

ANCCI UNIVERSITY

MI 102 EVANGELISM

What Must I Do To Be Saved? The Bible's Definition of Saving Faith

Instructor: Dr. Steven Waterhouse, Pastor, Westcliff Bible Church, Amarillo TX, author of 21 books on theology, gospel history, and counseling, doctorate Dallas Theological Seminary. God willing, Ken Wiest will also speak at the March 7 seminar. Mr. Wiest is a graduate of Capital Bible Seminary, Washington DC and the University of Michigan. He has ministered for thirty years.

Rationale: This will be a theological study of the Bible's terms for evangelism. One must have a Bible message before any ministry. What is the biblical theology of the saving gospel message?

Objectives: the course will:

1. Study Bible terms used in New Testament evangelism such as believe, repent, and convert. Much attention will be placed on the Hebrew and Greek words for precise definitions.
2. Study modern gospel appeals such as "ask Jesus into your heart" or "forsake all sin" to be saved.
3. If time permits, study the relationship between baptism and salvation.

Strategy: By word studies of the Hebrew word (*amen*) and Greek terms (*pisteo*) we will show saving faith equals trust. Also, the phrase "believe that" identifies the One in whom we trust as God's Son and risen Lord. If one does not believe in the deity or resurrection, he or she is not trusting the biblical Jesus and is not saved.

Evaluation: Students will take a test during the final hour of class time.

Textbook: Waterhouse, Steven, *What Must I Do To Be Saved*, Amarillo TX: Westcliff Press, 2011 is available for free download at www.webthology.com. Free printed copies will be distributed at the 1st class. Since Bible critics charge the gospels are forgeries, several small summary materials will also be available on proving the authorship of Matthew and John.