CH 740 A Historical-Theological Survey of the Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements

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CH740
A Historical-Theological Survey of the Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements

Professor: D. William Faupel                        Fall, 1999
            Thursdays, 6 pm–9 pm

Description

This course will examine the twentieth-century Pentecostal and Charismatic movements, using primarily a thematic approach. Particular attention will be given to the theological distinctives as they developed in their historical, cultural and ecclesial contexts.

Objectives

A. By the time students have completed this course they will be able to articulate the major historical and theological developments of the twentieth century Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements.

B. By the time students have completed this course they will also be able to critically evaluate the significance of selected events and/or theological developments within the Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements.

Expectations

1. This course shall be conducted as a seminar with primary focus on work outside of class. There will be 13 three-hour class sessions. In addition each student is expected to invest 90 hours outside of class.

2. Students shall be expected to attend all classes unless prior arrangement has been made with the professor. Students missing a class will be expected to write a three-page essay on the topic of the assigned reading.

3. It is expected that the students will have read the assigned readings at the time of class. The final grade will depend in part on the quality of participation in class discussion.

Texts

The following are required texts for the course:


Materials on Reserve

All required readings other than the textbooks will be found on reserve.

Requirements

1. Read assigned texts and be prepared to discuss for each class.
   a. All students are required to read textbook assignments and * reserve items.
   b. One additional reading assignment will be assigned to a portion of the class one week prior to due date.

2. Lead class discussion under the following guidelines
   a. Read far beyond assigned readings.
   b. Make a 30 minute presentation in class using the following format.
      1) Descriptive summary of the additional readings
      2) Your critique of the readings.
      3) Questions for class discussion.
   c. Give a one page handout to class members.

3. Write a 20 –30 page term paper on a topic or person of your choice with the approval of the Professor using the format of Carole Slade, Form and Style Manual, any edition (Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin Company). Date Due: December 2, 1999.

Class Schedule and Assignments

Class 1. September 9, 1999

- Introduction to the course
- Survey this syllabus and emphasize major points
- Watch film “Raise the Dead” and discuss
- Introduce students to each other and discuss what each expects from the course
- Discuss reading levels 2 & 3 of Mortimer J. Adler, How to Read a Book (New York, NY: Simon and Schuster, 1972) pp. 31-168
Class 2. September 16, 1999

Pentecostal Perspectives

Session A: A Pentecostal Worldview

Readings:


Session B: A Pentecostal Root (Wesleyan/Holiness)

Readings:

- Dayton, Donald W. *Theological Roots of Pentecostalism*. pp. 35-84.

Class 3. September 23, 1999

Pentecost Foreshadowed: The Elijah Syndrome

Session A: Alexander Dowie and The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church

Readings


Session B: Frank W. Sandford and Shiloh, Maine
Readings


Class 4 September 30, 1999

The Birth of Pentecostalism

Session A: Charles F. Parham & the Topeka Revival

Readings:


Session B: William Seymour and the Azusa Revival

Class 5 October 7, 1999

The Spread of Pentecostalism

Session A: Across North America

Readings:
- Cox, Harvey. “The Revival Spreads” Fire From Heaven, pp. 67-78
- Synan, Vinson. “Pentecost Comes South” The Holiness-Pentecostal Tradition, pp. 107-128

Session B: And Throughout the World

Readings:
- Synan, Vinson “Missionaries on a One-way Ticket,” The Holiness-Pentecostal Tradition, pp. 129-142.

Class 6 October 14, 1999

Pentecostalism Encounters Theological Controversy

Session A: William Durham and the Finished Work

Readings:
Session B: Frank Ewart and the New Issue

Readings:

- Gill, Kenneth D. “Contextualization of the Trinity” Toward a Contextualized Theology for the Third World: the Emergence and Development of Jesus’ Name Pentecostalism in Mexico (Frankfurt, Germany: Peter Lang, 1994), pp. 223-239.

Class 7 October 21, 1999

Pentecostalism Revitalized

Session A: The New Order of the Latter Rain

Readings:


Session B: The Salvation/Healing Movement

Readings:

Class 8    October 28, 1999

Pentecostalism Breaks through Ecclesial and Cultural Barriers


Readings:


Class 9    November 4, 1999

Pentecostal Theology (Part 1)

Session A: Theologies of Spirit Baptism

Readings:

Session B: Glossolalia and Initial Evidence

Readings:

• Mlacchia, Frank D. “Tongues as a Sign: Towards a Sacramental Understanding of Glossolalia” Pneuma, 15/2 (Spring 1993), pp. 61-76.

Class 10 November 11, 1999

Pentecostal Theology (Part 2)

Session A: Divine Healing

Readings:

• *Hollenweger, Walter J. “Signs and Wonders,” Pentecostalism, pp. 228-245.
Session B: Second Coming

Readings:

- *Hollenweger, Walter J. “In These Last Days…”: Eschatology The Pentecostals, pp. 413-421.

Class 11 November 18, 1999

Pentecostalism Encounters Postmodernism

Session A: Third Wave/Signs and Wonders/Prophecy

Readings:


Session B: Positive Confession

Readings:

November 25    Reading Week

Class 12    December 2, 1999

The Emergence of Pentecostalism as an Academic Discipline

Session A:  World view and Hermeneutics

Readings:

Session B:  In Search of a Pentecostal/Charismatic Theology

Readings:
Class 13  December 9, 1999

Pentecostalism Looks to the 21st Century

Session A. Pentecostals Engage in Ecumenism

Readings:


Session B: The “Toronto Blessing” and Beyond

Readings: