

- I. Prayer / Preview Course Syllabus / Introductions

- II. Goals for This Unit:
 - A. Clarify definitions and distinctions between mentoring, discipleship, and coaching.
 - B. Explore historical context for mentoring relationships.
 - C. Empathize distinctive opportunities for mentoring in life and ministry.

- III. Clarification: Definitions and Distinctions
 - A. Mentoring “is a relational experience in which one person empowers another by sharing God-given resources” (Stanley & Clinton, *Connecting*, 33).
“Mentoring is imparting to you what God has imparted to me” (Carson Pue)

 - B. Discipleship

 - C. Coaching

- IV. Reflection: What are your experiences with mentoring / discipleship / coaching?

- V. Perspective: Historical Context for Mentoring

- A. Origin of the term: Homer's Odyssey
 - B. Connection with parenting (Deut. 6:4-9, 20; Prov. 4)
 - C. Emphasis on the power of example (Quintilian - 1st Century A. D.)
 - D. Relationship with craftsman / apprentice economic model
- VI. Opportunity: Contemporary Enthusiasm for Mentoring
- A. Personal
 - B. Educational
 - C. Professional
 - D. Spiritual
- VII. Relationships: Discuss plan for one-on-one sessions.