COURSE SYLLABUS – PT522  
Reformed Theological Seminary  
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Spring 2014  
Communication II  
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Class Hours:  2

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COURSE PURPOSE

A third course in the preparation and delivery of sermons designed to equip men for their first year of pulpit ministry.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. Formation of the minister’s character.
2. Cultivation of the minister’s preaching gifts.
3. Establishing life-long devotional habits.
4. Establishing a life-long commitment to reading substantial books on the preacher and his work.
5. Memorizing scriptures concerning the minister and his work.

COURSE TEXTS

Required Texts:

The Bible.


Recommended:


COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. ATTENDANCE — Class attendance is mandatory. Each unexcused absence will result in a full letter grade reduction for the course. Absences to fulfill requirements of other courses are unacceptable.

2. READING ASSIGNMENTS — Textbook assignments must be read prior to class.

3. PAPER FORMATTING – All papers must be typed double-spaced using 12 pt. Times New Roman font, one inch margins on all sides. Each paper must include pagination and line numbering.

4. EXAMINATIONS — There are no examinations in Communications II.

5. GRADES –

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6. GRADING SCALE -

- 97-100% A
- 94-96% A-
- 91-93% B+
- 88-90% B
- 86-87% B-
- 83-85% C+
- 80-82% C
- 78-79% C-
- 75-77% D+
- 72-74% D
- 70-71% D-
- 0-69% F

7. SPRING BREAK - There will be no class on Monday, March 10.

8. DEADLINES - All course materials must be submitted at the beginning of class on the date due. Hard copies only; do not submit work electronically. Late work will be penalized a full letter grade each day thereafter.

9. ELECTRONIC DEVICES - Computers and tablets are not permitted in the classroom. Cell phones should be turned off and put away.
10. DISCLAIMER - The instructor reserves the right to modify any portion of this syllabus during the semester.

11. OFFICE HOURS – Monday through Wednesday, by appointment or whenever the door is open.

12. PREACHING LAB II – This course is taken in conjunction with Preaching Lab II (PT524). In the lab, four sermons will be prepared and delivered. To maximize lab preaching, sermon feedback will be given during Communication II.

COURSE OUTLINE

January 27:
A. Lecture 1: What Is Expository Preaching?
B. Lecture 2: The Preacher’s Character
C. Lecture 3: Preparing for Preaching Lab II

February 3:
A. Lecture 4: Understanding Your Congregation – Lessons from William Perkins and Charles Bridges
B. Lecture 5: Preaching the Pentateuch
C. Bible Memory: 2 Timothy 4:12-13

February 10:
A. Lecture 6: Preaching Old Testament Narrative Texts
B. Class Discussion of The Word Became Fresh.
C. Work Due: Book Review 1 – Five page review of The Word Became Fresh.
D. Bible Memory: 2 Timothy 4:14-16

February 17:
A. Lecture 7: Preaching Old Testament Wisdom and Prophetic Texts
B. Lecture 8: Preaching and Prayer
C. Bible Memory: Romans 1:16-17

February 24:
A. Lecture 9: Preaching Law and Gospel
B. Lecture 10: Preaching Evangelistic Sermons
C. Work Bible Memory: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

March 3:
A. Class Discussion of The Priority of Preaching.
B. Lecture 11: Habits of Effective Ministers
C. Work Due: Book Review 2 - Five page review of The Priority of Preaching.
D. Bible Memory: Romans 10:14-15 and cumulative
March 10: **Spring Break.**

March 17:
A. Lecture 12: Preaching the Imitation of Christ  
B. Lecture 13: Habits that Make Ministers Ineffective  
C. **Bible Memory:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-2

March 24:
A. Class Discussion of The Life of Martyn Lloyd-Jones.  
B. **Work Due: Book Review 3** - Five page review of The Life of Martyn Lloyd-Jones.  
C. **Bible Memory:** 1 Corinthians 2:3-5

March 31:
A. Lecture 14: Preaching the New Testament Epistles  
B. Lecture 15: Preaching and the Reformed Confessions  
C. **Bible Memory:** 2 Corinthians 4:5-6

April 7:
A. Lecture 16: Preaching at Weddings, Baptisms, and Funerals  
B. Lecture 17: Planning a Week of Sermon Preparation  
C. **Bible Memory:** 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8

April 14:
A. Lecture 18: Lessons from John Broadus on Reading Scripture, Public Prayer, and Pulpit Decorum  
B. Lecture 19: Preaching and the Church Calendar  
C. **Bible Memory:** 2 Timothy 2:24-26

April 21:
A. Lecture 20: Simplicity, Earnestness, and Humility  
B. Lecture 21: The Minister’s Books and Study  
C. **Bible Memory:** 2 Timothy 4:2

April 28:
A. Class Discussion of Preachers and Preaching.  
B. **Work Due: Book Review 4** - Five page review of Preachers and Preaching.  
C. **Bible Memory:** 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 and cumulative.

May 5: **Submit Reading Report.**

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**READING REPORT**  
(Submit by May 5.)
Name (Print):

I have read *The Word Became Fresh* in its entirety. Yes____ No _____

I have read *The Life of Martyn Lloyd-Jones* in its entirety. Yes____ No _____

I have read *Preachers and Preaching* in its entirety. Yes____ No _____

I have read *The Priority of Preaching* in its entirety. Yes____ No _____

(No percentages; no partial credit.)

Signature: _________________________________

Date: _________________________________