



**Completion of the following eleven courses will earn you a  
Diploma in Practical Ministry.**

**1. *Bible Interpretation I (Hermeneutics I)***

This is a study of the art and science of the interpretation of the Bible. You will be given the skill and competence to properly interpret the various forms of Scripture. You will become better able to approach Bible grammar, context, ancient culture, literary types, dispensations and a host of other matters that will help you better understand, interpret and communicate the Scripture.

**2. *Bible Interpretation II (Hermeneutics II)***

This module builds on the foundations established in Module I. You will become advanced in your skill and competence to properly interpret the various forms of Scripture. You will become better able to approach figures of speech, Bible types, parables and allegories, Bible prophecy, the use of the Old Testament in the New Testament, the proper application of Scripture and other that will help you better understand, interpret and communicate the Scripture.

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This study continues what began in Theology I. You will better learn what to believe as a Christian, why to harbor those beliefs and how to live accordingly. This course covers the Study of Mankind (Anthropology), the Study of Sin (Hamartology), the Study of Salvation (Soteriology), the Study of the Church (Ecclesiology), and the Study of the End Times (Eschatology).

**7. *Sermon Development/Lesson Development (Homiletics I)***

If you are a preacher or public speaker, this class will take your ability to the next level. This is a study of the art and science of preparing sermons and lessons that have biblical depth and clarity. Exegesis, exposition and the principles of sermon and lesson development are taught.

*Note: Sermon Development must be taken before Sermon Delivery/Public Speaking.*



## Classes: Diploma in Practical Ministry cont'd

### 8. ***Sermon Delivery/Public Speaking (Homiletics II)***

If you are a preacher, teacher or public speaker, this course will significantly increase your competence and confidence in communicating the Word of God. This class is a study of the art and science of presenting sermons that are expository in nature (Homiletics). Principles of public speaking dealing with the voice, articulation, body language, the use of object lessons and other issues are addressed. Giving captivating introductions, rich and relevant exposition and compelling conclusions are taught. Students present sermons before the class and receive both public and private evaluations from the instructor.

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### 9. ***Teaching Practices and Principles***

If you teach the Bible in any setting, you absolutely need this course. After its completion, you will greatly improve your lesson preparation, your lesson presentation and in your ability to facilitate learning in your students. Attention is given to determining lesson aims and objectives, lesson organization, lesson preparation, study habits, and means of measuring the results of instruction. Emphasis is given regarding instructing the various age groups of children, teenagers and adults.

### 10. ***Biblical Leadership I***

Whether you are a senior pastor or not, you need to be able to think like a leader and a visionary. This study clearly distinguishes between biblical leadership and secular leadership. This module covers the leader's role, leadership preparation, the leader's vision, the leader's character and conduct, the goals of the leader and other issues immediate to church leadership; as defined by Scripture.

### 11. ***Biblical Leadership II***

This series will take you to the next level by addressing leadership challenges, procuring and protecting the leader's influence, decision making, maintaining an effective schedule, the pitfalls facing leaders, the rewards of biblical leadership and other issues derived from the Word of God and the wisdom of God.

The following courses can be taken in place of Sermon Delivery or Teaching Principles.

#### 1. ***The Pentateuch***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline and more significant sections of the first five books of the Bible; also known as the Torah or the Law (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy).

#### 2. ***Hebrew Poetry***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline and more significant sections of the five Poetical books (Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Song of Solomon and Ecclesiastes).

#### 3. ***Major Prophets***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline and more significant sections of the five major prophetic books (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel).

#### 4. ***Minor Prophets***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline and more significant events of the twelve minor prophetic books (Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi).



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#### **5. *Life of Christ***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline of the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) and the way each present Jesus to each writer's particular audience.

#### **6. *Pauline Epistles***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline of the 13 letters written by the Apostle Paul (Romans, I Corinthians, II Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I Thessalonians, II Thessalonians, I Timothy, II Timothy, Titus and Philemon).

#### **7. *General Letters***

This is an in-depth study of the background, purpose, theme, outline of the 8 General letters (Hebrews, James, I Peter, II Peter, I John, II John, III John and Jude).

#### **8. *Revelation***

This is a study of end-time events and future prophesies from the pre-millennial viewpoint. The book is analyzed from its theme, signs, symbols and its teachings and its relevance for today and into eternity.

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