BIBL 559: PAUL AND THE CORINTHIANS

Dr. Paul Barnett May 11-22, 8:30-11:00 am 2 or 3 credit hours; or 2 audit hours

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Paul was engaged with the church in Corinth for more than seven years. Yet his last several years were marked by great difficulty from long-term issues in the church and by the arrival of attractive but heterodox teachers. The two extant epistles, with the book of Acts, are a fascinating window into Paul's pastoral approach to these very serious problems. These texts are among the most important in the NT and provide important guidance for subsequent generations of pastors and church leaders.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this course, students should be able to...

- 1. Understand the 7 year history of Paul's relationships with the Corinthian Church.
- 2. Have a working knowledge of both First and Second Corinthians.
- 3. Be aware of the critical issues surrounding these epistles.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1	Paul and the Corinthians 50-57; survey of both letters.
Day 2	Paul in Corinth 50-52 and after Paul Left Corinth.
Day 3	Why Paul wrote First Corinthians
Day 4	Eschatological Issues underlying First Corinthians
Day 5	Christ crucified in First Corinthians
Day 6	Between First and Second Corinthians I
Day 7	Paul's Objectives in Second Corinthians
Day 8	The Third Visit
Day 9	Paul's Vision for the Church in Corinth
Day 10	Paul's Vision for the Church Today

REQUIRED TEXTS (ALL STUDENTS):

Paul W. Barnett, *The Corinthian Question* (Nottingham: Apollos, 2011),

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED TEXTS (3 CREDIT HOUR STUDENTS):

Anthony C. Thiselton, *The First Epistle to the Corinthians* NIGTC (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans,2000), 1-36. Murray J. Harris, *The Second Epistle to the Corinthians* NIGTC (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans,2000), 67-101, 114-125.

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