

Evangelism

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

*Teaching the basic principles of personal evangelism;
Defining and providing biblical examples of evangelism;
Understanding the Reformed perspective of evangelism;
Memorization of key Scriptures for evangelism.*

COURSE RESULTS

*Students will be able to engage in evangelism in a manner consistent with their theology.
Students will be able to confidently present the gospel to others.
Students will be able to identify and avoid the pitfalls of current, popular evangelistic efforts.
Students will profit from field experience in evangelism.*

COURSE OUTLINE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Objective</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
1/28	Introduction, Definition of Evangelism	---
2/4	Motivation for the Reformed Evangelist	Practicum Report
2/11	A Reformed Foundation	Practicum Report
2/18	A Reformed Foundation	Practicum Report
2/25	The Character of the Evangelist	Practicum Report
3/3	The Character of the Evangelist	Practicum Report
3/10	Avoiding Imitations	Practicum Report
3/17	Sin & Repentance	Practicum Report
3/24	Spring Recess	Text Due
3/31	Faith & Submission	Practicum Report
4/7	Christ's Methods	Practicum Report <i>for two weeks</i>
4/14	Public Meetings & Personal Methods	Practicum Report
4/21	Evangelizing Other Major Religions	Practicum Report
4/28	NO CLASS – Presbytery Travel	Practicum Report
5/5	Evangelizing Other Major Religions	Practicum Report, Paper Due
5/12	Memory work EXAM	Practicum Report

TEXT: J. F. Thornbury, *God Sent Revival: The Story of Asahel Nettleton and the Second Great Awakening*. Available in Seminary Bookroom.

MEMORY: You must memorize 2 Timothy 4:1-5 and 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, along with one of the following longer passages: John 3:1-21 or 2 Corinthians 5:1-21. Any conservative version may be used. You will write the verses *for your final exam*.

PRACTICUM: During the course of the semester you must actively involve yourself in personal evangelism, whether in a church setting, or on an individual basis. *I highly recommend that you work with your pastor and seek out his input and guidance*. Please submit weekly reports of those activities for evaluation. If you need suggestions or help in determining what to do, take it upon yourself to consult with the professor. **Reports are due at the beginning of each class and are the basis for the Practicum portion of your grade.**

PAPER: Your only written assignment is a 5 page essay dealing with the question “Are Christ’s Instructions for Evangelism Still Appropriate for Today?” examining particularly Matthew 10:5-15 and Luke 10:1-12.

GRADING:	Scripture Memory	30%
	Reading	20%
	Paper	20%
	Practicum	30%