



NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

COURSE SYLLABUS- Winter 2019

Meeting Time & Place: Tuesdays, 7-9 PM @ Rockpointe Community Church, Sterling Heights.

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Textbook: Walter A. Elwell & Robert W. Yarbrough. *Encountering the New Testament*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2013.

Course Description: This course provides an overview of the New Testament (NT), highlighting the historical & cultural background, argument, theology, and practical implications of each NT book.

Attendance Policy: In accordance with Detroit Bible Institute policy, all students must attend a minimum of 10 classes in order to receive credit for the course. Excused absences are considered at the discretion of the instructor and will not count against the student. In the event that a student has an excused absence, the instructor reserves the right to assign extra homework and reading to make up for lecture time missed by the student.

Assignments & Grading:

- **Quizzes & Assigned Reading:** 50% of the final grade

Several “pop” quizzes will be given throughout the course. Be prepared for one each class session. Each quiz will consist of 5 questions. The first question is worth 60 points; it will ask if the assigned reading has been completed. The remaining four questions will be worth 10 points each and will come from the class lectures and from the assigned reading for that class session.

- **Exams:** 50% of the final grade

Two exams will be given during the course. Both will be objective (i.e., true/false, multiple choice, fill in, etc.) and will be based on the lectures

presented in class. The first exam will cover all the lecture material covered up to that point in the class, and the second exam will cover everything covered since the first exam. Each exam is worth 25% of the final grade.

- **Grading Policy:** Students must complete 75% of all course work in order to pass the course.

Letters	Grade Points	Grade Scale
A	4.0	95-100
A-	3.7	90-94
B+	3.3	87-89
B	3.0	84-86
B-	2.7	81-83
C+	2.3	79-80
C	2.0	77-78
C-	1.7	75-76
F	0	0-74

Behavioral Policy: Students will fail the course and may be dismissed from the class if they are found cheating, being dishonest about work done in course, harassing other students or demonstrating destructive behavior.

Class & Assignment Schedule

Please Note: The Reading Assignments are due on the date they appear on the syllabus, not on the next week's class sessions.

- January 8:** *Session 1:* Intro to the Course
 Session 2: The World of the New Testament
- January 15:** *Session 1:* Intro to the Synoptic Gospels
 Session 2: Matthew
 Reading Assignment Due: Matthew 1-7, 26-28; Text Book: pp. 1-71
- January 22:** *Session 1:* Mark
 Session 2: Luke
 Reading Assignment Due: Mark; Luke 1-4, 22-24; Text Book: pp. 73-92
- January 29:** *Session 1:* Intro to John
 Session 2: John
 Reading Assignment Due: John; Text Book: pp. 93-102
- February 5:** *Session 1:* Acts
 Session 2: Romans

Reading Assignment Due: Acts 1-10, 13-15, 28; Romans; Text Book: pp. 179-192, 235-268

- February 12:** Session 1: **Exam 1**
Session 2: 1 Corinthians
Reading Assignment Due: 1 Corinthians
- February 19:** Session 1: 2 Corinthians
Session 2: Galatians & Ephesians
Reading Assignment Due: 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians,
Text Book: pp. 269-286
- February 26:** Session 1: Philippians, Colossians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians
Session 2: 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon
Reading Assignment Due: Philippians, Colossians, 1 & 2
Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon; Text Book: pp.
289-325
- March 5:** Session 1: Hebrews
Session 2: James
Reading Assignment Due: Hebrews, James; Text Book: pp.
329-341
- March 12:** Session 1: 1 & 2 Peter
Session 2: 1 John
Reading Assignment Due: 1 & 2 Peter, 1 John; Text Book: pp.
343-355
- March 19:** Session 1: 2 & 3, John, Jude
Session 2: Revelation
Reading Assignment Due: 2 & 3 John, Jude, Revelation; Text
Book: pp. 357-376
- March 26:** **Exam 2**