WOR110 - 3 Credits

Ministering to the Lord

Course Description

All of the ministry we do *for* the Lord, flows out of our ministry *to* the Lord. In this course, we will explore the personal aspects of worship and how you are invited into His Presence to minister before Him. Just as the faithful sons of Zadok were rewarded with the opportunity to minister to the Lord, so you too will discover the prize of His Presence. You will also learn about how worship is the foundation and culmination of your walk with God. Prepare to be provoked to respond to His invitation by saying "Yes" and take your place in God's Kingdom of Priests.

Course Texts:

Ministering to the Lord CDs or DVDs by Dave Frincke

The Purpose of Man: Designed to Worship by A.W. Tozer

Course Objectives

Academic

- Quote the following Scripture verses
 - ✓ Hebrews 10:19-22
 - ✓ 1 Peter 2:9
 - ✓ Psalm 18:25
 - ✓ Ezekiel 44:15-16
 - ✓ John 14:15, 23-24
 - ✓ Colossians 1:19-20
 - ✓ Psalm 27:4-6
 - ✓ Psalm 27:7-8
 - ✓ Matthew 11:28-30
 - ✓ Haggai 2:9
 - ✓ Psalm 84:4
 - ✓ Psalm 22:3

- Understand and discuss what it means to minister to the Lord.
- Discuss the doctrine of the Priesthood of all believers.
- Discuss the life of Zadok the priest and the consequences of his choices.
- Define the terms Idolatry and Reconciliation and discuss how they relate to our ministry to the Lord.
- · Understand the book of Haggai
- Define 7 Hebrew words for praise

Attitudinal

- You will understand that your ministry to people is important, but your ministry to the Lord is the most important. As a result, you will see greater fruit in your ministry.
- You will have an increased awareness of His Presence in the midst of everyday life. This will change how you perceive struggles and difficult times.
- You will have no fear in using biblical forms of worship to express your love to the Lord and minister to Him.
- You will have increased confidence to say "Yes" to Him as an act of obedience and worship.
- You will see your desire to honor and please the Lord increase as you learn more about Jesus' love language.

Behavioral

- You will regularly and consistently enter into the Presence of the Lord and experience a deeper communion with Him.
- You will engage in Biblical forms of worship as you minister to the Lord.
- You will make decisions that put Jesus and His Kingdom first because of your love for Him.
- You will develop new habit patterns that are consistent with the desires of the Lord.

Course Requirements

- 1. Watch or listen to all of the teaching sessions as instructed, taking good notes as you listen. Your Academic Objectives, Self-Tests and Final Exam are based on the content of these lectures.
- 2. Answer all of the assigned discussion questions and journal as assigned.
- 3. Prayerfully read *The Purpose of Man* as assigned. After reading each chapter, write a short summary of the truths and principles presented in it. Then ask the Lord through two-way journaling what He wants to say to you specifically through the chapter.
- 4. Earn at least a "B" on the Final Exam.
- 5. Write a paper on how this course has enriched your personal worship life. What new rhythms have been started in your life as a result of this course? What are some specific examples and testimonies on how this course has altered your view on worship and ministry? How has your increased focus on ministering to the Lord affected your home life, work environment and ministry to people? Your paper should be a minimum of 5 typed pages and is due in the final class.

Standards for **Grading Assignments**

As indicated below, "C" or 2.0 level work is considered average. Leaders are not average people. You are therefore expected (required) to put forth the effort necessary to demonstrate at least "B" (3.0) level work or higher on all assignments which you submit. Any which do not will be returned to you with input from your instructor on how you can raise your grade to the expected level. A course grade will not be given until your assignments demonstrate that you have understood the material presented in the course and allowed your life to be transformed by the Spirit and the Word studied — the requirements for attaining a "B".

Your individual assignments (notebooks, tests, reports) will be graded according to the following standards. These grades will be averaged together to determine your course grade. Remember, we are training leaders and leaders are above-average people. Your work will reflect that.

- Indicates barely passing work that is inferior to the average both in quantity and in quality.
 - · Manifests a lack of initiative or sense of responsibility or both.
- · Average work; either steady work of an acceptable quality, or work of a high quality which is uneven, irregular or fragmentary.
 - May be mechanically or outwardly correct but shows little reflection upon or personal assimilation of the material.
- "B" • Intelligently has fulfilled the requirements of this course.
 - Understands the subject matter presented and has applied it to his life in a limited manner but has not really made the truths his own.
- Grasped the material with thoroughness, industry and correctness of detail.
 - · Made the material his own by thinking about it and integrating it, using originality, natural ability, and insight.

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Assignment Schedule

Lesson 1

Assignments to be Completed

Watch the video for Lesson 1 and take notes.

Write about the following discussion question: "What is the difference between ministering to people and ministering to the Lord?"

Journal about the following question: "Lord, please speak to me about my invitation from You to enter into Your Presence."

Read Chapter 1 of *The Purpose of Man: Designed to Worship* by A.W. Tozer. Summarize and journal about the chapter as described in Course Requirement #3.

Memorize Hebrews 10:19-22

Complete Self-Test #1

Subjects to be Explored

Our most important ministry

Related Objectives

- You will discuss what it means to minister to the Lord.
- You will receive a brief overview of the Levites, Zadok & the Sons of Zadok
- You will quote Hebrews 10:19-22 NASB (Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.)

Lesson 2

Assignments to be Completed

Watch the video for Lesson 2 and take notes

Write about the following discussion question: "What does it mean to you to be included in the Priesthood of all Believers?"

Journal about the following question: "God, why is faithfulness so important to You?"

Read Chapter 2 of *The Purpose of Man: Designed to Worship* by A.W. Tozer. Summarize and journal about the chapter as described in Course Requirement #3.

Memorize 1 Peter 2:9

Complete Self-Test #2

Subjects to be Explored

The Priesthood of all believers

Related Objectives

- You will discuss God's desire to have a Kingdom of priests.
- You will discuss how the Levites became a tribe of priests.
- You will discuss the importance of faithfulness.
- You will quote 1 Peter 2:9 NASB (But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.)