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## **BIB422 Daniel/Revelation**

### **Mission Statement**

CST is committed to connect, serve, and train for Pentecostal ministry, leadership, and missions throughout the world.

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### **Course Description**

Daniel and Revelation is a study of biblical prophecy that concerns events of the end time. Passages of other Old and New Testament books, in addition to Daniel and Revelation, are studied when such passages help promote a better understanding of biblical prophecy. The unit titles point out the progression of events during the end time. In the final unit of the course, biblical prophecy moves beyond time into eternity. The second coming of Jesus Christ is the central theme of the course. This course also has an ethical emphasis: it is designed to help the student to be ready for Jesus' coming and to encourage others to prepare for His coming (1 John 3:3).

### **Resources**

You will use Daniel and Revelation, an Independent-Study Textbook by George W. Westlake, Jr. as both the textbook and study guide for the course. The Holy Bible is also required. Bible quotations in the Independent-Study Textbook are from the New International Version (NIV) unless otherwise noted. Some assignments require you to access the Global University Library Web site or other academic sources. Instructions for accessing the Web site are provided in the Undergraduate Writing Assignment Guidelines (UWAG) in the Student Packet.

### **Objectives**

The key concepts presented in the lesson are derived from the objectives. Study each objective carefully as you begin each lesson. First, identify the key concepts presented in the objective, and second, identify what each objective is asking you to do with the key concepts. For example, in the objective, Assess the positive and negative ways that colonialism affected the spread of Christianity, the key concept is colonialism affected Christianity. In this objective you are asked to assess positive and negative ways—or show the good and bad effects colonialism had on the spread of Christianity.

### **Course Procedures**

Classroom lectures, group discussion, audio-visual presentations, handouts, and case studies constitute some of the various methods that will be utilized in order to attain the course objectives.

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## Course Introduction

What is happening in our world? Where are we headed? What is next in human history? What is God's plan for this world, the human race, our adversary the devil, the saints and the ungodly? How is it all going to end? One of the major subjects of God's Word, prophecy, answers these questions. Prophecy has been defined as "history written in advance." Of course, only God can write accurate history ahead of time. Daniel and Revelation are the two outstanding prophetic books in the Bible. Through a series of visions, the book of Daniel presents the unfolding of God's plan —God's timetable —for the nations of the world, particularly for Israel. Revelation portrays the culmination of God's program for all of His creation. Without biblical prophecy, in particular the prophetic Revelation of Jesus Christ, we would not know how things are going to end. The Bible would be a story without an end, a mystery that would leave us guessing! Moreover, it would rob us of a part of our blessed hope, for we would be unable to know what awaits the faithful. As it is, we can with Paul anticipate the end:

No eye has seen, no ear has heard,  
no mind has conceived  
what God has prepared for those who love him  
—1 Corinthians 2:9

It is our prayer that as you study Daniel and Revelation, you will receive a fresh revelation of God's glory, power, kingdom, and especially His Son. We pray that the study of these books will give you a greater awareness than ever before that God is in full control. May you also be aware that His plan will be accomplished in all of Creation according to His timing. We hope you will, through prayerful study, receive a fresh vision of Jesus Christ as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. May you have the assurance that: "In honor of the name of Jesus all things in heaven, on earth, and in the world below will fall on their knees, and all will openly proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10–11, TEV).