OT 500 Old Testament Survey Syllabus
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Location: Bahamas
Course Times
Monday-Thursday 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday 8:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00-3:00 p.m.

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-“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 an Open Book Essay Exam on Final Day of Class-50%, Course Project-25%, and Article Reviews-25% . The articles will be posted to CAMS. The best way to prepare for this course is to try and complete all the assigned reading prior to the first class.

1) Kaminski, C., CASKET Study Guide, 2005
2) Kaminski, C., God’s Story in the Old Testament through CASKET

Monday
-Intro. to Course, Overview of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers
-Required Reading to be completed before Monday night class.
   Bible: Genesis 1-28, Exodus 1-15, 20-24, 32-24 Leviticus 1-5, Numbers 1-14,
   Deuteronomy 1-9, 27-32, Joshua 1-10, 24, Judges 1-3, 19
   CASKET Study Guide: sections on Abraham-I Samuel
Tuesday
- Overview of Deuteronomy, Joshua and Judges
- Required Reading before Tuesday night class
  Bible: I Samuel 1-16, II Samuel 1-7, I Kings-All, Hosea-All, Amos-All, Obadiah-All, Jonah-All
  CASKET Study Guide sections: II Samuel and Northern Kingdom and Northern Prophets

Wednesday
- Overview of Northern Kingdom and prophets lecture pt. 1
- Required Reading before Wednesday night class
  Bible: II Kings, II Chronicles, Job
  CASKET Study Guide sections: Northern Kingdom and Northern Prophets

Thursday
- Overview of Northern Kingdom and prophets lecture pt. 2
- Required Reading before Thursday night class
  Bible: II Chronicles 36, Ezra-All, Nehemiah-1-5, Psalms 1-20, 51
  Casket Study Guide: Finish the entire book

Friday
- Overview of Southern Kingdom and prophets lecture
- Wisdom literature lecture
- Required Reading before Friday night class
  Bible: Isaiah 1-9 and ch. 44, Jeremiah 1-11, 31-33, Ezekiel 1-10, Daniel-All
  Haggai-All, Zechariah-All, Malachi-All

Saturday
- Course Exam
- Exile and Temple lecture
- Course Project presentations

Course Project Option #1-“Sunday School lesson plan”
  1) Develop a Sunday School Lesson Plan based on lectures, readings, and additional research focusing on the theme of “Grace and/or Mercy in the Old Testament.”
  2) Project should be 4-5 pages, typed and double spaced.
3) Presentations should be a summary of your Lesson Plan project NOT a word for word description of the actual Sunday School Lesson Plan.

4) Visuals or props for presentation are encouraged. However, your grade will be based on the content of your presentation and the written assignment.

**Course Project Option #2-Exodus Movie vs. Exodus in the Bible**
- Watch the Ten Commandments movie (1956 Charlton Heston version) and read Exodus in the Bible. Then list similarities, differences, and omissions in a 3 page outline format.

**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.


