



UNDERGROUND INSTITUTE
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INCARNATIONAL JUSTICE

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Course Description

This course will pursue a Biblical theology of justice as the heartbeat of mission to our communities and context. The concept of justice will be pursued historically from God's creation to Christ's church. Significant attention will be spent on application of our calling, specifically our call to justice at the margins of our culture and through kingdom oriented community development.

June 8	Justice as Concept and a Calling (Metanarratives and Theories) <i>Essential Reading: Justice Calling (Introduction and Chapter One)</i>
June 15	The Historical Movement of Justice: Creation to Israel <i>Essential Reading: Justice Calling (Chapter Two and Three)</i>
June 22	Justice from Israel to the Gospel <i>Essential Reading: Justice Calling (Chapter Four and Five)</i>
June 29	Christ Making All Things New, The Church's Call to Justice (Perseverance & Hope) <i>Essential Reading: Justice Calling (Chapter Six and seven)</i>
July 6	The Need for a Holistic / Incarnational Approach <i>Essential Reading: With Justice for All (Introduction - Chapter Five)</i>
July 13	The Strategy for Incarnational Community Development (Relocation) <i>Essential Reading: With Justice for All (Chapter Five – Chapter Nine)</i>
July 20	The Strategy for Incarnational Community Development (Reconciliation) <i>Essential Reading: With Justice for All (Chapter Ten- Chapter Fourteen)</i>
July 27	The Strategy for Incarnational Community Development (Redistribution) Concluding Thoughts and Commitment to Live Incarnational Justice <i>Essential Reading: With Justice for All (Chapter Fifteen – Chapter Eighteen)</i>

Essential Texts

The Justice Calling: Where Passion Meets Perseverance by Bethany H. Hoang and Kristen Deede Johnson (Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2017).

With Justice for All: A Strategy for Community Development by John Perkins (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2014).

Suggested Tests

Thriving in the City: A Guide to Sustainable Incarnational Ministry among the Urban Poor by T. Aaron Smith (Pomona, CA: Servant Partners Press, 2015).

Roadmap to Reconciliation Moving Communities into Unity, Wholeness and Justice by Brenda Salter McNeil (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2016).