

BTH101 Biblical Theology I Syllabus Highlights

"Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them." Hosea 14:9

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Course Description

A study of the content of Old Testament biblical theology, focusing on the relationship between the testaments and emphasizing the "shadows" of the promised Messiah in the old covenant.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate understanding of God's plan to establish his kingdom on earth as it is in heaven; how divine revelation in the inspired Scriptures shows the progressive unfolding of this plan; and how God administers his kingdom through a series of covenants in the history of redemption.
- 2. Articulate the grand narrative of the Bible and identify the character and significance of the major OT epochs of redemptive history.
- 3. Trace and explain the development of the main themes in the OT, placing various people(s), events, institutions, and practices in their appropriate redemptive historical context.
- 4. Articulate how the OT shadows are embodied in Christ, and how they apply to today's believer.

Textbooks

- 1. Stephen Dempster, *Dominion and Dynasty: A Theology of the Hebrew Bible* (IVP Academic, 2003).
- 2. Michael Morales, *Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord?* (IVP Academic, 2015).
- 3. Michael Morales, *Exodus Old and New: A Biblical Theology of Redemption* (IVP Academic, 2020).

Course Requirements

- 1. Attend and participate in class.
- 2. Take (and pass) three tests administered during the semester.

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