

# Introduction to Biblical Counseling (TH270) Course Syllabus

## I. Learning outcomes for TH270

In TH270, students will become familiarize with the rudiments of biblical counseling and the movement's history. Students will also be introduced to the distinctions present between biblical counseling and other modalities of soul care.

## II. Required Reading

Jeremy Lelek, *Biblical Counseling Basics: Roots, Beliefs, & Future* (Greensboro, NC: New Growth Press, 2018).

Michael R. Burgos, "A Critical Evaluation of the Anti-Biblical Counseling Movement"

### III. Lectures

Michael Lawyer, Introduction to Biblical Counseling

## IV. Assignments

Written assignments should be turned in together at the close of a course.

- 1. Read *Biblical Counseling Basics* and "A Critical Evaluation of the Anti-Biblical Counseling Movement."
- 2. Watch/Listen to lectures 1-26.
- 3. Write a two-page double spaced reflection on the assigned reading. A reflection paper identifies the subject(s) under consideration and gives a summarization of your reaction to the material with evidence from the material to support your suppositions. Reflection papers answer the questions "Did you agree with the claims of the author?," "What did you learn?," "What misconceptions did you have that the author helped you correct?" Footnote all citations. For further help consult <u>How to Write a Reflection Paper</u>.
- 4. Write a five to eight-page double-spaced research paper which describes the sufficiency of Scripture. Relate the doctrine of the sufficiency of Scripture to the practice of biblical counseling. Research and respond to the arguments of at least two integrationists or Christian Psychologists regarding the insufficiency of Scripture for counseling. This paper should include at least five written works aside from the assigned reading. Footnote all citations and provide both a cover page and a works cited page. Consult either the *Chicago Manual of Style* or Turabian for questions of citation and pagination.