

THE BIBLE AND MISSION: CSST 2010

1st Lecture: THE BIBLE AND MISSION – A Fresh Hermeneutical Perspective

- A. Mission among the theologians
- B. Whose mission is it anyway?
- C. Mission as a key perspective for understanding the Bible

2nd Lecture: THE MANIFESTO OF MISSION

- A. “Paul’s gospel”
- B. The covenant with Abraham: Genesis 12:1-3, etc.
 - a. Its canonical context
 - b. Its historical content
 - c. Its universal goal
- C. The missiological implications
 - a. A universal purpose
 - b. A unique particularity
 - c. A missionary people

3rd Lecture: THE FOUNDATIONS OF MISSION

- A. Humanity – on earth with a “mission”
 - a. Ecological
 - b. Economic
- B. Humanity – created in God’s image
 - a. All human beings are addressable by God
 - b. All human beings are accountable to God
- C. Humanity – made, and for, relationship
- D. Humanity – in rebellion
 - a. Sin affects every dimension of the human person
 - b. Sin affects human society and history
 - c. Sin affects the whole physical environment

4th Lecture : MISSION AND ECOLOGY

5th Lecture (not recorded, just Q&A): THE AGENT OF MISSION – ISRAEL AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

- A. Covenantal uniqueness
 - a. Israel’s unique experience
 - b. Israel’s unique knowledge and witness
 - c. Israel’s unique God
- B. Ethical distinctiveness
 - a. Sodom: A model of our world
 - b. Abraham: A model of God’s mission
 - c. “The way of the Lord”: A model for God’s people

6th Lecture: THE AGENT OF MISSION – ISRAEL AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

- C. Priestly holiness

- a. God's redemptive initiative
 - b. God's universal interest
 - c. Israel's identity and duty
- D. Practical holiness

7th Lecture: THE SCOPE OF MISSION

- A. The Exodus: A model of redemption

8th Lecture: THE SCOPE OF MISSION CONT'D

- B. The Jubilee: A model of restoration

9th Lecture: THE CONFLICT OF MISSION

- A. The Old Testament
 - a. Egypt
 - b. Canaan
 - c. Babylon

10th Lecture: THE CONFLICT OF MISSION CONT'D

- B. The New Testament

11th Lecture: THE GOAL OF MISSION – GOD AND THE FUTURE OF THE NATIONS.

- A. God deals with all nations with justice and mercy
- B. The nations as 'observers' of what God was doing in Israel
- C. The nations 'benefit' from Israel's salvation-history
- D. The nations ultimately to be included, along with Israel, as the extended people of God
- E. Salvation will extend 'to the ends of the earth'
- F. Jesus' sense of mission
- G. Paul: apostle to the Nations

12th Lecture: NT WITNESSES TO MISSION

- A. Matthew
 - a. A Gospel for Jews
 - b. A Gospel also for Gentiles
 - c. "The Great Commission"
- B. Luke-Acts
 - a. A deliberately planned two-volume work
 - b. "The Nazareth Manifesto"
 - c. "The Jerusalem Manifesto"

13th Lecture: PAUL'S MISSIONARY THEOLOGY

- A. The missionary purpose of Paul's letters
- B. The missionary theology of Paul's letters
- C. The missionary nature of Paul's doctrines
 - a. Justification by faith
 - b. Theology of the Cross
 - c. Cosmic Christology
- D. The missionary nature of Paul's ethics