

***The Drama of Redemption: From Chaos to the Dawn of
New Creation: A Survey/Biblical Theology of the Old Testament***

A Providence Prep Academy Seminar 2018-2019

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**Fall and Spring Classes: Scripture Memorization, Reading Assignments, Class Outline,
and Homework**

**Fall 2018 Scripture Memorization- Please memorize in ESV or KJV
(Completion Goal: January 11th, 2019)**

- a. Acts 28:23-24, 29-31 (Goal: Oct. 5)
- b. Luke 24:25-27, 44-48 (Goal: Oct. 5)
- c. Ephesians 2:18-22 (Goal: Oct. 5)
- d. John 5:39-40 (Goal: Nov. 9)
- e. Hebrews 1:1-4 (Goal: Nov. 9)
- f. Romans 1:3-4 (Goal: Nov. 9)
- g. Romans 16:25-27 (Goal: Dec. 7)
- h. Revelation 12 (Goal: Jan. 11, 2019)

**Spring 2019 Scripture Memorization- Please memorize in ESV or KJV
(Completion Goal: May 3rd, 2019)**

- a. Genesis 3:15; 12:1-3; Heb. 11:13-16 (Goal: Feb. 1)
- b. Exodus 20:1-17 (Goal: Feb. 22)
- c. Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 9-10; 6:4-9 (Goal: March 8)
- d. 2 Samuel 12-16 (Goal: March 29)
- e. Isaiah 9:6-7; 40:1-5; 65:17-19; 66:1-2, 22-24 (Goal: April 12)
- f. Hosea 14:8-9; Micah 6:8; Habakkuk 3:17-19; Zephaniah 3:14-17 (Goal: May 3)

Fall 2018 Supplemental Reading Plan (Graham Goldsworthy, *According to Plan: The Unfolding Revelation of God in the Bible* - Completion Goal: January 11th, 2019)

- a. Part One: Biblical Theology-Why? (Chap. 1- Goal: Sept. 14)
- b. Part Two: Biblical Theology-How? (Chaps. 2 – 7 – Goal: Oct. 19)
- c. Part Three: Biblical Theology-What? (Chaps. 8 – 12 – Goal: Nov. 16)
- d. Part Three: Biblical Theology-What? (cont'd) (Chaps. 13 – 16 – Goal: Dec. 7)
- e. Part Three: Biblical Theology-What? (cont'd) (Chaps. 17 – 21 – Goal: Jan. 11, 2019)

** If you are also seeking to read Mathison or Robertson, and Vos, please follow this Goldsworthy reading plan, and I will assign you more reading at the end of class.*

Spring 2019 Supplemental Reading Plan (Graham Goldsworthy, *According to Plan: The Unfolding Revelation of God in the Bible* - Completion Goal: May 10th, 2019)

- a. Part Three: Biblical Theology-What? (cont'd) (Chaps. 22 – 23 – Goal: Jan. 25th, 2019)
- b. Part Three: Biblical Theology-What? (cont'd) (Chaps. 24 – 25 – Goal: Feb. 22nd, 2019)
- c. Part Four: Biblical Theology-Where? (Chaps. 26 – 27 – Goal: March 29th, 2019)

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Fall 2018 Scripture Reading Plan

- a. Pentateuch/Torah/Covenant Law: **Read Genesis- Deuteronomy** (Begin reading/re-reading, Sept. 7; Completion Goal: Nov. 16)
- b. Prophets: Former (Joshua, Judges, Samuel, Kings): Covenant History: **Read Joshua-2 Kings** (Begin reading/re-reading, Nov. 16; Completion Goal: Jan. 25, 2019)

Spring 2019 Scripture Reading Plan

c. Prophets: Latter (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Book of the Twelve): Covenant History: **Read either Isaiah or Jeremiah or Ezekiel, and all of the Book of the Twelve** (Begin reading/re-reading, Jan. 25; Completion Goal: March 1)

d. Writings (Psalms, Job, Proverbs, Ruth, Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Lamentations, Chronicles): Covenant Life: **Read either Psalms or Job or Proverbs, and all of Chronicles, and 2 of the following: Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Lamentations** (Begin reading/re-reading, March 1; Completion Goal: April 5)

As you read the Holy Scriptures, keep a journal to discuss in class and to turn in to me, doing the following for each book of the Old Testament that you study:

- 1) **Prayer** for the illumination and help of the Holy Spirit before and during your reading; He is the True and Faithful Author of Holy Scripture. Pray for humble, receptive hearts, and insights for your life.
- 2) **Outline** the whole book in 4 or 5 points: Make a simple (not complex!) outline to help you to understand an overview/summary of the book.
- 3) **Ask** the following questions and briefly answer. Remember to look carefully and circumspectly where you are in the context, look behind you in redemptive history, and look forward and upward (note: you will learn how to do the following in our first two classes together):
 - What is the main theme of the book in 1-2 sentences?
 - How is God the Father specifically revealed in 2-3 ways in this book?
 - How is the Son of God/Christ specifically revealed in 2-3 ways in this book (in promise (type), prophecy, and/or person)?
 - How is the Holy Spirit specifically revealed in 2-3 ways in this book?
 - What is the type/genus of this book? How does this teach you how to read it?
 - Any echoes: leitworts (repetition of word), or leitmotifs (repetition of theme) that are important?
 - How is man revealed? How is his sin highlighted/his need of redemption? (FCF: Fallen Condition Focus)
 - How is the end or goal of the story revealed in this book?
 - How should I then live? What are 2-3 applications I can make to my own life? How can what I have read help to me to better know the living God in Christ in relationship? (John 17:3)

Outline of Class (Fall 2018 through Spring 2019)

Fall 2018 (Sept. 7-Dec. 7)

1. Sept. 7: Introduction to Biblical Theology- The **Unity of Scripture** and the Goal of Biblical Theology
 - a. Luke 24:25-27, 44-48
 - b. From Genesis 1-Revelation 21-22
2. Sept. 14: Introduction to Biblical Theology, Pt. 2: The **Diversity of Scripture** and the Goal of Biblical Theology

Sept. 21, 28: No Classes (Teacher on break; please get ahead on memorizations/readings)

3. Oct. 5: Creation- Protology

Oct. 12: No Classes (Break)

4. Oct. 19: Fall- Hamartiology
5. Oct. 26: Redemption- Soteriology
6. Nov. 2: New Creation- Eschatology
7. Nov. 9: Abraham to Moses
8. Nov. 16: Moses to David

Nov. 23: No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)

9. Nov. 30: David to Birth of Christ
10. Dec. 7: Q&A

Spring 2019 (January 11-May 10)

11. Jan. 11: Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy): Covenant Law
12. Jan. 18: Pentateuch, Pt. 2: Covenant Law
13. Jan. 25: Prophets: Former (Joshua, Judges, Samuel, Kings): Covenant History
14. Feb. 1: Prophets: Former, Pt. 2: Covenant History
15. Feb. 8: Prophets: Former, Pt. 3: Covenant History
16. Feb. 15: Q&A
17. Feb. 22: No Classes (Spring is Coming Break)
18. March 1: Prophets: Latter (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Book of the Twelve): Covenant History
19. March 8: Prophets: Latter, Pt. 2: Covenant History
20. March 15: Writings (Psalms, Job, Proverbs, Ruth, Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Lamentations, Chronicles): Covenant Life

21. March 22: Writings, Pt. 2: Covenant Life- Worship
22. March 29: Writings, Pt. 3: Covenant Life- Wisdom
23. April 5: Writings, Pt. 4: Covenant Life-Way of Walking
24. April 12: Ancient Near Eastern Myths and the Old Testament

April 19: Easter Break

25. April 24: Q&A

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