New Geneva Theological Seminary (Fredericksburg Campus)

Syllabus

NT506 – New Testament Exegesis II Summer 2017 Instructor: Robert Rumbaugh

Course Description

The course is designed to equip students to use the principles and tools of exegesis to correctly understand the meaning of the Greek text of the New Testament and to apply that understanding to the preparation of sermons and other means by which God's Word is brought to people.

Overview and Objectives

- 1. The student will learn a structured method for eliminating misunderstandings and for determining the likely correct meaning of the text using a variety of tools necessary for the careful study of the Greek New Testament.
- 2. Building upon the basic knowledge of the Greek language gained in NT504 a-c, this course will explore in more detail the grammar and syntax of the Greek with the goal of more accurately understanding the Greek text.
- 3. The student will be introduced to the theory and practice of textual criticism as an essential tool for assessing variant readings where these occur in the New Testament text.
- 4. In addition to the preparation of sermons and other educational materials, the student will be equipped to write a formal exegesis paper.

Grading

Homework: 20% Quizzes: 25%

Exegesis Paper 35% Final Exam: 20%

Required Resources

- 1. Blomberg, C. L., & Markley, J. F. (2010). *A Handbook of New Testament Exegesis*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic.
- 2. Köstenberger, Andreas J.; Merkle, Benjamin L; Plummer, Robert L. (2016). *Going Deeper with New Testament Greek: An Intermediate Study of the Grammar and Syntax of the New Testament*. Nashville, Tennessee: B&H Academic.
- 3. Carson, D. A. (1996). *Exegetical Fallacies* (2nd ed.). Carlisle, U.K.; Grand Rapids, MI: Paternoster; Baker Books.
- 4. Aland, K., Aland, B., Karavidopoulos, J., Martini, C. M., & Metzger, B. M. (2012). <u>Novum Testamentum Graece</u> (28th Edition, NA28). Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft.

5. Aland, B., Aland, K., Karavidopoulos, J., Martini, C. M., & Metzger, B. M. (Eds.). (2014). *The Greek New Testament* (Fifth Revised Edition, UBS5). Stuttgart, Germany:

Supplemental Resources

- 1. Wallace, Daniel B. Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics, pub. Zondervan, 1996.
- 2. Fee, Gordon, New Testament Exegesis. 3rd edition. Pub. Westminster John Knox, 2002.
- 3. Metzger, Bruce, *The Text of the New Testament: Its Transmission, Corruption and Restoration.* Fourth edition. Pub. Oxford University Press, 2005.
- 4. BDAG (Bauer, Danker ed. Arndt and Gingrich, trans.) *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*. Third Edition.
- 5. A computer based Bible Study software which includes the Greek New Testament (NA27 or higher or USB4 or higher). You should also have a number of English translations available for comparison including NIV, ESV KJV. In my opinion, the two best available are *Logos* and *BibleWorks*.

Schedule:

Week	Lecture Topic	Reading Assignments
05/15/17	Verbs: Overview, Subjunctives & Imperatives	Chapter 6 - Deeper
05/22/17	Interpretive problems	Chapter 7 - Handbook
06/05/17	Tense & Verbal Aspect	Chapter 7 - Deeper
06/19/17	Theology	Chapter 9 - Handbook
06/26/17	Present, Imperfect & Future Indicatives	Chapter 10 - Deeper
07/03/17	Word Study & Grammatical Fallacies	Chapter 1,2 - Fallacies
07/10/17	Aorist, Perfect & Pluperfect Indicatives	Chapter 11 - Deeper
07/17/17	Logical & Presuppositional/Historical Fallacies	Chapter 3,4 - Fallacies
07/24/17	Participles	Chapter 12 - Deeper
07/31/17	Infinitives	Chapter 13 - Deeper
08/07/17	Application	Chapter 10 - Handbook
08/14/17	Final Exam / Exegesis Paper	