Syllabus for Hebrew II (OL 502)
GCTS Spring 2010
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ךָצִדְקֶלְעֹלָם אֱמֶת רֹאשׁ־דְּבָרְךָ
The sum of your word is truth,
and every one of your righteous rules endures forever.
Ps 119:160

Course Objectives
• to equip students with a knowledge of basic Biblical Hebrew grammar and vocabulary
• to convince students that knowing and using Biblical Hebrew is essential to effective
preaching and teaching of the Old Testament

Required Course Materials
• G. Pratico and M. Van Pelt, Basics of Biblical Hebrew: Workbook
• William L. Holladay, A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament
(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1988) or L. Koehler and W. Baumgartner, The Hebrew and
Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament (HALOT)
• Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia

Analytical Lexicons
• J. Owens, Analytical Key to the Old Testament (4 vols.)
• T. S. Beall and W. A. Banks, Old Testament Parsing Guide

Frequency Vocabulary Lists
• G. M. Landes, A Student’s Vocabulary Guide of Biblical Hebrew
• L. A. Mitchell, A Student’s Vocabulary of Biblical Hebrew and Aramaic

Other Grammar Aids
• M. Van Pelt and G. Pratico, Charts of Biblical Hebrew. Contains nearly 500 colored
charts (text and CD) which present a wide range of beginning grammar concepts.
• M. Van Pelt and G. Pratico, Graded Reader of Biblical Hebrew. A detailed grammatical
analysis of some 45 biblical texts.

**Hebrew Help**

• Teaching Assistants: Andrew Walton (awalton@gcts.edu), Michael Bellofatto (bellofatto@gmail.com) and Zach Gibson (zakkmccormick@gmail.com)
• [http://www.hebrewsyntax.org/bbh2.html](http://www.hebrewsyntax.org/bbh2.html) (username and password bbh2, developed by GCTS graduate John Beckman for additional online help)
• FlashWorks (software vocabulary program, FREE at [www.basicsofbiblicalhebrew.com](http://www.basicsofbiblicalhebrew.com))
• Hebrew Bible online: [http://www.tanach.us/Tanach.xml#Home](http://www.tanach.us/Tanach.xml#Home)

**Course Requirements**

• Class attendance is required. I realize there may an occasion where the student misses a class but this should be rare.
• Please be on time. Class will begin and end promptly.
• Please TURN OFF or silence (no “vibrate mode”) all cell phones, pagers, etc. If you would like for friends or family to be able to reach you in class in case of an emergency, have them call campus police, who will deliver the message to our classroom.
• Do all of the assigned homework thoughtfully and carefully. As a general rule expect to spend at least 10 hrs per week on Hebrew. Come to class prepared. You are expected to participate and will be called on regularly. Note that homework will be checked and graded (20% of final grade – see below).

**Assignments, Quiz and Exam Schedule**

• 8 Quizzes: 60%
  There will be eight quizzes during the semester plus one final make-up quiz. The make-up quiz is for those who missed a quiz during the regular semester and for anyone who would like to improve their quiz average (the make-up quiz grade will replace your lowest quiz grade from the semester, but only if it will improve your quiz average). *Only one make-up quiz will be given. Please do not ask for any exceptions to this quiz policy.*

• Homework: 20%
  Four times during the semester (5% each time) starting Feb 25 (after the first reading week) either I or Jessica will check your workbook to see if you are completing the homework and correcting your answers (using the answer key and from homework review in class). *Please do your homework in pencil and correct it using a pen with red ink.* You will be awarded a percentage (up to 5% each time) based on how much you have completed and whether or not you have corrected it. You will also be asked to report what percentage of the reading (see Daily Assignments) you have done, which will be factored in to your homework percentage. I will not
announce when your workbook will be checked nor when we will have you fill out a reading report, so be sure to complete all of the assignments on time.

• Final Exam: 20% Chpts. 1–35, date and time TBA

**Grading Scale**

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*PLEASE NOTE: In order to pass Hebrew 502 you must earn not only a passing grade in the course itself but also a grade of C- (70%) or above on the final exam. A score lower than 70% on the final exam in Hebrew 502 will result in failure of the course, regardless of your overall grade.
Hebrew II (OL 502) Daily Assignments
GCTS Spring 2010
Tues 7:00-8:30 pm with Jessica Minich
(jminich@gordonconwell.edu)
Thurs 7:30–9:00 pm with Dr. Cathy Beckerleg
(cathybeckerleg@gmail.com; cell # 978 494 2065 btwn 7 am - 9 p.m)

BBHG = Basics of Biblical Hebrew Grammar
BBHW= Basics of Biblical Hebrew Workbook

Feb 4  Chpt. 18  
Due on Feb 9:
BBHW 18b: parsing 1-10 on p. 141; Translations 1-3 on p. 142; Bible translations (2, 12 on p. 143-145)
BBHW 18c: parsing 1-10 on p. 149-150; Bible translations (2, 7 on p. 152-153)
BBHG  read 18.8 on p. 222-223

Feb 11  Chpt. 19  
Due on Feb 23:
BBHW Bible translations 1, 6, 8, 10, 11, 14 on p. 160-162
BBHG read 19.12

Feb 18  READING WEEK – NO CLASS

Feb 25  QUIZ #1 DUE
Chpt 20  
Due on Mar 2:
BBHW Parsing 1-30 on p. 163-164; Translations 3-6, 13, 14 on p. 165-166; Bible translations (5, 8, 15 on p. 167-169)
BBHG read 20.15

Mar 4  Chpt 21  
Due on Mar 9:
BBHW Parsing 1-23 on p. 173-174; Translations 1-5 on p. 174; Bible translations (1, 2, 3 on p. 175)
BBHG read 21.10

Mar 11  QUIZ #2 DUE
Chpt 22  
Due on Mar 16:
BBHW Parsing 1-25 on p. 179-180; Translations 1-6 on p. 180-181; Bible translations 1, 3, 6, on p. 181-182
BBHG read 22.14

Mar 18  
**Chpt 23**  
Due on Mar 25:  
BBHW Bible Translations 1, 3, 7 on p. 187-188  
BBHG read 23.13

Mar 25  
**READING WEEK – WE WILL MEET THURSDAY NIGHT (BUT NOT TUESDAY)**

**QUIZ #3 DUE**  
**Chpts 24-25**  
Due on Mar 30:  
BBHW 24 parsing 1-20 on p. 191-192; translations 1-12 on p. 193; Bible translations 8, 9, 10 on p. 195  
BBHG read 24.17 and 25.15

April 1  
**QUIZ #4 DUE**  
**Chpts 26-27**  
Due on Apr 6:  
BBHW 26 Parsing 1-20 on p. 211-212; Translations 6-15 on p. 213, Gen 37: 6-10 in Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (= BHS) or print out a copy of the text from http://www.tanach.us/Tanach.xml#Home; Bible translations (12 and 13 on p. 216)  
BBHW 27a Bible translations 6, 7 on p. 220; 27b Bible translations 4, 5, 8, 10, 15 on p. 223-225  
BBHG read 26.15 and 27.1  
*Notice that at [http://www.tanach.us/Tanach.xml#Home](http://www.tanach.us/Tanach.xml#Home) you can choose the format for display (with or without vowels, with or without accents, font size, etc.) I recommend under “content” select “vowels” (vowels only) and under “layout” select either “full” or “verses” depending on your preference.

April 8  
**QUIZ #5 DUE**  
**Chpts 28-29**  
Due on Apr 13:  
BBHW 28 parsing 1-15 on p. 227-228; Translations 1-4 on p. 228  
BBHW 29a parsing 1-25 on p. 231-232; Bible translations 1, 2, 3 on p. 233  
BBHG read 28.11 and 29.12
April 15  **QUIZ #6 DUE**  
**Chpts 30-31**  
Due on Apr 19:  
BBHW 30 parsing 1-23 on p. 239-240; Translations 1-11 on p. 241-242; Bible translations 3, 5, 8, 13 on p. 243-245  
BBHW 31 parsing 1-17 on p. 248; Bible translations 1, 12 on p. 251, 253  
BBHG read 30.17 and 31.18

April 22  **QUIZ #7 DUE**  
**Chpts 32-33**  
Due on Apr 27:  
BBHW 32 parsing 1-18 on p. 255-256; Bible translation Gen 22:1-5  
BBHW 33 parsing 1-20 on p. 259-260  
BBHG read 32.11 and 33.16

April 29  **QUIZ #8 DUE**  
**Chpts 34-35**  
Due at final exam:  
BBHW 34 parsing 1-17 on p. 267-268; Bible translation Gen 22:6-10  
BBHW 35 parsing 1-20 on p. 273-274  
BBHG read 34.16, 35.12 and 36.9. I strongly recommend that you read Chpt. 36 (36.1-36.8) before you start your first OT exegesis class.

FINAL EXAM: date and time TBA
Quiz Schedule for OL 502/Hebrew II

*Details for what the quiz will entail will be given in class. Each quiz will include a vocabulary section, which is cumulative.
*All quizzes are to be taken in Goddard Library and there is a one hour time limit. Please make yourself aware of the library’s schedule and hours. “The library was closed” is not a valid excuse!!
*Because students are taking quizzes at different times, it is imperative that you do not speak to anyone about the quiz until the deadline has passed.

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<td>Quiz will be available on Wed Feb 24 at 9 am and must be completed no later than Thurs Feb 25 at 7 pm.</td>
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