



Syllabus

MIS 410: Social Involvement and the Gospel **Genesis Bible Institute**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

How does the church best serve the lost, the poor, and the marginalized? This course explores the theory, nature, and application of Social Involvement. Students will learn how those in need are empowered not by handouts, but by a process of development. Particular emphasis is given to the concept of spreading the gospel using words and deeds together.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

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

- Make a case for the church's responsibility to reach out to those in need;
- Explain why Social Involvement and sharing the gospel are inextricably linked;
- Explain the concept of "development" and its role in Social Involvement;
- Give scriptural examples of evangelizing the marginalized;
- Describe the many causes of poverty;
- Explain how we model God's grace to those in need;
- Recite from memory Luke 4:18 and Matthew 25:40.

REQUIRED READING

Chester, Tim. *Good News to the Poor*. Wheaton: Crossway, 2013. Print.

ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

- *Study Guide Answers* (60 points / 60% of grade)
The Study Guide consists of 6 units. You will reply to 10 short-answer questions in each unit for a total of 60 questions. While there is no word-length requirement for your answers, they must thoroughly and succinctly answer each question.
- *Assignment 1: Advise a Pastor – Part 1* (15 points / 15% of grade)
The head pastor of your church wants to create a Social Involvement ministry, and he emailed you to seek your advice. You will respond to his inquiry, sharing your knowledge of essential elements of Social Involvement.
- *Assignment 2: Advise a Pastor – Part 2* (15 points / 15% of grade)
Your head pastor has again emailed you for advice. You will respond by explaining how to share the gospel using both words and deeds, including both scriptural and real world examples.
- *Final Exam* (10 points / 10% of grade)



The Final Exam will test your knowledge of course material. There are a total of 20 questions which include true/false, fill-in-the-blank, multiple choice, and your assigned memory verses.

Summary of Assignments and Grading		
Study Guide Answers	60 points	60%
Advise a Pastor – Part 1	15 points	15%
Advise a Pastor – Part 2	15 points	15%
Final Exam	10 points	10%
Total	100 points	100%