

School of Ministry

2026 COURSE SYLLABUS

Classroom: High School classroom

Class Time: Saturdays from 7:00 to 8:30 am

Text: *School of Ministry: Essential Lessons for Christian Leaders* by Bruce Zachary
(a printed copy will be provided to each student)

Additional Reading: One book will be assigned every two months.
Copies will be made available for purchase at cost and links provided to eBook versions when available. A book report form will be completed for each one.

- *Calvary Chapel Distinctives*, Chuck Smith
- *Spiritual Leadership*, J. Oswald Sanders
- *Mere Christianity*, C.S. Lewis
- *Pursuit of God*, A.W. Tozer
- *Victorious Christian Service*, Alan Redpath
- *Church History: An Essential Guide*, Justo Gonzalez

Supplies: Bible, notebook and pen

Grading: The course grade will be determined on a quarterly basis as follows:

Grading Rubric

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| Participation / Attendance | 20% |
| Homework (Lifework assignments at end of each lesson) | 50% |
| Book Reports (completed every two months) | 15% |
| Ministry Reports (completed monthly) | 15% |

TOTAL: 100%

Objective: This course is intended to train Christian leaders through personal discipleship, study and practical experience. Students will learn to serve God and the Body of Christ in church ministry and you will be equipped for the work that God has called you to do.

Ministry Involvement: Students should be regularly involved in an area of ministry where you can apply the lessons that you are learning in order to become a more effective member of the Body of Christ. Each student should serve at least 4 hours per month.

Schedule: One lesson will be taught each week. No class will be scheduled on the weekends of men's and women's retreat. Lessons are organized into modules. We will cover three modules per quarter.

1st Quarter: January - March

- **Module 1: Leaders' Devotions**
- **Module 2: Worship**
- **Module 3: Servant Leadership**

2nd Quarter: April - June

- **Module 4: The Leader's Time**
- **Module 5: Expository Preaching**
- **Module 6: Defending the Faith**

3rd Quarter: July - September

- **Module 7: Ministry and People - Part 1**
- **Module 8: Ministry and People - Part 2**
- **Module 9: Missions**

4th Quarter: October - December

- **Module 10: Planning and Vision**
- **Module 11: Equipping and Evangelism**
- **Module 12: Pastoral Epistles - 1 Timothy**