

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (Ph. D).

Purpose: The purpose of **Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies** is to lay a vigorous academic groundwork for the candidate. It is to invigorate the candidate to engross in an overall in-depth study of research and practice in the domain of Biblical words and expressions. It is also aimed at stimulating the candidate to be more effective and efficient in Ministry endeavors and leadership. The doctoral candidate will demonstrate in writing a comprehensive dissertation on the results of a research that has been learned during the candidate's program. The average dissertation is between 80 and 250 pages. A bibliography should be a minimum of 30 books that the candidate has referred to in the preparation for writing the dissertation. For a comprehensive guideline, see **Kate LTurabian, 2009 edition.**

Degree Requirements:

The doctoral candidate must have both a bachelor's and master's degrees approved by **Winning Life Prayer Ministry Academic Team** before the admission into the program. The candidate must prove that he or she has a prior academic foundation capable of pursuing the **Doctoral Degree**. After consultation and review, **the Academic Team** will determine if the applicant is qualified to be admitted to the program. All coursework may be emailed to winninglifetheory@gmail.com.

DEGREE DISTINCTIVENESS

1. Ability to apply theological studies to any field of endeavor to enhance Biblical, Academic and business programs.
2. Apply Biblical and Theological Research tools to any field of specialization.
3. Incorporate Biblical and theological knowledge with research, and preaching skills to communicate Biblical doctrines, exegetical methods, Evangelism, and scriptures with accuracy and relevance to the teeming flock.
4. Grow professionally, academically, scripturally, pastorally, and develop leadership skills as you do term papers, and undertake committed academic work.
5. Develop skills that lead to Church growth, and planting of Churches in America and in the world.
6. Articulate Evangelical, Charismatic, Pentecostal Reformed doctrinal beliefs with coherence, accuracy, relevance, and with clarity.
7. Articulate analytically in business and Church teaching.

DBS 740. Exegetically examine the terms and appellations, or the names, Elohim, **Yahweh, Yahweh Shalom, Yahweh-Raah, and Theos**. What are the implications of the appellations to 21st Century Ministry and Biblical studies?

DBS 750: Exegetically investigate the terms, **Holy Spirit (ru'ah, or Ruach, pneuma), Angeles (malak, aggelos), Church (eklessia), and Eschatology.**

DBS 770: Analyze the **Golden age of scholasticism** and accentuate the contribution of the following: (a) Anselm (1033-1109), (b) **Thomas Aquinas.**

DBS 780: Discuss the **invisibility** of God (Genesis 32: 22-30, Exodus 24: 9-11; 1Tim. 1:17) and Support your research using **exegetical approach**.

DBS 790: Use renowned books, published materials, journals, and Articles to expatiate on **Theophany Encounters** in both the Old Testament and New Testament.

DBS 800: Research the Trinitarian Controversy accentuating Justin Martyr's (AD165) description of the origin of the *logos*, Arian controversy (A.D.325-381), Old and New Testaments proofs of the Doctrine of Trinity, the development of creed up to A.D. 325 (The Nicene Creed), the role of Tertullian, Gregory of Nyssa, Augustine, the "Athanasian" Creed, and the Cappadocia Fathers.

DMS 810: Use published books, journals, and Articles to research **Jesus' passion, resurrection and Ascension**. Substantiate why his resurrection is so significant for Christians.

DMS 820: Use exegetical or theological approach to discuss the following **Pentateuch Themes: Creation, the fall of man, the flood, Origin of nations, Monotheism, Covenants, Exodus, Laws, stipulations, and statutes, the patriarchs, and possession the Land**.

DMS 830: Describe the nations' salvation when the Messiah comes. Isaiah 19:23-25' Isaiah 2:2-3. How is the nations' "coming spontaneous? Is there a missionary "going on" in the prophecy? Psalm 68: 31; Zech 8:23'; Isaiah 55:5; Isaiah 66:18-19.

DMS 840: Use published books, Journals, and Articles, **Research, Compare and Contrast three of the following:** (a) Christianity with Islam (b) Christianity with Judaism (c) Christianity with African Traditional Religion (d) Christianity with Buddhism (e) Christianity with Hinduism (f) Christianity and Shintoism (g) Christianity and Catholicism (h) Christianity and Judaism.

DMS 850: Discuss **Civil Disobedience** and emphasize **Authoritarianism, Libertarianism, Authoritativeness**, and use biblical texts to support your research and argumentation (Daniel 6; Daniel 3; Acts 4; Mat. 22: 15-21; Acts 5:29; Romans 13: 1-7; Titus 3:1; 1Peter 3:1).

DMS 860: Use an exegetical approach to analyze the **beatitudes in Matthew Chapters 5:1-1-17-7:12).**

DMS 870: Use a Theological approach to discuss the **Four Patriarchs** and elaborate on the blessings associated with the patriarchal line age and inheritance.

DMS 880: Anointing has played a significant role in Christianity since the beginning of creation. Use renowned books, and published Theological materials to research the term and authenticate the significance of the anointing oil and its liturgical function. Explain the significance of the anointing to your Ministry.

DMS 890: What is a parable? Use renowned books, journals and Articles to discuss the definition of a parable, why did Jesus preach in parables, and explain the ***Sitz im leben*** of four parables.

DMS 900: Postmodernism in theology is described as Western philosophy, a late 20th-century movement characterized by broad skepticism, subjectivism, or relativism; a general suspicion of reason; and an acute sensitivity to the role of ideology in asserting and maintaining political and economic power. Research characteristics of postmodernism and their effects on 21st Century Christianity.

DMS 910: Martin Luther was the first Reformist to break away from the practice of **Catholicism**. Accentuate the doctrines of Martin Luther and pillars of reformed theology and discuss the significance and contribution of their theology to the growth and advancement of Christianity in the 21st Century.

DMS 920: Numerous theologians, Biblical Expositors, and Seminarians have often grappled with the metaphorical use of some lexical items in the Bible. Research the emblematic use of the terms, ***Light, Rock, Father, shepherd, Water, blameless, and walk with God (Lord)***.

DMS 930 Use a biblical and exegetical approach to research the significance and importance of Fasting and Prayer in the advancement of Christianity and the ministries of the apostles in the Book of Acts. Discuss the positive impact of fasting and prayer in the Bible.

DMS 940: Jesus' ministry was characterized with **miracles, wonders, power, and healing**. Research the lexical items used for miracles, wonders, healing, and discuss the importance and significance of Jesus' healing ministry in the 21st Century Church.

DMS 950: Research lexical items used in both the Old and New Testaments to describe the **Church**. Place emphasis on the New Testament's Church and its positive impact on your Ministry.

DMS 960: Research the meaning, importance and significance of Worship. Place high premium on the **transcendence and immanence of God, rituals and sacrifices, worship and spiritual maturity, prayer, praise and worship**.

DMS 970: Research worship in the Reformation Churches, and emphasize on Contemporary worship, Erasmus of Rotterdam, sacramental controversy, Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, the use of the word, and the psalm.

DMS 980: Use theological and exegetical approach to discuss the relationship between Christianity and Culture. Research the following: (a) **Christ of culture** (b) **Christ against Culture** (c) **Christ above Culture** (d) **Christ and culture in paradox** (f) **Christ is a transformer of Culture.**