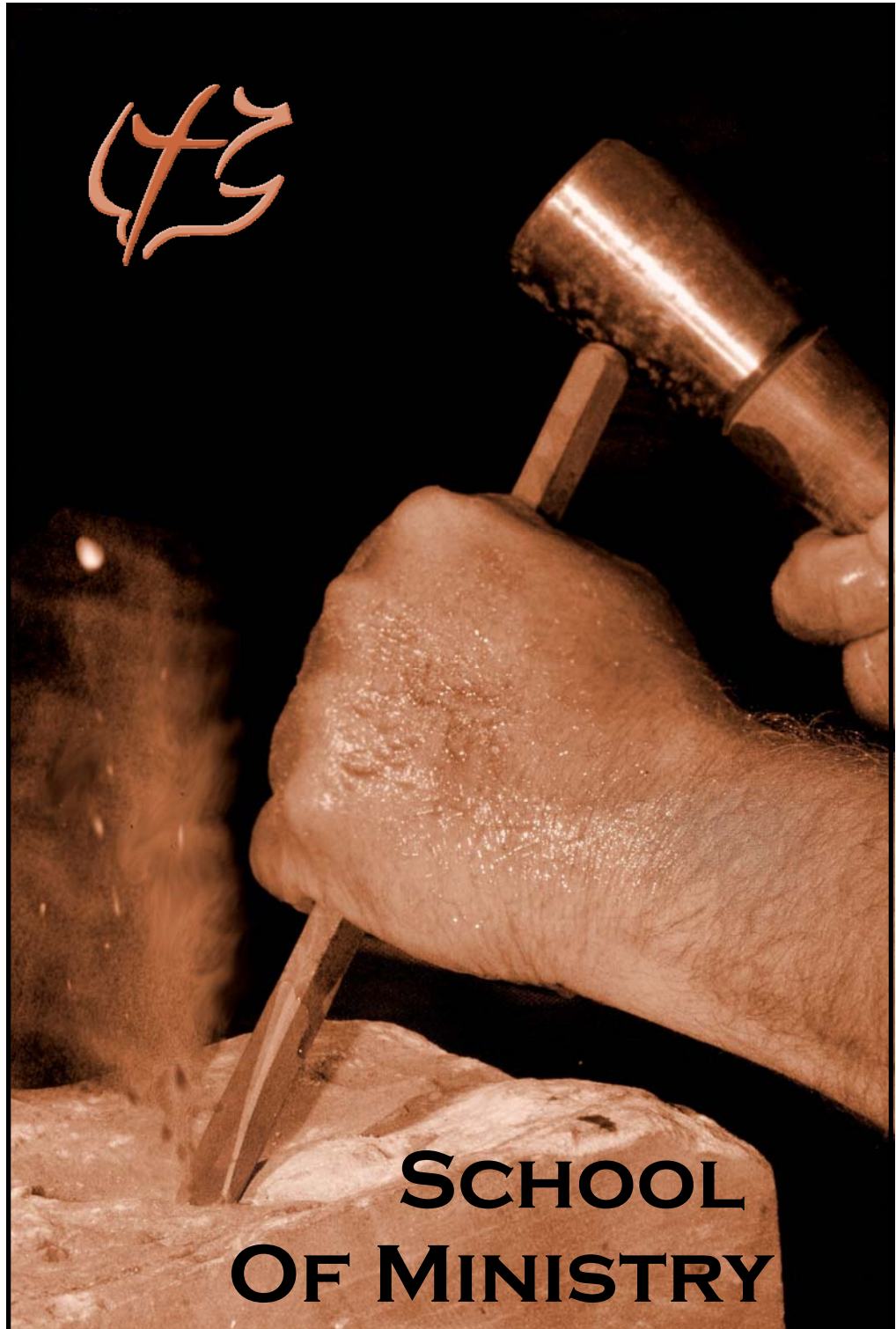


Calvary Chapel Santa Cruz



Program Description
and
Course Catalog

“...for the equipping of the saints
for the work of ministry...”

Ephesians 4:12



SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

The School of Ministry at Calvary Chapel Santa Cruz is designed simply, “for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.” (Eph. 4:12)

Our desire is to see ongoing discipleship and equipping taking place continually throughout the ministry of the local church, but our hope even beyond that is that the SoM will provide a unique opportunity for a deeper kind of intense personal discipleship, and for the specific training and equipping of those who sense the leading of the Lord into a life of service.

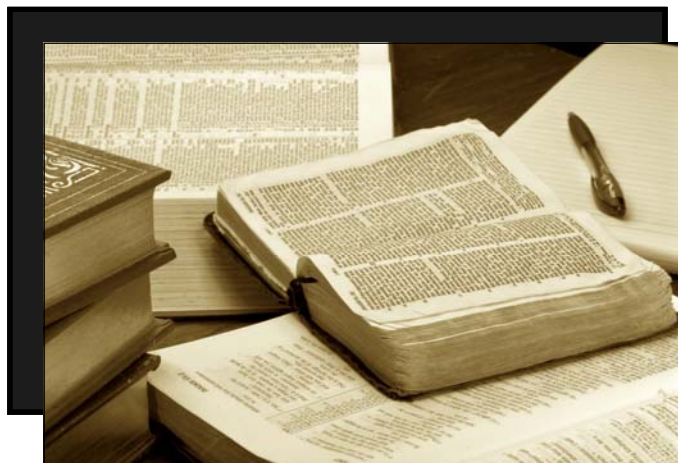
Our calling is to equip not only those who believe that they are called into the “full-time” ministry, but to equip all of the body of Christ, believing that ministry is not a destination, but a way of life.

Toward this end, we have designed a comprehensive curriculum and program that would not only be attractive to those from the "outside" who would come and participate in the program, but would also be accessible to those within our own extended local body, offering a strong, consistent, ongoing, and flexible program of education and equipping.

The SoM at CCSC is unique to School of Ministry offerings at other Calvary Chapel churches in that a substantial portion of the overall preparation is specifically designed to be self-paced, self-directed, and self-monitored. We believe that this is part of the essential preparation for the demands of a ministry-focused life.

The training offered here in the SoM is not designed to be exhaustive in any one area, but rather, inclusive of many different areas of ministry. Our heart is to equip workers practically, emphasizing principles of service and leadership which we believe beneficial to every area of ministry. As such, people that are called into many different areas of ministry will benefit from what the SoM has to offer. In addition to preparing pastors, we seek to equip those who will serve as missionaries, worship leaders, youth pastors, children’s ministry workers, men’s and women’s ministry leaders, and assistant pastors.

The SoM is open to men and women over the age of eighteen who feel the Lord’s call on their lives. If you think the Lord is calling you to “stir up” the gift of God that is in you, you should consider the CCSC SoM.



The CCSC SoM Program

The full SoM program consists of six separate study “tracks” which are designed to be completed in either one or two years, depending upon the student’s choice of enrollment. The six tracks include the following:



1. Ministry Core Track

This track consists of six, six week courses spread throughout the year (six weeks on, three weeks off, six weeks on, etc.). The courses are offered Sunday afternoons at CCSC from 2:00-4:00 p.m. This track is designed to be the "core" practical preparation for ministry and consists of the following courses:

- Inductive Bible Study (Winter)
- Expository Teaching (Spring 1)
- Biblical Counseling (Spring 2)
- Basic Bible Doctrines (Summer)
- Apologetics (Fall 1)
- Principles of Ministry (Fall 2)

2. Bible Study Track

This track also consists of six, six week courses spread throughout the year (in sync with the Ministry Core Track). The courses take place on Thursday evenings at CCSC from 6:00-9:00 p.m. This track is designed to be the basics of foundational Biblical teaching for ministry and consists of the following courses:

- Bible Survey (Winter)
- Genesis (Spring 1)
- Harmony of the Gospels (Spring 2)
- Acts (Summer)
- Romans (Fall 1)
- Revelation (Fall 2)

3. Library Track

This track consists of both a book and DVD list which students are responsible to read and view independently, within the course of one year, completing a short review paper on each title to be submitted for evaluation.

The book list includes the following selected titles, in the following order:

1. *Memoir of Grace*, Smith
2. *Road to Reality*, Yohannan
3. *Why Grace Changes Everything*, Smith
4. *The Calvary Road*, Hession
5. *With Christ in the School of Prayer*, Murray
6. *50 People Every Christian Should Know*, Wiersbe
7. *Charisma vs Charismania*, Smith
8. *Living Water*, Smith
9. *Essentials in Ministry, Excellence in Ministry, Spiritual Warfare*, Brodersen
10. *Against The Wind*, Yohannan
11. *The Master Plan of Evangelism*, Coleman
12. *Harvest*, Smith, Brooke
13. *Spiritual Leadership*, Sanders

“...whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock...”

Matthew 7:24

In addition to this reading list, students will complete viewings of the following specially selected DVD messages included in the CCOF Foundation Series entitled *Calvary Chapel Basics*:



- “The Word of God”, Chuck Smith
- “Prayer”, Steve Mays
- “Grace”, Ed Smith
- “The Pastor”, Brian Brodersen
- “Youth”, Paul Ries
- “Fellowship”, Rick Ryan
- “Evangelism”, Jon Courson
- “Love”, Wayne Taylor
- “Holy Spirit”, Ray Bentley
- “Doctrine”, Skip Heitzig
- “Lifestyle of the Minister”, Jeff Johnson
- “Finance”, Don McClure
- “Faith and Vision”, Mike MacIntosh
- “Balance”, Bill Ritchie

4. Thru-the-Bible Track with Pastor Chuck Smith

This track consists of the complete C2000 “Through the Bible” teaching series from Pastor Chuck Smith. Students listen on their own to teachings from Genesis to Revelation, completing a short worksheet on each sermon. Completed worksheets will be turned-in on a monthly basis for evaluation.

5. Practical Ministry Track

This track consists of approximately 30 hours of practical hands-on ministry within CCSC (or your own local fellowship for “commuting” students). These hours are spread-out among any of the various ministries one may find in a local church, such as the church office, nursery, book store and café, janitorial and maintenance services, and children’s ministry. This track helps to ensure that those completing the SoM have exposure to the varying kinds of work that is done in the ministry. It is designed to ensure that each student walks away from the SOM with a good understanding of all that is involved “behind the scenes” in the running of a church.

We also wish to equip students with the ability to serve outside the comforts of the church body by encouraging them to take part in local outreaches. In fulfilling this requirement, students will visit jails, juvenile detention centers, prisons, rest homes, hospitals, and take part in various community service events. The purpose of this element is to remind students to think outside of the confines of the church and remember that the Lord commands us to “go” (Matt. 28:19).

“Then Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Matthew 28:18-20



6. Discipleship Track

This track consists of a weekly discipleship group with Pastor David Johnston, Senior Pastor of CCSC, or other SoM staff pastors. The basis of the discipleship will be a systematic study of the Pastoral Epistles, focusing on in-depth study of important principles and qualities present in the life of the man or woman that God uses. This is a time of exhortation, in which it is our hope that the students will cultivate a pastoral heart for sheep.



for personal spiritual growth.

In addition, each student will be paired with an advisor (Pastor or Women's Ministry leader) who will meet regularly with him/her to discuss spiritual issues and provide guidance in certain areas. The advisor will discuss the student's prayer journal with him/her and try to provide spiritual insights for the student.

By nurturing these areas, each student will not only be given the tools necessary to serve in the ministry, but also the tools necessary

Timeframe For Completion

There are a number of different ways to complete the series of tracks and finish the entire program:

One Year - An intensive approach focused on completion of all of the tracks in a one year period (designed for the "full-time" resident student).

We encourage those who are able to try and complete the program in this way, as we wish to offer those that desire to go into ministry an opportunity to take a year out of their lives and spend time in serious pursuit of the things of God.

Full-time students should anticipate four to five hours of classroom time per week, along with an equal amount of homework, depending upon the course. In addition to this, students should allow for approximately 15 hours per week between the two self-study tracks, two hours of discipleship, four hours of service, and the potential for several more hours in miscellaneous special events. Realistically, depending on the student, this could equal 30-35 hours per week before time spent in weekly worship services, Bible studies, and personal devotional time. We encourage students to take this into account when considering how many hours a week they might work while attending

"Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

the SoM “full time.”

For those who are unable to devote this much time to an intensive one-year enrollment, or who need to continue to work to support themselves financially are welcome and encouraged to consider a two-year completion option:



Two Year - A less intensive approach focused on completion of all the tracks in a two year period (designed for the serious, dedicated student who continues to work full time, etc.). Possible suggested track layout:

Year 1 - Bible Track (Thursdays), Book Review Track, Service Track

Year 2 - Core Ministry Track (Sundays), Thru the Bible Track, Discipleship Track

Students who desire to complete the entire program in one or two years are invited to enroll and begin their coursework (Ministry Core and Bible) and self-study tracks (Book Review, Thru-the-Bible) at any time during the calendar year.

Those not planning to complete the entire SoM program, are welcome and encouraged to enroll, instead, in individual courses:

“A La Carte” - In addition to these options for completing the entire program, all of the above "tracks" and/or courses (including Sundays and Thursdays), are available individually to those from the body who want to participate in the program on a more "a la carte" basis, without, necessarily, the goal of completing the entire program. For example, one could simply sign-up to take the Inductive Bible Study course, and then the Apologetics course, and then the Romans, or Revelation course.

Faculty

The SoM is directly overseen by CCSC staff pastors. All of the track courses are taught by local Calvary Chapel pastors, including guest pastors from other neighboring CC churches.

The current faculty list includes:

Tim Brown, CC Fremont
Romans, Biblical Counseling
Brian Heminger, CC Half Moon Bay
Basic Bible Doctrines, Principles of Ministry
Bill Holdridge, Poimen Ministries
Bible Survey, Acts
David Johnston, CC Santa Cruz
Discipleship Track
Johnny Johnston, CC Santa Cruz
Genesis, Revelation
Joe Shupp, CC Santa Cruz
Apologetics
Dylan Smith, CC Watsonville
Harmony of the Gospels
Keith Wills, CC Santa Cruz
Inductive Bible Study
Bill Bjorkman, CC Santa Cruz

*“...be strong in the grace
that is in Christ Jesus.*

*And the things that you
have heard from me
among many witnesses,
commit these to faithful
men who will be able to
teach others also.”*

2 Timothy 2:1-2



Certificate of Completion

Upon completion of the SoM, the student will receive a certificate of completion recognizing that he or she has completed the course objectives and the requirements of Calvary Chapel Santa Cruz' School of Ministry.

Because we have chosen not to become a “certified” “program” or “school”, a diploma from our SoM will not be recognized by any certified institution of higher learning, nor is any church compelled to recognize our certificate of completion as proof that the graduate is equipped to minister according to its standards.

A certificate of completion from our SoM, however, will be respected by many churches as evidence of a person's qualification for ministry, but we do ask our prospective students to remember that a person is not qualified to ministry because he or she has a degree or certificate, but rather that they are qualified only by the calling and the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

Housing

CCSC is unable to provide housing for SoM students at this time. We will, however, do everything we can to help our prospective students find affordable housing. We ask that any prospective student make his or her needs known to us as soon as possible so that we can have time to provide useful assistance. In some cases, we may be able to link students who wish to share housing expenses.

Cost

There is a cost associated with each course, which students will pay, depending on their enrollment, either by individual class, or by track.

Ministry Core Track (Sundays) - \$75.00 per class (total of \$450.00), plus texts estimated at \$20.00 per class (total of \$120.00).

Bible Track (Thursdays) - \$75.00 per class (total of \$450.00), plus texts estimated at \$20.00 per class (total of \$120.00).

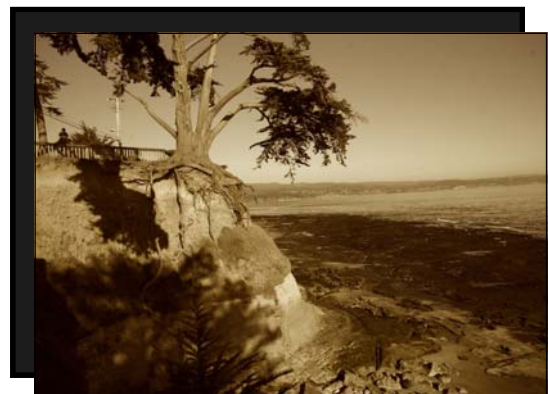
Book Review Track - \$50.00 fee, plus books estimated at \$15.00 per book (total of \$180.00).

Thru-the-Bible with Pastor Chuck Track - \$50.00 fee, plus Mp3 set estimated at \$40.00.

Discipleship Track - \$50.00 fee, plus materials/text estimated at \$25.00.

Registration/Administrative/Application Fees - \$75
(for one and two year students).

Total cost to complete SoM



\$1,610.00



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

1. Ministry Core Track

Inductive Bible Study (Winter) – The purpose for this class is to teach and encourage students to study the Word of God by carefully observing, carefully interpreting, accurately cross-referencing, and relevantly applying the text to their lives. This course is designed to introduce the student to basic principles for Bible study and Bible interpretation, focusing on a literal, historical-cultural, and grammatical approach to the Scriptures.

Expository Teaching (Spring 1) – This course builds upon the foundation laid in the IBS course, helping students learn to organize, prepare, and deliver expository teachings of Biblical texts.

Biblical Counseling (Spring 2) – This course will be a Biblical study of counseling from God's perspective. We will study the biblical basis for counseling as well as the principles for effective counseling taught in God's Word. Students will also learn to discern the difference between secular counseling methods and biblical counseling methods.

Basic Bible Doctrines (Summer) – This course will focus on a survey of the fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith as taught in the Bible, including basic teachings on God, Jesus Christ, The Holy Spirit, The Church, Salvation, Things of The Spirit Realm, and Things to Come.

Apologetics (Fall 1) - This course consists of an examination and evaluation of the argument for the truthfulness of Christianity. Emphasis will be given to the nature of truth, existence of God, evil, hell, the reliability of the Bible, deity of Christ, resurrection of Christ, and other elements that comprise the core doctrines of Christianity.

Principles of Ministry (Fall 2) – This course will cover “life in the local church,” introducing the student on a very practical level to the varying and different aspects that make-up the ministry. Special attention will be given to principles of servant-leadership and ministering as Jesus ministered.

2. Bible Study Track

Bible Survey (Winter) – This course will help students to examine and unlock the organization and message of the Bible as a whole, giving them foundational keys to their study of the Scriptures. Students will examine the core teachings of the Bible; the geography of the Holy Land; key characters, places, and events of the Bible; as well as study the Bible’s overarching themes and message.

Genesis (Spring 1) - This is a systematic study of the book of Genesis. The intention of this course is to study the magnificent account of the creation of mankind and the unfolding plan of redemption of mankind, leading each student into a deeper faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This foundational book of the Bible is essential for each student to gain a foundational understanding of the overall teaching of the Bible, as all of the major doctrines find their



origin in this book of beginnings.

Bible Study Track (cont'd)



Harmony of the Gospels (Spring 2) - This course differs slightly from the others in the Bible track in that it will not be as much an in-depth, verse-by-verse study, but will summarize Christ's teachings and works as a whole, drawing from each of the gospel accounts, helping to give clarity and insight to the life and ministry of our Lord.

Acts (Summer) - This course is a verse-by-verse study through the Book of Acts, looking at the growth of the early church and church practice, including the function of spiritual gifts in the church. Students will also study the aspects of early church missions, church planting, and discipleship.

Romans (Fall 1) - This course is a verse-by-verse study of the book of Romans, a book long regarded as the most systematic presentation of doctrine in the Bible. Students will look carefully at how the saving life of Christ, through the work of the Holy Spirit, can transform lives.

Revelation (Fall 2) - In this course, students will seek a Biblical understanding in their minds and hearts of the events that God has foretold through His prophets concerning the Last Days. Students will gain an understanding of where we are in the history of prophecy and what lies ahead for the Church. The focus of the course will be upon the Person of Jesus Christ, because the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy (Revelation 19:10).

3. Library Track

Please refer to the listing of book and DVD titles in the "Program" description section.

Written reviews for this track will include a short summary of the book or DVD's content and basic themes, but should focus on the student's response to the media, including their personal impressions and specific and unique applications to their lives, both as Christian workers and as disciples of Jesus Christ.

4. Thru-the-Bible Track with Pastor Chuck Smith

The C2000 Series MP3s are recordings of Pastor Chuck Smith's "Through the Bible" messages delivered at Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa. Students will study the Bible verse-by-verse from Genesis through Revelation by listening to the expository messages, answering the study questions in the course guide, and writing down personal notes from the teachings.

There are 323 messages for this track, at an average length of about an hour per message. This track should give students a broad and deep understanding of God's Word, which will strengthen their relationship with God and help them to understand His will for their lives. Students are encouraged to listen to the messages with their Bibles open and with a

