

MIDWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

*Final Assignment Rubric*

A PROJECT

SUBMITTED IN PARTIAL FULFILLMENT

OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COURSE

DR34080 TEACHING PRINCIPLES AND METHODS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

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**U-HT 460 Biblical Theology: Syllabus**

11:30am - 2:20pm / Tuesday

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**Course Objectives:**

1. Create a cogent and comprehensive definition of biblical theology. (*Bloom's Taxonomy Levels I & II*)
2. Define the four primary methods of biblical theology. (*Bloom's Taxonomy Level III*)
3. Utilize the metanarrative of Scripture to interpret smaller portions of the Scripture. (*Bloom's Taxonomy Levels III, IV, & V*)
4. Exegetically trace, demonstrate, and describe biblical theological patterns and themes within an individual book. (*Bloom's Taxonomy Levels II, III, IV, & V*)
5. Exegetically examine and construct biblical theological patterns and themes as they span the whole Old and New Testament. (*Bloom's Taxonomy Levels IV, V & VI*)

**Theme Paper (25% - 250 points)** | Each student will write a 5-7 pg. (double-spaced, Times New Roman, Midwestern Style Guide compliant) research paper on one of the following Biblical Theological themes: kingdom, land, Satan, or covenant. The paper will trace the chosen theme throughout the entire canon of the Bible. Students must cite at least 5-8 sources. Students will need to argue for a clear thesis statement. (Example: "This paper will argue that Old Testament believers were not indwelt by the Spirit.") (Due 4/6)

This Assignment Requires Students To Meet Course Objectives 2 and 5

Assignment Dimensions	Excellent	Competent	Developing	Weak	Scoring
<b>Thesis and Argument and Conclusion</b>	<b>15.0 to &gt; 12.0 pts</b> The argument of the thesis demonstrates mastery of the concepts of the theme in a cogent insightful manner as the theme relates to Biblical Theology. The conclusion of the paper masterfully aligns with the thesis and argument.	<b>11.0 to &gt; 8.0 pts</b> The argument of the thesis is clearly stated, showing an understanding of the theme and its relationship to Biblical Theology. The conclusion of the paper aligns with the thesis and argument.	<b>7.0 to &gt; 4.0 pts</b> The argument of the thesis shows an awareness of the theme and its relationship to Biblical Theology. The conclusion somewhat conveys the thesis and the argument.	<b>3.0 to 0.pts</b> There is no clear thesis that communicates the theme and its relationship to Biblical Theology. The conclusion of the paper does not exist or is misaligned with the thesis and argument.	<b>15 pts</b>
<b>Comprehension of the Biblical Theme</b>  <i>Appropriate portions of Scripture, i.e., Pentateuch, Historical Books, Prophets, Psalms/Wisdom, Gospels, Epistles, and Revelation.</i>	<b>30.0 to &gt; 23.0 pts</b> The writing thoroughly addresses the biblical theme by employing superior insights and connections that demonstrate a mastery the theme as it applies to the canon of Scripture. The theme is developed through a mature and comprehensive use of more than 10 biblical references that give comprehensive and equal attention throughout the appropriate portions of Scripture.	<b>22.0 to &gt; 15.0 pts</b> The writing adequately addresses the theme by employing clear understanding as the theme applies to the canon of Scripture. The theme is developed through the use of 8-10 biblical references that include most of the appropriate portions of Scripture.	<b>14.0 to &gt; 7.0 pts</b> The writing identifies the theme and shows some basic understanding of the theme as it applies to the canon of Scripture. The theme is developed through 4-8 biblical references and includes less than an appropriate portion of Scripture.	<b>6.0 to 0.pts</b> The writing does not develop the theme, and shows little understanding of the theme as it applies to the canon of Scripture. The theme is addressed by the use of less than 4 biblical references and an inadequate portion of Scripture.	<b>30 pts</b>
<b>Address of the theme according to the methods of Biblical Theology</b>	<b>25.0 to &gt; 21.0 pts</b> The theme is developed through a mature and comprehensive use of the methods of Biblical Theology as the methods relate to the theme.	<b>20.0 to &gt; 16.0 pts</b> The theme is developed with a general use of the methods of Biblical Theology as the methods relate to the theme.	<b>15.0 to &gt; 9.0 pts</b> The theme is developed by only a basic use of the methods of Biblical Theology as it relates to the theme.	<b>8.0 to 0.pts</b> The theme is either poorly developed by use of the methods of Biblical Theology, or the methods are employed unclearly.	<b>25 pts</b>
<b>Resources and Footnotes</b>	<b>10.0 to &gt; 8.0 pts</b> All citations contain all the required elements. There are more than 8 footnotes in the paper, demonstrating an excellent level of research.	<b>7.0 to &gt; 6.0 pts</b> There are less than 2 mistakes in the citations, and they have all the required elements. There are between 5-8 footnotes in the paper, demonstrating an adequate level of research.	<b>5.0 to &gt; 3.0 pts</b> The citations have most of the required elements with no more than 4 mistakes. There are between 3-4 footnotes in the paper, demonstrating a developing growth in research.	<b>2.0 to 0.pts</b> The citations are either not present or have few of the required elements and more than 4 mistakes. There are fewer than 3 footnotes in the paper, demonstrating little to no effort in research.	<b>10 pts</b>
<b>Formatting and Mechanics</b>	<b>10.0 to &gt; 8.0 pts</b> The format of the assignment follows the MBTS Style Guide with no mistakes.	<b>7.0 to &gt; 6.0 pts</b> The format of the assignment complies with the MBTS Style Guide with less than 4 errors.	<b>5.0 to &gt; 3.0 pts</b> The format of the assignment falls short of the MBTS standard and contains between 5 and 10 errors.	<b>2.0 to 0 pts</b> The format of the assignment falls well below the MBTS standard and contains more than 11 errors.	<b>10 pts</b>
<b>Document Length</b>	<b>10.0 to &gt; 8.0 pts</b> The document is no more than 7 pages.	<b>7.0 to &gt; 6.0 pts</b> The document is between 5-7 pages.	<b>5.0 to &gt; 3.0 pts</b> The document is 5 pages.	<b>2.0 to 0 pts</b> The document is less than 5 pages.	<b>10 pts</b>