

COURSE SYLLABUS

The Epistle to the Romans

Course Lecturer: Harold W. Hoehner, ThD, PhD

Course Description

The book of Romans is crucial to the understanding of salvation and sanctification. In this course, you will explore the rich truths of justification and other significant topics by completing an exegetical and theological study of Paul's Epistle to the Romans in the Greek text. The course treats select historical, grammatical, structural, and lexical data that illumine the meaning of this important New Testament document. You will be encouraged to put textual theory into living practice.

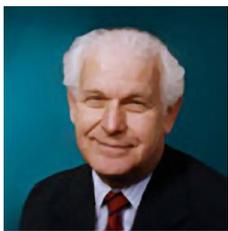
NOTE: This course assumes a basic skill in Greek exegesis and the ability to make grammatical and textual critical evaluations and to do Greek word studies.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course, you should be able to do the following:

- Increase your Greek vocabulary and gain additional competence in grammatical analysis and translation of the Greek text of Romans.
- Gain additional experience in doing exegesis from the Greek text in preparation for expository preaching and teaching.
- Wrestle with selected theological issues and formulate exegetically defensible solutions.
- Be involved in a study of Romans in order to be able to think through the argument of the Epistle as a whole.

Course Lecturer



Harold W. Hoehner, ThD and PhD

Education:

- Cambridge University, PhD
- Dallas Theological Seminary, ThD
- Dallas Theological Seminary, ThM
- Barrington College, BA

Teaching Career:

- Director of PhD Studies, Dallas Theological Seminary (27 years)

- Chairman of the New Testament Department, Dallas Theological Seminary (1977-2001)
- Shaped the New Testament department at Dallas Theological Seminary and created an exhaustive yet very accessible model of New Testament Greek exegesis still widely used
- Extensive travel and teaching/ministry in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Indonesia, Russia, South Africa, Ukraine, and the Near East
- Sabbaticals working at the University of Tübingen and Tyndale House in Cambridge

Other Career Highlights:

- Highly esteemed for his work on biblical chronology, focusing on the time aspects around the life of Christ, the rule of Herod Antipas (the topic for his Cambridge dissertation), and the period between the Testaments
- Member of the Evangelical Theological Society
- Passion for the Jewish faith; served on the board of Jews for Jesus

Publications:

- Publications include *Herod Antipas, Chronological Aspects of the Life of Christ*, and *Ephesians: an Exegetical Commentary*, which is considered to be his magnum opus

Recommended Reading

The recommended commentary for this course is C. E. Cranfield, *A Critical and Exegetical Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans*. 2 Vols. (ICC) Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1975-1979 (paperback edition available, 2004).

Textbooks can be ordered through your local bookstore, various online bookstores, or through your preferred eReader when available.

Course Methods

The lecture content for each lesson is provided in two easy-to-use formats: audio and PDF text (if available). Students can choose the medium (or combination of media) that most closely aligns with their individual learning styles.

Course Requirements

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

1. Listening to all 24 audio lectures.
2. Completing a final self-assessment form in which you will reflect on the content in the course and evaluate your life in light of what you have learned. The specifics of this assessment are provided in the course materials.

Course requirements noted in this syllabus will be validated before a Certificate of Completion is awarded to any student.