

Five-Fold Christology in the Old Testament

Jesus came to fulfill the Law, the Psalms and the Prophets. (Matthew 5:17, Luke 24:44) His coming was announced in the Old Testament and this course will help one to understand how clearly this was revealed. This class will also examine Jesus as Eternal God, always existing with the Father, and never having been created Himself. This course is also a tremendous apologetic tool, revealing that God is the Author of the Bible, as only He could link our Messiah to both Testaments so conclusively!

Old Testament Book of Joel (Minor Prophet)

The name Joel means *Yahweh is God*. The theme of the book is "The day of the Lord is near." God can use crises to make His people aware of their utter dependence on Him and their need for spiritual renewal. Sin is serious and merits God's judgment. Judgment can be avoided by heartfelt prayer and repentance. God is gracious and merciful. God's desire is to forgive His people and pour out His Spirit on them.

New Testament Books of 1st ,2nd, 3rd John and Jude

1 John presents criteria for testing the Christian profession of teachers and individual Christians. Those who demonstrate these traits have eternal life. John would repeat these themes several times in the epistle as a test to determine the presence of eternal life. **2 John** provides encouragement to Christian love, and warning against false teaching. **3 John** presents a contrast between the truth and service demonstrated by Gaius and the arrogance shown by Diotrephes. John emphasized that "truth" was a type of behavior that agreed with the doctrine Christians professed. The autocratic behavior of Diotrephes violated this behavior. John wanted to bring his domineering practice to an end. **Jude** began with the intention of discussing the theme of "salvation." Jude goes on to discuss false teachers, and resisting the false teachers.

Introduction to Christian Apologetics

The course is an introductory level course. However, some of the material will be challenging and may involve concepts that are new to the student. Each week the lectures will cover the topics from the textbook, but will also include information that is supplemental to the topic of apologetics. The student will be able to converse with others, saved or unsaved, on an "apologetic" level which means they will have a general skill in defending their faith and a reasonable skill in logical thinking.

The Bible: It's Origin, Transmission, and Preservation

The students will gain a general understanding of how the Bible came to be in its present form and how we can be sure it has been accurately and faithfully copied, translated, and preserved throughout its history.

Old Testament Book of Esther

God worked behind the scenes to save the Jews from destruction by exalting Esther as queen of Persia and turning the tables on their enemies.

One Faithful Life - Paul Of Tarsus

This course will encompass a study of the life of the Apostle Paul. The student will be required to purchase a recently released and inexpensive book by John MacArthur entitled One Faithful Life. The book covers Paul's salvation experience, missionary journeys, arrest, imprisonment and martyrdom. An in depth review of the thirteen Pauline epistles will also be accomplished.

The Secrets Of Ancient Man

The Secrets Of Ancient Man reveals mankind's rebellious deviation from God's will at the Tower of Babel. The bulk of the book reveals how nearly all of man's rebellion can be traced to Genesis 11 and the Tower of Babel. The many cultures and great empires throughout human history will be studied in depth, along with archaeology and archaeoastronomy, forgotten inventions of ancient man, pyramids and mounds located around the globe, false manmade gods and religious systems, and we will observe that all of these factors are easily traced to mankind's first rebellion. This fallen mindset will be dramatically contrasted with God's desire and will for which He intended for mankind to live.

A Comprehensive Study Of The Biblical Exodus

The class will carefully study the Bible [only book required] in order to understand the fascinating story of the Exodus. Three DVD's will greatly enhance our understanding of the historical, scientific and archaeological concepts of the Exodus. Most Biblical maps give no confirmed route of the Exodus, and they often have question marks on them. Furthermore, there is no unanimity of the date of this great event. The location of Mount Horeb where the ten commandments were given by the Lord will also be studied in depth.

Homiletics

The student will need to bring their Bible, notebook and pen. Students who actively are engaged in teaching and/or preaching or feel called to do so, will be afforded the opportunity to share a message in class. The class will cover several aspects of effective preaching/teaching, The need for continual Bible study, prayer, and preparation (II Timothy 2:15), The different types of sermons, Inflecting your voice verses monotone, The continual need for anointing, and other areas of preaching/teaching.

Suffering and Brokenness in the Christian's Life

The assigned book covers many reasons why the Christian suffers. These will be studied. Individual testimonies of suffering and brokenness will be shared by willing participants within our class. The many Biblical examples of brokenness in the assigned reading will be examined. Special attention will be given to the classic Biblical examples of suffering such as, Jesus from Gethsemane to Golgotha, Job, Paul's Thorn in the Flesh, and I Peter.

The Tower of Babel and the New World Order

The Tower of Babel and the New World Order. Much, if not all, modern day paganism, cults, and political systems can trace their roots back to the Tower of Babel. A Study Of Genesis 11:1-9 will establish a foundation For This course. Following the Hermeneutical "First Mention

Principal," we will study how this mindset has always been in the heart of rebellious men, ever since the book Of Genesis. Learn all about it in this course.

The Temple

An overview of the three historical temples of the Israelites in Jerusalem: namely, Solomon's temple, Zerubbabel's temple, and Herod's temple. The course will then focus on the book "Temple" by Robert Cornuke. Furthermore, we will watch the DVD on The Temple by Bob Cornuke. The question about the original location of Solomon's temple will be discussed. The facts will be examined. This will have profound implications on the locale where the temple will be rebuilt in the last days.

Biblical Archaeology

Introduction to Biblical Archaeology as an excellent study in Apologetics. Terms used in Archaeology that give us a better understanding of the field. We will also discuss The Dead Sea Scrolls - perhaps the greatest discovery ever, Jabal Al Lawz. The real mountain of Moses? You decide! Peru-- Land of Enchantment and Riches In Archaeology. Revealing the brilliance of ancient man, and the coexistence of man and dinosaur.

Archaeology II

Close Up Study Of Machu Picchu, Peru-- A Pre Columbian Inca city located high in the Andes mountains and at the rim of the Amazon River Basin. Archaeoastronomy will be examined in great detail at this locale. Recent archaeological studies around the globe reveal that there are "Stonehenges" everywhere, that feature solar, lunar and stellar sites whereby the ancients studied the heavens. This plethora of global sites, of which Machu Picchu is a prime example, all find their roots at the Biblical Tower of Babel (Genesis 11). Several features of this remote Inca outpost reveal the brilliance of ancient man. Many photographs of this famous site will be shared with the class, taken by the instructor of this class.

Disciple-Making

Students will go through a 9 lesson Discipleship course to learn how to live a Christ-directed life, and be trained to use the material to disciple others in a one to one relationship. The goal will be to learn and begin to apply the core lessons of what it means to be a fully devoted Christ-follower, with an ongoing plan for personal growth in each of these areas, in conjunction with a personal plan to disciple others. Students will focus on a practical means of having the Great Commission applied in their lives personally, as Jesus said its goal was "teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Relevance of Creation

In the second semester, we will learn more about evolution; what it is, and what creation-evolution battle is really about. Evolution is not about choices for the origin of life; nor a battle of science versus religion; it is an attack on the whole gospel message. People do not reject creation because of lack of evidence, they accept evolution because they do not want to believe in God! The entire creation-evolution debate is about one thing: do we believe in the authority of

God's word. We will learn that it takes more faith to believe in evolution than to believe in a creator God.

Understanding the Trinity

Many Christians today, including myself before teaching this class, do not have a good response when asked about the trinity. Maybe they will say that God exists as three persons, but they have nothing to say after that. When I was asked this question, I did not have much else to say, but after I read a book authored by Bruce A. Ware from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, my entire perspective of the Trinity changed. For the first time someone explained the Trinity beyond God existing as Three Persons, and now I want to pass along this information to you. Best of all, the teachings of his book and this class comes straight from the Bible.

Study of Genesis 1-11

The book of Genesis is the most disputed book of the Bible and Chapters 1-11 are the most disputed chapters in Genesis. In these chapters, we learn of God's perfect creation, the Fall of Man, the Biblical curses, the Worldwide Flood, and the Tower of Babel. We learn about the origin of life, the origin of sin, the origin of death, the origin of struggle for survival, and even the origin of the battle of the sexes. These chapters are frequently challenged by evolutionary scientists and skeptics who claim the Bible is wrong, but many Christians also do not understand these chapters. This course will prepare the student to answer the questions most asked by family, friends, and neighbors as well as those of skeptics.