EH 3205 In Search of Biblical Justice  
3 Credits  
Tuesday 6:05 - 08:00 pm (Online option for VA, MD, PA, and SC residents)

DESCRIPTION: Students in this course will identify characteristic features of the Bible's teachings on justice revealed through God's self-disclosure and reflect upon their availability to be a catalyst for Biblical Justice in our world.

SIGNIFICANCE FOR LIFE AND MINISTRY: This course is designed to guide the student's search for Biblical Justice by first examining what God declares about justice and righteousness in His word and secondly reflecting upon the responsibility of Christians to originate, implement, and sustain worship, educational, and advocational initiatives that promote the transformational characteristic of Biblical Justice for all persons across all callings who are interested in doing what is right and just, intrinsically.

LEARNING OUTCOMES: Through the successful completion of this course, a student should have:

- An understanding of justice as revealed in Christian Scripture: 1.1.1-2, 1.2.2
- An ability to think theologically and critically about God's justice requirement: 1.4.1-2, 2.2.1-2.
- A foundation for investigating and promoting the transformational character of Biblical justice as the mission of the Church in the 21st Century: 1.6.1-2, 2.1.1-2, 2.2, 2.4.1-2, 2.5.1-2, 3.1.1-2, 3.4.1, 3.5.1-2.

COURSE FORMAT: We deliver this semester-long course through a series of lectures and collaborative discussions. Student assessment will include attendance, an in-class survey on the first day, weekly assignments, participation in group discussions, a final paper disclosing how this course impacted the baseline information they provided at the first class, and, for cohort students, their contributions to a group project. In addition, students enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Justice Formation Program meet regularly to originate an initiative that may lead to the critique of an identified structural or systemic source of an injustice experienced in communities across our nation and other countries. This worshipful, educational, or advocational initiative may evolve into a group project for the cohort.

REQUIRED TEXT


July 13, 2023, by SLF. This ECD is subject to change.


**Supplemental Text (On Reserve***):


Hays, J. Daniel, From every People and Nation: A biblical theology of race (IVP, Downers Grove, Ill., 2003)


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**PREREQUISITES:** None

**RELATIONSHIP TO CURRICULUM:** This course meets a core curriculum requirement for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Justice Formation and can be an elective for the Masters of Christian Leadership (MCL) and the Graduate Certificate in Christian Leadership.