

## Bible Doctrines

### I. Course Description

This course is an overview of Bible doctrines. The doctrines of the Bible are God's teachings or lessons for mankind. Bible doctrines are the teaching found in God's Word that reveal God, the Creator of all things, and his relationship to His creation. The study of Bible doctrines is the attempt to organize different aspects of God's revelation into component parts (e.g., God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, man, salvation, The Church).

### II. Instructional Material

- A. Textbook -Bere, Michael C., Bible Doctrines for Today, Pensacola Christian College, Pensacola, Florida, 1996
- B. Resource Books - New American Standard Bible

### III. Course Goals and Objectives

The student will:

1. Understand that God says it is very important that the student know Bible doctrines
2. Understand that Bible doctrines clarify for them what they believe and why
3. Understand it is important that they know what not to believe
4. Know it is important that they know how to tell someone else about their faith in Christ
5. Appreciate spiritual blessings
6. Memorize Bible verses pertaining to subject studied
7. Daily Bible reading

### IV. Course Outline

First Semester

- A. Bibliology: The doctrine of the Bible
  1. Revelations and inspiration
  2. Authenticity of the scriptures
  3. Credibility of the scriptures
  4. Canonicity of the scriptures
- B. Theology: The doctrine of God
  1. The being and attributes of God
  2. The arguments for his existence
  3. His Trinitarian existence
  4. His works of creation and providence
- C. Christology: The doctrine of Christ
  1. Christ's theanthropic person (fully God/ fully man)
  2. His deity
  3. His humanity
  4. The humiliation and exaltation of Christ
  5. Historical views of the person of Christ.
- D. Pneumatology: The doctrine of the Holy Spirit

1. His divine personality
2. His work in salvation

## Second Semester

- E. Anthropology: The doctrine of man.
  1. Anthropology proper
    - a. Origin and nature of man
    - b. His primitive state
    - c. His probation and fall
    - d. Actual transgression
    - e. Free gift of righteousness or grace
  2. Hamartiology or the doctrine of Sin
    - a. Original sin
    - b. Effects of original sin
    - c. Nature and character of guilt and penalty
- F. Soteriology: the doctrine of salvation
  1. Objective soteriology or the work of Christ in atoning for sin
    - a. Christ as prophet, priest and king
    - b. Vicarious atonement
    - c. Various theories of the atonement
  2. Subjective soteriology or the application of the work of Christ to the individual by the Holy Spirit
    - a. Vocation or call
    - b. Repentance and saving faith
    - c. Justification and regeneration
    - d. Sanctification
- G. Ecclesiology: The doctrine of the church
  1. The idea or nature of the Church
  2. The organization of the Church
  3. The ordinances of the Church
  4. The mission of the Church
- H. Angelology: The doctrine of angels
  1. Reality, personality, and classification of angels
  2. Reality, origin, fall and methodology of Satan
  3. Reality, origin, and methodology of demons
- I. Eschatology: The doctrine of last things
  1. The intermediate and final state
  2. Second advent of Christ
  3. The  
resurrections
  4. The final  
judgment

## V. Teaching Methods

A. Individual reading activities

## VI. Evaluation

Components

1. Final exams
2. Chapter tests
3. Quizzes
4. Bible verse exams

## VII. Grading Scale

100-90% = A

89-80% = B

79-70% = C

69-60% = D

lower = F