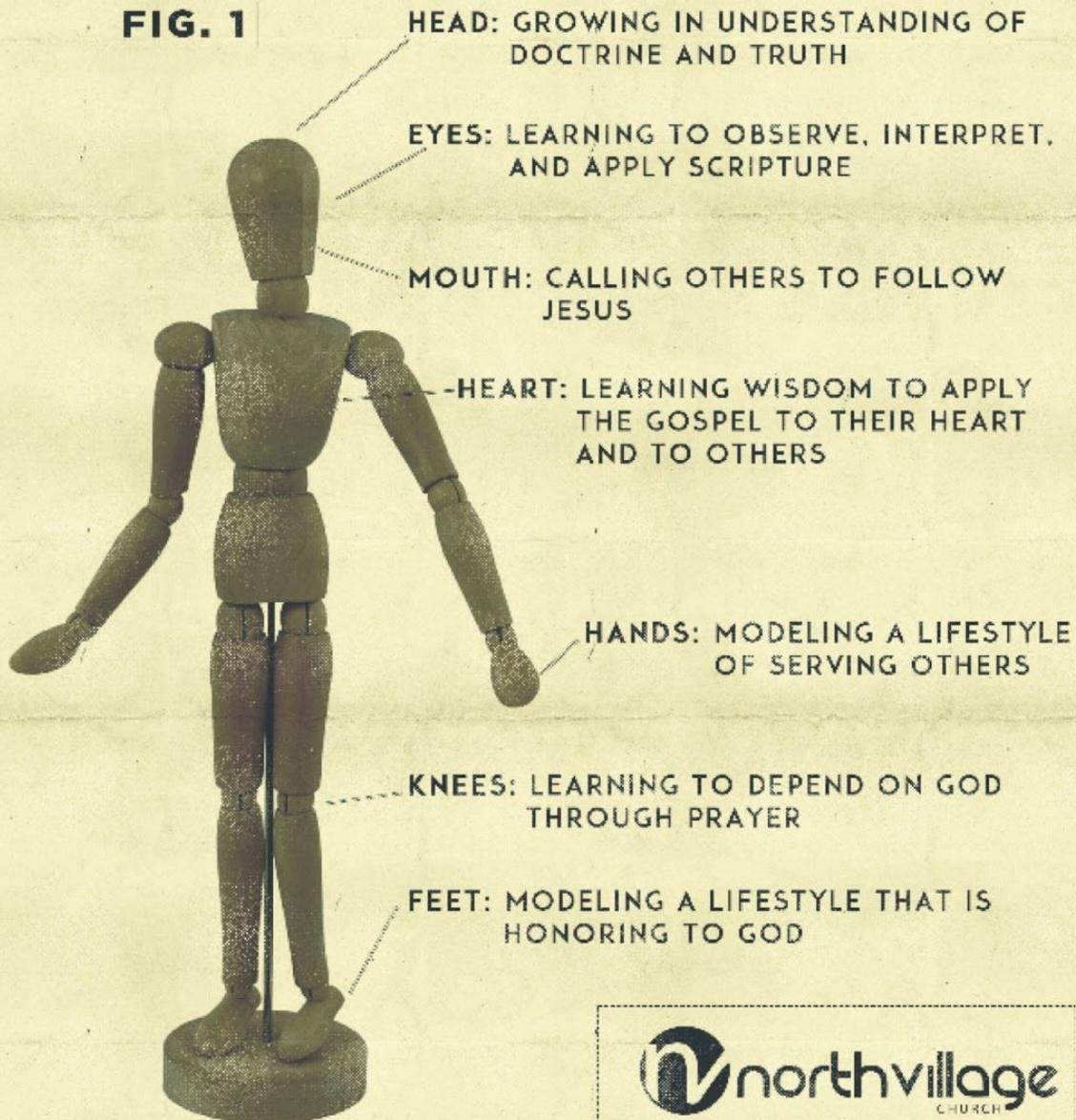


# THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

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*Syllabus - Fall 2018*

## OVERVIEW & PURPOSE

“[11] And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, [12] *to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ*, [13] until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, *to mature manhood*, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, [14] so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

[15] Rather, speaking the truth in love, *we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ*, [16] from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.” (Eph. 4:11–16; emphasis mine)

At North Village Church, we desire to see all people to **mature in their relationship with Jesus**. It is our hope that men and women would not only experience saving faith in Jesus, but that our faith would be burrowed into our hearts and minds so that we see a church family that is bringing greater glory to Him.

**Spiritual Gifts:** Do you know your spiritual gifts? Are you functioning in your spiritual gifts so that you are building up the body of Christ?

**Equipping of the Saints:** Do you love Scripture? Are you being equipped so that you can equip others? This includes friends, spouse, children, co-workers, neighbors, etc.

**Work of Service:** This implies humility. We are willingly humbling ourselves to Jesus as our leader so we can point our lives and the lives of others toward Him.

**Maturity:** Are you able to stand strong through faith so that you aren't “tossed here and there” by the false teachings in our culture? Do you see yourself as a man or woman of character? This includes genuine love for God evidenced by holiness of life and personal integrity.

**Speaking Truth In Love:** Are you speaking Scripture over others so that you see

supernatural life change? Are you pointing your heart and the hearts of others to the gospel? Are you willing to confront lies, refute false doctrine, and have really hard conversations?

**Grow Up Into All Aspects Into Him:** Are you living on mission with Jesus? Are you living incarnationally with others? Is this happening because you are resting in the gospel, and the Holy Spirit is leading you to engage His mission at your job, family, church, home, and hobby?

## STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS

1. **Review Theological Training Format:**
  - a. Monthly Meetings: (see schedule below)
  - b. Monthly Readings: (see next page)
  - c. Monthly Papers: One-page summaries due the Friday before our meetings at 12PM.
2. **Sign and Return Process Agreement by June 17th.**

## EXPECTATIONS

1. You maintain a *teachable* spirit throughout the training and come prepared to participate in the discussion.
2. You are **not** able to miss more than one meeting or one assignment. This is important to build a learning community as we read through and discuss each book. So please look at your calendar to see if you can attend all the meetings. **No excuses.**
3. You pay \$50 (5-months) to cover the purchase of all books involved in the training. *Fee is waived if you purchase all your books on your own.*

## MONTHLY MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 18th*	9-11AM
Saturday, September 15th*	9-11AM
Saturday, Oct. 20th*	9-11AM
Saturday, Nov. 17th*	9-11AM
Saturday, Dec. 15th *	9-11AM

\*every 3rd week of the month

## FIRST SEMESTER (Aug - Dec 2018)

1. **Generous Justice** - Tim Keller (272 pages)
  - a. Biblical understanding of what Scripture means when “justice” is written in OT/NT. Provides helpful grid to understand varied roles as it relates to participating in God’s call for justice through his people today.
2. **Mi Casa Uptown** - Rich Perez (232 pages)
  - a. Deepens understanding of what it looks like to do life on mission in an ever changing city.
3. **Oneness Embraced** - Tony Evans (352 pages)
  - a. Gives great historical context to the race issue of today, while keeping the importance of Christ and the authority of Scripture at the forefront. Great balance of talking from both the black and white perspective.
4. **The Coaching Habit** - Michael Stainer (251 pages)
  - a. Learning how to engage in everyday conversations to help coach and develop one another.
5. **Titus**

## QUESTIONS?

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## PROCESS AGREEMENT

*(Remove and Drop in the Offering by June 17th)*

I understand that a failure to meet any of the deadlines or to attend any of the meetings, without approval, will disqualify me from this training.

I also understand that completing this process doesn't qualify me for anything spiritually than I have already been freely given through faith in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

I submit to the above process and I will lovingly follow the leadership of North Village Church.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_