



## SYLLABUS

**Course:** Pauline Epistles: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians

**Term:** Spring 2026

**Course Number:** [BLC(letter)(number)]

**Credits:** 6 (credits toward a certificate of completion)

**Time and Dates:** Wednesdays at 6:30pm, April 8-May 20 (no class April 29)

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### Course Description:

This class is a six-session study through the New Testament books of Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians, spending two sessions in each book. Together, these letters help us understand the heart of the gospel, our identity in Christ, the nature of the church, and the joy-filled life of Christian maturity.

This course is designed to help students grow in biblical understanding, theological clarity, and practical Christian living. It is suited for both newer believers and mature Christians who want a stronger grasp of these foundational Pauline letters.

### Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, each student should be able to:

- Understand the historical background, main themes, and structure of Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians.
- Explain the central message of each book and how it contributes to a fuller understanding of the gospel.
- Identify key doctrines found in these letters, including justification by faith, union with Christ, grace, the church, sanctification, humility, and Christian joy.
- Trace the connection between gospel truth and daily Christian living.
- Apply the teaching of these books to personal discipleship, relationships, church life, and spiritual growth.
- Grow in confidence in reading and studying Paul's letters in their biblical and theological context.

### Recommended Texts:

- The New International Commentary of the New Testament: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians volumes.
- The New International Greek Testament Commentary: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians volumes.
- The Expositor's Bible Commentary: volumes 11-12.

## Course Schedule:

| Date     | Week | Topic           |
|----------|------|-----------------|
| April 8  | 1    | Galatians 1-3   |
| April 15 | 2    | Galatians 4-6   |
| April 22 | 3    | Ephesians 1-3   |
| April 29 | OFF  | OFF             |
| May 6    | 4    | Ephesians 4-6   |
| May 13   | 5    | Philippians 1-2 |
| May 20   | 6    | Philippians 3-4 |

## Attendance:

Attendance is a key component of success in this course. To earn credits for the course, you must attend the following number of classes: [5 of 6] classes

## Course Policies:

**Attendance:** Please contact the teacher if you intend to miss a class. To avoid losing credits, obtain notes, slides, and recordings of the class that you will miss.

## Important Dates:

- There will be no class on the evening of April 29 as the instructor will be out of town.

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