

SYLLABUS

I. Content

A study of the family: its proper functioning according to Scripture, the major causes and patterns of family breakdown, for more effective strategies to restore harmony. Marriage and parent-child relationships will be examined. Pre-requisite: 5601

II. Purpose

- A. To develop a biblical view of marriage and family life.
- B. To take a closer look at the creation account of man and woman and the effects of the fall upon both man and woman.
- C. To better understand the redeemed masculine and feminine soul.
- D. To explore the dynamics of biblical family relationships for more effective counselling.
- E. To develop a biblical view of parenting for more effective counselling

III. Course Texts

- A. *Marriage Builder* by Larry Crabb
- B. *Wild at Heart* by John Eldredge (for men) **or**
Captivating by John & Staci Eldrege (for women)
- C. *Men and Women: Enjoying the Difference* by Larry Crabb
- D. *Forgiving Our Parents* by Stoop
- E. *Father and Son* by Gordon Dalbey (DVD)

IV. Course Requirements

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| A. Texts (10% per book or tape set) | 50% |
| 1. Read enough in each book to familiarize yourself with its content | |
| 2. For each book/tape set, write a ½ - 1 page personal response. | |
| B. Attend all lectures. Take notes. | 50% |

V. Class Dates:

VI. Class Times: