Location: GCTS, Boston 90 Warren St.

Course Dates and Times
November 03, 2012 Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
November 12, 2012 Monday 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
November 19, 2012 Monday 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
November 26, 2012 Monday 6:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.
December 3, 2012 Monday 6:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.
December 10, 2012 Monday 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
December 17, 2012 Monday 6:00-10:00 p.m. Final Exam

In order to fulfill the 37.5 hours course requirement students will complete a course project in addition to their OT course work.

Course Objective
This course concentrates on the overall content of the entire Old Testament with its historical, geographical, and cultural backgrounds. Only the English version of the Bible will be used. While the basic content of each individual book will be given, emphasis will be placed on how each book fits into the overall story of the Old Testament. This course objective is consistent with Article #1 of the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Mission Statement, which is “To encourage students to become knowledgeable of God's inerrant Word, competent in its interpretation, proclamation and application in the contemporary world.”

Course Requirements
Students will be expected to complete all assigned readings and participate in class discussions. The final course grade will be determined on the basis of a course quiz 20%, a book review 20%, a course project 10%, and a Final Exam 50%. Grading scale is on a 100% scale (90=A-; 92.5=A; 97.5=A+)

Please read “Plagarism” article on CAMS before the second class session on Nov. 12.
Required Texts can be purchased at Boston or South Hamilton library
1) Kaminski, C., *CASKET Empty Study Guide*, 2012 cost under $35.00
2) Kaminski, C. *CASKET Empty Timeline* cost under $20.00

**November 10, 2012 Saturday**
- Intro. to Course
- Intro to Pentateuch pt.1
- Homework due Nov. 12
  - Read Genesis-Deuteronomy in the Bible
  - Read CASKET Empty Study Guide Genesis-Deuteronomy
  - Read class handouts and answer article questions.

**November 12, 2012 Monday**
- Intro. to Pentateuch pt. 2
- Intro. to Joshua, Judges, I and II Samuel
- Homework
  - Read Joshua-II Kings
  - Read CASKET Empty Study Guide Joshua-Northern Kingdom
  - Read class handouts and answer article questions.
  - Study for course quiz on Nov. 19

**November 19, 2012, Monday**
- Course Quiz
- Intro. to Northern Kingdom and Northern Prophets pt. 1
- Homework
  - Read I Chronicles-Song of Solomon
  - Read CASKET Empty Study Guide Northern Prophets, Southern Kingdom, Southern Prophets
  - Start Course Project
  - Finish book review

**November 26, 2012, Monday**
- Book review due
- Intro. to Northern Kingdom and Northern Prophets pt. 2
- Intro. to Southern Kingdom and Southern Prophets pt. 1
- Homework
  - Finish reading Old Testament
  - Finish CASKET Empty Study Guide
-Complete Course Project

December 3, 2012, Monday
-Course Project Presentations
-Intro. to Southern Kingdom and Southern Prophets pt. 2
-Intro to Wisdom Literature pt. 1
-Homework
  -Read class handouts and answer assigned questions
  -Start studying for final exam

December 10, 2012, Monday
-Course Project Presentations
-Intro. to Wisdom literature pt.2
-Exile and Temple lecture
-Homework
  -Study for final exam

December 17, 2012
Final Exam 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Course Project Options

1) Read a liberal, non-traditional, non-Evangelical book on a particular Old Testament book, theme, individual or people and compare and contrast 3-4 themes with a book you have read from a traditional, Evangelical, conservative perspective. Paper should also clearly state how you believe the Bible addresses those 3-4 key themes. The paper must be 3-5 pages, typed and double-spaced.

2) Development of a Bible Study Lesson Plan based on lectures, readings, and additional research focusing on the theme of “God’s grace in the Old Testament.” Lessons should have a clear target audience, ie. youth, young adults, single women, men, families, key goals, a set time period, i.e. one sixty minute session, two ninety minute sessions, etc. The paper must be 3-5 pages, typed and double-spaced.

OT Survey Book Review Guidelines

1) Choose a book about a book in the Old Testament or an Old Testament individual that you have never read before.
2) Book should be no less than 250 pages.

3) You may read a portion of an Old Testament Commentary for your book review.

4) You cannot choose the Bible as your Book for the Book review.

5) Book Review should be typed, double spaced, 12-font, and 3-4 pages.

6) Read the plagiarism article before beginning your paper.

7) A Book Review explains the general themes and content of a book, specific points of interest noted by the author, whether or not the author proved his/her point(s), areas that could be improved upon, etc.

Additional Recommended but not Required Books and Articles


Ailing, Charles F. “The Sphinx Stele of Thutmose IV and the Date of the Exodus.” *Journal of*


Laney, Carl J. “God’s Self-Revelation in Exodus 34:6-8,” *Bibliotheca Sacra* 158,


