THEOLOGY OF MINISTRY
D. Min. Theology Core DMC801
John Frame & Doug Swagerty
July 18-22, 2005

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Since ministry is a calling from God, the most important thing is to do it God's way. So it is important for us to develop our concept of ministry theologically, that is according to God's Word. As we seek to do that we find that Scripture pushes us to apply its teaching to situations of our own time. In this course we will learn how to relate the teachings of God's Word to the situations we face in contemporary ministry, including new developments in culture, philosophy and models of ministry. We will also assess what the Reformed tradition says to us as we carry the Gospel to people today.

COURSE INSTRUCTORS

John Frame is Professor of Systematic Theology and Philosophy at RTS Orlando. He received his A. B. from Princeton University, his B. D. from Westminster Theological Seminary, and his M. Phil. from Yale University. He has published a number of books, including *Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*, *Medical Ethics*, *Perspectives on the Word of God*, *Evangelical Reunion*, *Apologetics to the Glory of God*, *Cornelius Van Til*, *Worship in Spirit and Truth*, *Contemporary Worship Music: a Biblical Defense*, *Doctrine of God*, *No Other God*. He is a minister in the Presbyterian Church in America, a pianist and an organist.

Doug Swagerty is Pastor of Harbor Presbyterian Church in San Diego where has ministered with Dick Kaufmann since the inception of this multi-site church in 1999. Harbor currently has five different worship services each Sunday in various locations throughout the greater San Diego area. Prior to his work at Harbor, Doug planted and pastored the Coastal Community Church (PCA) of Oceanside, CA for 14 years. He received his B.A. in Philosophy from Covenant College, his M.Div. from Westminster Seminary, and his M.A. in Philosophy from Villanova University. He also served as the Stated Clerk of the South Coast Presbytery (PCA) for 10 years and is currently a co-opt member of the PCA’s Committee on Mission to North America.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

The integration paper is to be an informal discussion of specific ways in which you plan to change your ministry in light of class readings and discussion. You may choose to be broad or specific. You should interact with as many reading assignments, lectures, and discussions as possible. This 15-20 page paper should be written in *Turabian*, 6th Edition style and/or in the style of our Final Project Guidelines. Please mail to the D.Min. office by October 31, 2005.

Each student should read 2000 pages of new reading and write a one-page standard book report on each book or article over 50 pages in length. The book reports are due on the first day of class, July 18, 2005.
COURSE READING

Required Reading: (If not previously read)

Bridges, Jerry

Clinton, J. Robert

Frame, John M.
   Essays at http://www.thirdmill.org (Search for "Frame")

Keller, Timothy J.
Miller, C. John

Newbigin, Lesslie

Recommended Reading: (In the event that you have not reached your 2000-page new reading quota, and/or for additional study)

Gospel Proclamation

Clowney, Edmund P.

Chappel, Bryan

Poythress, Vern S.

Counseling

Anderson, Neil
2000 Victory Over the Darkness. Gospel Light

Crabb, Lawrence J.
Adams, Jay Edward  

**Worship**  
Frame, John M.  
Hauerwas Stanley and William H. Willimon  

**Small Groups**  
Redeemer Presbyterian Church,  *Small Group Manual*. NYC

**Leadership**  
Blanchard, Kenneth H. and Patricia & Drew Zigarmi  
George, Carl F.  
George, Carl F. with Warren Bird  
Stanley, Paul D. and J. Robert Clinton,  

**Meditation and Prayer**  
Toon, Peter  
1993  *The Art of Meditating on Scripture*. Zondervan.

**Gospel Discipleship**  
Miller, John C.  
*Repentance and Twentieth Century Man*  
Keller, Timothy  
*Gospel and Heart—Galatians Study, Redeemer Presbyterian Church in NYC*  
Lovelace, Richard  
World Harvest Mission,  *Sonship Course*

**Mercy Ministry**  
McKinney, George et al  

**Evangelism**  
Arn, Win & Charles Arn  
Please limit your report to one single-spaced page. Write approximately one paragraph per topic (Overview, Critique, & Application). Reports are due on the first day of class.

Title of Book

Complete Bibliographic Reference

Overview—Give a brief overview of the book, including its theme, perspective and approach.

Critique—Offer a brief critique of the book, including elements of strength and weakness.

Application—Offer some specific application to your own ministry—demonstrating the value and relevance of the material in this book.

Best Quote—Be sure to include the page number where the quote can be found.
# Reading Report Summary Guide

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Revelation. God's communication about himself and his saving plan for us, which we can study through Sacred Scripture. Our longing and yearning for a life of meaning and truth, which can be fulfilled only by our supreme, good, and loving God. Vocation. The Ecumenical or general Council of the Roman Catholic Church that Saint John Paul XXIII convened as pope in 1962 that continued under Venerable Pope Paul VI until 1965. Beatitudes. Given to us by Jesus Christ, a key for living in true happiness and helps us to realize that true happiness is found in God alone. Pastoral Theology or the Theory of the Evangelical Ministry Alexander Vinet|C. Matthew McMahon

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Dimensions of Pastoral Care: Practical Theology in a Multidisciplinary Context John Swinton|David Pastoral Ministry. 285 Pages 2010 1.19 MB 5,143 Downloads. chapters, which deal with the pastor's personal Pastoral Ministry. Pastoral Ministry. Royal Priesthood: A Theology of Ordained Ministry. Royal Priesthood: A Theology of Ordained Ministry. T. F. Torrance A Guide To Effective Pastoral Ministry. 177 Pages 2015 1.22 MB 3,982 Downloads. A Guide To Effective Pastoral Ministry. CONTRIBUTING AUTHORS. Dr. Frame is noted for his belief that theology is application the use of God's revelation to meet the spiritual needs of people, to promote godliness and spiritual health. Therefore, his theology is inherently practical, deeply grounded in Scripture, and unusually comprehensive. Developed over the author's decades of experience in church ministry and seminary teaching (theology, ethics, apologetics, philosophy), this collection blends exegetical insight, theological acumen, and biblical wisdom with a passion to see Christ glorified and the peoples of the world drawn to him by the Spirit's invincible grace. The Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry. By Doug Fields Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1998. 395 pages. The author of The Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry, Doug Fields, is the youth minister at Saddleback Community Church in Southern California, a model church for many seeking to grow a megachurch. Fields is an experienced youth minister of more than twenty years and also is an instructor for Youth Specialties. Our DMin in Apologetics and Theology degree online can provide you with an advanced study of the history and defense of the Christian faith. In our DMin in Theology and Apologetics degree program, you will embark on a deep-diving journey through the Old and New Testaments. Our courses in spiritual formation and theology can also strengthen your understanding of the Christian faith. Lastly, our doctoral degree in theology and apologetics can help you develop skills in doctoral-level research and writing, theological methodology, and bibliography all vital elements of accurate and useful schol