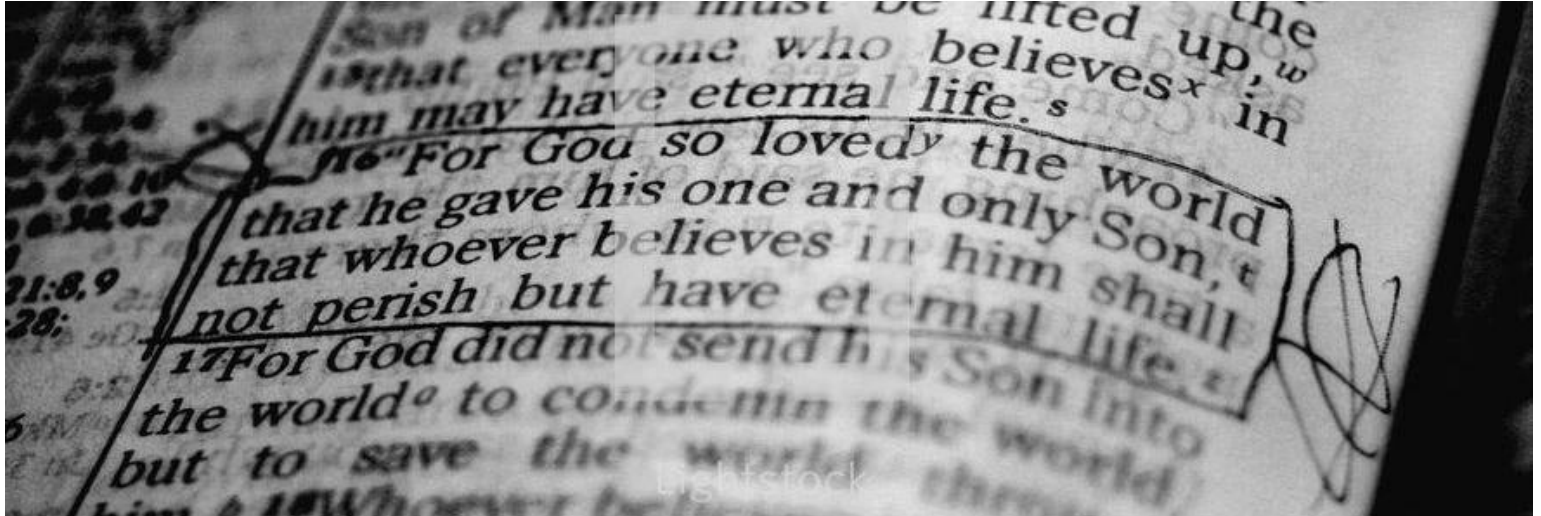


Syllabus
Biblical Studies 101: Survey of the Old & New Testaments
Online



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Class Meets: This is a go-at-your-own pace online course, though it is recommended students do not take longer than 16 to 18 weeks (roughly a single semester) to work through the material.

DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to provide students with a general, introductory overview of the Bible by examining each book in its historical context paying attention to how all of them fit together to tell the larger story of God's activity in the world.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Have successfully completed this course, students should be able to (1) explain the general story of the Bible, (2) articulate the most significant aspects of that story, and (3) articulate how we carry on that story through participation in the life of the church today.

RELEVANCE FOR LIFE AND MINISTRY:

Even though Bibles are more abundant today than ever, most people are biblically illiterate. After taking this course students should not only understand the "big idea" of the Bible, but also be able to explain it to others.

REQUIRED READING:

[*The Promise and the Blessing: A Historical Survey of the Old and New Testaments*](#) by Michael A. Harbin.

RECOMMENDED READING:

A good translation of the Bible (NIV, NASB, NRSV, ESV, NCV, etc.). Each chapter of *The Promise and the Blessing* will provide you with recommended reading from the Bible, sometimes near entire books at a time. Due to the busy schedule of many of the students taking this course, this reading from the scriptures is not *required* for this course, but it is highly recommended to achieve the best possible understanding.

COURSE FORMAT:

This is a go-at-your-own-pace, online course. Students will read the assigned textbook, answer the corresponding questions, and check their homework using the lectures posted online.

ASSIGNMENTS:

You will be expected to read 30 to 40 pages out of the textbook to complete individual assignments, and usually will be assigned between 15 and 25 discussion questions to answer related to the assigned reading. It is recommended that discussion questions be written out completely with answers given in complete sentences. One word answers or incomplete sentences are not advisable as the point of this class is to help you articulate biblical truth to others. Writing engrains information in your brain.

TESTS:

Two tests – a midterm and final - are available to students up for a challenge. If you'd like to take the test(s), email wes@campusministryunited.com and request a copy. If you'd like to get a grade and feedback on your work, email the completed test back to me and I'll correct any mistakes you might have made.

GRADING & ASSIGNMENTS:

This online course is not for a grade per se, but for those of you who would like to evaluate your understanding by taking the tests and receiving a grade I will accommodate you.

GRADING SCALE:

A	90-100%
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	Below 60%

For each week's assignment, please complete the assigned chapter and corresponding discussion questions, then check your work by logging on to <http://campusministryunited.com/survey-of-the-bible/> and viewing the corresponding class lecture.

Recommended Schedule: Survey of the Bible Online

Textbook: *The Promise and the Blessing: A Historical Survey of the Old and New Testaments* by Michael A. Harbin (\$26.60 hardcover; \$9.99 Kindle)

OLD TESTAMENT 101 (8 Weeks)

Week 1 – Class Introduction

- 13 pages of reading
- 7 discussion questions

Week 2 – Chapters 1, 2, 3

- 36 pages of reading
- 23 discussion questions

Week 3 – Chapters 4, 5, 6

- 39.25 pages of reading
- 23 discussion questions

Week 4 – Chapters 7, 8

- 33 pages of reading
- 17 discussion questions

Week 5 – Chapters 9, 10, 11

- 47.5 pages of reading
- 28 discussion questions

Week 6 – Chapters 12, 13

- 45 pages of reading
- 23 discussion questions

Week 7– Chapter14

- 30 pages of reading
- 15 discussion questions

Week 8 – Chapters 15, 16

- 27.25 pages of reading
- 11 questions
- MID TERM EXAM (Optional – email wes@campusministryunited.com if interested)

NEW TESTAMENT 101 (6 Weeks)

Week 9– Chapters 17, 18

- 43 pages of reading
- 25 discussion questions

Week 10–Chapter 19

- 26.25 pages of reading
- 12 discussion questions

Week 11 – Chapters 20, 21

- 28.5 pages of reading
- 12 discussion questions

Week 12 – Chapters 22, 23

- 24.5 pages of reading
- 19 discussion questions

Week 13 – Chapters 24, 25, 26

- 49 pages of reading
- 24 discussion questions

Week 14 – Chapters 27, 28

- 37 pages of reading
- 20 discussion questions

Week 15 - Final

- FINAL EXAM (Optional – email wes@campusministryunited.com if interested)