

# **BIBLICAL STUDIES**

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# **BACHELOR of Biblical Studies**



Tuition: \$1180 plus a \$60 application fee (Book fees/Graduation fees listed

separately)

Prerequisite: High School Diploma/GED; Born-again Experience; Active Church

Attendance

Graduation Requirement: **VERY IMPORTANT.** a 5,000-word thesis/dissertation is required for

this degree, typed and mailed to NCT, 763 Hoyt Street, SW, Warren, OH 44485, no later than April 15th. <u>This is mandatory</u>. <u>Without this thesis/dissertation, you will not receive your degree. This will be</u>

placed in your file at NCT.

#### **COURSE # CREDIT HOURS**

# BBS - 201 [2] The Need For Interpretation

Course Description: Examines The Need For Interpretation by looking at some challenges of interpretation, the eternal relevance, and the goal of hermeneutics. *Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.* 

#### BBS - 202 [3] The History Of Interpretation

Course Description: Examines History of Interpretation through Jewish interpretation and the Apostolic, Patristic, Middle Ages, Reformation, Post-Reformation, and Modern Periods. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

#### BBS - 203 [3] Literary and Social-Scientific Approaches To Interpretation

Course Description: Examines Literary Criticism and Social-Scientific approaches to Scripture. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

# BBS - 204 [2] The Canon and Translations

Course Description: Examines The Old and New Testament Biblical Canon, Criteria of Canonicity, Canon Criticism, and Texts and Translations. *Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.* 



#### **COURSE # CREDIT HOURS**

#### BBS - 205 [3] The Interpreter

Course Description: Examines Qualifications of The Interpreter, Presuppositions for Correct Interpretation, Preunderstandings of the Interpreter. *Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.* 

# BBS - 206 [3] The Goal of Interpretation

Course Description: Examines Speech Acts, Levels of Meaning, Author-Centered Textual Meaning, The Place of the Reader in Constructing Meaning, and Validating Our Interpretation. *Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.* 

# BBS - 207 [2] General Rules of Hermeneutics: Prose

Course Description: Examines Genres of the Old Testament and New Testament. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

# BBS - 208 [2] General Rules of Hermeneutics: Biblical Poetry

Course Description: Examines the dynamics of poetry, the structure of Hebrew Poetry, Other Poetic Structures, the Language of Poetry, and Larger Units of Poetry. *Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.* 

# BBS - 209 [2] Genres of the Old Testament

Course Description: Examines narratives of Old Testament genres: Law, Poetry, Prophecy, Wisdom, and how to write a structural outline. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

#### BBS - 210 [2] Genres of the New Testament

Course Description: Examines Implications for Interpretation of The Gospels, Acts, The Epistles, and Revelation. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

# BBS - 211 [2] The Fruits of Interpretation

Course Description: Examines how we use the Bible today to Gain Information and Understanding, Motivate and Enrich Worship, Create Liturgy, To Formulate Theology, Preach, Teach, Provide Pastoral Care, Promote Spiritual Formation in the Christian Life, and Enjoy Its Beauty as Literature. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.



#### **COURSE # CREDIT HOURS**

# BBS - 212 [3] The Application of Interpretation

Course Description: Examines the Importance of Application, How to Avoid Mistakes in Application, a Four-Step Methodology for Legitimate Application, and The Role of Holy Spirit. Textbook: Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: 3rd Edition / Special edition by William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, Robert L. Hubbard Jr.

# BBS - 213 [2] Prophetic Literature and Obadiah

Course Description: In this lesson, we discuss how to discern between true and false prophets, explore the difference between the different functions of prophecy, and explain the various literary forms that prophets used, discuss the importance of distinguishing between Israel and the church, discover the distinctive characteristics of the Minor Prophets, discuss God's accusations against Edom and blessings on His people, and evaluate the judgments and blessings of the day of the Lord. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 214 [2] Jonah and Amos

Course Description: This lesson explores Jonah's role in putting Israel's focus on other nations and Amos's concern for internal issues during these prosperous times. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

### BBS - 215 [2] Hosea and Micah

Course Description: This lesson continues God's warnings to Israel during her time of prosperity under Jeroboam II. The Lord's attributes of loyalty (Hosea) and justice (Micah) should have been evident in Israel, just as they should be seen in believers today. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 216 [2] Isaiah

Course Description: In this course, we discuss the major objections to the unity of the book of Isaiah, how the political situation in Isaiah's day concerning Assyria, Syria, and Israel affected the content of his prophecy, the importance of trusting the Lord over any earthly source of strength, examine the fulfilled and yet-to-be-fulfilled messianic prophecies in Isaiah, and discuss how the unique contributions of Isaiah to the future kingdom of the Messiah enable a better interpretation of the New Testament. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 217 [2] Nahum and Habakkuk

Course Description: These books together remind God's people to place their trust in His divine timing and plan to bring in His kingdom. They also address common questions people have today. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension



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# BBS - 218 [2] Joel and Zephaniah

Course Description: In this course, we understand the backgrounds of Joel and Zephaniah, discuss the near and far judgments and blessings called the day of the Lord, examine the call to repentance in hopes of avoiding these judgments because of God's compassion, discuss the sins that lead to the promised judgments of the day of the Lord, and discuss the blessings promised to Israel and to the Gentiles during the day of the Lord. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 219 [2] Jeremiah and Lamentations

Course Description: In this course, we understand the backgrounds and characteristics of Jeremiah and Lamentations, discuss Jeremiah's use of symbolism to communicate his basic message, examine how God's promise of judgment came to those disobedient to His Word and warnings, discuss how the warnings against covenant disobedience in Deuteronomy 28 were literally fulfilled in Lamentations, and evaluate Jeremiah's example of prayerful confession, repentance, obedience, and hope as an example for God's people in exile Textbook:

ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 220 [2] Daniel

Course Description: The book of Daniel illustrates this great truth, both in Daniel's prophecies and in his seventy-year ministry, which spanned the reigns of several kings. His message of the restoration of the nation provided hope for an exiled Judah serving Babylon. It also instructed the people how to remain pure amidst many temptations to defile themselves. *Textbook:*ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

# BBS - 221 [2] Ezekiel

Course Description: In this course we examine Ezekiel's purpose to encourage the Judean exiles and future believers, evaluate Ezekiel's distinctions and the timelines of his life and visions, discuss the meanings of the symbols and visions in Ezekiel, emphasis on the glory of the Lord, and look at Israel's new life and temple services after the return of Christ. *Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension* 

# BBS - 222 [2] Ezra 1-6, Haggai, and Zechariah

Course Description: After Judah's divinely ordained seventy-year exile in Babylon, God brought the people back to their land. The post-exilic books of Ezra and Nehemiah reveal that this return occurred in three waves with three distinct purposes. The first return under Zerubbabel had the rebuilding of the temple as its chief aim and is recorded in Ezra 1-6, Haggai and Zechariah. This lesson addresses these writings, which exhort the new community to proper priorities in light of their future reign. Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension



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# BBS - 223 [2] Esther and Ezra 7-10

Course Description: In this course, we examine the post-exilic book of Esther and the latter part of Ezra, pick up the history fifty-eight years later, and focus on the Jewish people themselves. Despite a wicked plan to exterminate all Jews throughout Persia, God providentially raised Esther up to save her people. Then, two decades later, Ezra, the priest arrived in Jerusalem to lead the spiritual renewal of the returnees. *Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension* 

#### BBS - 224 [2] Nehemiah and Malachi

Course Description: In this course, we examine the distinctions and timelines of Nehemiah and Malachi, discuss the books' purpose to encourage the returned exiles to rebuild Jerusalem's walls and cleanse themselves spiritually, explore the spiritual struggle in Nehemiah, how he accomplished his purpose, and how this applies to us, evaluate the seven questions Israel asked God in Malachi 1–3, and discuss God's predictions of judgment and blessing through the future Messiah Textbook: ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 2 by BEE WORLD Biblical Education By Extension

#### BBS - 225 [1] Old Testament Survey Student Life Notebook

Course Description: Share in 1-2 paragraphs your research, opinion, or application of the questions from the Old Testament Survey.

#### BBS - 226 [8] Ultimate Bible Guide

Course Description: This valuable resource will provide new perspectives and make the big picture of the Bible clear from beginning to end. Discover the Bible's big ideas and worldview themes; spot the "shadow of Christ" in Old Testament passages; build understanding with key verses, maps, and charts. *Textbook: Kendell Easley* 

# BBS - 227 [10] THESIS

Course Description: 5,000 word thesis/dissertation. The Thesis requirement should be 30 - 35 pages in the body of the paper, plus a cover sheet and research page. It is to be typed double-spaced in a font no larger than 12 with one inch margins all around.