# **Prayer Revolution Bible Institute**

#### BE 325 THE BOOK OF ACTS

## **Syllabus**

# **Introduction and Course Description**

The purpose of Prayer Revolution Bible Institute is to train leaders for the church and other places of ministry. The institute is designed to provide a Bible college-level training at no charge to the student, so that anyone with the desire to learn can get a Bible education. God calls all believers to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the systematic study and application of God's Word is the best way to grow spiritually. The Core Curriculum consists of six modules that progressively lead the student from the basic principles of Christianity to active evangelism. The Bible Exposition Courses build upon that foundation with a deeper knowledge and understanding of the truths of God's Word. These Bible Exposition courses are upper-level courses and contain a certain level of difficulty for the new student. Although each course is designed to be completed in fifteen weeks, the beauty of a self-paced online education is that the student can dictate his or her own pace.

Prayer Revolution Bible Institute is not currently accredited and therefore offers neither college credit, nor a college diploma. The student who completes the recommended course of learning, however, will have the personal satisfaction of achieving a good Bible education that will reap spiritual blessing and reward.

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Bible Exposition Course	Prayer Revolution Bible Institute		
Designed as a one semester course	Textbook Author:		
	Dr. Thomas L. Constable, PhD		
Units: Equivalent of 3 credits	Lectures:		
(no credit is given)	Dr. Thomas L. Constable, PhD		
Designed for 3 assignments per week	email: support@prayerrevolution.org		
Website: www.prayerrevolution.org			

## **Course Description**

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Follow the activities of the first-century church as presented in the Book of Acts. Luke's investigative report begins with the presence and power of the Holy Spirit that was given to the church at Pentecost. This historical account documents the struggles of the early church and the solutions to overcome those problems. Luke also traces three missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul for the establishment of new churches. INCLUDES AUDIO LECTURES

## **Prerequisites**

While students are encouraged to take all the Core Curriculum classes before taking any of the Bible Exposition Courses, this choice is not required. The Institute is designed to be flexible to meet the needs of the student according to the student's own needs and goals. The only requirement for Bible Exposition Courses is that the student must have completed CC 180 Old Testament Survey before taking an Old Testament Bible Exposition Course and CC 190 New Testament Survey before taking a New Testament Exposition Course. Therefore, the prerequisite for this course is CC 190 New Testament Survey.

# **Bible Reading Assignments**

Students will be required to read each chapter of the book of the Bible that is covered in that Bible Exposition Course. While students are only required to read each chapter one time, it is recommended that the student read each chapter twice as time allows.

# **Required Textbooks and Materials**

The textbook for this course is *Notes on Acts*, 2014 Edition by Dr. Thomas L. Constable and is made available free of charge in pdf format by special arrangement with the author for students of Prayer Revolution Bible Institute. These materials are protected by Copyright laws and may not be reproduced or distributed outside of Prayer Revolution Bible Institute. Some of these materials are available for purchase in Christian bookstores.

### Lectures

Audio lectures are provided for many of the Bible Exposition Courses. These lectures are provided by courtesy of Plano Bible Church in Plano, Texas, where these lectures were first presented. These lectures may also be heard at <a href="https://planobiblechapel.org/">https://planobiblechapel.org/</a> and some of them are available in other languages. This course presents audio lectures for Acts.

## **Examinations and Major Assignments**

Exams consist entirely of questions on each chapter of the Bible that is covered in the course. The exams for this course are as listed below.

#### **Examination Schedule**

Week	Assignment	Bible Chapters Covered
23	Mid-Term Exam	Acts 1-11
45	Final Exam	Acts 12-28

Students should print the exams if possible, so that they can easily take the exam, grade the exam, and keep the exam for their personal future records. No records are retained by Prayer Revolution Bible Institute. All exams are OPEN BOOK, which means you may find the answers to these questions in your Bible while you are taking the test. The purpose of the class is to learn the material, and an open book test still accomplishes this objective. However, students are asked to NOT look at the answers until they are finished with the test. Students may not search the internet during the exam to find the answers to the test. Students may NOT ask others for their help or input during the exam. The Bible is the only reference that may be used during an exam. Students may take the exam twice, if they wish, and retain the best grade.

There are 50 questions on each exam. The highest possible score is 50. Record the number of correct answers and write that score at the top of the exam. Keep a record of your score for the Mid-Term Exam and add that score to the Final Exam score to get your final grade for the class. For example, if your score for the mid-term exam was 42 and your score on the final exam was 46, add the two scores together, and your final grade for this course would be 88. A score of 88 is a B+, according to the Grading scale below. Write your final grade at the top of your final exam.

## **Grading**

Here is the Prayer Revolution Bible Institute grading scale.

LETTER GRADE	PERCENT GRADE	4.0 SCALE
A+	97-100	4
А	93-96	4
A-	90-92	3.7

B+	87-89	3.3
В	83-86	3
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
С	73-76	2
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3
D	65-66	1
F	Below 65	0

Remember to save your tests for your own records. Prayer Revolution Bible Institute does not maintain any student records. Exams make up the only grades for this course. To determine your cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) in the institute, add together all your final course grade point equivalents and divide by the number of courses you have taken so far. For example, if you took five courses, and the final grades were B+, C+, A, A-, and A+, then the grade point equivalents would be 3.3, 2.3, 4, 3.7, and 4. The total is 17.3. Divided by 5, the GPA would be 3.46 up to this point. **No grades are reported to the Institute.** 

# **Study Habits**

Remember that this is a college-level course. It is usually expected that students will spend approximately 1 to 2 hours of study time for each daily assignment in addition to listening to any audio lectures. Since this is a 3-unit class, you should expect to study an average of 3 to 6\_hours each week. Some students may need more study time and some less. Since this course is self-paced, students may not be able to go at the accelerated rate and may need to take longer than fifteen weeks to complete this course, which is fine. It is better to take longer to finish the course than to not finish at all.

# **Course Goals and Primary Learning Outcomes**

#### **Course Goals:**

By the end of this course:

- 1. The student should be able to understand the overall message of the bible chapters covered in this course.
- 2. The student should recognize the names of major bible characters presented in these bible chapters.
- 3. The student should be able to identify some spiritual truths that can be applied to believers today.

## Course Schedule Suggested Plan for Three Days per Week

#### **BE 325 THE BOOK OF ACTS DAILY ASSIGNMENTS** WEEK CLASS BIBLE **TEXTBOOK LECTURES** NUMBER NUMBER READING **READING ACTS PAGES 1-8 ACTS INTRO** 1 ACTS CH 1 2 1 9-16 1A 3 2 17-24 1B 4 25-32 2A 2 5 3 33-40 2B 6 41-48 2C 7 4 49-56 3 8 57-64 4A 3 9 5 65-72 4B 10 73-80 5A 11 6 5B 81-88 4 6 12 89-97 7 98-105 13 7A 14 106-113 7B 5 15 8 114-121 8 16 9A 122-129 6 17 9 130-138 9B 18 139-146 10A 19 10 147-154 10B 20 13A 7 155-163 21 11 164-172 13B 22 173-179 14A 23 **OPEN BOOK MID-TERM EXAM ACTS 1-11** 8 24 ACTS 12 180-189 14B 25 13 190-197 15A 9 198-206 26 14 15B

207-215

16A

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	28	15	216-223	16B
10	29	16	224-231	17A
11	30	17	232-240	17B
	31		241-248	18A
	32	18	249-256	18B
	33	19	257-264	19A
	34	20	265-272	19B
12	35		273-281	20A
	36	21	282-289	20B
	37	22	290-297	21
13	38	23	298-305	22
	39		306-313	23
	40	24	314-322	24
14	41	25	323-330	25
15	42	26	331-338	26
	43	27	339-346	27
	44	28	347-349	28
	45	OPEN BOOK	FINAL EXAM	ACTS 12-28