

512 American Restoration Movement
BEAR VALLEY BIBLE INSTITUTE OF DENVER
3 semester hours
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COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Description:

While in one sense the restoration of the church is still going on, this course is a study of the early Restoration Movement in America. Studies will concentrate on key figures, events, and teachings of the Restoration Movement from the early 1800's through the early 1900's.

Course Objectives:

1. To lead the student to a greater understanding of, and appreciation for the origin and geographical spread of Christianity in America.
2. To help the student learn the basic errors that led to a need for church restoration.
3. To help the student become acquainted with events that the early restoration preachers faced.
4. To provide a course of action that will lead the student to have a better understanding of the teachings of the Restoration Movement.

Course Approach:

Because we are not in a classroom, the approach for this class will be mail, email, and telephone when necessary.

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Course Requirements:

1. Required Texts: The Encyclopedia of the Stone Campbell Movement and The Story of the Restoration (see below).
2. Each student will give a written summary of The Story of the Restoration by Bill Humble (see below in Recommended Texts).
3. Each student will present a biography (6-10 pages) of one of the early restoration preachers.
4. Each student will write a 20-25 page paper charting the spread of Christianity in America. This paper will show your understanding of the origin, geographical spread, major events, and significant doctrines that faced the early Restoration preachers. You will need a minimum of 25 sources.
5. Each paper is to be typed, doubled-spaced (12-point Times New Roman) in MLA style. There must be a Works Cited page(s) with full documentation as is necessary with each paper.

Recommended Texts:

1. Campbell, Thomas. Declaration & Address of the Christian Association of Washington County Pennsylvania. 1809; Historical Reprint Press, Henderson TN: Hester.
2. Cochran, Louis. Raccoon John Smith. New York: Duell, Sloan & Pearce, 1963.
3. Foster, Douglas A. The Encyclopedia of the Stone Campbell Movement. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2005.
4. Garrett, Leroy. Stone Campbell Movement. Revised ed. USA: College Press, 2002.
5. Hooper, Robert E. Crying in the Wilderness: A Biography of David Lipscomb. Nashville: McQuiddy, 1979.
6. Humble, Bill. The Story of the Restoration. Indianapolis: Faith and Facts.
7. McMillion, Lynn. Restoration Roots. Henderson, TN: Hester, 1983.
8. Rogers, John. The Biography of Eld. Barton Warren Stone, written by himself: With Additions and Reflections. Cincinnati: J.A. & U.P. James, 1847. The Cane Ridge Reader Ed. Hoke S. Dickinson. Cane Ridge, Ky: 1972.
9. West, Earl Irvin. The Search for the Ancient Order: A History of the Restoration Movement. Vol. 1 1849-1865. Nashville: Gospel Advocate, 1949.

10. West, Earl Irvin. The Search for the Ancient Order: A History of the Restoration Movement. Vol. 2 1866-1906. Nashville: Gospel Advocate, 1950.
11. Williams, D. Newell. Barton Stone: A Spiritual Biography. Chalice Press, 2000.

Grading:

Your grade will be determined as follows:

- Summary of The Story of the Restoration (25%)
- Biography of one of the early Restoration preachers (30%)
- Paper charting the spread of Christianity including works cited (45%)
- Failure to turn in any assignment will result in an Incomplete.

The grading scale for this course is:

- 100-90 / A
- 89- 80 / B
- 79-70 / C
- 69-63 / D
- 62-0 / F