



English Language Department – Certificate in Christian Studies

Old Testament Survey Course Syllabus

Course Description:

A broad overview and survey of the Old Testament designed to emphasize the structure, theme and message of the Old Testament and each of its 39 individual books in order to provide understanding of God's self-revelation and His plan of redemption.

Course Goals:

1. To teach pastors, church leaders, and other believers the basic structure, theme and message of the Old Testament and its 39 books as the foundation for the New Testament.
2. To teach pastors, church leaders, and other believers the broad sweep of Old Testament theological history as it relates to Israel and God's plan of redemption.
3. To lead pastors, church leaders, and other believers to a clear understanding of the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament.
4. To lead pastors, church leaders, and other believers to a better understanding of and appreciation for—
 - who God is
 - who man is
 - the purpose for which man was created
 - the nature and consequences of sin
 - the gracious love and mercy of God expressed in redemption
 - the integrity, unity and value of the Word of God.
5. To encourage pastors, church leaders, and other believers to learn from the examples and illustrations of the Old Testament.
6. To encourage pastors, church leaders, and other believers to walk by faith before God.
7. To encourage pastors, church leaders, and other believers to fully obey the Word of God.
8. To exhort pastors, church leaders, and other believers to preach, teach, and discern the principles, truths and concepts of the Old Testament.

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