

Launched in 2015, as a ministry of Harvester Christian Church, The Merold Institute of Ministry has enrolled over 80 students who have deepened their biblical understanding. Named in honor of long time minister at Harvester Christian Church, Ben Merold and his wife, Pat, The Merold Institute of Ministry is focused on answering the need to raise the level of intentional leadership development within the church.



"As I look back on the first two years at The Merold Institute, students completed the classes with greater appreciation for the Word of God and how it can change a person's life and how we can interact with culture. That's the greatest joy of being involved in this adventure – seeing the growth of the students". – **Don Sanders,** Director, The Merold Institute of Ministry

EVERY UNDERGRADUATE CLASS IS BUILT AROUND...

• BIBLICAL INTEGRATION:

Every class uses the Bible as a source for learning and application.

• EXPERIENCED INSTRUCTION:

Institute instructors have years of experience teaching in the local church and college setting and possess advanced graduate degrees.

• PEER INTERACTION:

Students build community and relationships with other students that enrich the learning experience.

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING STYLES:

Students complete assignments and choose a final project that fit their learning style and interests.

· CRITICAL THINKING:

Every class teaches essential skills to evaluate the world through the lens of Scripture.



WHO CAN APPLY?

Institute classes are open to all adults. Because the level of teaching and study is at the undergraduate level, students should have a minimum of high school graduation or equivalent.

How do I apply and register for classes?

- Submit an application found on our website at themeroldinstitute.org.
- Upon acceptance to the Institute a registration link will be sent for individual classes.

The registration deadline for each class is typically three weeks prior to the first class session.

For more information or to apply, visit themeroldinstitute.org or contact **Don Sanders**, Institute Director, at **institute@harvesterchristian.org.**





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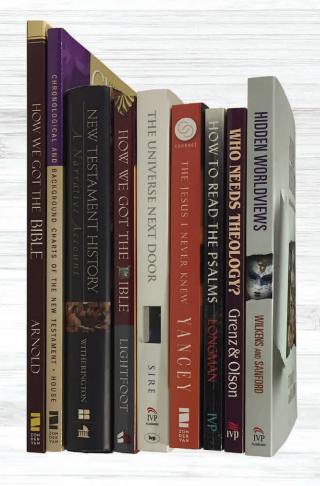


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INSTITUTE OF MINISTRY

EQUIPPING ADULT DISCIPLES FOR GREATER ROLES OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP IN THE CHURCH



WHY ENROLL IN THE **MEROLD INSTITUTE OF MINISTRY?**

These undergraduate level courses will prepare you for greater levels of ministry service through:

- Deepening your appreciation of the Bible.
- · Strengthening your personal faith.
- Sharpening your understanding of the Word.

But don't take our word for it. Here is what some of our 2017 graduates had to say about why they enrolled and their time in the Institute:

> If you're interested in obtaining a greater understanding of the Christian faith like I was, don't hesitate and register today. Take a leap of faith and dive right in, you won't regret it! If you are concerned about the work load, each course is only a 6-week commitment. Register for one course and see where it leads. vou won't be disappointed.

Stretch vourself. The Merold Institute provides a great foundation to a furthering of your Christian education. Sharing your thoughts with others while being guided by educated instructors brings the Word to life in ways you may not have experienced before.

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The Merold Institute is a clear direct Bible based institute that leads students into a deeper understanding of who God is in their lives and the lives of those around them.

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As a high school life group leader, this teaching has provided me a way to dive deeper with my senior girls - to show them what the Bible has to say to them.

MEROLD INSTITUTE OF MINISTRY CLASS OFFERINGS

Students who successfully complete all 10 courses graduate with a Certificate in Bible and Theology. The Institute courses are comprised of 5 Bible classes and 5 theology classes. Typically, a student desiring a certificate completes in 2 years.

FALL TERM

Session 1 Course options

History & Development of the Bible Survey of the History of Christianity

Session 2 Course options

Survey of the Bible History & Mission of the Restoration Movement

SPRING TERM

Session 1 Course options

Old Testament History Introduction to Christian Theology

Session 2 Course options

New Testament History Introduction to Biblical Interpretation

Session 3 Course options

Teachings of Jesus Survey of World Views

WHAT MAKES INSTITUTE CLASSES UNIQUE?

He hears the oath but tells nothing.

Many seek the ruler's favor,

The fear of man brings a snare, But he who trusts in the LORD will be

- · Convenient: Institute classes are held at Harvester Christian Church (St. Charles Campus).
- Accelerated: Each class meets one time per week for 3 ½ hours for five weeks in an accelerated format common to adult education programs.
- Affordable: Our low cost of \$250 (HCC members get a 50% discount) per course includes textbooks, class materials and refreshments.
- Practical: Classes focus on learning in ways that apply to everyday life.
- Focused: Classes consist of essential biblical understanding and practical theological application.
- · Self-paced: Classes have no prerequisites and may be taken in any sequence. However, the most helpful sequence will be the order they are scheduled.
- Transferable: An agreement exists with two Christian colleges to grant credit for courses transferred towards a ministry degree. Contact an Institute staff member for details.

your things are small on the earth

they are exceedingly wise: The ants are not a strong people But they prepare their food in the

he locusts have no king.

(et all of them go out in ranks he lizard you may grasp with th Yet it is in kings' palaces.

There are three things which are stately in their march, Even four which are stately when they And his eyelids are raised in arrogance.

There is a kind of man whose teeth are walk: The lion which is mighty among beasts

That I not be full and deny You and say "Who is the LORD?"
(It that I not be in want and steal,

Do not slander a slave to his master, Or he will curse you and you will be

There is a kind of man who curses hi

And does not bless his mother. There is a kind who is pure in his or

Yet is not washed from his filthines

Description of a Worthy Woman

An excellent wife, who can find? For her worth is far above jewels The heart of her husband trusts

The heart of her husband trusts in her, And he will have no lack of gain.

She does him good and not evil.

All the days of her life.

She looks for wool and flax

And works with her hands in delight.

She is like merchant ships;

She bries, her food from dar.

She brings her food from afar. She rises also while it is still nigh And gives food to her household

nsiders a field and buys it

From her earnings she plants a vir She girds herself with strength And makes her arms strong. She senses that her gain is good;

"One of the greatest things about the classes and the discussions was the multitude of perspectives shared people who have been studying the Word of God for years and years and some who were beginning - but all who were willing to work hard and discover together. We're all learning and growing. If you have any interest in doing this at all - just press in and do it!" - Todd Winslow. 2017 Merold graduate and Executive Pastor, Harvester Christian Church

