



Syllabus

Course: Mastering the English Bible: The Prophetic Books

Student: _____ **Instructor/Proctor:** _____

Videos and Pictorial Bible PowerPoints for this course can be found on the Media List at <https://www.wayoflife.org/media/>

Course Description: - An extensive survey of the 16 prophetic books from Isaiah to Malachi. The introduction covers the divine inspiration of the prophets, the repetition, the chronological order, the historical background, the figurative language, and the major themes. We deal extensively with every major theme of Bible prophecy, including Christ's first coming, the day of the Lord, Armageddon, Christ's coming in glory, Christ's millennial kingdom, and the millennial temple.

Texts Required:

The King James Bible

Mastering the English Bible: The Prophetic Books by David W. Cloud

Additional Material (Suggested):

Pictorial Bible (PowerPoints/Keynotes) *see link above*

Video Set (37 Videos) *see link above*

Outcomes - At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- State the major themes and lessons of each of the Prophetic Books.

General Course Procedure:

Review Questions are "open Book"

Tests are to be taken "closed Book"

Reading assignments - As the student reads the material in the book, the corresponding review questions are to be answered. Key verses appearing on review questions should be memorized.

Additional Resources (video, presentations, maps, etc.) should be studied.

Review for test - The student should study the material until the Review Questions can be answered without having to look up the answer.

Tests - The student will take tests during the course. There is a final test to complete at the end of the course. The questions will be short answer and will be based on the review questions.

Evaluation:

The grade will be the average score of three tests.

100-90 = A; 89-80 = B; 79-70 = C; below 70 = D (failing)

The Necessity of a Supervisor (Proctor) - If the student is taking the course by himself and not as part of a class, it is imperative that he or she find someone to supervise the studies. The supervisor can be a relative, pastor, teacher, or friend. The individual must be capable, dependable, and committed to the task of supervising the student's progress through the course. This entails (1) making sure that the student completes the studies in a timely fashion, (2) checking the assignments, and (3) overseeing the testing.

Schedule: This course may be taken at a pace which is decided by the student. If the student has a Supervisor (proctor) all timeframes and requirements should be fully agreed upon before the student begins the course.

To encourage a steady progress to finish the course, it is suggested that at the end of each week the student should complete a self-report. This report should reflect the work that was accomplished. A determination should be made as to if the student is on schedule.

Course outline: A suggested course outline is provided on the last page of this syllabus.

Student Assignments (optional): These optional additional projects are carefully designed to help the student get the most benefit from the course. It is essential that the student do these projects. If you can't do all of these projects during the course on Job and Psalms, we would urge you to aim to do them later. Projects like this helps to keep the student move forward as an effectual Bible student.

- Read Isaiah 2 and write the major lessons (without looking at the textbook).
- Read Isaiah 53 and write the major lessons (without looking at the textbook).
- Read Jeremiah 31:27-40 and write the major lessons (without looking at the textbook).
- Read Ezekiel 37:1-14 and write the major lessons (without looking at the textbook).
- Outline the major events of Daniel 9:24-27 (without looking at the textbook).
- Read Zechariah 12-14 and write the major lessons (without looking at the textbook).

Review Questions: The review questions are designed to draw the student's attention to the most important points of the lessons and to help him remember these after the course is finished. They are also designed to prepare the student for the tests. The student should first go through the review questions and try to answer them without the textbook. Afterward, he should go back and find the answers using the textbook. Finally, he should check his answers against the review question answer sheet.

Videos : If you did not purchase the videos you should consider doing so at this time. They are online so you can begin to watch them immediately after purchase. (You receive a passcode via download document.) You should also download each video so you have a copy of your own.

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| 13 Isaiah, Part 7 | 32 Minor Prophets, Amos, Obadiah |
| 14 Jeremiah, Part 1 | 33 Minor Prophets, Jonah, Micah |
| 15 Jeremiah, Part 2 | 34 Minor Prophets, Nahum, Habakkuk |
| 16 Jeremiah, Part 3 | 35 Minor Prophets, Zephaniah, Haggai |
| 17 Jeremiah, Part 4 | 36 Minor Prophets, Zechariah |
| 18 Jeremiah, Part 5 | 37 Minor Prophets, Malachi |
| 19 Jeremiah, Part 6 | |

Study Plan: You may study and complete the course at your own pace. The important thing is to set a daily schedule and stick to it. God requires first place ("But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness," Mt. 6:33). And since He has magnified His Word above His very name (Ps. 138:2), it is evident that He intends that we should make the study of His Word the very highest priority. Tips: 1.) Make Bible study a high priority, 2.) Establish a time, 3.) Establish a place, 4.) Have your study tools at hand, 5.) Set a schedule and stick to it.

We offer a course plan on the next page simply as reference. It has 67 "sessions." If you complete a session a day it will take 67 days to complete the course. If you complete sessions in two days it will take 134 days to complete the course. Make the plan your own. Perhaps you prefer to build in a "day off" or an extra study day to review before a test. Make a plan that works for you and be faithful to it.

This is a quite a detailed course so you may elect to define a "session" as three days. There are a lot of review questions so don't just do the assigned reading for each "session." Be sure to cover and be able to answer the review questions as you move from session to session. You cannot limit your time to two review days just before the test. Reviewing and memorizing should occur in each session. In fact, you might want to read the book material all on the first "day" and use all three session days for learning the material and viewing the videos and Pictorial Bible as referenced in the textbook.

Prophetic Books - 67 Session Course Plan (suggestion)

| Session | start page | end page | Stop/Start Reading | Review Questions | VIDEO |
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| 5 | - | | Review | " | |
| 6 | - | | Review | " | |
| 7 | - | | TEST #1 | | |
| 8 | 24 | 31 | Isaiah | 1 - 78 | 5,6 |
| 9 | 31 | 38 | Isaiah | " | 7,8 |
| 10 | 38 | 45 | Isaiah | " | 9 |
| 11 | 45 | 53 | Isaiah | " | 10 |
| 12 | - | | Review | " | |
| 13 | - | | Review | " | |
| 14 | - | | TEST #2 | | |
| 15 | 53 | 60 | Isaiah | 1 - 28 | 11 |
| 16 | 60 | 67 | Isaiah | " | 12 |
| 17 | 67 | 75 | Isaiah | " | 13 |
| 18 | - | | Review | " | |
| 19 | - | | Review | " | |
| 20 | - | | TEST #3 | | |
| 21 | 76 | 83 | Jeremiah | 1 - 65 | 14, 15 |
| 22 | 83 | 90 | Jeremiah | " | 16,17 |
| 23 | 90 | 97 | Jeremiah | " | 18 |
| 24 | 97 | 105 | Jeremiah | " | 19 |
| 25 | - | | Review | " | |
| 26 | - | | Review | " | |
| 27 | - | | TEST #4 | | |
| 28 | 106 | 113 | Ezekiel | 1 - 40 | 20 |
| 29 | 113 | 120 | Ezekiel | " | 21 |
| 30 | 120 | 124 | Ezekiel | " | 22 |
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| 32 | - | | Review | " | |
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| 65 | | | Review | | |
| 66 | | | Review | | |
| 67 | | | FINAL TEST | | |