: A, B, D)

E. Sermon Manuscripts (3)

The student will complete 3 Sermon Manuscripts using the worksheets from McDill's text *12 Essential Skills for Great Preaching* as a guide. Each sermon manuscript will be a 12–14-page manuscript based on the passages listed within the course. Each manuscript will utilize the appropriate formatting to demonstrate the various elements of the sermon. (Outcomes A, B, C, D, E)

**VI. COURSE GRADING AND POLICIES**

A. Points

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|---|-------------|
| Course Requirements Checklist                   | 10          |
| Discussion Board Forums (2 at 50 pts ea)        | 100         |
| Group Discussion Board Forums (3 at 100 pts ea) | 300         |
| Sermon Manuscripts (3 at 200 pts each)          | 600         |
| <b>Total</b>                                    | <b>1010</b> |

B. Scale

A = 940–1010    A- = 920–939    B+ = 900–919    B = 860–899    B- = 840–859  
 C+ = 820–839    C = 780–819    C- = 760–779    D+ = 740–759    D = 700–739  
 D- = 680–699    F = 0–679

C. Style Guidelines

All assignments for this course are to be formatted in accordance with the [LUSD Writing Guide](#) and the latest edition of the Turabian style manual (*A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*). Discussion assignments and essay examinations may use the parenthetical citation style. All other written assignments should use the footnote citation style. Supplemental writing aids are available via the [Online Writing Center](#).

D. Extra Credit

No additional “for credit” assignments will be permitted beyond those given in the course requirements stated above.

E. Course Changes

Course requirements are subject to change by the administration of the University at any time with appropriate notice.

F. Disability Assistance

Students with a documented disability may contact Liberty University Online’s Office of Disability Academic Support (ODAS) at [LUOODAS@liberty.edu](mailto:LUOODAS@liberty.edu) to make arrangements for academic accommodations. Further information can be found at [www.liberty.edu/disabilitysupport](http://www.liberty.edu/disabilitysupport).

## ***COURSE SCHEDULE***

### **HOMI 675**

Textbooks: Blomberg, *Interpreting the Parables* (2012).  
 Heisler, *Spirit-Led Preaching* (2007).  
 Paul & Wenham, *Preaching the New Testament* (2013).

| <b>MODULE/<br/>WEEK</b> | <b>READING &amp; STUDY</b>                   | <b>ASSIGNMENTS</b>   | <b>POINTS</b> |
|-------------------------|--|--|---------------|
| <b>1</b>                | Paul & Wenham: chs. 1–6<br>1 presentation    | Course Requirements Checklist<br>Class Introductions<br>DB Forum 1 | 10<br>0<br>50 |
| <b>2</b>                | Paul & Wenham: chs. 7–12<br>1 presentation   | Sermon Manuscript 1  | 200           |
| <b>3</b>                | Paul & Wenham: chs. 13–17<br>2 presentations | Group DB Forum 1   | 100           |
| <b>4</b>                | Blomberg: chs. 1–3<br>1 presentation         | Sermon Manuscript 2  | 200           |
| <b>5</b>                | Blomberg: chs. 4–6<br>2 presentations        | Group DB Forum 2   | 100           |
| <b>6</b>                | Blomberg: chs. 7–9<br>1 presentation         | Sermon Manuscript 3  | 200           |
| <b>7</b>                | Heisler: chs. 1–5<br>2 presentations         | Group DB Forum 3   | 100           |
| <b>8</b>                | Heisler: chs. 6–9<br>1 presentation          | DB Forum 2   | 50            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            |  |  | <b>1010</b>   |

DB = Discussion Board

**NOTE:** Each course week begins on Monday morning at 12:00 a.m. (ET) and ends on Sunday night at 11:59 p.m. (ET). The final week ends at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Friday.