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TITLE: Hebrew Grammar II & Exegesis

TERM: Spring 2018-2019

PROFESSOR: James Platt

CREDIT HOURS: 3

REGISTRATION: LIMITED TO: 20
AUDITORS 2

UNLIMITED _____
NO AUDITORS _____

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course completes the study of introductory Hebrew grammar and introduces the practice of exegesis. Students will gain skills in interpreting texts by giving attention to their literary, social, historical, and canonical contexts, and by articulating a faithful interpretation of these texts as Christian Scripture. Students will also learn to identify reliable scholarly resources for biblical interpretation.

CLASS OBJECTIVES:

- To continue to develop students' knowledge and competency with the Hebrew language, as well as the fundamental tools for continued study of the Hebrew language.
- Understand how to best gain knowledge of this language and how to utilize the appropriate resources to do so.
- To gain an understanding of the theory, methods, and resources requisite to doing exegesis and to begin developing the facility to perform competent exegesis.
- To prepare students to successfully complete the exegesis section of their ordination exams.
- To ground prospective pastors in the language and method required to make them servants "rightly handling the word of truth."
- Have fun together as we revel in God's Word of revelation in the Hebrew Scriptures

PREREQUISITES: OT 210

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS/READING:

Main Textbooks: *Introducing Biblical Hebrew*, Allen P, Ross. Baker Academic, 2001

Reading Assignments from: *Biblica Hebraica Stuttgartsensia*

James Platt's *Biblical Hebrew Translation Assignments Texts and Annotations* (handout)

Dictionary/Lexicon: *A Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament*, Francis Brown, Samuel R. Driver, and Charles A. Briggs

Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart, *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth*. Fourth Edition

William P. Brown, *Old Testament Exegesis*. Westminster/John Knox, 2017

ASSIGNMENTS & GRADING

- Daily grammar lessons completed, to include exercises and vocabulary.
- Readings from the Hebrew Bible using Dr. Platt's *Biblical Hebrew Translation Assignments*
- Weekly quizzes during first portion of term quizzes given at the beginning of class each Tuesday covering vocabulary, translation of phrases/passage(s), grammatical analysis, and significant points of grammar.
- An exegetical essay on a selected passage

ATTENDANCE: Required.