Module #1 Training Syllabus

A Christian Chaplain's Theology

WEEK 1 – Introduction to What a Christian Believes

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What does it mean to be a Christian? What is Sound Doctrine? Theology Overview Practice Exam.

WEEK 2 – Knowing the One True God

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

The Doctrine of God; What does Creation Reveal about God? Seven Truths that Support God's Immutability; What is the Trinity? Benefits of Knowing God/Dangers of Not-Knowing God

WEEK 3 – What is the Word of God?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is the Word of God?
The Bible
Doctrine of God Quiz (To be done in class)

WEEK 4 - What is Man & Sin?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is Man? Original Sin What is Sin?

WEEK 5 – Who is Jesus & What is the Gospel?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is the Person & Work of Christ?
What is the Biblical Evidence for the Resurrection of Jesus?
What is the Gospel of Jesus?

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WEEK 6 - What is the Plan of Salvation?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

The Order of Salvation – "Ordo Salutis" What is True Conversion?

WEEK 7 - What is Justification?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is Justification? What is Sanctification? Why is Jesus Necessary?

WEEK 8 - What is Death?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is Death?
What is Glorification & the Resurrection from the Dead?

WEEK 9 – What is Final Judgment?

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

What is the Second Coming – the "Parousia"? What is Final Judgment? What is Heaven?

WEEK 10 – The Gospel Revisited

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

The Four-Step Gospel Presentation What is Faith?
What is Repentance?
Quiz: What is the Gospel?

WEEK 11 – Theology Review & Practice Exams

WEEK 12 - Oral Exam & Certificate & Graduation Ceremony

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Module #2 Training Syllabus A Christian Chaplain as a Pastoral Care Minister

WEEK 1- Pastoral Care is Grounded in Sound Doctrine

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: Remember, you are an Ambassador for Christ What is Sound Doctrine?
Seven Truths about the God who Is What are a Christian's Core Beliefs?
Theology Overview Quiz

WEEK TWO – Christ-Centered & Gospel-Driven Counsel

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:
The Chaplain as a Pastoral Caregiver
Being Christ-Centered
What does Christ-Centered Biblical Coaching Look Like?
Biblical Coaching starts with Self-Examination
Christ-Centered & Gospel-Driven Counsel for Hurting People

WEEK THREE – The Ministry of Presence

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: What is the Ministry of Presence?
Ministry of Presence within a Pluralistic Society What is Prayer?
The Reality of Spiritual Warfare
A Christian Chaplain is a Prayer Warrior

WEEK FOUR – The Ministry of Edification & Evangelism

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:
How does the Word of God edify?
How does the Word of God evangelize?
The Goal of Evangelism as Mandated by our LORD
Our Method of Evangelism
Presenting the Sacraments of Baptism & the LORD's Supper

WEEK FIVE – The Ministry of Grace & Truth in Balance

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: The Way of Biblical Love

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The Seven Recipients of Our Love Providing Grace and Truth in Balance The Power of Forgiveness What Makes Mercy So Essential in Life?

WEEK SIX - The Ministry of Going Heart to Heart

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:
It's all about the Heart
Going Heart to Heart
Christian Chaplains Encounter Three Kinds People in Ministry
Encouragement: A Work of Grace

WEEK SEVEN – Pastoral Care Must Be Practical & Relevant

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: Giving Hope to Hurting People Pastoral Care for those in Crisis How Should a Chaplain Respond with a Suicide? The Issue of Abortion

WEEK EIGHT – Pastoral Care Must Be Relational & Personal

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:
Pastoral Care for Marriages
Building a Successful Marriage starts with Friendship
What is Divorce?
Pastoral Care for Men
Officiating a Wedding Ceremony

WEEK NINE – Pastoral Care Must Be for God's Glory

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: What is the Chief End of Man? What is Grief? Hospital Visitations

WEEK TEN - Hansen's Mortuary Field Trip

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required: What is Death?
The Chaplain as a Shepherd for Grieving Conducting a Funeral

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WEEK ELEVEN – In Class Practice Tests & Review

READINGS for the Week Eleven: GO BACK & REVIEW

WEEK TWELVE – Testing, Oral Exam & Certificate Ceremony

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Module #3 - Training Syllabus

The Christian Chaplain as a Ministry Leader

WEEK 1 – Christian Chaplains Lead with a Kingdom Purpose

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Bring Glory to God Ministry Leaders have Uncommon Values Value-Driven Leaders are Highly Effective Leaders Your Personal Vision – Mission – Core Ministry Values Statement/Draft CVI Assessment Link

WEEK 2 – Christian Chaplains Lead with a Kingdom Perspective

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Lead Kingdom Down Not Culture Up
The Marks of an Effective Kingdom Leader
Seven Things Effective Kingdom Leaders Learns to Do
Testing Your Emotional Health

WEEK 3 – Christian Chaplains Lead with a Kingdom Character

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Kingdom C-H-A-R-A-C-T-E-R
The Indispensable Quality of a Kingdom Leader
Humility - The Antidote to Pride
Character Traits of the Uncommon Leader

WEEK 4 – Christian Chaplains are Spirit-Led Leaders

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Leaders SOW to Grow Christian Chaplains are People of Divine Influence Spirit-led Leaders Pray Faithfully Seven Key Areas of Accountability

WEEK 5 – Christian Chaplains Lead with Courageous Convictions

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Courageous Convictions
12 Traits of an Intentional Leader
Leaders are Critical Thinkers

Life-Long Learner S.H.A.P.E.

WEEK 6 - Christian Chaplains Lead Relationally

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Leading People & Processes Relationally
Connecting at the Heart Level
Leading with Love
CVI Assessment Review

WEEK 7 – Christian Chaplains are Team Players

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

The Art of Teamwork
Spiritual Mentoring is Coaching-up Godliness
Called to Shepherd the Flock of God
Leading J³ Discipleship Groups

WEEK 8 - Christian Chaplains Manage as they Lead

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

The Practice of Stewardship
The Vital Qualities of Leadership
Recruiting, Leading & Mobilizing Ministry Volunteers
The Top Ten Decisions of an Uncommon Leader

WEEK 9– Christian Chaplains Must Persevere

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Christian Leaders Must Persevere Leading within the Church Leading Emotionally Wounded People Coping with Difficult People

WEEK 10 – Christian Chaplains Follow Jesus

Study Questions for this Week & Readings Required:

Jesus – The Ultimate Leader

WEEK 11 – In Class Testing & Review

WEEK 12 – Oral Exam & Certificate & Graduation Ceremony