DO 604 The Christian Doctrine of the Holy Spirit

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PURPOSE
To provide a theological base for a deepening relationship (in heart, mind, and life) with the Triune God through a study of the biblical, theological, historical and practical materials related to the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit.

OBJECTIVES
By the end of the course the student will:
1. Know the basic biblical data on the Person of the Holy Spirit, i.e., who He is (Pneumatology), especially in relationship to the first and second persons of the Trinity as they are seen in the roles of God.

2. Know the basic theological and historical data that relate the Holy Spirit to the doctrine of the Trinity.

3. Know the basic biblical data on the Work of the Holy Spirit, i.e., what He does in the world.
   a) In the life of unbelievers.
   b) In the experience of salvation.
   c) In the growth of believers in character, thinking and, ministry.
   d) In the sanctification of believers.

4. Understand the development of the doctrine of the infilling of the Holy Spirit in the Wesleyan tradition.

5. Understand the biblical basis and practical implications of the gifts of the Spirit.

6. Have an increased awareness of the cruciality of a doctrine of the Spirit in the life of the individual, the church and the world.

7. Have an enriched relationship with the Holy Spirit and through Him all three persons of the Trinity through growth and understanding of who He is and what he has done.

8. Be exposed to the equipping power and purity of the Holy Spirit for ministry to others.

REQUIREMENTS
1. Study assignment: reading with outlines and notes of assigned material. A critical review of some materials will be assigned in place of outlining. A collateral chart (to be described in class) should be kept which should include a record of the number of hours per week spent reading, outlining, taking notes, critical reviews, and Bible studies. The number of hours studied will determine the grade options available to the student of the entire course. To be eligible to earn any grade up through an "A" a total of at least 78 hours should be spent over the semester or about 6 hours per week. For a "B" at least 70 hours per semester or about 5 hours a week. For a "C", 65 hours per semester or about 5 hours per week. A minimum of 60 hours is necessary for a passing grade.

2. A notebook should be kept of all outlines, study notes, reviews, and Bible studies (but not class notes), plus a record of the student's reading and hours. A grade will be given the notebook based on the quality of the outlines and notes taken, the number of hours spent on assignments, and the completion of assignments on time. It will constitute 33.3% of the final grade.

3. Two essay examinations will be given, each constituting 33.3% of the final grade. One will be a mid-term, on Thursday, April 5; the other will be a final on Monday, May 14; 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

4. Class attendance and participation. Class attendance and participation is assumed. A record of absences from class should be kept on the collateral sheet. More than three unexcused absences could adversely effect the student's final grade.

*Out of courtesy to other members of the class, it is requested that no food or beverage be brought into the classroom.*

**TEXTBOOKS**

1. **Required Texts:**
   Allan Coppedge, *Holy Living* (MS)
   Coppedge and Ury, *In His Image*

2. **Recommended Texts:**
   Thomas Oden, *Life in the Spirit*
   Yves Congar, *I Believe In The Holy Spirit*

2. **Requested in Class:**
   The Holy Bible

*** READING SCHEDULE ***
February 6 – 10

Coppedge, *Holy Living*.


February 12 – 16

Coppedge, *Holy Living*.

________, *Portraits of God*, Introduction, Chapters 1 and 2.

February 19 – 23

Coppedge, *Holy Living*.


February 26 – March 2


March 5 – 9


March 12 – 16
Coppedge and Ury, *In His Image*, Chapters 7-12.


**March 19 – 23**


St. Basil The Great, *On The Holy Spirit*, Chapters 1, 8, 9, 10, 16, 18, 19.


**March 26 – 30**


**April 2 – 6**

Thomas Smail, *The Forgotten Father*, Chapters 1-2.

James Torrance, “Worship-Unitarian or Trinitarian,” *Worship, Community and the Triune God of Grace*.


**April 16 – 20**

To Be Assigned

**April 23 - 27**

April 30 – May 4


May 7 - 11


ADDITIONAL READING ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

Selections From The Following:


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