## Signs, Wonders and the Charismatic Movement

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## **Course Purpose**

This course is designed to help the student develop a biblical theology of signs and wonders from Genesis through Revelation, and apply this to the theology and practice of the Pentecostal / Charismatic Movement in general, and the extremes of these movements (such as Word Faith, New Apostolic Reformation) specifically.

## **Course Components**

Reading	20%
Charismatic Chaos by John MacArthur	
The Holiness-Pentecostal Tradition: Charismatic Movements in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century by Vincent Synans	10%
Paper (16-20 pages)	80%

Write a paper that traces the development and purposes of signs and wonders by God throughout the Scriptures, from Genesis through Revelation. Special attention should be given to evaluating the claims of the Pentecostal / Charismatic Movement in light of Scripture - particularly with regard to issues in the first century church as outlined in the Book of Acts and 1 Corinthians chapters 12-14.

In addition, the paper should discuss the significance of a biblical theology of signs and wonders in light of dispensational theology and how this sheds light on the Pentecostal / Charismatic Movements in the present and the issue of signs and wonders in the future.

## **Paper Guidelines**

In general you should follow the MLA Handbook guidelines (available on internet).

Paper size/type: 8 ½ x 11

Font: 12 point Times Roman or Arial (or the equivalent of these)

Margins: .75" for all margins

Spacing: Double-spacing

**Length:** At least 16 pages and no more than 20 full pages (papers which are shorter will receive 1 full letter grade reduction for each page or portion of a page less than 16; longer papers will not receive higher grades or extra-credit.)

**Spelling and grammar:** Correct spelling and grammar are important and mistakes could affect your grade on the paper. Use your spell-checker, and when in doubt, look up the word.

Citations - Use endnotes (not footnotes) and a bibliography: If you use sources for your material, they must be referenced. Endnotes should be used, rather than footnotes - and do not count toward the length of the paper. If you use word-for-word what someone else has written, it must be quoted. If it is longer than two sentences, it should be a block quote. The total of all quotes should not be more than 10% of the paper. You may use abbreviated endnotes for the first citation in the following format:

Abbreviated endnotes: Author's full name, Title of the book, pages.

Biblical references: 3-4 -letter book abbreviations - chapter:verse(s)

An abbreviated bibliography in alphabetical order should be included at the end in the following format:

Author's last name, first name. Book title. Most recent publish date.

NOTE: Endnotes and bibliography do not count toward the required pages.

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