

BIB101 Biblical Hermeneutics Syllabus Highlights

But he answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.""

—Matthew 4:4

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Course Description

An introduction to the science and art of biblical interpretation, with an emphasis on the historical-grammatical method.

Learning Outcomes

- 1. To recognize what Scripture is and how one ought to approach it.
- 2. To develop the skills to read, understand, and apply Scripture in its various contexts and literary genres.
- 3. To appreciate how the New Testament authors use the Old Testament.
- 4. To understand the basic relationship between hermeneutics, biblical theology, systematic theology, and historical theology.
- 5. To nurture a love and reverent esteem for Holy Scripture.

Textbooks

- The Holy Bible in any translation.
- 2. DeYoung, Kevin, *Taking God at His Word* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2016).
- 3. Fee, Gordon, and Douglas Stuart, *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth*, 4th ed. (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Academic, 2014).
- 4. Vitringa, Campegius, *The Spiritual Life*, trans. Charles K. Telfer (Grand Rapids, MI: Reformation Heritage Books, 2019).

Course Requirements

- Attend and participate in class.
- 2. Complete weekly reading assignments.
- 3. Write four short papers on topics related to the course.
- Complete the final exam.

*This abbreviated syllabus is subject to revision. A full syllabus will be provided on the first day of class.