**EE: Advanced Theological Studies Program**

**Effective Communication**

**Instructions**

There are 4 major components to this study experience. Each week you will be required to complete these components.

* Watch the lecture video or read the lecture transcript associated with each week’s study materials.
* Quiz Grading Criteria – Take the specified quiz associated with each Lecture. Each quiz will be graded out of 100%. You may reference the lecture video/transcript during the quiz.
* Discussion Forum Grading Criteria – Post at least 1 time each week. You may post quotes from the lecture, your opinions/experiences, or Bible verses in order to receive 100% for your forum participation.
* Assignment Grading Criteria - Complete and submit the assignment associated with each lecture. Each assignment will be graded out of a 100%. The assignments consist of reading from the Bible, reading from the course book, and/or questions from the lecture.

All that is taught in the ATS program will focus on Christ, so that God is glorified in you as you equip the church to multiply!

**Quiz & Assignments**

* Please complete the assignment and quiz after you have watched the lecture video.
* The Quiz has no time limit. You may reference the lecture during the quiz. You may only attempt each quiz once.
* The Assignment has no time limit. Please click the “submit” button to ensure you have submitted the assignment.

**Accredited Curriculum Track**

* **“ACT”:** EE staff who pursue the Accredited Curriculum Track must earn 20 credit hours by completing the 5 “Core Curriculum Courses” designed by EE. In addition, they must earn 20 credit hours by completing 6 “Third Millennium Courses”. Upon completion of the ACT, EE staff must enroll in one of EE’s Partner Seminaries in their region/continent. With scholarship assistance from EE and by completing additional course work required by the partner seminary, EE staff who complete the ACT program will earn an accredited “Master of Arts Degree” presented by the seminary in partnership with EE International.

**Grading System**

Accountability is very important to the success of your learning experience. While this course is being offered on-line, the ATS administrators are able to monitor your involvement in this course. Therefore, please be prompt in submitting all course assignments on or before the end or each week or session (NOTE: a one week grace period will be given to those who experience technical/internet/computer difficulty).

ATS will use the following grading system for all courses:

 10% Watch the Lecture Video or Read the Lecture Transcript

 30% Weekly Quiz

 30% Weekly Discussion Forum – post 1 time each week

 30% Completion of all Required Assignments

 20% Completion of all Assignments

 10% Final Paper

**Final Paper**

* You are required to write an "Integrative Paper" on the principles you learned in this course, "Spiritual Formation".  Here are the instructions for the paper you will be writing:
	+ Include your name and email address on the title page of this paper.
	+ Email your completed paper to Kara Alexander: karaalexander@eeworks.org
	+ Please type your paper using a "Word" document or PDF file.
	+ Double space your paper.
	+ The paper should be 3-5 pages long.
	+ You should integrate what you have learned in the Spiritual Formation course and show how these new concepts or truths can be applied to your ministry.
	+ This paper could be a resource you could use for your "Comprehensive Paper", which you will write at the end of the ATS program.

**Description for each Lecture & Objectives**

**All lecture material presented by John Sorensen, Tom Hendricks, Joanna Matasic, and Tom Stebbins.**

**Lecture 1 – Vision to Communicate**

In this lecture John Sorensen will discuss how to communicate the truth that we have with a world that is in great need of that truth. First he will look at how to achieve vision. Then he will consider the example of Nehemiah from Scripture. And he will discuss some characteristics of vision.

**Lecture 2 – Hermeneutics and Homiletics**

In this lecture Tom Hendricks will explore the Bible and the story it tells of our Lord Jesus from beginning to end. He will discuss how to communicate the truths of Scripture through preaching and teaching. He will also unpack the rules of Hermeneutics and Homiletics.

**Lecture 3 – History, Geography, and Society Matter**

Tom Hendricks will discuss rules of Hermeneutics and Homiletics further. He will also discuss the implications history, geography, and societies have on the text of Scripture.

**Lecture 4 – Identifying Christ through Abraham, Genesis, and Joseph**

Here Tom Hendricks will consider how the Biblical character of Abraham and Joseph point to our perfect Saviour and Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Lecture 5 – Identifying Christ through Israel, David, and Acts**

Tom Hendricks will discuss how the nation of Israel, the Biblical character of David, and those in the book of Acts point to our perfect Saviour and Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Lecture 6 – Communications Part I**

In this lecture, Joanna Metastic will unpack the skills needed to communicate effectively.

**Lecture 7 – Communications Part II**

Here Joanna Metastic will give an overview of the 3 M’s of communication: Matter, Manner, and Method. She will also discuss the “Matter” of communicating in detail.

**Lecture 8 – Communications Part III**

This lecture will focus on the Learning Pyramid and the “Manner” of communicating in depth.

**Lecture 9 – Communications Part IV**

In this lecture, Joanna Metasic will unpack the “Method” of communicating.

**Lecture 10 – How to Prepare a Sermon**

This lecture is presented by Tom Stebbins and he talks aboutthe value ofstudying God’s word for the purpose of preparing a message.