

## COURSE SYLLABUS

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# Bible Basics

## Our Daily Bread Christian University

### Course Description

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Are you curious about the Bible? Is any of it even relevant for today? The *Bible Basics* course provides you with an overview of the Bible and will demonstrate how the Old and New Testament books fit together. You will discover spiritual insights that will speak to your heart today and understand why the Bible has become an enduring and influential book.

### Course Objectives

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Upon completion of this course, you should be able to:

1. Recall key elements of the story told in the Old Testament and see how the Old Testament books fit into the categories of history, poetry, or prophecy.
2. Identify important characters and events in Genesis and explain how God's chosen people entered the Promised Land.
3. Trace the history of Kings from Saul to Jeroboam and Rehoboam and understand key events in the return of Judah from exile.
4. Explain why the New Testament has been both loved and hated and understand the influence of the culture on the writers of the New Testament.
5. Give a brief overview of the life of Christ as explained in the Gospels.
6. Explain the major themes of the book of Acts.
7. Explain major issues addressed by the New Testament Epistles (letters).
8. Understand key ideas in the book of Revelation.

### Course Methods

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Throughout this course, a number of methods will be used to engage the students in learning and processing information, interacting with other students (when possible), and applying the learning to their lives.

### Lesson Structure

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Each lesson is organized in a similar structure. It is important that students review the lesson objectives for each lesson so they will be familiar with the learning outcomes for that lesson. The lesson lectures are available in video or text format. Lessons are structured as follows:

- **Lesson Objectives:** The Lesson Objectives describe the learning outcomes students should achieve by the end of each lesson.
- **Lecture:** Each lesson in this course includes a lecture of approximately 10-25 minutes

in length. These instructional lectures can be watched as many times as needed. The same content is available in the lesson transcript (PDF), for students who can benefit from this alternative medium.

- **Quizzes:** Short, interactive quizzes within each video lesson help students test their knowledge along the way.

## Course Requirements

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Course requirements will be provided by the student's course facilitator, instructor, or leader. For students taking this course independent of a facilitator, this is a self-study course and there are no requirements; students may do as much, or as little work in the course as they like.