

# ***MOTMOT***

## Christian Life

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## **History of These Materials**

This ministry was born out of a desire to provide teaching materials for leaders in Developing Nations. After being a missionary in three different parts of the world, I recognized the need for a transition that must occur. Most traditional "mission fields" are no longer mission fields. Churches are well established and able to function effectively by themselves. Most leaders are already strongly disciplined and well trained biblically. What could a North American missionary do to further help them?

The Lord showed me how to move to the next level in order to help teachers become better EQUIPPED. Leaders of established churches in developing nations do not lack ability, but they do lack tools. Thus, MOTMOT™ was created as a tool for them. It can be used immediately and effectively by existing church leadership to teach, mobilize, and equip their own people. They should do the teaching themselves, because they are very capable of doing it themselves. MOTMOT™ simply provides a tool to do this task.

## **Purpose of These Materials**

Eph 4:11,12 says: "He gave some as... teachers, to equip the saints to build up the body of Christ." It is not enough for a teacher to teach. There is also a second aspect included in this calling. The teacher must equip others to teach. They must multiply their gift (Mt 25:14-27) or they will lose it (Mt 25:28,29). National teachers must teach and must also reproduce more national teachers. This is the purpose of MOTMOT™, to mobilize other teachers to teach. In this way, the teachings are multiplied and the process is ongoing.

There is one critical aspect of this ministry. It is free. The teachings are to be given freely. This does not mean that teachers of these materials can not receive support for their ministry (Lk 10:7; 1Tim 5:17,18). It simply means the materials cannot be sold for profit or used to secure control of a ministry (for example, to give the materials to others in exchange for control or credit, or recognition for your own ministry). These materials have been given freely and must continue to be given freely (Mt 10:8).

## **Design of These Materials**

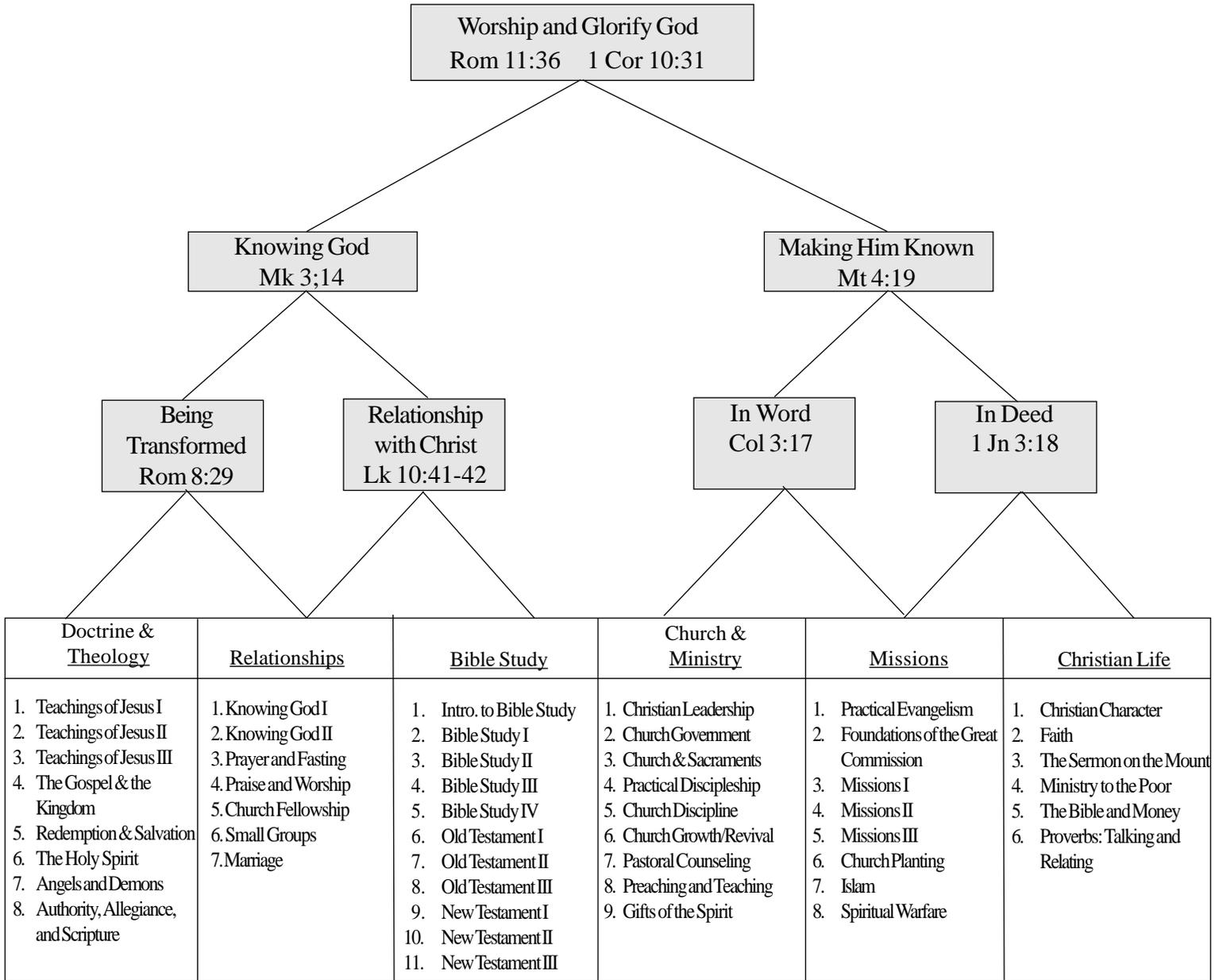
A complete set of these materials includes 49 courses, totaling 700 instructional hours. There are 28 courses of 10 hour length, and 21 courses that are 20 hours. The overview section describes each course in this volume and gives the course length.

These materials are designed to be used by national leaders who are able to teach others. Thus, a certain amount of Bible knowledge is assumed. The material is in "teaching outline form" and is designed to be used as a general guide. The materials are most effective when the teacher applies their God given teaching gift and uses their own style, including: cultural examples, stories, analogies, explanations, and applications. In this way, MOTMOT™ is actually more of a tool than a curriculum.

The materials focus on what the Bible says and not the author's cultural understanding or application. They are developed in an integrated and systematic way to provide teachers with a complete tool or package. The goal is to offer a well-rounded set of materials that focus on knowing God and making Him known. Missions is certainly an emphasis and hopefully many workers will be sent into the harvest (Mt 10:38). However, a missionary is first and foremost a minister of the Word of God. He must be thoroughly trained and disciplined in a systematic way in a variety of areas. This is also true for pastors, evangelists, and teachers.

The diagram on the next page provides a list of the 49 courses and shows how they are organized.

# Teaching Materials Based on Christian Purpose





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<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Course Description</b>
Christian Character	20	A study on service, humility, and leadership using the lives of Moses, Nehemiah and others.
Faith	10	A biblical study that focuses on what faith is and is not, and how to use your faith.
The Sermon on the Mount	10	A study designed to introduce the key issues and teachings of the Sermon.
Ministry to the Poor	10	A study of the biblical mandate to help the poor and a practical section on how to do it.
The Bible and Money	20	A study of the biblical view of money, which focuses on giving and stewardship.
Proverbs: Talking and Relating	10	A study of what the book of Proverbs teaches about speech and relationships.