



BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

Novi Sad, Serbia

COLLEGE CATALOG



BTS OUR VISION

“A New Generation of
Christ-Focused Leaders
in the Balkans”

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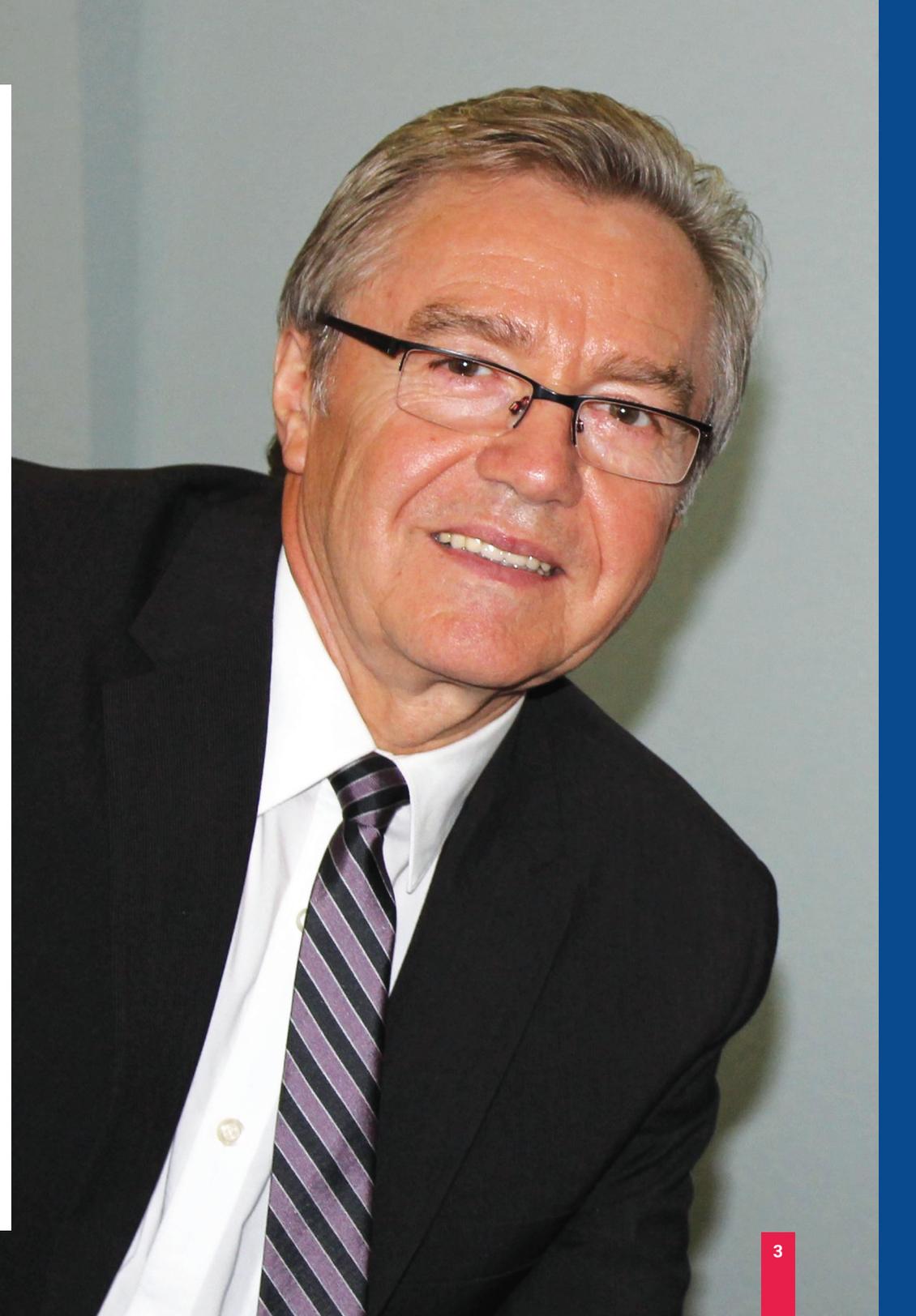
About BTS

A word from our Director, Dr. Ondrej Franka

Welcome to the adventure of Christian Education in Serbia! Following the mandate of Christ given in the Great Commission, we strive to make disciples, which is essential in the life and mission of the local church. We strongly believe that each Christian should be a student of the Word and help others to grow in their faith of Jesus Christ. Thus, the inspired and infallible Word of God is central in our curriculum and its application into everyday life and ministry. Following the same missionary mandate of Christ, we believe that the main ministry of the Church today is to spread the Good News of Christ to every creature.

While we faithfully strive to teach the Word of God using many different methods, the courses at BTS are designed to provide the knowledge, the skill and the character of Christ. Hence the essential parts of the student's spiritual formation are included: to know the Word, to do the work of ministry, and to be a humble servant of the Lord. It is our conviction that the church of Jesus Christ today needs such well-rounded servants. The Baptist Theological School is located in the city of Novi Sad, in the northern part of the country of Serbia. We are a theological college within the Serbian Baptist Union, dedicated to training pastors and Christian leaders for effective service. For over 70 years BTS has been training men and women for Christian leadership in and out of the church. Some of our graduates have gone on to obtain higher degrees from other institutions in Serbia as well as other countries.

The college started in 1939 as a Bible School in the capital city of Belgrade, just before World War II. With the help of Southern Baptists, a building was purchased for this purpose as the first students enrolled. Unfortunately, this new school had trained just one generation of students when the war stopped it at its beginnings. After the war ended, BTS moved to Zagreb, then to Daruvar and finally to its present location in Novi Sad. Godly men and women throughout the years of its ministry led it faithfully and contributed to what it stands for today - a solid educational college for training Christian leaders and pastors. We pray





as you look through this catalogue you will catch a vision of what God is doing among us and consider being a part of it.

A word from our Academic Dean, Dwayne Baldwin

At BTS, we see daily what a great God we serve, and we desire to honor Him in everything we do. The Westminster Shorter Catechism in 1646 stated that the chief end of man is to “glorify God and enjoy Him forever”. BTS embraces these two ideas and believe there are at least three ways in which we are called to glorify God at BTS.

Our students glorify Him by applying themselves to studying who He is. In Matthew 22:37 we read, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” Loving God with our heart and soul may seem clear, but when students study theology they are loving God with their minds. Knowledge without a love for God is useless. We also know we have a responsibility to glorify God in our characters and attitudes. Philippians 2:3 states, “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.” Our desire is for our students to understand that godly character and humility are built upon knowledge but are not automatically produced by knowledge. Proper attention to Christlikeness is necessary for a theological college to be faithful.

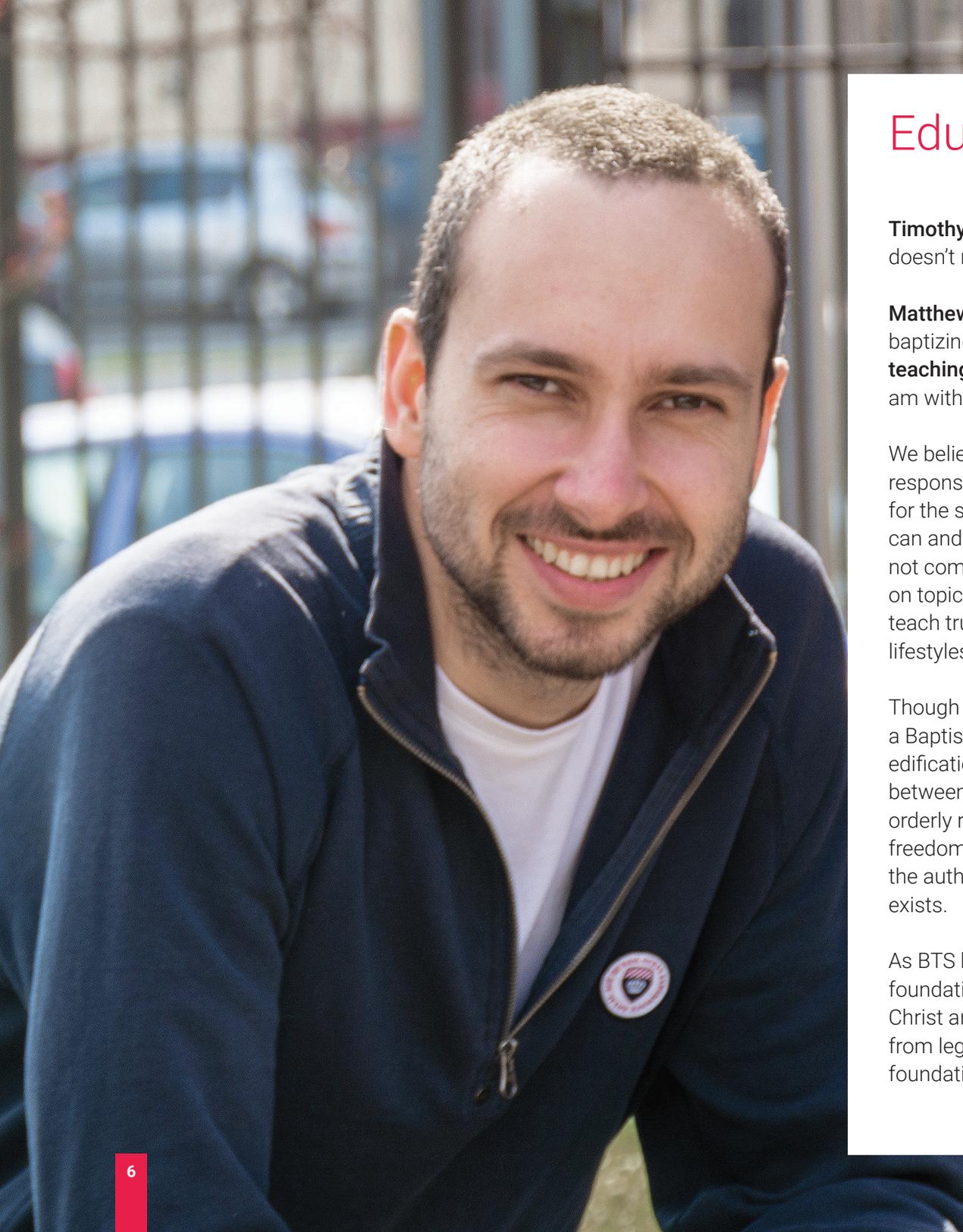
We believe that through BTS the Kingdom of Christ can and should be advanced in the Balkans, Eastern Europe, and the world. While we strive for our students to develop a heart for people, we also seek to teach the practical skills necessary to glorify God in our tasks in ministry. We pray that God would equip generations of men and women who will break down spiritual darkness and be used by God in ways nobody has imagined!

Finally, we know that passion for God needs to be the thread that runs through everything students do at BTS. God uses men and women with passion, with knowledge, with character, and with skill. Our purpose as a college is to glorify God and enjoy Him by growing in and embodying all of these characteristics!

May we truly decrease that Christ may increase.



Welcome



Educational Philosophy of BTS

Timothy 2: 15 – “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who doesn’t need to be ashamed, **correctly teaching the word of truth.**”

Matthew 28:19-20 – “ Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you.** And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

We believe that those who teach in the church are held to a higher responsibility (James 3:1). The teachers of BTS understand their responsibility for the spiritual and doctrinal well-being of their students. While many doctrines can and should be discussed in an open and loving environment, BTS will not compromise on essential Christian doctrines, including biblical teaching on topics like justification and sanctification. We must be careful to not only teach truth, but also to point out dangerous theological paths and destructive lifestyles to those placed under our care.

Though BTS is a Baptist college, our goal is not necessarily to teach only from a Baptist point of view but rather to teach a wide range of biblical truths for the edification of Christ’s body. In Christian education there should be a balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher in a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the authority of the Scriptures and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

As BTS believes that a solid educational structure is only built on a solid foundation, students are required to have a credible profession of faith in Jesus Christ and be a member of a local body of believers. BTS is open to people from legitimate churches from any evangelical denomination which has a foundation of justification in Christ’s life, death and resurrection alone.

BTS distinguishes itself as a solidly biblical institute of theological education on a number of levels:

- Cross-denominational yet uncompromising commitment to gospel truths, enabling people to know and teach the truths of Scripture;
- A determination to correct, rebuke, train and teach the word of God so as to remain faithful to lead students into truth;
- Qualified Christian instructors who have the education and experience to lead men and women;
- A well-rounded curriculum that exposes the students to many facets of Christian service, yet focuses on the most important aspects of needful education;
- Consistency in teaching across all subjects so as not to confuse students.

Our Ideal Graduate

BTS has a goal in mind for all students as they progress through their studies. We aren't just interested in imparting knowledge. Our vision for students is based on 2 Peter 1:5-7. **"Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love."**

When students graduate from BTS, they should reflect Christlikeness in their personal walk, with godliness, diligence, faithfulness, virtue, and self control:

- Students should develop a heart for prayer, reading God's Word, and holiness in life;
- They will love Christ more, and want to be more controlled by His Spirit;
- They will strive to work with a biblical work ethic, in whatever work the Lord has called them to do;
- They will live in an understanding way with their wives / honoring and respecting their husbands;



- Our graduates will not be enslaved to doubt or despair but will believe that God is sovereign and brings all things to the fulfillment of our good and His glory;
- They will conduct their behavior in accordance with the precepts of Scripture as becoming of a Christian.

Upon leaving BTS, students should reflect Christlikeness in serving the body of Christ by being kind and loving:

- BTS students will be compassionate toward others without excusing sin;
- They will be seeking to be a peacemaker in the church;
- They will be active in dissuading reviling and slander towards others;
- They will have developed a natural graciousness to be able to hear opposing views on secondary issues without feeling confrontational, angry or offended.

After completing BTS, students should reflect Christlikeness in knowledge:

- They will display a readiness to proclaim the gospel and the ability to articulate it well;
- They will understand that the study of theology is an aspect of every Christian life, and not simply prep work for Christian ministry;
- They will show initiative in setting goals and visions for life;
- Our students will be able to handle theological and ethical issues by using Scriptural principles as guidelines for answers;
- They will understand how all the aspects of theology fit together to form a unified message of God so that they can teach others;
- They will possess the training and ability to write well, so that they can add to the theological library of Serbia.



Design of BTS

Modules

BTS was designed with a modular system of education. This affords many more students the ability to attend. There are several advantages to a modular design for students:

- **Allows working students to attend college more easily;**
- **Enables students in ministry to not interrupt their service;**
- **Allows practical and immediate application of learning to ministry;**
- **Enables the student to spend more time with mentors regarding their schoolwork;**
- **Encourages a missiological attitude to run through our threefold emphases of knowledge, character and skill.**

There are 4 modules per school year, lasting one week each. Every student that attends a module attends 2 courses – one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with lunch in-between. The school day lasts from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday for the week. **Students' presence at core modules is required, as BTS is not a distance learning school.**

For students enrolled in the "Pastoral Track", there is an additional 5th module in which they can receive specific training and teaching designed to help them in their calling to lead Christ's church.

Finally, throughout the year various elective modules will be offered. These last only 3 days and are attended by all students and not segregated by grade. Students will have a set number of elective classes they are required to attend for completion of their program.

How much time does BTS require?

Depending on the student, the level, and the nature of each course, most students find that their studies take an average of between 2 and 8 hours of

study per week for each module's work. This number is flexible and can be adjusted by the student. Some weeks are more intensive than others.

Course Design

BTS aims to develop the student along three general areas – character, knowledge and skill. While all courses at BTS contain elements of all three traits, each of the courses have been carefully designed and evaluated to focus on one of these areas in particular for that course.

Character courses address the individual student's personal Christian life. Knowledge courses seek to instill information necessary for accurate knowledge of God and the Bible. Skill courses are within the practical domain of education and apply what the student has learned to life. The course descriptions in this catalogue specify the areas of focus for each course.

Denominational Affiliation

BTS as a college operates under the Union of Baptist Churches in Serbia and is overseen by men and women of the Baptist denomination. However, BTS accepts and appreciates students as well as instructors from all Evangelical denominations.

Accreditation

BTS would like to have formal accreditation in the future and is actively seeking to build a college that can easily obtain that. Accreditation is a long, expensive and labor-intensive process; however, we want students to understand that accreditation is not imminent for us. Any BTS student wishing to advance their education at another school after graduating from BTS should know that BTS will do everything possible to help them achieve their educational goals. Indeed, BTS has developed relationships with several other accredited colleges in Europe, America and elsewhere so that BTS students will be welcomed at their colleges.



Tuition

Please contact BTS for information on tuition. Scholarships are also available for students in need. Even if a student receives a scholarship to BTS, we ask them to prayerfully consider if they or their church can contribute any financial offering toward their education. Scholarships are never specific to any certain student but are allocated to a general fund from all donations. Students are required to maintain a good standing in their grades to keep their scholarship.

Life After Graduation

Many students at BTS are involved or plan to seek a full-time role in Christian ministry. As BTS is only a school, the staff cannot guarantee a job or sponsor during or at the completion of a student's studies.

Admission to BTS

BTS invites applications for admission from persons who have graduated from high school (or equivalent), who have a testimony of faith in Jesus Christ, and who belong to an Evangelical church. Applicants are considered without regard to race, sex, national origin or age.

Admission Procedures

The process for becoming a student at BTS follows 4 easy steps:



STEP 1: Contact BTS

Contact BTS at bts.novisad@gmail.com to set up a time to talk with us, and have a short interview.



STEP 2: Interview

An interview will be conducted by a BTS staff member to determine if the decision for the student to enter into theological study is a wise one.



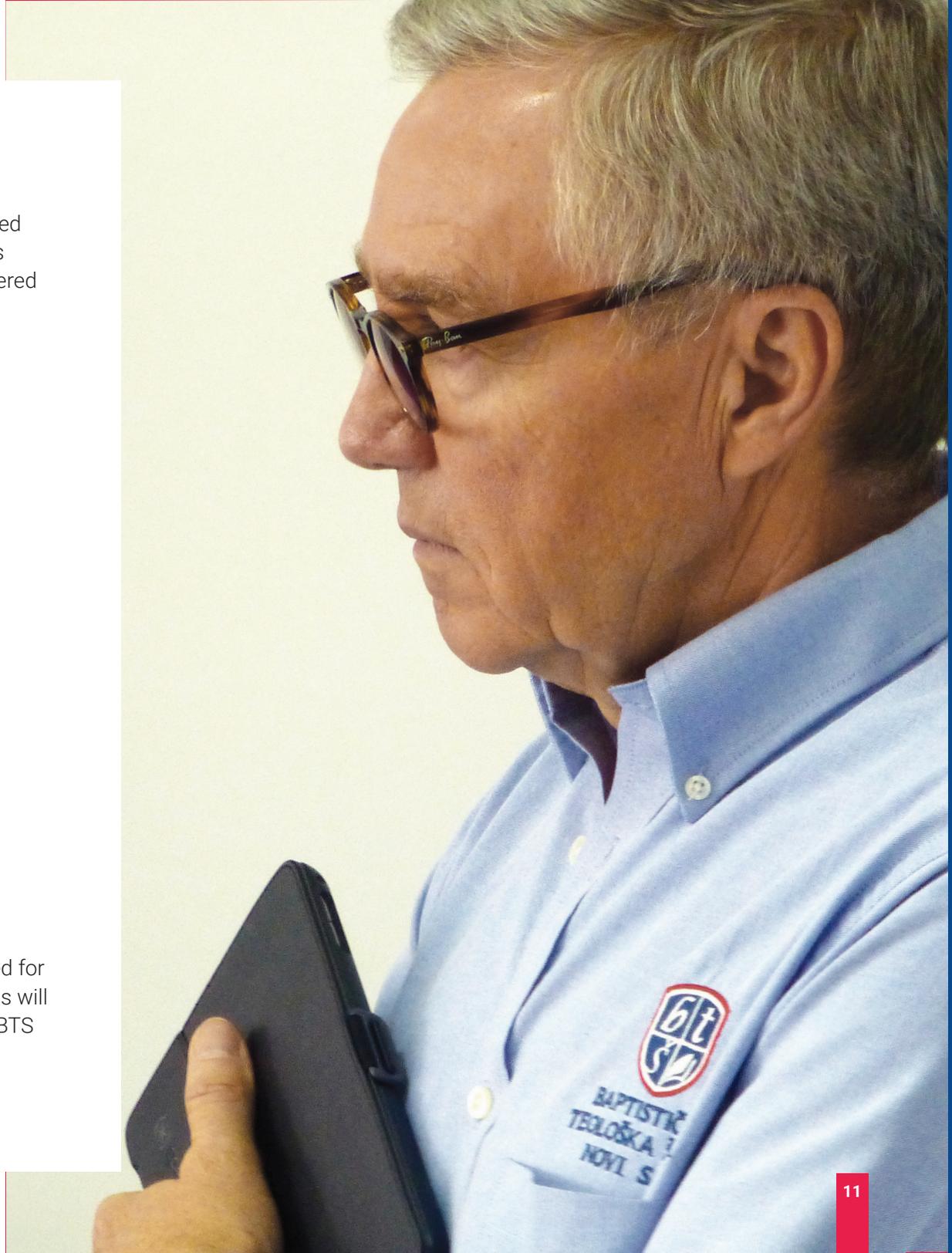
STEP 3: Recommendations

Two recommendations, one pastoral and the other from a non-relative, should be sent to BTS.



STEP 4: Application

After these steps are completed, the student will be approved for entrance into BTS and will be sent an official application. This will contain data and information pertaining to the student that BTS will need to have.



The Campus of BTS

BTS is a college for excellence in learning and a community of those committed to Jesus Christ. In our community all students, teachers and staff strive to build meaningful relationships, shape personal conviction, and strengthen social responsibilities for the glory of God.

Students are encouraged to spend time each day in the Word and in prayer. Many of the classes at BTS are designed to foster personal spiritual development in the students, as well as a life lived in the power and nurture of the Holy Spirit.

Campus Housing

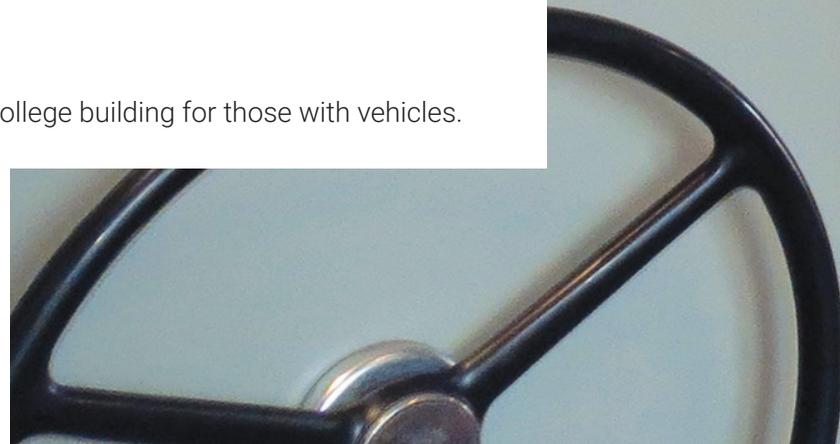
Limited dormitory space is available during the modules for single men, single women, and small families. Furniture provided by the school remains property of the school.

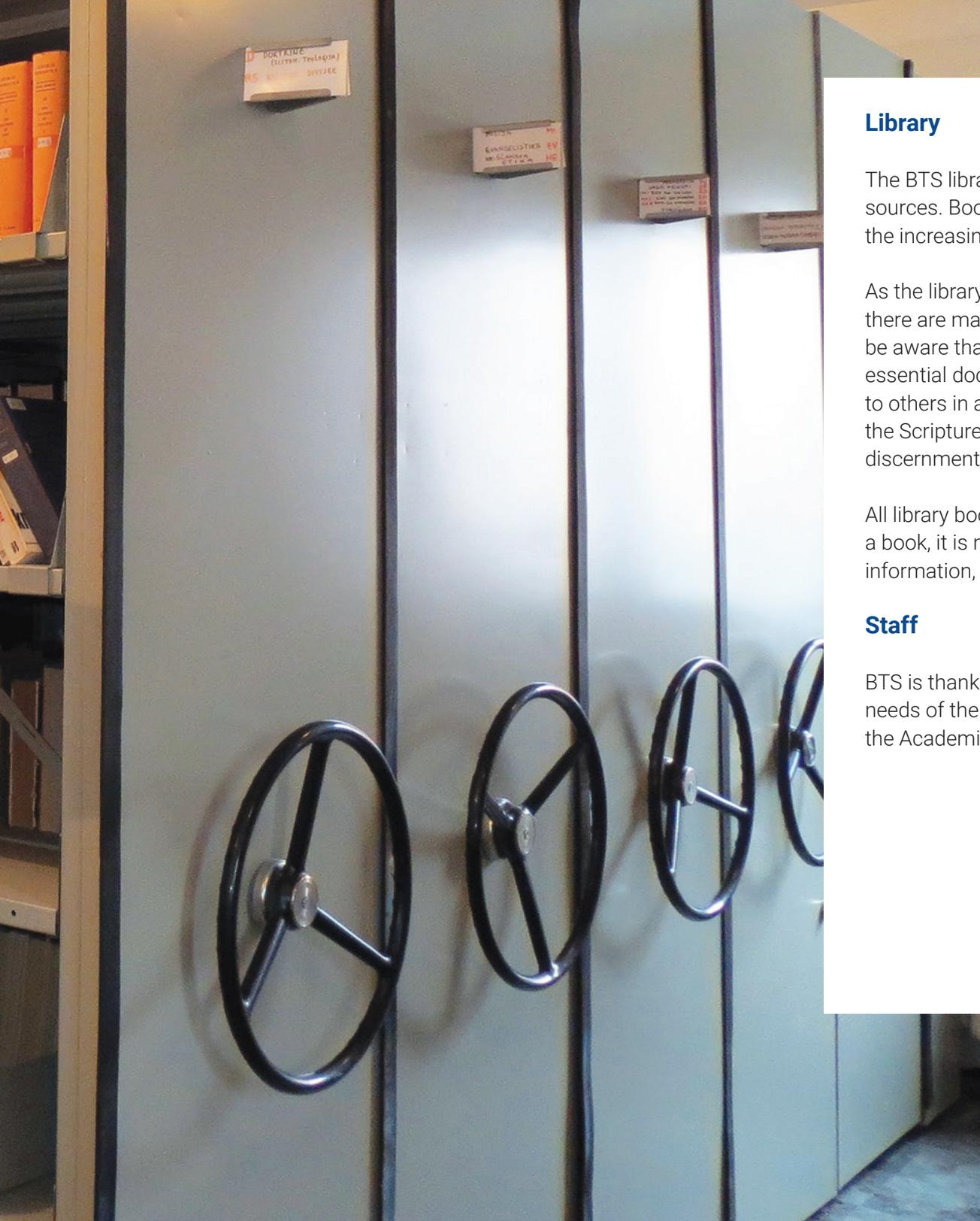
Campus Facilities

Facilities and aesthetics are important to education, and BTS believes it is important to provide the best learning environment possible. BTS has 4 classrooms for modules. A Computer Room is available on the 4th floor of the building for working, relaxing and social interaction. The students will also have access to the BTS libraries located on the 2nd floor. A dining hall is located on the 3rd floor.

Parking

Ample parking is available behind the college building for those with vehicles.





Library

The BTS library contains a variety of theological books donated by a variety of sources. Books are being added constantly, and the library is growing to reflect the increasing need for theological education in the Balkans.

As the library contains large numbers of books, it is wise to remember that there are many different theological perspectives represented. Students should be aware that part of theological education is gaining the ability to hold fast to essential doctrines, peacefully disagree on non-essentials and manifest grace to others in all things. It is always wise, however, for our students to “examine the Scriptures carefully every day” (Acts 17:11) for their advancement in discernment.

All library books are recorded on the BTS library database. In order to borrow a book, it is necessary to check it out according to the library rules. For library information, please see the BTS librarian or someone in BTS administration.

Staff

BTS is thankful to have good staff members to help with the busy operational needs of the college. For specific questions, visit the Administration office or the Academic Offices.

Academic Policies at BTS

Professors of BTS

The teachers at BTS are born-again evangelical believers who understand and promote the gospel. They are required to hold a Master or Doctorate degree in their field, as well as experience in teaching. Teachers come from a variety of backgrounds, denominations and nationalities, but are in general agreement with the BTS Statement of Faith. This is to ensure consistency of teaching for our students. BTS does not have any teachers from non-evangelical denominations.

Teachers also have the right to may make use of some students as “Teaching Assistants” when they deem it is appropriate. This is a customary practice in all international universities and in no way gives authority to the student assistants themselves. Students who assist gain valuable training in developing their teaching skills through this venue so that we can train a new generation of skilled teachers for the future of BTS and churches.

Proctors

BTS asks each enrolling student to choose a “Proctor”, a person who will oversee work done outside of class to maintain proper accountability with the student. Additionally, in keeping with Gal. 6:1,2; Eph. 5:21; 1 Thess. 5:11, proctors assume the responsibility of talking and praying with the student about their studies, spiritual lives, and lifestyles.

Language Requirements

Students entering the programs of BTS are not required to know English. All materials needed for the courses will be available in both Serbian and English. Where teaching is in a non-Serbian language, interpretation into Serbian is provided during the class.



Assignments

In addition to attending the lectures at modules, students will be expected to complete various assignments in-between modules. These may include tests, written papers, reports and reading.

Please note that BTS assigns deadlines. Our policy states that if work is not turned in by the deadline, certain penalties may be applied to the work. If all student's work is not turned in by the beginning of the following module, it may affect the student's program of study and possibly include a delay of graduation with the class.

Academic Standing

Every student's academic standing is reviewed on a regular basis. Each student is an individual and all circumstances in an individual student's life is taken into consideration.

Good Standing

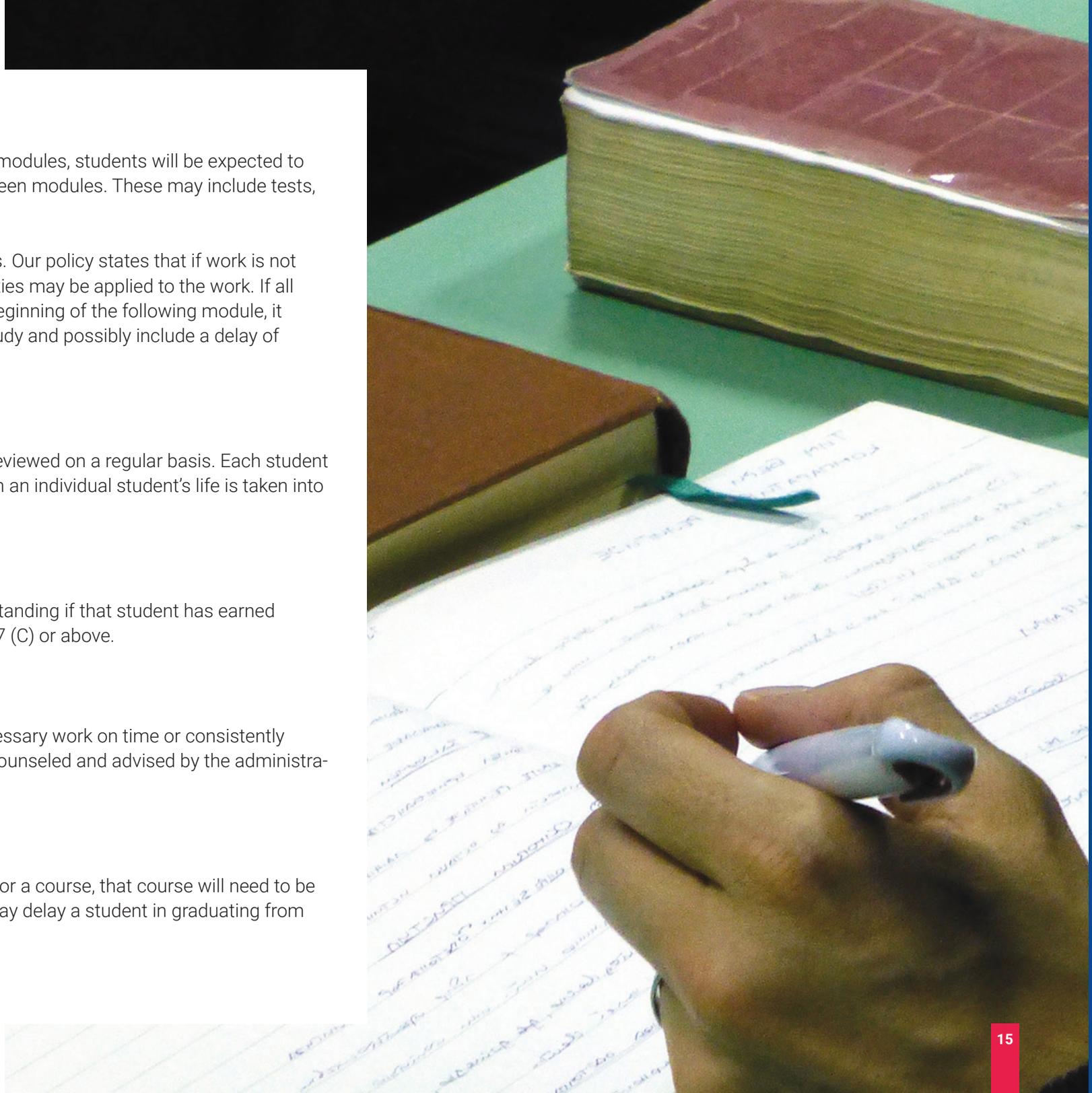
A student is considered to be in good standing if that student has earned grades in their courses equivalent to a 7 (C) or above.

Academic Warning

Any student who fails to complete necessary work on time or consistently shows poor grades in courses will be counseled and advised by the administration of BTS.

Failed Courses

If a student scores below a grade of 5 for a course, that course will need to be retaken as the next opportunity. This may delay a student in graduating from BTS.



Change of Academic Status

BTS recognizes that there are events in each person's life that often necessitate altering educational plans. We will work in every way possible to enable the student to continue their studies if it is determined that this is the best course for them.

Academic Advisor

An academic advisor will always be available to council the student in their educational pursuits.

Withdrawal from College

A student who finds it necessary to withdraw from BTS during the fall or spring semester is required to complete the withdrawal process that includes:

- **Submitting a "Request for Withdrawal" form to Administration**
- **Clearing one's academic record**
- **Satisfying any other responsibilities within the school community**

Academic Character

BTS insists upon an atmosphere of unity in Christ, a gracious attitude and response to others, and humility inside and outside the classroom. Recognizing that we have a variety of denominations represented at BTS, all students must respect the views of other students, and refrain from being a source of dispute for others. No denomination may be verbally elevated by students as being superior over others

Any member of the administrative staff, faculty, or student body may request that the Director of BTS, along with appropriate faculty, meet with a student if any of the following appear to be present:

- **The inability to live in harmony with members of the BTS community or the persistent inconvenience of others within the community;**
- **Evidence that characteristics assumed to be present at the time of admission are lacking in the student's life at BTS;**
- **Lack of appropriate involvement in a local church.**

Behaviors arising that are inconsistent with the stated principles and beliefs of BTS will also be addressed appropriately. These may include but are not limited to:

- **Active proselytism and propagation of theological views that are unbiblical;**
- **Plagiarism – Submitting work that is not the student's own work;**
- **Cheating in schoolwork or on examinations;**
- **Sexual immorality;**
- **Illegal behavior.**

Student Grievance

Should the student have a complaint, they should seek out the counsel of the proper authority within BTS. When appropriate, the student is welcome to invite their pastor to accompany them in any meeting.

Grading Scale and System

All academic work is graded according to the scale set forth below and is evaluated by a faculty member and assigned a number grade. Letter grades are provided as a reference for international schools using letters. All students are encouraged to follow the instructions of the professors in order to submit the best work possible for the course.





Scale (%)	Numeric	Meaning	Letter
99-100%	10	Excellent	A+
90-98%	9	Very Good	A
80-89%	8	Good	B
70-79%	7	Average	C
60-69%	6	Conditional Passing	D
0-59%	5	Failure	F
N/A	I	Incomplete	0
N/A	W	Withdrew	0
N/A	P	Pass	0



Academic Programs

The Baptist Theological School exists in order to equip students in biblical, theological and missional disciplines. We seek to prepare men and women for the different ministries to which God has called them, to build character into Christlikeness, and to inspire a passion for God through knowledge of His glory.

BTS has three degreed programs:

- **Bachelor of Biblical and Theological Studies – Awarded upon completion of 4 years of successful coursework.**
- **Diploma of Biblical and Theological Studies – Awarded to students who complete 4 years of successful coursework, but still need to fulfill preliminary requirements for a full degree.**
- **Certificate in Biblical and Theological Studies – Awarded upon attendance at 1-4 years of coursework.**
- **Pastoral Specialization – Awarded as an endorsement on the Bachelors' degree to pastoral students who complete the designated coursework specific to the office of pastor.**

Bachelor Biblical And Theological Studies

The Bachelor's program in Biblical and Theological Studies is designed to equip undergraduate men and women with the knowledge, skills and character necessary to interpret the Bible faithfully and to live and teach effectively in the home, the church, and the world. This degree is designed for students who are seeking comprehensive knowledge of the Bible, theology, and practical ministry training. Students in this program can pursue ministry, continue on to graduate studies or simply live life in the fullness of Christ.

Objectives

After completing this program, students will be able to:

- **Demonstrate knowledge of the Bible, understand Scripture's original meaning, and especially apply Scripture to today's context.**

Required Courses

General Studies (Credit Hours 6)

Research Methodology	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Foundations of Learning	Y1 / Credit Hours 3

Biblijske i teološke studije (Credit Hours 51)

Introduction to Theology	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Bible for Life	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Hermeneutics	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
OT Message I: Pentateuch & Historical Books	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
OT Message II: Wisdom Literature & the Prophets	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
NT Message I: Gospels and Acts	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
NT Message II: Romans-Revelation	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
Systematic Theology I	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Systematic Theology II	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Systematic Theology III	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Biblical Theology	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
NT Book Exegesis	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
Trinitarianism	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
OT Book Exegesis	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
Church History I: Pentecost to Pre-Reformation	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Church History II: Reformation to Present	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Bible Context	Y4 / Credit Hours 3

Missions Studies (Credit Hours 9)

Personal Evangelism/Discipleship	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Intro to Eastern Orthodoxy	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
Comparative Religions/Apologetics	Y4 / Credit Hours 3

Christian Living (Credit Hours 18)

Introduction to Ethics	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
Marriage and the Family	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Spiritual Disciplines	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Spiritual Transformation	Y1 / Credit Hours 3
Christian Stewardship	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
Theology of Work	Y4 / Credit Hours 3

Ministerial Studies (Credit Hours 12)

Biblical Leadership	Y2 / Credit Hours 3
Biblical Counseling	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
Preaching I: Introduction	Y3 / Credit Hours 3
Conflict Resolution/Peacemaker	Y4 / Credit Hours 3

Electives (Credit Hours 12)

6 Electives over 4 years (see note below)	C6 / Credit Hours 2
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Pastoral Track (Credit Hours 24)

2 courses per year (see note below)	Y4 / Credit Hours 3
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* Y1 = number of years 1, Y2 = number of years 2,
Y3 = number of years 3, Y4 = number of years 4, C6 = 6 courses.

TOTAL POSSIBLE CREDITS: 132

- **Evidence character that reflects holiness and Godliness.**
- **Practice the skills necessary for Christ-focused leaders to be able to effectively minister among Christ's disciples.**

Electives Courses

These courses are offered throughout the year at unspecified intervals. Students Are expected to complete at least 6 elective courses during their entire 4 year program. Students can choose which electives they attend. These courses will last only 3 days, and all students will attend the same course no matter what grade the student is. The topics will be more general and practical. No papers are required for electives.

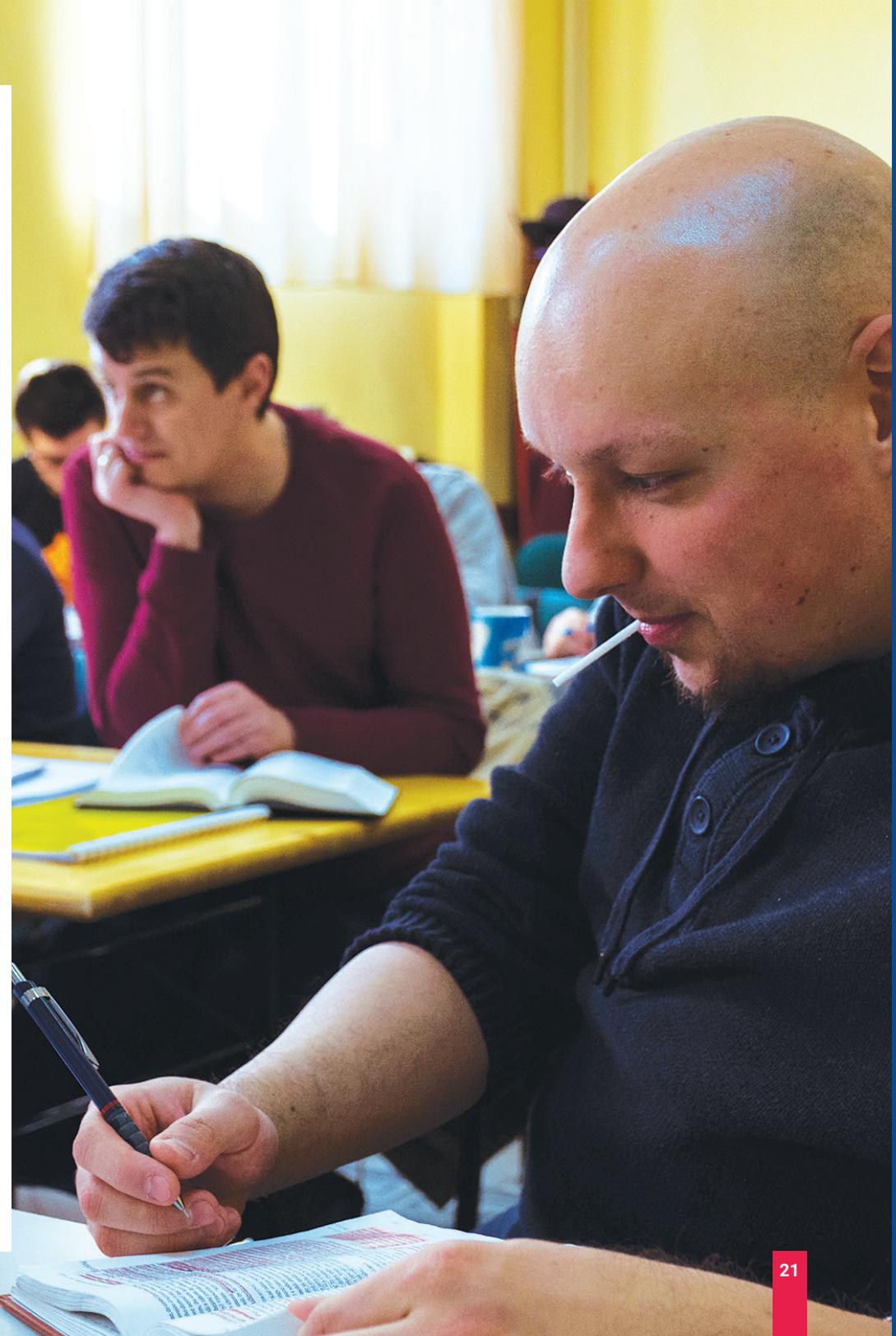
Certificate Biblical And Theological Studies

The Certificate Program at BTS is designed for the student who desires to enter into studies at BTS but cannot commit to the work or time demanded in the Bachelors' program. The Certificate student attends all the same courses in synch with the Bachelors' program students and may attend for any duration of 1-4 years.

If you are interested in the Certificate program, please ask one of the BTS faculty members to obtain more information.

Pastoral Specialization Endorsement For Pastoral Ministry

The Pastoral Specialization endorsement at BTS is designed for students who wish to gain advanced knowledge, skill and character formation to be better equipped for the role of pastor. They will receive their degree with an added Endorsement for Pastoral Ministry.



Course Descriptions

General Studies

GS101 Foundations of Study (Orientation)

The Foundations of Study course focuses essentially on the bases underlying all studies of the student at BTS. Three foundations covered include the Bible, Critical Thinking and Fundamentals of Higher Education studies.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Character

GS241W Research Methodology

The purpose of Research Methodology is to teach, in theory and practice, the process of researching subjects or ideas using available resources and legitimate tools. The student will learn to present research methods which are honest and truthful to the sources as well as verifiable by readers.

Student Impact: Skill

Biblical and Theological Studies

BT111 Hermeneutics

The basic principles and methods of interpreting the Word of God is crucial at the start of the study of theology. The path of this course will be historical, cultural and grammatical, and will relate eternal principles of the Scriptures to our lives. A basic question around which the course will be centered is: "What does the text say?" **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

BT151 Biblical Theology

An intensive look at the unified, gospel-centered message of the Bible is the design of this teaching and will be done by enabling the student to understand the themes and repeated patterns that occur throughout the Bible.

Student Impact: Knowledge



BT161 Intro to Theology

As the name says, this course is a basic introduction to basic Christian theology – terms, ideas, doctrines, and areas of study. It begins with the “why” and “how” of studying theology and provides a foundation about the nature of truth and the necessity of Scripture. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT171 Bible for Life

The Bible has had a deeper impact on human history than any other book, yet many students new to Bible study are unfamiliar with its overall message and contents. Bible for Life will familiarize the student with very basic contents of each book, how each one contributes to the whole Bible, and how this living revelation applies to our culture today. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT241 Systematic Theology 1

(Theology Proper, Doctrine of Man and Sin, and Creation)

Serving as an introduction to Systematic Theology, this course focuses on the knowledge of God, His essence, attributes and will. Topics covered also include: the creation of man, angels and demons, the nature of sin, and original sin.

Student Impact: Knowledge

BT242 Systematic Theology 2

(Doctrine of Christ, Doctrine of the Holy Spirit, and Doctrine of Salvation)

A continuation of ST1, this study of Systematic Theology will now turn to the Christ of the Bible, His person and natures, as well as the necessity of His death. Additionally, the Holy Spirit of the Scriptures, His baptism, gifts and fruit will be covered. Finally, the subjects of grace, justification, adoption and sanctification will contribute to the students’ knowledge of the doctrine of salvation. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT243 Systematic Theology 3 (Ecclesiology and Eschatology)

Rounding out the study of Systematic Theology, the student will focus on the





doctrine of the church and future things. Topics covered include: the nature, definition, aspects, marks, ordinances, ministry, government, and officers of the Christian church. This course will also focus on Eschatology (the doctrine of the last things), including individual eschatology, the intermediate state, final judgment, and heaven and hell. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT321 Old Testament Message 1 (Pentateuch and Historical Books)

This is an introduction to the Pentateuch and the historical books of the Old Testament in the Christian Bible, Genesis through Esther, including an examination of hermeneutical and theological issues. The student will also learn how to see the revelation of Jesus Christ in the Scripture of the Old Testament. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT322 Old Testament Message 2 (Wisdom Literature and Prophets)

OT2 continues from OT1 in the study of the Christian Old Testament, Job through Malachi, including an examination of hermeneutical and theological issues. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

BT331 New Testament Message 1

In this course, the student will see the purpose and message of the New Testament books of the Gospels and Acts of the Apostles, with a special view to the unfolding of God's purpose in creation and redemption, as well as a continuation of this message from the Old Testament.

Student Impact: Knowledge

BT332 New Testament Message 2

Finishing out the NT studies, the student will look at the letters of the latter half of the New Testament, starting with Romans and ending with Revelation. We will focus on the main points of the letters, the themes they contain, the ways in which they make important theological contributions to the New Testament, and various points of application to ourselves and to our churches.

Student Impact: Knowledge

BT421 OT Exegesis

As expository study of a book of the Old Testament is the goal of this course. Special attention is given to the development of major theological themes and arguments found in the book, as well as their application in the life of the believer. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

BT431 NT Exegesis

Similar to Old Testament exegesis, this course will look deeply into a particular book of the New Testament. Special attention is given to the development of major theological themes and arguments found in the book, as well as their application in the life of the believer. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

BT581 Trinitarianism

Who is God? How is Christ both God and man? How is the Holy Spirit a person? How is the Trinity related? This course studies the nature, essence and attributes of God, including the biblical evidence for the Trinity and common arguments for the existence of God. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

Historical Studies

HS211 Church History 1

Far from being irrelevant, the history of Christ's church gives us wisdom for issues facing us today. The course will cover the history of Christianity from Pentecost up to the Protestant Reformation (circa 1500), evaluating the doctrines and movements that have shaped the church throughout its life.

Student Impact: Knowledge

HS212 Church History 2

The second part of the church in history continues the study of church history, focusing on the major areas of influence in the Reformation and modern period. **Student Impact: Knowledge**



HS531W Bible Context

Understanding the historical and chronological context of the Bible (when it was written) is important in determining the correlation between the Bible and secular history. Special emphasis is placed upon God's overall sovereign plan revealed in Scripture in the prophecies of Genesis, the prophet Daniel and other parts of the Bible. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

Missions and Missional Living

MM131W Evangelism and Discipleship

What is proper evangelism? Should there be a unified message? How can we feel more comfortable sharing our faith with others? A clear and strong ability to communicate the gospel will be the foremost consideration in this course, as well as the important components and methods of discipleship.

Student Impact: Skill

MM421 Introduction to Eastern Orthodoxy

Studies in this course will include the start of the Christian church in Eastern European countries, as well as the development of the Eastern Orthodox Church and its doctrines and practices in light of Scriptural revelation. The goal of this course will be to understand and differentiate the doctrines of Eastern Orthodoxy within an Evangelical framework.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill

MM441 Apologetics / Comparative Religions

Presupposing the existence of God, this combined course covers a review of the ideologies and theologies of major world religions as well as how to biblically defend the Christian faith in light of their beliefs. Also covered will be the practice of polemics - arguing against false views of God and His Word.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill



Christian Life

CL121 Spiritual Disciplines

What is the place of “holy habits” in the life of the Christian? Where do activities like fasting, devotions and prayer fit into the Christian life of “salvation by grace alone”? This class will introduce the nature of Spiritual Disciplines and teach specific principles and practices in five disciplines of the Christian life - Scripture intake, prayer, self-denial, community, and journaling. The primary focus of this course is on those behaviors that believers themselves should practice. **Student Impact: Character**

CL151W Spiritual Transformation

What is the place of suffering and trials for the Christian? Does God ever distance Himself for our good? This course primarily focuses on God’s role in our sanctification - how He sovereignly transforms us so that we can put off sin and put on truth. **Student Impact: Character**

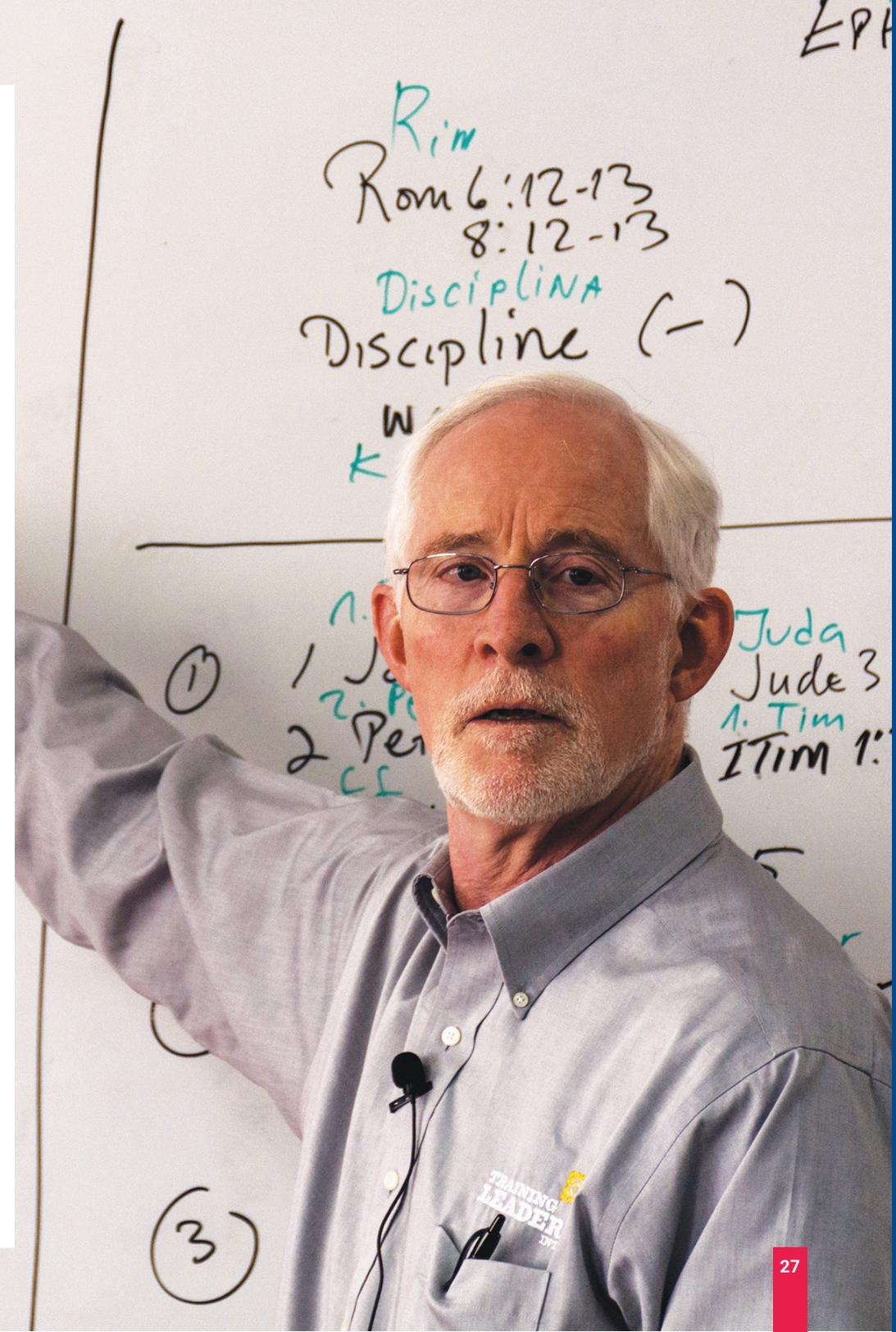
CL241 Marriage and Family

This is a survey of the development of marriage from a Biblical, historical, and cultural perspective. Marriage and Family will include a look at contemporary movements and issues of marriage, how the Bible views these issues, and the different roles in the family. The course will explore the dynamics of family, the responsibility of grown children to their parents, and aging parents.

Student Impact: Character, Knowledge

CL331W Biblical Ethics

Biblical Ethics addresses various approaches to philosophical and social ethics, but more importantly it seeks to analyze contemporary moral issues from a biblically informed, God-centered perspective. The emphasis will be pastoral and practical, aiming to train students to apply the Word of God with faithfulness, care, and wisdom to the varied ethical situations they will face



both as individuals, and leaders in their homes, churches, and society.

Student Impact: Character

CL361 Stewardship

Man is responsible and answerable for his care of all of creation, not just money. Emphasis will be placed on financial and creational responsibility of man as he is accountable to God. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill, Character**

CL521 A Theology of Work

Is work good or a punishment of the Fall? Is there a way we can “redeem work for God’s glory”? The work mandate given by God, the effect of the fall on that mandate, and our responsibility is explored. The goal of the course is to understand how labor and work can glorify God and advance His kingdom.

Student Impact: Knowledge

Ministerial Studies

MS221 Leadership

The biblical understanding of leadership shows that it is not simply a matter of ruling over others. This course will supply the theological mandate for leaders and practically apply principles of leadership that the students may use in their lives and ministries. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill, Character**

MS311W Preaching 1

Teaching and preaching God’s Word demands reliance on the Holy Spirit as well as faithful preparation! This class helps the student build relevant sermons and lessons based on studied Biblical text with effective delivery that will communicate the Word of God in the Balkan context.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill

MS341 Biblical Counseling

In learning the basic introduction to biblical counseling theory and techniques,

the student will uncover how to use the Scriptures and the truths contained in them to form the foundation and substance for counseling people (Christian or not) in their life issues. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

MS461 Conflict Management/Peacemaker

Conflict among people is a troublesome and often sinful reality. Many Christian leaders and workers don’t feel equipped to intervene in tense situations and conflicts between people and groups. This course seeks to enable students to develop basic skills to manage conflict by appropriately managing difficult people and conversations based on the principles outlined in the book Peacemaker by Ken Sande. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

Electives

BT531 Parables of Christ

Christ’s parables, a unique aspect of the gospels, are important as an independent study. Students will learn their historical and cultural background and methods of interpreting and applying them.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Character

BT551 Attributes of God

“What is God like? What kind of God is He? How may we expect Him to act toward us and toward all created things? This course is designed to understand what attributes God possesses, that we may better understand Him, and grow in likeness to Him. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Character**

CL541 Parenting

Many parents feel they are “guessing” at how to best raise their children. This Parenting course is intended to introduce students to the biblical principles of parenting, children and family. Not only for parents, this course will help all participants to learn to honor their parents biblically, to raise their children in the admonition of the Lord, and to guide others to do the same.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill, Character





HS541 Life of Christ

This study will look at our Savior Jesus Christ, and the historical, cultural and redemptive aspects of his life. Particular attention will be paid to the intentionality of his life, the purposes behind his miracles, and the necessity of his birth, life and death in salvation. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Character**

HS542 Life of Paul

Using both the Pauline epistles in the Scriptures and Christian historical documents, this class will investigate the Paul's motives, his aims and goals, what drove him in ministry, and what he was willing to die for. Through an intentional look at this apostle who wrote many of the New Testament books, a student will gain insight and encouragement to live a life yielded to the glory of Christ. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Character**

MS581 Ministry to Women

As a vital part of Christ's church, women have a valuable and necessary role to play, both as Christian workers as well as recipients in ministry. This course examines the biblical and theological issues related to female opportunities for ministry. Uniquely, the course looks at how the church should be incorporating women's needs in the church as foci for ministry.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill

Pastoral Track Studies

PT111 Introduction to Greek

Koine Greek, the language of the original New Testament, is the purpose of this courses, preparing the student to translate, interpret, and apply Scripture in biblical studies. The student will learn the essentials of grammar as an adequate vocabulary of Biblical Greek. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

PT121 Introduction to Hebrew

This course covers the basic grammar, vocabulary and syntax of the language



of the Old Testament. preparing the student to translate, interpret, and apply Scripture in biblical studies. The student will learn the essentials of grammar as an adequate vocabulary of Biblical Hebrew. **Student Impact: Knowledge**

PT221 Pastoral Skills

Designed to teach the “how-to’s” of pastoring, this course is intended to provide extremely practical, contextual training in key areas of the pastoral vocation. Topics covered include skills on how to minister at weddings, hospital visits, baptisms, Lord’s Supper, counseling logistics, meetings of staff, and pastoral self-care. **Student Impact: Skill**

PT251 Preaching Christ from All of Scripture

Designed to instruct how God’s plan of salvation by free grace in Christ fits into overall theme of the Scripture, this course will show how every text of the Scripture leads to the great citadel of God’s plan as revealed in His Son Jesus Christ.

This course will also demonstrate how both the Old and New Testaments point to Christ and the message of the Gospel, the preaching of which is essential for both the salvation and sanctification of the believer.

Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill

PT351 Worship

This course presents the biblical and historical practice of worship in the church. Attention will be given to which aspects of worship should be included in services, and how contemporary culture and style may or may not legitimately effect worship in the church. **Student Impact: Knowledge, Skill**

PT371 Applied Ecclesiology

Ecclesiology is the study of the church and is applied in this course by covering the major topics in the life of the local church with the purpose of determining what our ecclesiology looks like in practice. The student will consider how to implement what Scripture says in the Eastern European environment. Major issues covered include leadership structure, membership, community life, discipleship, church discipline and conflict resolution.

Student Impact: Knowledge

PT412W Preaching 2

A continuation of Preaching I, this subject focuses more on the evaluation of sermons. Composed entirely of sermon preparation and evaluation, the course will also be expose students to the various models of sermons and delivery, as well as common mistakes in sermon preparation. One day will be given over to the preaching of sermons for the tragedies of life. **Student Impact: Skill**

PT451 Introduction to Church Planting

Various approaches to church planting as well as the pitfalls gleaned in the history of church planting will be highlighted in these lectures. This is an introductory course to the ministry of various thought behind church planting, church growth and church renewal. **Student Impact: Skill**





BTS Affirmation of Faith

On The Revelation Of Scripture

We believe that the Bible, consisting of the sixty-six (66) books of the Old and New Testaments, is verbally inspired by the Holy Spirit, is inerrant in the original manuscripts, and is the infallible and authoritative Word of God. It is the complete, sufficient and final word of God to man and the only sufficient and certain rule of all saving knowledge. As such, it is to be believed, obeyed and trusted above all words of man.

Exodus 24:4; Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 17:19; Joshua 8:34; Psalms 19:7-10; 119:11, 89,105,140; Isaiah 34:16; 40:8; Matthew 5:17-18; 22:29; Luke 21:33; 24:44-46; John 5:39; 17:17; Acts 2:16ff.; 17:11; Romans 15:4; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Hebrews 4:12; 1 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

On The Godhead Or Trinity

We believe that there is only one living and true God. He eternally exists in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the same in essence, equal in power and glory, without division. These three know, love and glorify one another. We believe that God, who is infinitely perfect, by His spoken Word and for His own glory, created the heavens and earth out of nothing.

Genesis 1:1; 2:7; Exodus 20:1ff; Deuteronomy 6:4; 32:6; Isaiah 45:21,22; Jeremiah 10:10; 17:13; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24; 5:26;10:30, 38; 17:3; 1 Corinthians 8:5,6; Colossians 1:15; 1 Timothy 1:17.

On God The Father

We believe that God the Father loves the world, gave Christ to be its Savior and is the Father of all (and only all) who believe on Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

Isaiah 43:3; 64:8; Matthew 6:9ff.; 7:11; 23:9; 28:19; John 1:12; 8:42-44;14:6-13; 17:1-8; Romans 8:14-15; Galatians 4:6; Ephesians 4:6; Hebrews 12:9; 1 Peter 1:17; 1 John 4:14.

On God The Son

We believe that God the Son became incarnate in the person of Jesus Christ, was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the Virgin Mary. He is truly God and truly man, and lived a perfect, sinless life. All His teachings and utterances are true.

We believe that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, shed His blood and died for the sins of the whole world, according to the Scriptures, as a substitutionary sacrifice. He is the only mediator between God and man. We believe that the crucified body of Christ was raised from the dead, according to the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and He sits at the right hand of God the Father as our High Priest and Advocate.

Genesis 18:1ff.; Psalms 2:7ff.; 110:1ff.; Isaiah 7:14; 53:1-12; Matthew 1:18-23; 3:17; 8:29; 11:27; 14:33; 16:16,27; 17:5; 27; 28:1-6,19; Mark 1:1; 3:11; Luke 1:35; 4:41; 22:70; 24:46; John 1:1-18,29; 10:30,38; 11:25-27; 12:44-50; 14:7-11; 16:15-16,28; 17:1-5, 21-22; 20:1-20,28; Acts 1:9; 2:22-24; 7:55-56; 9:4-5,20; Romans 1:3-4; 3:23- 26; 5:6-21; 8:1-3,34; 10:4; 1 Corinthians 1:30; 8:6; 15:1-8,24-28; 2 Corinthians 5:19-21; 8:9; Galatians 4:4-5; Ephesians 1:20; 3:11; 4:7-10; Philippians 2:5-11; Colossians 1:13-22; 2:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:14-18; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Hebrews 1:1-3; 4:14-15; 9:12-15,24-28; 12:2; 13:8; 1 Peter 2:21- 25; 3:22; 1 John 1:7-9; 4:14-15; 5:9; 2 John 7-9; Revelation 1:13-16; 5:9-14; 12:10-11; 13:8; 19:16.

On God The Holy Spirit

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a person. He is the divine author of the Scriptures. He convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment. He is the divine agent of regeneration, and in this applies salvation to all God's people. He indwells all genuine believers, and baptizes them into the body of Christ, sealing them for salvation at the time of their conversion. The Holy Spirit enables the

believer to understand the Scriptures. He empowers believers for godly living, and He equips them for witness and service. The evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence is seen in these works of the Spirit in the believer, not in the existence or expression of certain sign gifts.

Genesis 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalms 51:11; 139:7ff.; Isaiah 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matthew 1:18; 3:16; 4:1; 12:28-32; 28:19; Mark 1:10,12; Luke 1:35; 4:1,18-19; 11:13; 12:12; 24:49; John 4:24; 14:16-17,26; 15:26; 16:7-14; Acts 1:8; 2:1-4,38; 4:31; 5:3; 6:3; 7:55; 8:17,39; 10:44; 13:2; 15:28; 16:6; 19:1-6; Romans 8:9-11,14-16, 26-27; 1 Corinthians 2:10-14; 3:16; 12:3-11,13; Galatians 4:6; Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; 5:18; 1 Thessalonians 5:19; 1 Timothy 3:16; 4:1; 2 Timothy 1:14; 3:16; Hebrews 9:8,14; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 John 4:13; 5:6-7; Revelation 22:17.

On Humanity And The Fall

We believe that the human race was created in the image of God. Through the temptation of Satan, Adam sinned, and thereby fell from his original holiness and righteousness and incurred spiritual death (separation from God) as well as physical death. Consequently, all people are born with a sinful nature, which is enmity toward and alienation from God and His law. All people are corrupted in every aspect of their being (physically, mentally, volitionally, emotionally and spiritually), sinful in thought, word and deed, and absolutely, irrevocably condemned to death – apart from God's own gracious intervention in His Son Jesus Christ.

Genesis 1:26-30; 2:5,7,18-22; 3; 9:6; Psalms 1:5; 8:3-6; 51:5; Isaiah 6:5; Matthew 16:26; John 3:18; Acts 17:26-31; Romans 1:18-32; 3:10-19,23; 5:6,12,19; 6:6; 8:14-18,29,30; 1 Corinthians 1:21-31; 15:19,21-22; Ephesians 2:1-22; Colossians 1:21-22; 3:9-11.

On Satan

We believe in the existence of Satan who as a created angel became the author of sin. He and evil angelic powers have all been judged by God in the death and resurrection of Christ due to their rebellion against God.



Genesis 3:1-15; Isaiah 14:12-17; Ezekiel 28:11-19; Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 25:41; Romans 16:20; Revelation 12:1-14; Revelation 20:10.

On Salvation And Perseverance Of The Saints

We believe that salvation is not by works, but by God's free and special grace alone, through faith in the life, death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ, our representative and substitute. On the cross He cancelled sin, appeased God's wrath and bore the full penalty of our sins, reconciling to God all those who believe. All who by faith trust in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior are born again by the Holy Spirit. There is no other way by which a person may be saved, for there is no name under heaven by which men may be saved. All who are truly born again have been given eternal life and shall never perish. Once a sinner has become a "new creature in Christ," he will never lose that new relationship in the family of God but will persevere to the end. This relationship is based upon Christ's imputed righteousness and not his own, therefore it cannot be lost.

We believe that the gospel (the "good news") of Jesus Christ is not proclaimed if Christ is not proclaimed. Furthermore, the authentic Christ has not been proclaimed if His death and resurrection are not central, or if any addition of works is added to the message, or if this message of justification is presented merely as one choice among others. Additionally, the gospel is invalidated as such if its message is reduced to a simple belief in God or "religious things". Without a trust in the saving work of Christ as our only hope for salvation, we remain condemned in our sins, and are to be pitied more than all others.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by the Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior.

B. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His





righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer unto a relationship of peace and favor with God. In justification, the sinner receives the imputation of Christ's righteousness through faith. He does not become sinless. Instead, he does not have his sins counted against him.

C. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual maturity through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life. Sanctification is a holy experience for those already regenerated by the Holy Spirit. It does not itself regenerate, cause salvation or establish any grounds of God's approval of that sinner.

D. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Genesis 3:15; Exodus 6:2-8; Exodus 20:3-17; Leviticus 6:2-5; Deuteronomy 10:12; 27:17; Jeremiah 33:15; Ezekiel 36:25,26; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zechariah 8:16; Matthew 1:21; 4:17; 5:13-16,43-48; 16:21-26; 22:36-40; 25:35; 27:22-28:6; Mark 1:29-34; 2:3ff.; 10:21; Luke 1:68-69; 2:28-32; 4:18-21; 10:27-37; 20:25; John 1:11-14,29; 3:3-21,36; 5:24; 10:9,28-29; 15:1-16; 17:15-17; Acts 2:21; 4:12; 15:11; 16:30-31; 17:30-31; 20:32; Romans 1:16-18; 2:4; 3:23-25; 4:3ff.; 5:8-10; 6:1-23; 8:1-18,29-39; 10:9-10,13; 12-14; 13:11-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18,30; 5:9-10; 6:1-7, 19-20; 7:20-24; 10:23-11:1; 15:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-20; Galatians 2:20; 3:13, 26-28; 5:22-25; 6:15; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-22; 6:5-9; Philippians 2:12-13; Colossians 1:9-22; 3:12-17; 1 Thessalonians 3:12; 5:23-24; 2 Timothy 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 2:1-3; 5:8-9; 9:24-28; 11:1-12:8,14; James 1:27; 2:8, 14-26; 1 Peter 1:2-23; 1 John 1:6-2:11; Revelation 3:20; 21:1-22:5.

On The Church And Its Ordinances

We believe that the Lord Jesus is the head of the church, and that the church is the body of Jesus Christ and is a divinely established instrument for the worship of God, the growth of believers and evangelism of the lost. According to God's commandment, Christians are to associate themselves into churches.

It is the responsibility of the members of the church to participate in making disciples of Jesus Christ from every people group and to live out their faith with justice and mercy. There are two ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper, which are divinely enjoined upon all believers. They are without saving merit in themselves, but they provide an expression of faith regarding the believer's identification and fellowship with Christ. Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water and is done in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Baptism is an act of obedience which symbolizes the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior. It further symbolizes the believer's death to sin, and the resurrection to newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Each New Testament church is an autonomous local congregation. To each of these churches Christ has given the needed authority for administering order, discipline and worship. The biblical offices of the local church are elders/overseers and deacons. The titles of elder/overseer are interchangeable terms and refer to the same office in the Scriptures.

Exodus 19:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 9:37-38; 10:5-15; 13:18-30, 37-43; 16:15-19; 18:15-20; 22:9-10; 24:14; 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18; 24:46-53; John 14:11-12; 15:7-8,16; 17:15; 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 5:11-14; 6:3-6; 8:26-40; 10:42-48; 13:2-3; 14:23, 27; 15:1-30; 16:5; 20:28; Romans 1:7; 10:13-15; 1 Corinthians 1:2; 5:4-5; 7:17; 9:13-14; 11:17-24; 12; Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:19-22; 3:1-11,21; 5:22-32; Philippians 1:1; Colossians 1:18; 1 Thessalonians 1:8; 1 Timothy 2:9-14; 3:1-15; 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:5; Hebrews 10:24-25; 11:39-12:2; 1 Peter 2:4-10; 5:1-4; Revelation 2-3; 22:17.

On The Return Of Christ, The Resurrection And The Judgment

Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly in glory to the earth at His appointed time and manner. The dead in Christ will be raised, and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, until they are cast into the Lake of Fire, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isaiah 2:4; 11:9; Matthew 16:27; 18:8-9; 19:28; 24:27,30,36,44; 25:31-46; 26:64; Mark 8:38; 9:43-48; Luke 12:40,48; 16:19-26; 17:22-37; 21:27-28; John 14:1-3;

Acts 1:11; 17:31; Romans 14:10; 1 Corinthians 4:5; 15:24-28,35-58; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Philippians 3:20-21; Colossians 1:5; 3:4; 1 Thessalonians 4:14-18; 5:1ff.; 2 Thessalonians 1:7ff.; 2; 1 Timothy 6:14; 2 Timothy 4:1,8; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff.; 1 John 2:28; 3:2; Jude 14; Revelation 1:18; 3:11; 20:1-22:13.

On Missions And Evangelism

It is the mandate of all believers to make disciples of all nations. The missionary endeavor rests upon the very character of God Himself. From Genesis through Revelation it is God who is calling out sinners to Himself. God's divine and ultimate purpose in human affairs is to redeem man back to Himself, so that He would receive the worship due His name. In response to Jesus' last command to His disciples, it is therefore a necessity, a responsibility and a desired privilege of all those who have received new life in Christ to take this message of reconciliation to all nations.

Genesis 12:1-3; Exodus 19:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 9:37-38; 10:5-15; 13:18-30, 37-43; 16:19; 22:9-10; 24:14; 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18; 24:46-53; John 14:11-12; 15:7-8,16; 17:15; 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40; 10:42-48; 13:2-3; Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 3:1-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:8; 2 Timothy 4:5; Hebrews 2:1-3; 11:39-12:2; Revelation 22:17.





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