



## Syllabus

### **CHL 430: Transformational Preaching** **Genesis Bible Institute**

#### *COURSE DESCRIPTION*

This course is an introduction to the principles of preaching Christ from all of Scripture. Particular emphasis is given to the power of the gospel to change people's lives. Students will write and deliver gospel-centric sermons that communicate faith in an age of skepticism.

#### *LEARNING OUTCOMES*

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

- Contrast knowledge and wisdom;
- Summarize the six sound practices for preaching to and reaching a culture;
- Explain the five distinct narratives of the late modern mind;
- Differentiate between a nominal Christian and a true Christian;
- Explain what it means to preach from the heart, describing the fruit that is yielded through such an approach;
- Contrast “gift operations” and “grace operations,” two factors that determine long-term effectiveness of a pastor;
- Analyze the secrets of success of transformational preachers, including George Whitefield, Jonathan Edwards, and the Apostle Paul;
- Analyze the “subtext” of your sermon development to determine the message under your message – the real message;
- Create two well-structured 15-minute sermons;
- Analyze and write a critique of a sermon delivered by a pastor;
- Deliver a sermon to an audience;
- Be able to quote from memory 2 Timothy 4:2.

#### *REQUIRED READING*

Keller, Timothy. *Preaching*.

Johnson, J.A. “How to Create a 3-Point Transformational Sermon.” (Provided)

----- “Transformational Preaching: How to Change People’s Lives by Changing Your Own.” (Provided)

Stetzer, Ed. “4 Ingredients for Making Sermons Stick.” (Provided)

#### *ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING*

- *Study Guide Answers* (worth 45 points / 45% of grade)  
After you read the Study Guide, Preaching and the assigned articles, you will answer questions related to the content of each unit. The assignment is designed to help you interact with the reading and understand its content. There is a total of 90 questions plus 5 bonus questions (2.5 points) for extra credit. Each answer is worth 0.5 points.

- *Assignment 1: Write Two 15-minute Sermons* (worth 30 points / 30% of grade)  
You will write two expository sermons that are 15 minutes in duration. For guidance you will refer to the article (included) by J.A. Johnson.
- *Assignment 2: Deliver a Sermon* (worth 15 points / 15% of grade)  
You will preach one of the sermons from Assignment 1. One of your listeners will give you feedback, to which you will respond.
- *Assignment 3: Sermon Critique* (worth 10 points / 10% of grade)  
You will analyze and critique a sermon observed live, on television, or on the radio.

<b>Summary of Assignments and Grading</b>		
Study Guide Answers	45 points	45%
Write Two 15-minute Sermons	30 points	30%
Deliver a Sermon	15 points	15%
Sermon Critique	10 points	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100 points</b>	<b>100%</b>