



DETROIT BIBLE INSTITUTE

Equipping Christians. Changing the World.

2023-2024 Projected Academic Year

Fall Session (Tuesdays, September – November 2023)

Essential Christian Doctrine

Instructor — Dr. George Johnson

The course is a basic overview of the major historic doctrines of the Christian faith. Students will begin to see how the essential doctrines of the faith relate to one another.

Text Book: 1) Christian Beliefs: Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know by Wayne Grudem

ISBN-13: 978-0310255994

2) Strong's Exhaustive Concordance (KJV or NIV depending on your bible)

The Kingdom of Israel

Instructor — Reverend Keith Nelson

This course is designed to give the student a deeper exposure of the birth of the Kingdom of Israel with emphasis on the sovereignty of God and his plan in bringing forth the Messiah. Key books to be covered in this course will be 1 Samuel to Chronicles. Various aspects of the Sovereignty of God in history will be examined through the background of each book, along with key events, political and geographical impact, and significant spiritual themes.

Text Book: Bring your own Bible

The Art of Godly Living – An Introduction to Biblical Wisdom

Instructor — Brian Wassom

A study of the Old Testament books generally recognized as wisdom books: Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job. Consideration will be given to the relation of these books to the Old Testament as a whole and their individual theological and ethical thrusts.

Text Book: Bring your own Bible

Winter Session (Tuesdays, January – March 2024)

Apologetics Classical Issues

Instructor — Pastor Mickey Badalamenti

This course is designed to equip Christians to understand and uphold the validity of the Christian faith. Apologetics prepares the student to intellectually withstand the frontal attacks and subtle influences of world religions and views, while effectively preparing them to evangelize.

Text Book: Evidence That Demands a Verdict by Sean McDowell & Josh McDowell (ISBN: 978-1-401-67670-4)

The Restoration of the Kingdom of Israel

Instructor — Reverend Keith Nelson

This course is designed to give the student a deeper exposure of the history of the restoration of the Kingdom of Israel with emphasis on the sovereignty of God and his plan in bringing forth the Messiah. Various aspects of the Sovereignty of God in history will be examined through the background of each book, along with key events, political and geographical impact, and significant spiritual themes.

Text Book: Bring your own Bible

Acts

Instructor — Dr. George Johnson

This class is a study of the record of radical change in "the Acts" or "actions" of the followers of Christ after the resurrection. Observing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, through the spreading of the Gospel and some noteworthy activities of Paul during that time.

Text Book: ACTS a 12-week study by: Justin S. Holcomb (ISBN: 978-1-4335-4014-1)

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The Gospels

Instructor — Dr. Randy Rheaume

This course provides an overview of Jesus' life & ministry as presented in the four New Testament gospels, highlighting the historical & cultural background, argument, theology, and practical implications of each gospel.

Text Book: 1) Mark L. Straus. Four Portraits, One Jesus: A Survey of Jesus and the Gospels 2nd Edition

ISBN: 978-0310528678

2) "The Four Gospels" provided/printed notes, 2nd ed. 2022, by Dr. Randy Rheaume

Spring Session (Tuesdays, April – June 2024)

How to Study the Bible

Instructor — Dr. Don Pedde

This course is designed to teach the student how to use the Inductive Bible Study method. The principles of observation, interpretation, and application will be used to analyze and explore Scripture, applying these principles to study one book of the Bible as an example.

Text Book: Living by the Book by Howard G. Hendricks and William D. Hendricks. Chicago: Moody Press, 2007. (ISBN: 978-0-8024-0823-5)

The Epistles of Paul

Instructor — Dr. Analee Dunn

This course offers an overview of the epistles of Paul. Special attention is given to the theology of Romans and Galatians and the doctrine of salvation inherent in Paul's writings.

Text Book: TBD

God the Son

Instructor — Dr. Randy Rheaume

This class will do a deep dive into the theological view of Jesus as found primarily in the Gospel of John. The other Biblical writings of John will be referenced, as well as other Old and New Testament books that relate to John's view of Jesus as the Christ. The class will move the student toward entering the kind of deep relationship with God that Jesus had with his heavenly Father.

Text Book: God the Son: What John's Portrait of Jesus Means and Why it Matters by Dr. Randy Rheaume (ISBN: 978-1532630392)

Applied Apologetics & Evangelism

Instructor — Michael Smokovitz

This class is designed to help students utilize their knowledge about the gospel and apologetics and translate it into effective conversations that can lead others to Christ. Students will train in utilizing apologetics in practical situations for real life encounters. Among the topics covered are: Articulating a gospel presentation clearly; directing conversations toward the gospel message; argument construction and refutation; preparing for common objections; ways to effectively practice for an actual conversation/encounter; deciding to whom one's gospel outreach efforts will be directed; and various outreach strategies. This class is for students who want to have a part in seeing their family, friends, and community come to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Text Book: TBD

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