



Syllabus

Course: Bible Separation: Its Doctrine and Practice

Credit Hours: 2

Instructor: David W. Cloud

Videos for this course can be found on the Media List at <https://www.wayoflife.org/media/> under the name *Biblical Separatism*.

Class Description: This is an extensive, practical study on Bible separation, both ecclesiastical (separation from doctrinal error, apostasy, and spiritual compromise) and moral (separation from the world). The book examines the major New Testament passages on the subject of separation and exposes such errors as “soft separatism,” “in non-essentials unity,” “preaching wherever I am invited,” and “cultural liberalism.” It deals with the necessity of issuing plain warnings, separation and the Internet, dangers in Christian bookstores and on Christian radio, the corrupting power of error and the danger of dabbling with it, true Christian unity, Romans 14, and “secondary separation.”

Texts Required for class:

The King James Bible

Bible Separation: Its Doctrine and Practice by David W. Cloud, 129 pages, June 2018 Edition

Outcomes—At the end of the course, all students will be able to:

1. Understand the importance of ecclesiastical and moral separation.
2. Gain a stronger understanding of passages dealing with separation.
3. Refute arguments used against separation, or modern views of separation.
4. Have a deeper passion to live a separated, holy life.

Evaluation—the class grade will be broken up in the following manner:

Tests (2) – 60%

Quizzes (10) – 25%

Project – 15%

90–100%	A	70–79%	C
80–89%	B	0–69%	D (Failing)

Validation:

Outcome 1. Students read *Bible Separation: its Doctrine and Practice* completely and answer all review questions.

Outcome 2. Students take diligent notes during class over important topics regarding Biblical separation.

Outcome 3. Students memorize key verses on Biblical separation.

Outcome 4. Students take tests over the material covered in class and read outside of class.

Outcome 5. Students write a paper over a key passage on separation and apply the passage to their own lives.

There are two options for taking this class. They are the following:

- **Slower Pace-15 Week Option**

This option takes a total of 15 weeks and has regular assignments two times every week: Tuesdays and Thursdays.

- **Advanced-One Month Option**

This option takes a total of 4 weeks and has regular assignments six times every week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

-----Slower Pace-15 Week Option-----

Course Outline:

Week Topics

- 1 Way of Life's Bible Courses
- 2 Introduction/ Separation from the World
- 3 Separation from the World
- 4 Separation from the World
- 5 Separation from the World/ Ecclesiastical Separation
- 6 Ecclesiastical Separation
- 7 Ecclesiastical Separation
- 8 Ecclesiastical Separation / **Test 1**
- 9 Ecclesiastical Separation
- 10 Ecclesiastical Separation
- 11 Ecclesiastical Separation
- 12 Ecclesiastical Separation/ Other Passages on Ecclesiastical Separation
- 13 Other Passages on Ecclesiastical Separation
- 14 Other Passages on Ecclesiastical Separation/ Soft Separatism
- 15 **Test 2 (Final)**

Weeks:**Assignments:**

Weeks	Tuesday	Thursday
1	No assignments	Pages 1-4
2	Pages 5-10 Quiz 1—2 Corinthians 7:1	Pages 11-17
3	Pages 17-22 Quiz 2—Ephesians 4:17	Pages 22-27
4	Pages 27-30 Quiz 3—James 1:27	Pages 30-35 Video 1—The Collapse of Separatism
5	Pages 35-40 Quiz 4—James 4:4	Pages 41-47 Video 2—The Foundation of Separatism
6	Pages 47-52 Quiz 5—1 Peter 1:15-16	Pages 53-58 Video 3—The Treacherous Waters
7	Pages 58-64 Quiz 6—1 John 2:15	Pages 64-68 Video 4—The Method of Separation
8	Pages 69-73	Test 1—Intro-1/2 of Ecclesiastical Separation
9	Pages 73-78	Pages 78-82 Video 5—The Basis of Separation
10	Pages 82-87 Quiz 7—1 John 2:16	Pages 87-92
11	Pages 92-96 Quiz 8—Romans 16:17	Pages 97-102
12	Pages 102-106 Quiz 9—2 Timothy 3:5	Pages 107-112
13	Pages 113-118 Quiz 10—1 John 4:1	Pages 118-123
14	Pages 123-125 Course Project	Pages 126-129
15	Test 2—Final	

-----Advanced-One Month Option-----

Course Outline:**Week Topics**

- 1 Introduction/ Separation from the World
- 2 Separation from the World/ Ecclesiastical Separation
- 3 Ecclesiastical Separation / **Test 1** / Ecclesiastical Separation
- 4 Ecclesiastical Separation/Other Passages on Ecclesiastical Separation/ Soft Separatism/ **Test 2 (Final)**

Weeks**Assignment**

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Pages 1-10	Pages 11-17	Pages 17-22 Quiz 1— 2 Cor. 7:1	Pages 22-27	Pages 27-30 Quiz 2— Eph. 4:17	Pages 30-35 Video 1— Collapse of Separatism
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Details of Course Assignments:

- **Videos**

The student is required to watch the *Biblical Separatism* video lessons toward the beginning of the semester. He must have the reading completed before the video is to be watched along. He must take diligent notes during these video session.

- **Reading Assignments**

Students are given reading assignments each day and must complete the assignments along with answering the corresponding questions before each lesson begins.

- **Quizzes (10)**

Quizzes will be given on ten Tuesdays (*for the slower-paced option*) scattered throughout the semester. These quizzes will **only** be verse quizzes.

- **Course Project**

The student will select one passage from the chapter “Other Passages on Ecclesiastical Separation” (pg. 107-125). In a four-page, double spaced paper, he will discuss the importance and meaning of his selected passage. The paper should include context and important facts regarding the passage. The student will also need to give clear examples as to how this passage relates to Christians today. In his conclusion, he should include several ways he will apply this passage to his own life, personally.

- **Tests (2)**

There will be a total of two tests taken during this semester. Including certain review questions and potentially additional important information in the reading, the tests will be short answer questions. The tests are used to measure how much the student has retained over the course. The first test will cover the first half of the book, and the second test will be cumulative over the whole book.

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