32. Pastoral Ministry and Homiletics

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1) Course Overview

This course covers the overall ministry of a pastor and the essence and practice of preaching.

Preaching is not merely public speaking, but a spiritual act of delivering God's Word to the congregation.

Students will learn the centrality of biblically faithful, Spirit-led preaching in building up the church community, along with balanced training in pastoral care, counseling, leadership, sacraments, and church administration.

2. Course Objectives

- 1) Understand the principles and practices of biblical preaching.
- 2) Learn different types and structures of sermons.
- 3) Recognize the identity and roles of a pastoral minister.
- 4) Gain practical skills in pastoral care and counseling.
- 5) Acquire practical tools for church administration and worship leadership.

3. Main Topics

- 1) Theology and History of Preaching
- 2) Exegesis and Application of the Text
- 3) Sermon Preparation and Delivery Techniques
- 4) Pastoral Spirituality and Character
- 5) Sacraments and Church Administration
- 6) Counseling and Care Ministry
- 7) Contemporary Issues in Ministry

4. Evaluation Methods

- 1) Sermon Manuscript and Presentation: 30%
- 2) Reading Reports and Discussions: 20%
- 3) Practical Assignments and Case Studies: 30%
- 4) Final Project or Exam: 20%

5. Recommended Texts

- 1) John Stott, Between Two Worlds
- 2) Haddon Robinson, Biblical Preaching
- 3) Eugene Peterson, Working the Angles
- 4) William Willimon, Pastor: The Theology and Practice of Ordained Ministry
- 5) Youngdon Park, Preaching and Pastoral Ministry