

SERMON AND LESSON PREPARATION

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COURSE INFORMATION:

MSOP M.O.S.T. Course #651

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REQUIREMENTS:

There is no required text book; however, students are strongly encouraged to find a copy of Tom Holland's *Sermon Design and Delivery*. The guest speakers through the quarter will likely recommend other sources worthy of attention.

While not a text book, students are encouraged to access *Some Thoughts on Preaching* and *Sermon Preparation from the Gospel Advocate* from the course documents section of the MOST website.

REQUIREMENTS:

Each student will be required to pay attention to the instructor and the guest speakers, to follow along in the handouts, to do any required reading and assignments outside of class, and to actively participate in class.

Students taking the class toward the **M.O.S.T. Certificate** must write three sermons of at least three pages length single-spaced. One sermon should be in topical form, another in textual form, and another in expository form.

Students taking the class for the **M.O.S.T. Advanced Diploma** must write nine sermons of at least three pages length single-spaced. Three sermons must be in topical form, three in textual form, and three in expository form.

Only students who are **auditing** are exempt from the outside assignments and final exam; however, they may take part if they desire.

GRADING:

The grades will be weighed thus:

Assignments 25% each

Comprehensive final exam 25%

Grading scale: 95-100=A, 85-94=B, 70-84=C, 60-69=D, 0-59=F

CLASS SESSIONS FOR TURNING IN ASSIGNMENTS/EXAM:

M.O.S.T. Advanced Diploma and Certificates:

First sermon(s) due fifth session

Second sermon(s) due eighth session

Third sermon(s) due twelfth session

Final Exam thirteenth session