



Chapel U Course Descriptions, Spring 2012

Chapel University seeks to provide tools and training for your growth in Scriptures, theology, and life issues. The following is a list of courses being offered during the Spring 2012 semesters, all designed to help you grow and develop in those key areas.

A Generous Life | Sundays, March 4 – March 25 | All Campuses

It is important for everyone to understand the wonderful benefits available through living a biblically-sound, generous life. This is key to strengthening marriages, deepening family bonds, developing financial freedom, and deepening your relationship to God and others. This course will walk you through the foundations to living a generous life.

Bible Study Methods | Wednesdays, March 7 – April 18 | Atrium Classroom 124 (Green)

In *Bible Study Methods*, participants will examine several ways to study and learn God's Word with the ultimate goal of 'love abounding more and more in knowledge and depth of insight' (Philippians 1:9). With a focus on an inductive approach, we will highlight the value of devotional, thematic, verse-by-verse, and several other methods that one can use to better interpret, understand, and apply the Scriptures in their daily life.

Foundations of Faith | Sundays, January 8 – 29 and April 22 – May 13 | All Campuses

This course is an engaging and dynamic class that examines the infrastructure of the Christian faith. Here, you'll learn the foundational truths of Christianity that call us to walk as disciples of Jesus and live with a mission. *Foundations of Faith* is a pre-requisite to membership at The Chapel.

God and the Trinity | Wednesdays, January 11 – February 8 | Fellowship Hall (Akron)

The word Trinity is nowhere found in the Bible. However, the doctrine of the Trinity is one of the most important doctrines of the Christian Faith. To study the Trinity gives us great insight into the primary question that is at the center of all of our seeking: What is God like Himself? We will learn that in himself God exists in the persons of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yet he is one God.

Gospel of John | Saturdays, January 7 – March 10 | Fellowship Hall (Akron)

The *Gospel of John* course will be a ten-week study of John's gospel, seeking to acquaint the learner with this Gospel in its historical and biblical context. Special attention will be given to the themes and key passages of John, while also seeking to familiarize the learner with the intricacies of the book. Students will come to understand *John* in its relationship to the larger biblical context.

Personal Evangelism | Sundays, February 5 – 26 | Atrium 124 (Green); Fellowship Hall (Akron)

The *Personal Evangelism* course will encourage you to own your influence as a Christian. You'll learn to incorporate evangelism into your daily life as you become a representative of Christ right where you are. This class will be offered simultaneously in Akron and in Green.

Pathways to Global Understanding | Saturdays, January 21-February 25 | Room 209 (Wadsworth)

In *Pathways to Global Understanding*, you will discover God's heart for people of all nations and our part in His plan. It provides a comprehensive overview of the major trends and issues of world missions. It's a great opportunity for individuals to grow as global Christians and to become more deeply committed to sharing the gospel here and around the world. (Course fee of \$20 for singles or \$25 for couples, to cover one textbook and additional class materials. Pre-registration is required—contact Joey at 330.315.5470.)

Spiritual Formations | Wednesdays, March 7 – April 18 | Fellowship Hall (Akron)

"Until Christ is Formed in You: A Study in Personal Spiritual Formation" This class aims to be a thorough and biblical examination of the practices and disciplines through which we seek to develop and support the spiritually-transforming work of the Holy Spirit in and through our lives and relationships so that we will progressively become more conformed to the image of Christ. The goal of spiritual formation and this class is more than personal growth, but also healthy and Christ-effecting relationships and ministry.

World Religions | Wednesdays, January 11 – February 29 | Atrium Classroom 124 (Green)

The *World Religions* course is designed to help us glorify God as we see His goodness expressed in the Gospel and seen in contrast with other belief systems. We will be looking at classic world religions, as well as non-religious worldviews and even some pseudo-Christian beliefs. To that end, this course aims for comprehension of the basic tenets of major belief systems, comparison of these beliefs with Biblical Christianity, compassion for the lost who are following false belief systems, and communication such that we may be better equipped to share the Gospel effectively.

Youth & Culture | Wednesdays, January 11 – February 8 | Berean Room South (Akron)

Teenagers are among the most coveted demographics in popular culture. They have the most expendable income, are the most technologically savvy, and may possibly be the easiest to influence. Join this interactive course as we identify major cultural factors that are impacting today's youth. Anyone is welcome, but this class is aimed toward parents of teenagers.