

PUTS 419 Selected Puritan Biographies (3)

Puritan Reformed Biblical Seminary
 Doctor of Divinity in Puritan Studies
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COURSE OUTLINE**Course Description**

A study of the selected puritan biographies. In this course, the student will be encouraged by the life and testimony of the Puritans who lived in sixteen and seventeen centuries.

Course Objectives

1. The student will know the true biblical lifestyle of Puritans.
2. The student will be much encouraged and comforted through Puritans' application of Scripture to their practical lives.
3. The student will be evidently living a godly puritanical Christian life.
4. The student will be encouraged to purify both himself and the Church by teachings of Scripture.

Course TextbooksRequired Textbook

Boston, Thomas. *Memoirs of the Life, Time, and Writings of the Reverend and Learned Thomas Boston, M.A.* [Divided into Twelve Periods. Written by Himself, and Addressed to his Children. To which are added some Original Papers, and Letters to and from the Author. New Edition with Introduction and Notes by the Rev. George H. Morrison, M.A., Dundee]

Thomson, Andrew. *Life of Dr. Owen*. Grand Rapids, MI: Christian Classics Ethereal Library.

Flavel, John. *The Life of the late Rev. Mr. John Flavel*.

The following reading is required:

<i>Author</i>	<i>Book</i>	<i>Pages</i>
Abner Morse	<i>Genealogical Register of the Descendants of Several Ancient Puritans: Vol.3</i>	100
Samuel Clarke	<i>The Lives of Sundry Eminent Persons in this Later Age</i>	50
Thomas Watson	<i>Puritan Gems</i>	50
John Piper	<i>God's Passion For His Glory: Living the Vision of Jonathan Edwards</i>	100
--	<i>Life and Dairy of David Brainerd as Prefaced by Jonathan Edwards</i>	100
Kenneth P. Minkema	<i>Jonathan Edwards In The Twentieth Century</i>	29
William Barker	<i>Profiles in Puritanism</i>	40

Additional reading from puritan biographies

31

TOTAL READING

500 pages

Course Requirements

1. *Paper*. The student is to write one paper from the required textbooks mentioned above, focusing on the character and lessons learned from these puritan divines. The paper must be typed, one inch margins, double-spaced, and 40–45 pages in length, including bibliography. The paper should follow the turabian guidelines and conform to the seminary manual for papers and theses.

Note: Though the student discusses with the textbook and develops his content from the same, he/ she must consult with other valid/ scholarly works for better understanding of the subject.

2. *Reading*. The student is to read the course syllabus and the required reading materials given in this description.

Remember, Paper and reading report is to be graded as follows:

Course Grading

- The student should consult the catalog for the grading scale used in the seminary.
- The *paper* constitutes 85% of the course grade.
- The *reading* constitutes 15% of the course grade.
- Students may turn in class assignments through e-mail in a word/ *pdf* format as your mentor demands.
- Late assignments, unless the result of circumstances beyond the student's control, are not accepted.
- Except when permission has been granted by the mentor, the complete work not turned in by the end of the program time limits, is recorded as a zero and the student's grade computed accordingly.