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#### **Course Description**

New Testament Survey 1 is the first of a two-part course. This first course in the sequence focuses attention on the study of the Gospels. The course also attends to various background issues, such as where the New Testament came from, how it was written, and how the particular texts that make up the New Testament were selected. The course does not require or promote any particular theological or denominational ideology, but instead encourages students to become good and interested readers of the New Testament.

#### In this course, students will examine:

- The background of the New Testament
- The Old Testament story that the New Testament continues
- The canonization, transmission, and translation of the New Testament
- The Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) through careful reading

## **Objectives**

- Identify the four Gospels.
- Describe the differences between the Gospels, especially concerning content and major themes.
- Identify major covenants from the Old Testament and how they are fulfilled in the New Testament.
- Explain how the New Testament documents were written, collected, and preserved.
- Engage in questions of faith that are raised by the life and teachings of Jesus.

#### **UNIT 1: New Testament Survey 1**

- Background Of The New Testament
- Course Overview
- Reviewing the Old Testament
- Major Covenants of the Old Testament
- Fulfillment of the Covenants
- Quiz 1: Old Testament Covenants
- Alternate Quiz 1: Old Testament Covenants
- Intertestamental Period Part 1
- Intertestamental Period Part 2
- Intertestamental Literature
- Quiz 2: Intertestamental Period
- Alternate Quiz 2: Intertestamental Period
- Overview of the New Testament
- Composition of the New Testament
- Canon and Translation
- Quiz 3: New Testament Overview
- Alternate Quiz 3: New Testament Overview
- Test: Background of the New Testament
- Alternate Test: Background of the New Testament

# UNIT 2: INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPELS & THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

- Genre
- Meet the Author
- Audience Purpose Theme
- Quiz 1: Genre & Author
- Alternate Quiz 1: Genre & Author
- The Beginnings
- Early Ministry

- Healings and Miracles
- Quiz 2: Early Ministry, Healings, and Miracles
- Alternate Quiz 2: Early Ministry, Healings, and Miracles
- On the Way
- In Jerusalem
- Death and Resurrection
- Quiz 3: Jesus's Later Ministry & Resurrection
- Alternate Quiz 3: Jesus's Later Ministry & Resurrection
- Test: The Gospel According to Mark
- Alternate Test: The Gospel According to Mark

#### **UNIT 3: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW**

- Matthew the Author
- The Birth According to Matthew
- Jewish Religious Groups
- Quiz 1: Introduction to Matthew's Gospel
- Alternate Quiz 1: Introduction to Matthew's Gospel
- Sermon on the Mount Part 1
- Sermon on the Mount Part 2
- Parables Part 1
- Quiz 2: Sermon on the Mount & Parables
- Alternate Quiz 2: Sermon on the Mount & Parables
- Parables Part 2
- Death of Jesus
- Resurrection of Jesus
- Quiz 3: Parables through the Resurrection of Jesus
- Alternate Quiz 3: Parables through the Resurrection of Jesus
- Test: The Gospel According to Matthew
- Alternate Test: The Gospel According to Matthew

#### **UNIT 4: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE**

- Author Background Themes
- Birth Story in Luke
- Beginnings of Jesus' Ministry
- Quiz 1: Introduction to Luke & Jesus's Early Ministry
- Alternate Quiz 1: Introduction to Luke & Jesus's Early Ministry
- Luke's Unique Parables Part 1
- Luke's Unique Parables Part 2
- Stories of Outsiders
- Quiz 2: Parables and Outsiders
- Alternate Quiz 2: Parables and Outsiders
- Last Supper, Arrest, and Trial
- Crucifixion in Luke
- Post-Resurrection Stories
- Quiz 3: Jesus's Final Days
- Alternate Quiz 3: Jesus's Final Days
- Test: The Gospel According to Luke
- Alternate Test: The Gospel According to Luke

### **UNIT 5: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN**

- John the Author
- Prologue of John
- A Different Kind of Gospel
- Quiz 1: Introduction to John
- Alternate Quiz 1: Introduction to John
- Structure of the Fourth Gospel
- New Characters and Stories
- The I Am Sayings
- Quiz 2: Gospel Structure, New Characters, and I Am
- Alternate Quiz 2: Gospel Structure, New Characters, and I Am
- The Final Week
- Trial and Crucifixion
- Resurrection and Post-Resurrection

- Quiz 3: The Final Week, Trial, Death, & Resurrection of Christ
- Alternate Quiz 3: The Final Week, Trial, Death, & Resurrection of Christ
- Test: The Gospel According to John
- Alternate Test: The Gospel According to John