

Syllabus – Church History – Restoration (242)

Course Description:

This study will focus on the Restoration Movement of the late 18th through 20th centuries. Principles resulting in a restored New Testament church are emphasized. And is it time for a new Restoration Movement in the 21st century? What lessons can we learn from these men of Restoration.

Course Textbooks:

West, Earl. Search for the Ancient Order, Vol. 1 Nashville: Gospel Advocate Company, 1974.

West, Earl. Search for the Ancient Order, Vol. 2 Indianapolis: Religious Book Store, 1950.

Other Books of Reference:

Hailey, Homer. Attitudes and Consequences in the Restoration Movement. Bowling Green, KY: Guardian of Truth Publications, 1975.

Foster, Douglas A., Paul M. Blowers, Anthony L. Dunnivant, D. Newell Williams. The Encyclopedia of the Stone-Campbell Movement, Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2004.

McCoy, V. Glenn. Return to the Old Paths – A History of the Restoration Movement. Yorba Linda, CA: McCoy Publications, 1998.

Lipscomb, David. Civil Government – Its Origin, Mission, and Destiny, and the Christian’s Relation to It. Bowling Green, KY: Gospel Armory Publishing, Pubic Domain.

Course Requirements:

1. Read the assigned chapters in the Course Textbooks.
2. Current Events in the Church. Gather news articles of where the church is headed doctrinally. Be ready to present these in class when called upon.
3. Memory Work: Ezra 7:10; John 17:17; 1 Corinthians 1:10; 2 Timothy 1:13; 1 Peter 2:21
4. Mid-Term Exam
5. Final Exam
6. Three sermon outlines or one 3–5-page paper on one of the leaders from the Restoration Movement.

Course Grading System:

1. Memory Work = 1/8 of total grade
2. Sermons or Paper = 1/4 of total grade
3. Participation in class = 1/8 of total grade
4. Mid-term = 1/4 of total grade
5. Final = 1/4 of total grade

Semester Schedule – August-December 2022

August 9	What was the Restoration Plea? Call to a Return to the Bible – Early Restoration Leaders – O’Kelly, Smith, Jones, A. Wright, and J. Wright
August 16	No Class
August 23	PTP – No Class
August 30	Barton Warren Stone (1772-1844)
September 6	Thomas Campbell (1763-1854)
September 13	Alexander Campbell (1788-1866)
September 20	Alexander Campbell / Bethany College and Debating
September 27	Walter Scott (1796-1861)
October 4	Mid-Term / Missionary Society
October 11	Fall Break – No Class
October 18	Racoon John Smith (1784-1868)
October 25	Tolbert E. Fanning (1810-1874) / Benjamin Franklin (1812-1878)
November 1	Moses Lard (1818-1880)
November 8	David Lipscomb (1831-1917) / The church and the Civil War / Division on Slavery / Voting and Serving in the Military
November 15	J.W. McGarvey (1829-1911) / Early divisions on Instrumental music in worship / The great divide in 1906
November 22	Thanksgiving Break
November 29	20 th Century Divisions in the church / Starting A New Restoration Movement in the 21 st Century
December 6	Review for Final Exam
December 13	Final Exam