

## COURSE SYLLABUS

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# Paul's Prison Epistles

Course Lecturer: Reggie M. Kidd, PhD  
Professor at Reformed Theological Seminary

## Course Description

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This course offers an analysis of four of the epistles that Paul wrote from prison (Colossians, Ephesians, Philemon, and Philippians). As Christians, we face many challenges to our faith. False teachings and worldviews assault our loyalty to Christ. Suffering tempts us to think that God is not in control, or that He does not have our best interests at heart, and our relationships with other believers are often strained to the point that we doubt the value of the church. But Paul responded to these types of difficulties in his letters from prison. This course is a study of these epistles, based on the DVD lessons of Dr. Reggie M. Kidd produced by Third Millennium Ministries.

## Course Objectives

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Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- Demonstrate a growing interest in the kingdom of God and in the epistles studied in this course.
- Understand key information about the life and ministry of Paul, the background of his epistles to the Colossians, the Ephesians, Philemon, and the Philippians, and understand the key emphasis of Paul's theology.
- Express his/her own responses and opinions regarding theological writings, Bible passages, and contemporary videos, demonstrating how this course has affected his/her own life.

## Course Lecturer

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*Reggie M. Kidd, PhD*

**Education:**

- Duke University, PhD
- Westminster Theological Seminary, MAR and MDiv

**Teaching Career:**

- Professor at Reformed Theological Seminary

### Other Career Highlights:

- Ordained minister

### Publications:

- *Wealth and Beneficence in the Pastoral Epistles* and *How Can I Keep from Singing?*

## Course Methods

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Throughout this course, a number of methods will be used to engage you in understanding, processing and applying the information learned in this course to your life. These methods include the following:

- **Video-based teaching**

The primary teaching session in each lesson is provided in video format. If you do not have the bandwidth required to view the video, we provide the option of listening to the lesson or reading the lesson from a transcript.

- **Additional Resources**

Lessons may be accompanied by additional readings, activities, etc. that students may use to supplement their learning.

## Course Requirements

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To earn a Certificate of Completion, you must complete the course requirements. Course requirements include:

1. Viewing the following for each lesson:
  - **Lesson Overview:** A brief outline of what the lecturer will cover in the lesson.
  - **Lesson Objectives:** Objectives describe the learning outcomes you should achieve by the end of the lesson.
  - **Lectures:** Approximately 90-minute lessons that can be viewed as many times as needed.
2. Earning a 70% or higher score on each lesson Quiz and the Final Exam.  
Quizzes and the Final Exam will cover the material presented in the lectures.