COURSE SYLLABUS – ST526
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Principles of Sanctification
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COURSE PURPOSE
This course is a study of the application of redemption in the believer’s sanctification.

COURSE OBJECTIVES
1. To examine the foundations of the doctrine of sanctification as taught in Reformed confessions and catechisms.
2. To understand the use of the means of grace in sanctification.
3. To cultivate the student’s personal holiness.
4. To memorize scriptures and catechism answers concerning sanctification.

COURSE TEXTS

Required Texts:

The Bible.


Recommended:

Bridges, Charles. The Christian Ministry. 1830. Edinburgh: Banner of Truth,
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. RESPONSE PAPERS – This course requires nine brief response papers. In them students interact with the texts by recording ideas that will contribute to their personal sanctification and to the sanctification of their congregations. Students may also use these papers to voice concerns about the theological emphases or biblical interpretations of the various authors. Response papers require neither a summary of the material nor a unifying theme, but do require complete sentences and good grammar.

4. PAPER FORMATTING – Response 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.

5. EXAMINATIONS — There are no examinations in this class.

6. GRADES –

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8. SPRING BREAK - There will be no class on Tuesday, March 11.

9. 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.
10. **ELECTRONIC DEVICES** - Computers and tablets are not permitted in the classroom. Cell phones should be turned off and put away.

11. **DISCLAIMER** - The instructor reserves the right to modify any portion of this syllabus during the semester.

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

**COURSE OUTLINE**

**February 4:**
- A. Subject: Justification and Sanctification in the Reformed Confessions and Catechisms
- B. Readings: Beeke and Ferguson, 98-108; Jones ix-xvi, 1-18

**February 11:**
- A. Subject: Union with Christ
- B. Readings: Jones, 19-30
- C. **Catechism Memory**: Westminster Shorter Catechism, answer 33
- D. Subject: Law and Gospel
- E. Readings: Beeke and Ferguson, 130-136; Jones 31-60
- F. **Response Paper 1**: 1-2 pages
- G. **Catechism Memory**: Westminster Shorter Catechism, answer 35

**February 18:**
- A. Subject: Good Works and Rewards
- B. Readings: Beeke and Ferguson, 114-118; Jones 61-79
- C. **Response Paper 2**: 1-2 pages
- D. **Bible Memory**: Ephesians 2:8-10

**February 25:**
- A. Subject: Assurance
- B. Readings: Beeke and Ferguson, 118-129; Jones 81-110
- C. **Response Paper 3**: 1-2 pages
- D. **Bible Memory**: Romans 8:11

**March 4:**
- A. Subject: Owen on the Nature and Power of Temptation (1)
- B. Readings: Owen, 141-164
- C. **Response Paper 4**: 1-2 pages
- D. **Bible and Catechism Memory**: Cumulative

**March 11:** **Spring Break.**

**March 18:**
A. Subject: Owen on the Nature and Power of Temptation (2)
B. Readings: Owen, 167-184
C. **Response Paper 5**: 1-2 pages
D. **Bible Memory**: Romans 6:17-18

March 25:
A. Subject: Owen on the Nature and Power of Temptation (3)
B. Readings: Owen, 187-223
C. **Response Paper 6**: 1-2 pages
D. **Bible Memory**: James 1:12

April 1:
A. Subject: The Minister’s Sanctification (1)
B. Reading: Owen, 41-66
C. **Bible Memory**: Psalm 119:67

April 8:
A. Subject: The Minister’s Sanctification (2)
B. Owen, 69-127
C. **Bible Memory**: 1 Timothy 4:16

April 15:
A. Subject: Contemporary Issues in Sanctification
B. Readings: Jones, 111-130, Owen 131-139
C. **Bible Memory**: Galatians 6:1

April 22:
A. The Pilgrim’s Progress (1)
B. Readings: Read the first half of part one of [The Pilgrim’s Progress](#)
C. **Response Paper 7**: 1-2 pages
D. **Bible and Catechism Memory**: Cumulative

April 29:
A. The Pilgrim’s Progress (2)
B. Readings: Read the second half of part one of [The Pilgrim’s Progress](#)
C. **Response Paper 8**: 1-2 pages

May 5: **Submit Reading Report.**
READING REPORT
(Submit on May 5.)

Name (Print):

I have read Antinomianism in its entirety. Yes____ No_____

In Overcoming Sin and Temptation, I have read Owen’s “Of the Mortification of Sin” in its entirety. Yes_____ No_____

In Overcoming Sin and Temptation, I have read Owen’s “Of Temptation: The Nature and Power of It” in its entirety. Yes_____ No_____

I have read part 1 of The Pilgrim’s Progress in its entirety. Yes____ No_____

I have read the assigned portions of Reformed Confessions Harmonized in their entirety. Yes____ No_____

(No percentages; no partial credit.)

Signature: _________________________________

Date: _______________________________