I. COURSE OVERVIEW

No other book in all the Bible compares with the wonder of the sacred collection of inspired worship songs known as the Psalms. Considered by many to be the most loved portion of Scripture, the Psalms have been a bedrock of comfort and a tower of strength for believers in every experience of life. Possessing a literary beauty unrivaled in all of Scripture, the Psalms, however, remain all too often neglected by modern day expositors. This course is designed to help preachers and teachers expound and expound the unsearchable riches of this lofty book. No other book in Scripture provides such a passion-inspiring high view of God as does the Psalms. Here is a special course designed for students to learn to preach “Treasury of David.”

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES

As a result of this course of study, the student should be able to do the following:

• Think through the issues of authorship, dating, setting and purpose of the Psalms.
• Identify the major types of psalms in the Psalter and how to approach the preaching of each.
• Understand the unfolding, sequential steps used by the expositor in studying and expounding the Psalms.
• Understand the key doctrines taught in the Psalter.
• Be able to preach and/or teach the Psalms to a congregation, class, or small group in an expository fashion.

III. COURSE TEXTS

A. Required Course Texts:


B. Recommended Books:


IV. COURSE OUTLINE

Each student is required to attend both, The Institute for Expository Preaching “*One Passion*” Conference, and 2PT706 Expository Preaching of the Psalms to receive full credit for this course.

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V. Course Requirements

A. Pre-Course Requirements
• Read through the entire Book of Psalms at least twice using a trustworthy literal translation (NASB, KJV, NKJV, ESV).
• Read, Steven J. Lawson, Preaching the Psalms: Unlocking the Unsearchable Riches of David's Treasury.

B. Course Requirements
• Be prepared for class interaction and discussion.
• Submit a 6 page book review on Steven J. Lawson, Preaching the Psalms. (Due: Jan 27, 2014)
• Spend time in meditation and prayer upon 5 Psalms of your choice. Compose a one page reflection upon each of the 5 Psalms of your meditations and how this Psalm impacted you. (Due: Jan 27, 2014)

C. Post-Course Requirements
• Submit a syntactical chart of two individual Psalms which will be announced in class. (Due: March 3, 2014)
• Submit a literary analysis of the same two Psalms, i.e., classification, literary devices, historical background, strophes. (Due: March 3, 2014)
• Write a 20-page double-spaced sermon on one of the two Psalms submitted during class. This sermon should include a typed paper of the Psalm in sermonic form and the sermon notes that would be taken into the pulpit. (Due: March 3, 2014)
• Mail all post-course assignments to: Dr. Steven J. Lawson, 1110 Montlimar Dr. St. 690, Mobile, AL 36609.

All required papers should be submitted in the form of the latest edition of Turabian.

BASIS OF GRADING: The grade for the class will be based upon the following percentage breakdown:

1. Reading Psalms 5%
2. Reflections 5%
3. Book Review 10%
4. Syntactical Chart 10%
5. Homiletical Outline 10%
6. Literary Analysis 15%
7. Written Sermon 20%
8. Sermon Manuscript 25%
VI.  BIBLIOGRAPHY


