

# *Ministerial Ethics*



*Classroom Hours:* 24 (minimum)

## *Description/Overview:*

Webster defines ethics as “the system or code of morals of a particular person, religion, group, or profession.” Simply put, ethics are the “do’s and don’ts” of behavior or conduct. This course systematically outlines the Biblical “do’s and don’ts” for ministers, giving the student clear guidelines for using ethics in ministry.

## *Objectives:*

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- 1.) Define “ethics.”
- 2.) Divide ministerial ethics into two parts.
- 3.) List the benefits and show the importance of ministerial ethics.
- 4.) Defend modesty as the mark of a minister.
- 5.) Explain how stewardship is the management of someone else’s property.
- 6.) Illustrate the importance using appropriate words - of knowing what to say and when, where, and how to say it.
- 7.) Expound upon the minister’s role as the shepherd of his congregation.
- 8.) Establish guidelines for appropriate ministerial interaction with the opposite sex.
- 9.) Recognize the importance of a healthy home life, emphasizing the souls in your own household.
- 10.) Point out ways to establish the saints emotionally, mentally, and spiritually.

### *Topics / Concepts:*

- Christian ministry as ordained by God for a special purpose in His Kingdom.
- The fruit of the spirit and the ways it manifests in the life of a minister of God.
- The definition of the word “fashion,” what it means to a minister, and how we should respond to it.
- The concept and reason for wearing clothes in the first place, and what those clothes should look like.
- The most important factor in the ministry not being where the minister is placed but how well he discharges his responsibilities.
- The vital factor of accountability and how it should be set up.
- How to handle those you work with – both predecessor and colleagues.
- The three strategies by which the devil attacks the Lord’s anointed.
- The importance of and tools to help with developing God-given potential in the flock.

### *Recommended Primary Textbook(s):*

Ministerial Ethics – Reverend K. A. Prempeh

*Recommended Alternatives:*

Ministerial Ethics – John E. Klemin

*Overview of Lessons available in the Recommended Primary Textbook:*

- 1.) The Minister's Character Traits
- 2.) The Minister and His Dressing
- 3.) The Minister as a Steward
- 4.) The Minister and Etiquette
- 5.) The Minister and His Home
- 6.) The Minister's Relationship with Superiors
- 7.) The Minister and His Relationship with Other Ministers
- 8.) The Minister's Relationship with the Congregation
- 9.) The Minister's Relationship with Evangelists
- 10.) The Minister's Relationship with the Opposite Sex

*Languages Available:*

*Course Packet Resources:*

*Comments:*

*Date of Last Revision:*