

WISDOM IN COUNSELLING

Faculty Contact

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Course Objectives

1. Our primary purpose is to be practical.
 - a. Students will be prepared to show how elders and their wives must be utilized as counselors in the church.
 - b. Students will be prepared to counsel couples regarding Christian marriage.
 - c. Students will be prepared to teach material from the Wisdom Literature that will be useful for Christians who want to live holy lives: sermons & classes.
2. Our *secondary* purpose is to be academic.
 - a. Students will be taught the different types of literature that are found in wisdom literature and how to interpret and apply them to our lives.
 - b. Students will be introduced to several types of counseling but will be expected to learn how to counsel our people using Wisdom Literature specifically and the Bible in general as well.

Course Outline

1. A brief introduction to *counseling* will be given.
2. A series of marriage counseling sessions will be shared with students that are useful to teach in the church but are especially written to teach people who will soon be married or those who want to have more godly homes.
3. A brief introduction to *Wisdom literature* will be given
4. Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Solomon will each be briefly overviewed showing how they can be used as counseling lessons/sermons in the church.

Course Evaluation

(Timing of assignment submissions will be according to the term schedule and determined during the week of the short course.)

20% – Students will be expected to practice counseling a couple.

Students must utilize material from one of our *marriage counseling sessions* (pages 7-8) to counsel them on how to have a more godly and Christian marriage. FOR CREDIT TURN IN A 1-PAGE REPORT ON HOW THIS ASSIGNMENT WENT.

20% – Students will pick one topic/lesson from our class notes on Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes or the Song of Solomon (pages 17-32) and turn it into a 3-5-page essay (using your own style and words). TURN YOUR ESSAY IN FOR CREDIT.

60% – Students will be given a *final test* that will cover the entire course.