

BS6 XX: Parables

Instructor	Dr. Jennifer McNeel
Schedule	Mondays, 6 pm to 8:30 pm, January 12 – May 4
Description	This course is a study of the parables of Jesus with reference to their role in Jesus's ministry and their context in each Synoptic Gospel. Students will practice responsible historical and literary interpretation of the parables and explore the meanings and implications of the parables for life and ministry today.
Requirements	Reading: Students will complete approximately 800 pages of reading and should come to class prepared to discuss the readings assigned.
	Writing: Students will be asked to do 20-25 pages of writing, divided among various shorter and longer papers.
	Other Assignments: Active participation in class discussion

Required Texts:

Author and Title (Press, Year, Edition)	Cost	Pages to be read
Thomas G. Long, <i>Proclaiming the Parables: Preaching and Teaching the Kingdom of God</i> (Westminster John Knox Press, 2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The publisher is offering students in this class 40% off on this book when purchased through the publisher's website (shipping charges may apply). To take advantage of this offer, go to https://www.wjkbooks.com/bookproduct/0664268617-proclaiming-the-parables/ and enter code TEXTBOOK40 at checkout. 	\$50.00	382
Amy-Jill Levine, <i>Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi</i> (HarperOne, 2014)	\$18.99	305