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The Servant as Proclaimer
PR 610 (3 Semester Hours)
Asbury Theological Seminary-Florida Campus
Spring 2001

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Prerequisites: NT 525 or NT 530

Class times: Thursdays 6:00 – 8:40 p.m.

Competencies to be developed by student:

- Students will explore through reading, reflection and discussion the qualities that characterize a preacher on both personal and social levels.
- Students will develop the ability to formulate culturally relevant, scripture-based sermons adhering to generally accepted homiletical norms.
- Students will develop skills in sermon delivery through practice and critique.

Required Texts:

- Fred B. Craddock. *Preaching*
- Donald E. Demaray. *Introduction to Homiletics (Revised)*
- Calvin Miller. *Spirit, Word, and Story*

Collateral Texts:

- Haddon W. Robinson. *Biblical Preaching*
- Bryan Chapell. *Christ-Centered Preaching*
- John R.W. Stott. *Between Two Worlds*
- Gary Smalley. *The Language of Love*
- Michael Duduit, editor. *Communicate with Power*
- Robert H. Spain. *Getting Ready to Preach*
- Eugene L. Lowry. *The Sermon*
- Thomas C. Oden. *Pastoral Theology*
- Mortimer J. Adler. *How to Read a Book*
- Ralph L. Lewis. *Inductive Preaching*
- John Killinger. *Fundamentals of Preaching*

Course requirements:

- Read required textbooks.
- Give a five-minute devotional at beginning of a class session, or give testimony to the class on the topic “My Call to Preach.” (Sign up first class session).
- Write 1-2 page reflection papers on 2 collateral texts. (**Due March 22, 2001**).
- Preach two different sermons. One to be preached before the class and critiqued in class small group. A second sermon to be preached in a church or other ministry setting. Have two to three members of the congregation complete survey form to turn in with your tape. View the tape yourself and complete a survey form to turn in. Write a one-page reflection of the experience.
- Write a “Theology of Preaching” paper not to exceed ten pages. This is due the last class session. (Papers should conform to Slade’s *Form and Style* handbook).
- Critique sermons from two ATS chapel services this semester. Due by **May 10, 2001**.
- Minimum of 400 pages of collateral reading from the above list of texts. At least two different texts should be used. (Other texts relative to sermon preparation may be used if approved by instructor). A reading report will be turned in with final examination.
- Evaluation:
 - Written assignments count for 40% of final grade.
 - Oral presentations will count 40% of final grade.
 - Class participation will count for 20% of final grade.

Guide to Writing Reflection Papers for Collateral Texts

1. Write a one-paragraph summary of the book, indicating that you have read the book completely.
2. Note any new insights relative to preaching that have come to you from interacting with the book. These may be many or few, depending on the book.

Course Schedule:

2/8 Week 1 ❖ No Class	4/5 Week 8 Devotional: Preachers 4 & 5
2/15 Week 2 Part I the Servant Read Demaray 7-43; Miller 7-81; Craddock 13- 65 Toward a Theology of Preaching	4/12 Week 9 Devotional: Preachers 6 & 7 Small Group Critique
2/22 Week 3 Devotional: “My Call to Preach” (4) Testimonials Read Demaray 45-68; Miller,85-109; Craddock, 69-83 Text to Sermon/sermon planning/body	4/19 Week 10 Devotional: Preachers 8 & 9 Small Group Critique
3/1 Week 4 Devotional: Part II Sphere of Preaching Read Demaray 71-101; Miller, 111-194; Craddock, 84-98 Introductions/conclusions	4/26 Week 11 Devotional: Preachers 10 & 11 Small Group Critique
3/8 Week 5 Devotional: Part III The Sermon Read Demaray 103-189; Miller, 197-225; Craddock, 99-150 Review/illustrations	5/3 Week 12 Devotional: Preachers 12 & 13 Small Group Critique
3/15 READING WEEK	5/10 Week 13 Devotional: Preacher: 14 & 15 Small Group Critique Chapel critiques due. Video sermon & critiques due.
3/22 Week 6 Read Craddock 153-224; Devotional: Reflection papers due. Preacher 1 & 16	5/17 Week 14 Devotional: Movie ❖ Theology of Preaching paper due ❖ Reading report due.
3/29 Week 7 Devotional: Preachers 2 & 3: Small Group Critique	