

Old Testament Survey, Pt 1

The Church of Chicago

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

One of the issues that plague Christians with the Bible is that we often have a difficult time trying to understand how the Bible works and how it fits together. This is evident in the way we stumble when we are asked questions like what seems to be the primitive acts of worship in the Old Testament laws and why do we embrace some of these commands and not all. The same is true of Abraham and God's covenant with him. While our primary focus will be to take a brief look at each book of the Old Testament a comprehensive understanding of the Bible will begin to develop and mature. This study will help the disciple get the "big picture". At the same time it will assist in drawing every disciple closer to Christ Jesus.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Have a working knowledge of the Old Testament
- See the pattern, progression and unity of the Old Testament
- To develop the central unifying theme of the Old Testament
- Summarize and outline one O.T. Bible (must be original)
- Gain a greater love for our Lord Jesus Christ through the Word of God

REQUIRED TEXTS

1. Holy Bible, *English Standard Version*
2. Paul N. Benware, *Survey of the Old Testament*

SUGGESTED RESOURCES

1. *Bible Dictionary*
2. David Dockery, Gen Ed, *Holman Bible Handbook*
3. Geoffrey Bromley, Gen Ed, *International Standard Bible Encyclopedia*



COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Attend class. Press on as the days get short and the weather is less welcoming.
2. Complete the assigned reading of the texts as indicated. **Reading assignments listed for each class session should be completed prior to class attendance in order to maximize the student's comprehension of the subject matter and contribution to the class discussion.**
3. Assignments: **1)** Completed on time. Late assignments result in one point subtracted per day. **2)** Font type Calibri & 12 points **3)** Submit late assignments to pastor@churchofchicago.org (use read receipt).
4. You may skip one full assignment and receive full credit. The final assignment cannot be skipped.

5. Final project: Summarize and outline one O.T. Bible book (must be original).

GRADING SCALE

The grading scale for this course is as follows:

94-100%	A	Excellent	
90-93	A-		
88-89	B+		
82-87	B	Good	
80-81	B-		
78-79	C+		
72-77	C	Satisfactory	
70-71	C-		
68-69	D+		
62-67	D	Uh Oh!	
60-61	D-		
below 60	F		

KEEP TRACK OF YOUR GRADES

Date	Reading 1 Point ✓	Assignment(s)	Possible Points	Actual Points
Sep 24		Genesis	4.88	
Oct 1		Exodus and Leviticus	9.76	
Oct 8		Numbers and Deuteronomy	9.76	
Oct 15		Joshua	4.88	
Oct 22		Judges and Ruth	9.76	
Oct 29		1 Samuel	4.88	
Nov 5		2 Samuel	4.88	
Nov 12		1 Kings	4.88	
Nov 19		2 Kings	4.88	
Dec 3		1 and 2 Chronicles	9.76	
Dec 10		Ezra and Esther	9.76	
Dec 17		Nehemiah	4.88	
TOTAL POINTS →			99.96	

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Class Date	Reading for Class	TOPIC	Assignment due
Sep 17	<i>Survey of the O.T.</i> pp. 1-24	Introduction:	--
Sep 24	pp. 25-50 Genesis 1-50	Genesis	Quiz: OT Framework Question Sheet (answer 5)
Oct 1	pp. 51-67 Exodus 1-20, 40 & Leviticus 1-5, 8-10	Exodus and Leviticus	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Oct 8	pp. 68-81 Numbers 1-3, 11- 14, 20-21, 32-35 and Deuteronomy 1-13, 24-31, 34	Numbers and Deuteronomy	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Oct 15	pp. 82-90 Joshua 1-10, 22-24	Joshua	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Oct 22	pp. 91-101 Judges and Ruth	Judges and Ruth	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Oct 29	pp. 102-108 1 Samuel	1 Samuel	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Nov 5	pp. 109-114 2 Samuel	2 Samuel	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Nov 12	pp. 115-124 1 Kings	1 Kings	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Nov 19	PP. 125-131 2 Kings	2 Kings	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Nov 26		THANKSGIVING – NO CLASS	--
Dec 3	pp. 132-139 1 and 2 Chronicles	1 and 2 Chronicles	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Dec 10	pp. 140-149 Ezra and Esther	Ezra and Esther	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)
Dec 17	pp. 150-156 Nehemiah	Nehemiah	Outline and Summary Question Sheet (answer 5)