

Syllabus

SCS 510 Biblical Interpretation

Course Overview

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Course Description

Unity's unique contribution to Bible study is our metaphysical understanding of the journey of humanity from Adam consciousness to Christ consciousness. The Bible is Unity's fundamental textbook and is the story of our soul's unfolding.

This class will build on Unity's foundation classes in Bible study and interpretation, with a primary focus on allowing the Bible to come alive for us. From our direct experience with various Bible texts, we will explore how to create an interesting and stimulating learning environment using the Bible as a transformational tool in our lives and in the lives of others.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to:

- Demonstrate Unity Metaphysical Bible Interpretation using the *Metaphysical Bible Dictionary* and *The Revealing Word* as interpretation tools.
- Demonstrate understanding and usage of Maieutic Process for Bible interpretation
- Demonstrate an understanding of cultural, historical, ethical contexts of Bible texts as a method of enhancing understanding Bible texts in Bible interpretation
- Assimilate a Bible text personally and practically apply the lessons in life
- Engage the text in a way that evokes a response beyond thinking.
- Increase self-understanding through Bible interpretation
- Relate a Bible text to contemporary events
- Demonstrate the ability to creatively interpret the Bible
- Demonstrate teaching a Bible lesson

Required Books

- Study Bible – NRSV
 - *The New Interpreter's Bible, New Revised Standard Version with the Apocrypha*, Abingdon Press, 2013 **PREFERRED**
 - Alternate choice
 - *The Harper Collins Study Bible, including Apocryphal Deuterocanonical Books, Student Edition, NRSV*, Harper One, 2006
 - *The New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha: New Revised Standard Version*, Oxford University Press, 2010
- *Metaphysical Bible Dictionary*, Unity
- *The Revealing Word*, Unity
- Wink, Walter, *Transforming Bible Study – A Leader's Guide*, 2009

Live Collaborate Class Sessions:

All times Central Time (CT) Zone

April 2024

1. Thursday, April 4 – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
2. Thursday, April 11 – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
3. Thursday, April 18 – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
4. Thursday, April 25 - 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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5. Thursday, May 2 – 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
6. *Thursday, May 9 – None this week – Work Week*
7. Thursday, May 16 – 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
8. *Thursday, May 23 – None this week – Work Week*
9. *Thursday, May 30 – None this week – Work Week*

Final Presentations – Online

10. Monday, June 3 – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.