

**Course:** BI120 T(NT) Old Testament Survey  
**Credit:** 3 Credit Hours  
**Semester:** Spring 2023, Cycles 4-5 (January 9- May 5)  
**Time:** Tuesday/Thursday 8:00-9:20 am  
**Place:** Langmade  
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## I. DESCRIPTION

This course is a survey of the Old Testament books in their historical context. The student will learn the themes, purposes, outlines, key people and applications for life from the Old Testament books. Students will learn the chronological order of key events in Old Testament history. (Prerequisite BI115.)

*\* This course is offered in two formats: in-person and online. Students registered for in-person attend the classes in person, online students attend the classes via the online classroom. For both in-person and online students, assignments and interaction outside of the class period are done in the learning management system.*

## II. OBJECTIVES

1. Begin to understand the contexts and themes of the Old Testament books in their progressively-revealed sequence and context. (PLO 1, 2) (A 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
2. Realize the composition and unity of the Old Testament books. (PLO 1, 2) (A 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
3. Appreciate the purpose and place in the canon of each Old Testament book. (PLO 1, 2) (A 1, 2, 3, 5)
4. Become aware of applications to one's life from surveying the macro themes, purposes, and metanarratives of each Old Testament book. (PLO 1, 2, 5) (A 1, 2, 3, 5)

## III. REQUIREMENTS

**Assignment 1:** Read Genesis- Exodus. Read Hindson and Yates pages 1- 83. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

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**Assignment 2:** Read Leviticus-Deuteronomy. Read Hindson and Yates pages 84-119. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 3:** Read Joshua- Ruth. Read Hindson and Yates pages 120-158 In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 4:** Paper on Overview of Genesis. The student is to complete a 10-page (double-spaced) which will include a section that summarizes the book of Genesis and a section that contain exegetical work on a chapter of Genesis using the inductive method of Bible study. A minimum of 4 scholarly sources are required for this paper. Please include a cover page, table of contents page, and bibliography. Submit the paper in a Word document and upload into Canvas. (110 points)

**Assignment 5:** Read 1-2 Samuel. Read Hindson and Yates pages 159-172. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 6:** Read 1-2 Kings. Read Hindson and Yates pages 173-187. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 7:** Read 1 Chronicles- Esther. Read Hindson and Yates pages 188-231. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 8:** Complete the midterm exam (100 points)

**Assignment 9:** Read Job-Psalms. Read Hindson and Yates pages 232-258. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 10:** Read Proverbs- Song of Solomon. Read Hindson and Yates pages 259-286. In a

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Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 11:** Read Isaiah. Read Hindson and Yates pages 287-311. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 12:** Read Jeremiah- Lamentations. Read Hindson and Yates pages 287-338. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 13:** Read Ezekiel- Daniel. Read Hindson and Yates pages 339-363. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 14:** Read Hosea- Nahum. Read Hindson and Yates pages 365-416. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 15:** Read Habakkuk- Zechariah. Read Hindson and Yates pages 417-451. In a Word document indicate that you finished this reading assignment and list five things you learned from your textbook reading, and then type out 2 applications for your Bible reading. For each application type out the verse and then how you plan on putting that verse into practice in your life (30 points)

**Assignment 16:** Complete the final exam (100 points)

#### **IV. POINTS AND FINAL GRADE**

**930-1000 A**  
**900-929 A-**  
**870-899 B+**  
**830-869 B**  
**800-829 B-**  
**770-799 C+**

<b>730-769</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>700-729</b>	<b>C-</b>
<b>670-699</b>	<b>D+</b>
<b>630-669</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>600-629</b>	<b>D-</b>
<b>0-599</b>	<b>F</b>

## **V. MATERIALS**

### **A. The Bible**

See "Bible is required textbook statement below. My preferred translation is the NASB

### **B. Textbooks**

- A) Hindson, Ed and Yates, Gary, editors. *The Essence of the Old Testament: A Survey*. Nashville: B&H Academic. ISBN: 9781433677076 Retail: \$44.99.

## **VI. POLICIES**

- A. **The Bible** is a required textbook in every course at Calvary University. To facilitate academic level study, students are required to use for assignments and research an English translation or version of the Bible based on formal equivalence (*meaning that the translation is generally word-for-word from the original languages*), including any of the following: New American Standard (NASB, English Standard Version (ESV), New King James (NKJV), or King James (KJV). Other translations and versions based on dynamic equivalence (*paraphrases, and thought-for-thought translations like NLT and NIV*) may be used as supplemental sources. Please ask the professor if you have questions about a particular translation or version.
- B. **All class papers** must follow the Turabian style according to *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th edition and the Calvary Style Guide, 2019 update.
- C. **Late Assignments:** Assignments will be lowered **10%** if not turned in on the due date.
- D. **Plagiarism:** *Plagiarism is defined as copying any part of a book or paper without identifying the author. This also includes taking another person's ideas and presenting them as your own.* Any assignment that includes plagiarism will receive a zero (0) grade.

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- E. **Disabilities:** *Students with disabilities have the responsibility of informing the Accommodations Support Coordinator ([aso@calvary.edu](mailto:aso@calvary.edu)) of any disabling condition that may require support.*
- F. **The Clark Academic Center** ([learning@calvary.edu](mailto:learning@calvary.edu)) is dedicated to providing free academic assistance for all Calvary University students. Student tutors aid with all facets of the writing process, tutor in various subject areas, prepare students for exams and facilitate tests. Please take advantage of this service.
- G. **Class Attendance:**  
**Residential Students:** I will record attendance by checking academic activity during the previous 7 days each Wednesday. If you miss more than one week, your grade will be lowered by one letter grade. If you miss more than two weeks of class, your grade will be lowered by one additional letter grade (a total of two letter grades).  
**Online students:** Attendance for online students will consist of validated academic activity at a weekly minimum. Attendance validation for online students includes such activities as participation in class assignments and discussion typically derived from the recorded lectures.

**VI. TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE**

- Week 1**    **Introduction**  
              **Importance of OT**  
              **Intro to OT**
- Week 2**    **Introduction to the Pentateuch**  
              **Creation**  
              **Genesis**
- Week 3**    **Exodus**  
              **Leviticus**  
              **Numbers**
- Week 4**    **Deuteronomy**  
              **Introduction to the Historical Books**  
              **Joshua**
- Week 5**    **Judges**  
              **Ruth**  
              **1 Samuel**
- Week 6**    **2 Samuel**  
              **1 Kings**  
              **2 Kings**

- Week 7** 1 Chronicles  
2 Chronicles  
Significance of Temple
- Week 8** Ezra  
Nehemiah  
Esther
- Week 9** Introduction to Wisdom Books  
Job  
Psalms
- Week 10** Proverbs  
Ecclesiastes  
Song of Solomon
- Week 11** Introduction to Prophets  
Isaiah  
Jeremiah-Lamentations
- Week 12** Ezekiel  
Daniel  
Hosea
- Week 13** Joel  
Amos- Obadiah  
Jonah
- Week 14** Micah  
Nahum  
Habakkuk
- Week 15** Zephaniah  
Haggai  
Zechariah
- Week 16** Malachi  
Themes that Emerge from OT  
Conclusion to the Course

**VII. Bibliography**

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