



Inter-Lutheran Theological Seminary

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Dear Friends,

Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. ² For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*. ³ For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴ For he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works. ⁵ And in this *place* again, If they shall enter into my rest. ⁶ Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief: ⁷ Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. ⁸ For if Jesus (Joshua) had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. ⁹ There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. ¹⁰ For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his. ¹¹ Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. ¹² For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. ¹³ Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things *are* naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do. ¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession. ¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are*, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:1-16 KJV)

We have a high priest touched with the feeling of our infirmities. Jesus Christ sympathizes with us (the Greek word translated 'touched with the feeling' is *sympatheo*). Our God knows our suffering. The people of the old covenant didn't know God this way because they knew Him only according to their works and because their works weren't sufficient they lived in fear of God. We however have entered into His rest and received His peace by faith. Our high priest knows the lack of our works and sympathizes with us. He suffers for us and takes away our sin so that we find grace with God whenever we need it and we need it all the time. So "Come to Calvary's holy mountain sinners ruined by the fall, here a pure and healing fountain flows to you, to me, to all, in a full perpetual tide, opened when our Savior died." (#89 Hymns and Songs of Zion) Let us all stand firmly in the grace of our sympathetic God.

God's Peace,
Jay Weidner

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SUMMER PLANS AT THE SEMINARY

As the Seminary's spring semester comes to an end, plans are in place for the summer.

- The Seminary Board will be meeting in Hancock, Michigan on May 15, 2010 for the annual Board Meeting.
- Jay and Chuck will be instructors at confirmation camp held at the Lahti Retreat Center, June 13-18, 2010.
- Chuck will be attending the Annual Convention of the ALCA in Vancouver, Washington, on July 7-11, 2010
- Jay will be the speaker at the annual Adult Retreat at the Lahti Retreat Center on August 19-21, 2010.
- Jay will be teaching at the Foreign Mission Training at the Lahti Retreat Center in August.
- Jay and Chuck will be working on the fall semester curriculum.



LOOKING AHEAD.... FALL 2010 CURRICULUM

Tentative plans have been made to offer the following classes in the fall beginning Wednesday, September 1st in Hancock. We hope you can join us. If you can't join us in person, classes are offered via the Internet or on DVD. For more details, call the office at (906) 482-3337, visit our website [www: ilseminary.org](http://www.ilseminary.org) or email cilseminary@charterinternet.com

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
Evangelism A study of the principles and methods for Christian outreach in one's own church and community, including home visitation.	2	Mike Carriere
Hebrew I A study of the elementary grammar of the language of the Old Testament.	3	Jay Weidner
Homiletics A study of the construction and delivery of sermons.	2	Jay Weidner
New Testament Greek A course in the rudiments of the language of the New Testament.	6	Jay Weidner
New Testament Greek Readings A course designed to apply the principles learned in New Testament Greek and facilitate the master of the language of the New Testament through reading selected portions of its text.	1	Jay Weidner
Old Testament Introduction An introductory study of the origin, authorship, purpose and reliability of the Old Testament writings with special attention devoted to their literary design and individual and corporate unity.	3	Chuck Bylkas
Ezekiel An exegetical study of the book of Ezekiel and its impact upon the New Testament.	2	Jay Weidner

Note: This class will be taught on Monday nights at 7PM in Hancock beginning September 13 on and Thursday nights at 7PM beginning August 26 in Negaunee.