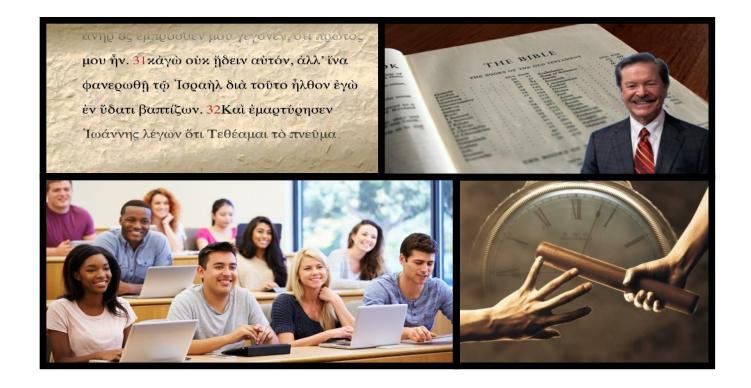
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SYLLABUS AND STUDY GUIDE

Apostolic Ministry
AT103

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Course Orientation and Introduction

I. Course Description

This course will address the practical application of the modern day ministry of apostles. We will look at the theology of apostolic ministry, but the scope of the course will include how apostles are to relate to the local church, how apostles are developed, what authority they have, how they relate to others, what is their main focus, the different types of apostles, etc.

The New Apostolic Reformation is a move of God that is sweeping the earth today, and it is important that we understand it, for it is ushering a new era in church history.

II. Course Objectives

- A. Learn about the New Apostolic Reformation that is sweeping the world and changing the way many are doing ministry
- B. Learn the role and function of the apostle in modern day ministry
- C. Guidance for those who want to apply apostolic ministry in their present ministry
- D. Provide insight on the main role of the apostle in ministry
- E. Learn how the apostle is developed for ministry
- F. Learn what qualifies someone as an apostle
- G. Learn of the common misconceptions about apostles

- H. Learn the importance of the apostle to the second coming of the Lord
- I. Understand why the Body of Christ has, for the most part, been ineffective in the Great Commission
- J. Lean how the organized church has failed to unite the Body of Christ
- K. Learn of networking as God's plan to win cities, states, and nations

III. Suggested Tools of Study

- A. Study the Word from an apostolic ministry perspective, which this course will present.
- B. Seek other material that will add to your education of the New Apostolic Reformation.
- C. The Textbook: Kelly, John. *Apostolic Ministry*. Columbus: TEC Publications, 2002

IV. Suggested Study Habits

- A. Continue to study the book and syllabus.
- B. Review the notes from the class.
- C. Prayerfully begin moving toward an apostolic ministry.

V. Course Requirements

A. Attend lectures.

B. Take final exam.

VI. Classroom Methodology

A. Lecture

Lesson 1

The Church's Responsibility

- I. What is the purpose of God for the church?
 - A. To fill the earth with the glory of God (Psalm 72:19)
 - B. The Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20)
 - C. When God spoke to Adam in Genesis 1:28, He told Adam to subdue the earth, be fruitful and multiply, and to take dominion.
- II. Adam failed to take dominion over the earth.
 - A. When Eve ate of the fruit (Genesis 3:1-7), Adam was right there with her. He failed to take dominion over the serpent.
 - B. In Joshua 1:2-3, Joshua was told that he would be given every place his foot would tread—he failed.
 - C. We were given the Great Commission and so far, we have failed.
 - D. While the church has been sitting around claiming victory, the enemy has entered the sanctuary and took God's standards and replaced them with his own (Psalms74:3-4).
- III. Jesus is going to reconcile all things to Himself (Col. 1:19-20), but that doesn't mean we are to wait around for Him to come while we do nothing.
 - A. Jesus never said, "Wait till I come back." The only time that Jesus said to wait is in Acts 1:4, when He said to wait for the Holy Spirit.

- B. Jesus used a similar word in Luke 19:12-13: "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, *Occupy* till I come" (KJV).
- IV. In Ephesians 1:10, Paul is not saying that it is when we die that we receive our inheritance, but by reconciling all things in heaven and on earth, and having all things under His feet (Romans 16:20).
- V. Jesus can't come back until Acts 3:21 is fulfilled.
 - A. All things will be reconciled before Christ comes back.
 - B. Acts 1:7 is a prophetic proclamation.
- VI. A subtle shift is taking place. It has to do with the New Apostolic Reformation, and taking dominion of our inheritance. We have the power, anointing strategy, etc., to do so.
 - A. The apostolic movement has to do with the restoration of the church.
- VII. We have an advantage that the Old Testament saints didn't have: the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.
 - A. We are seated with Him over all power and all principalities
- VIII. Since the church is to take dominion utilizing its positional authority, gifts, and anointing, we are to take authority over everything that is antichrist in politics, education, culture, business, entertainment, etc.
 - A. The church has lost its focus of building the Kingdom of God. The church is to focus on building the Kingdom, not building the biggest church on Main St.

IX.	We lost our generals and went into the Dark Ages.	When the church lost
	its generals, it lost its direction.	

- A. Martin Luther's revelation in the 1500s
- B. The 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, and to the present day.

X. There are two types of armies in the Body of Christ: (1) David's army that went about waging war, and (2) Saul's army that sat around and were critical of David.

- A. We have the authority to wage war and authority over angels, demons, sickness, etc., but we need the apostles to win the nations of the world.
- B. A Christian can look like a warrior and not really be one (Ephesians 6:11-12).

XI. Faith will act.

- A. Why preach on faith 52 weeks a year?
- B. The Great Commission will not be carried out by just handing out tracts.
- C. The Great Commission is about replacing worldly governments with the Government of God.

XII. What are pastors (set-men) called to do?

A. To win their city, region, or a people group

XIII. Revival is like water being poured out of a glass.

A. It needs a proper wineskin.

B. It must be spread to the rest of the city.

XIV. Revival, restoration, and reformation

A. This will touch every level of society.

XV. There is a need for apostolic input in every city.

- A. Unite pastors in a city.
- B. Only apostolic pastors can form a net.

XVI. Jesus' prayer in John 17:23

- A. Two unanswered prayers
- B. Unity flows from the leaders.

XVII. Other than angels, demons, and the Holy Spirit, all the powers on the earth can be reduced to three general categories: violence, wealth, and knowledge.

- A. The church needs to control these three categories.
- B. They are either under Satan's dominion or the church's dominion.
- C. Violence can control the masses: Idi Amin of Africa, Baby Doc of Haiti, Hitler of Germany, Mao Tse Tung of China, Milosovic, Bin Laden, etc.
- D. Jesus wanted to make sure His disciples could defend themselves (Luke 22:36-37).

- E. Wealth is another source of power.
- F. Wealth is a greater power than violence because wealth can buy violence.

XVIII. Knowledge is Power.

A. Holding back knowledge is a means of controlling a people group.

XIX. Wealth in the Church

- A. Jesus taught more about money and possessions than He did about faith or prayer.
- B. There are 2000 verses in the Old and New Testament dealing with money and possessions, whereas there are only 1000 dealing with faith and prayer.

XX. The parable of the talents is often spiritualized (Matt. 25:15-28).

- A. Matt 25:27: "...Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.
- XXI. If the church is to make disciple of all nations (Matt. 28:18-19), it will take a great deal of money.

XXII. The purpose for gaining wealth (Deut. 8:18)

A. It is not for our own consumption.

XXIII. Apostolic churches will have money.