



Nipawin Bible College
TH2112 Angelology, Demonology, and Spiritual Warfare (Deacon's Track)
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3 Credit Hours
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"When I came to you, brothers, announcing the testimony of God to you, I did not come with brilliance of speech or wisdom. For I didn't think it was a good idea to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I came to you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a powerful demonstration by the Spirit, so that your faith might not be based on men's wisdom but on God's power." - 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (HCSB)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Loftiness, Hellfire and Brimstone, spittle and screaming, fear and trepidation – these are some of the common slogans, motifs, and emotions associated with our topic of Angels, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare. Yet the Bible has much to inform the God-fearing believer in Jesus Christ as to the nature of this spiritual realm. We must turn to God's wisdom, His ways, and rest in His authority when looking at this mostly unseen but eternally invested aspect of life. Who will we be? Uninformed, uninterested, and undefended bystanders in this cosmic battle or will we choose to be Christ informed and equipped victorious warriors fighting in this eternity defining battle? Freedom is our goal and souls are the prize as we strive to see many come to faith in the living Lord Jesus Christ. Not in our power but through the power of the Holy Spirit indwelling and equipping His followers. All for His glory.

COURSE TEXTBOOKS

The Bible (a translation, not a paraphrase). Suggested translations are CSB, ESV, NIV, NKJV, NLT, NASB... Audio Bibles are available from a variety of sources including the YouVersion Bible App. As you listen, please follow along with the written text.

Storms, Sam. *Understanding Spiritual Warfare: A Comprehensive Guide*. Grand Rapids MI: Zondervan, 2021. Audiobook available on Audible. Please purchase the electronic audio version below by clicking the link:

https://www.audible.ca/pd/Understanding-Spiritual-Warfare-Audiobook/0310120861?qid=1672838775&sr=1-3&ref=a_search_c3_lProduct_1_3&pf_rd_p=b278ed0a-c3b2-4491-808c-7cb2190a487c&pf_rd_r=PRB1REQS6010PJ7TRBTA&pageLoadId=H3znblcU7plxmt3&creativeld=0d6f6720-f41c-457e-a42b-8c8dceb62f2c

COURSE QUESTION

What is my role and response to the Spiritual Realm as a follower of Jesus Christ?

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of this course the student will:

- Identify and understand the roles, responsibilities, and authority of created spiritual beings.
- Identify their role in God's created spiritual realm and understand their authority within it.
- Understand spiritual warfare.
- Be better able to identify the schemes, tricks, and attacks of Satan and his allies.
- Be better equipped for engaging in spiritual warfare daily.
- Help others who are experiencing spiritual warfare.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Weekly Assignment - 45%

- Please choose one of the weekly assignment options below that will make up 45% of your total mark:

1. Weekly Quiz - 9 quizzes, each worth 5% (45% total)

- The student will demonstrate their reading comprehension through a weekly quiz formulated from the major concepts of the textbook, *Understanding Spiritual Warfare*. Each quiz will be between two and ten questions and will consist primarily of True/False, and multiple choice.

OR

2. Weekly Audio Report - 9 reports, each worth 5% (45% total)

- The student will demonstrate their reading comprehension through a weekly audio report (5 minutes maximum) of the major concepts of the textbook, *Understanding Spiritual Warfare*. The student will answer the following questions in depth by first asking the question and then responding to it:
 - i. What was the major idea or teaching in this weeks assigned listening?
 - ii. What was something that you found helpful or made you think about the spiritual realm in a positive way? Why?
 - iii. What teaching idea or concept was difficult to understand, process, or understand? Why?
 - iv. What is the biggest question that you have regarding the topic after listening to this weeks reading?

Personal Spiritual Assessment and Reflection Paper - 25%

- The student will be responsible to fill out a spiritual assessment document and then reflect on their results in a Spiritual Reflection paper. The Assignment will progress in the following way:
 - a. The student should assure that they have at least 4 hours of uninterrupted time to focus on the Lord and their spiritual condition before starting this assignment.
 - b. The student will take some time to pray before doing their personal door opener questionnaire assessment. Please spend at least 15-30 minutes in prayer. Ask others to be praying for you specifically during this time. Seek the Lord during this time and ask Him to search your heart and help you to answer the questionnaire fully and honestly. Also, be aware that there is a potential to experience discomfort during this prayer time and subsequent questionnaire especially if there are any areas of your life still un-surrendered to the Lord and His authority.
 - c. Fill out the questionnaire as completely and truthfully as possible.
 - d. Ask Jesus to guide you through these next steps as you reflect on your assessment.
 - e. Reflect on your answers. Are there any surprises or areas of concern that you have after filling out your questionnaire? Do you have any areas of your life that have been identified as needing to change or be addressed so that you can move forward in freedom of relationship with the Lord? Record your discoveries.
 - f. Spend some more time in prayer. Ask the Lord to help you connect what you have written down with a path forward to freedom. Can you connect any past or current activities with current areas of character concern?
 - g. Spend some time in targeted prayer. Read the Galatians 5:19-21 works of the flesh. Ask the Lord specifically to deal with any areas that you are struggling with from that list including but not limited to any past and or lingering hurts. Deal here and now with any unforgiveness, bitterness, resentment or other areas of concern that were identified by the questionnaire in Jesus' name. One of the most beneficial and helpful things that you can do during this time is write down what you are experiencing and feeling so that you can accurately report on this later in your paper.
 - h. After you have organized your thoughts and planned it out, start recording your experience on an audio file for submission or write a paper if you are more comfortable with that. While you record or write, be in constant prayer and stand in the authority given by Jesus Christ to His disciples. Build your personal reflection recording around the concept that you are there to discover if there is anything in your life that is holding you back from complete freedom in Christ Jesus. Evaluate your assessment and your life from the perspective of the spiritual realm. Go through the following questions and answer them as best you can:
 - 1. You were created for freedom in right relationship with God; are you experiencing that freedom? Why or why not?

2. Are there areas of your life that have contributed to bondage of any kind (resentment, unforgiveness, anger, addictions, etc.).
3. Having now identified some areas of concern, what do you need to do (according to God's Word or what He has revealed to you) to deal with those areas?
4. Are there areas that you need to rejoice over as you are experiencing freedom from previous areas of bondage? What are they? How will you ensure that you will not go back to that place?
5. Are there any fears or worries that are controlling your life in any way?
6. Have you identified any lies that you have believed that need to be corrected?
7. If you were to assess your current spiritual life (relationship with Jesus) and condition (level of spiritual freedom) next to your ideal spiritual life (relationship with Jesus) and condition (freedom in Jesus), how different are those two pictures right now and what needs to be addressed to achieve that ideal?
- i. The Audio Report should be at least 20 minutes long but no more than 45 minutes. If you do a paper, that paper will be required to be 5 pages minimum. My suggestion would be to copy the questions above on your paper and then answer them one at a time if you are handing in a paper copy.
- j. Submit your audio report and your spiritual assessment to your prof on or before 7pm on the due date: February 27. If you are submitting a paper, please attach your paper and your assessment (if you are willing) to an appropriate cover page and submit them on or before 7pm on the due date: March 27.
- k. There will be a rubric on Neo to check for clarification on how your grade will be assigned.

DUE: March 27th

Interview with a Full-time (Past or Present) Missionary – 2 assignments (30% total)

- The student will be responsible to interview a missionary who has served in a non-western culture dominated setting. This missionary will be asked specific questions in relation to their field of service and specifically about spiritual warfare within their ministry context. There will be a required question handout that the student will use but these listed questions will need to be supplemented with other questions that the student formulates themselves based on their reading and study during the course.
- The interview will be recorded, and the interviewee's answers will be recorded and submitted to your professor (with an appropriate way to identify that the recording is yours) on or before the final due date. The student will prepare a conclusion to the interview (audio at the end of the interview is fine) that will discuss what they learned, and how they will incorporate this information in the future ministry settings and life. The conclusion should be a minimum of 3 minutes or one written page. The student's conclusion (if submitted in written form) will include an appropriate title page.

- The student will be required to submit their choice of missionary and questions, a minimum of three weeks prior to their missionary interview taking place.
Organizing the missionary interview to take place during Missions Conference would be a very wise decision.
- The grade for this project will be broken down as follows:
 - ***Due on or before February 6*** - Missionary selection and questions - 5%
 - ***Due on or before February 27*** - Interview - 15%
- Please see the rubric in Neo LMS for the point breakdown on your Interview mark.

DUE: See Above

Unless otherwise noted, assignments will be due at the **beginning of class** on the date assigned.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

Listening/Reading: 330 pages.

Writing: 6 pages minimum (if that option is chosen).

COURSE SCHEDULE

NOTE: All items in the “assignment” column, including assigned reading, is expected to be done *before* the beginning of that dated class period.

Date	Topics	Assignment	Assignment Due
JAN 16	Hour 1 – Introduction & Syllabus - Who is God?		
JAN 23	Angelology	Storms, p. XVII – 44 (Ch 1-3)	-Quiz 1 or Audio Report 1
JAN 30	Angelology	Storms, p. 45 – 86 (Ch 4-5)	-Quiz 2 or Audio Report 2
FEB 6	Demonology	Storms, p. 87 – 127 (Ch 6-7)	-Quiz 3 or Audio Report 3 -Missionary Selection and Questions
FEB 13	Spiritual Warfare Introduction	Storms, p. 131 – 172 (Ch 8-9)	-Quiz 4 or Audio Report 4
FEB 27	Can a Christian be Demonized?	Storms, p. 173 – 188 (Ch 10)	-Quiz 5 or Audio Report 5 -Interview Transcript and Summary
MAR 6	History of Spiritual Warfare	Storms, p. 189 – 231 (Ch 11-12)	-Quiz 6 or Audio Report 6
MAR 20	Authority of the Believer - Threatened but Not Intimidated	Storms, p. 235 – 265 (Ch 13-14)	-Quiz 7 or Audio Report 7
MAR 27	The Ministry of Deliverance?	Storms, p. 266 – 287 (Ch 15)	-Quiz 8 or Audio Report 8 -Spiritual Assessment and Reflection Paper
APR 3	The Believers Response -Called to Go on the Offensive?	Storms, p. 288 – 330 (Ch 16-17)	-Quiz 9 or Audio Report 9
No Final Exam			