

OTHB6222/6322 ADVANCED HEBREW EXEGESIS: JEREMIAH

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Seminary Mission Statement:

The mission of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill The Great Commission and The Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

Course Description:

This course combines an overview of the Book of Jeremiah with an in-depth analysis of selected portions of the Hebrew text. Primary attention will be given to the grammatical, literary, historical, and theological features of the text. The study will include a discussion of the process leading to hermeneutical goals of teaching and preaching.

Course Objectives:

Upon the successful completion of this course the student will have demonstrated a proper knowledge of and an ability to use effectively in study, teaching and preaching:

1. The overall literary structure and content of the Book of Jeremiah.
2. The major theological themes and critical issues in the book.
3. The Hebrew text of the Book of Jeremiah.
4. Hebrew syntax and literary style.

NOBTS Core Values Addressed in This Course

Doctrinal Integrity: Knowledge and Practice of the Word of God

Characteristic Excellence: Pursuit of God's Revelation with Diligence

Spiritual Vitality: Transforming Power of God's Word

NOTE: Special Spiritual Vitality emphasis for the 2009-2010 Academic Year is for all members of the NOBTS family (faculty, staff, & students) to read through the Bible according to the schedule found at the back of this syllabus. See pages.

Textbooks:

Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia.

Book of Jeremiah by J.A. Thompson (NICOT) (Eerdmans)

Basic Forms of Prophetic Speech, by Claus Westermann (Westminster / John Knox)(out of print)

Course Assignments:

1. Translations (20%).
2. Introduction to Jeremiah (10%) **Due October 1**
3. Literary - Rhetorical Analysis (20%). **Due October 25**
4. Book Reviews (5% each) **Due October 13 and December 4**
5. Exegetic research paper (30%). **Due Date Tuesday, December 15.**
6. Discussion Board Areas: 4 Topics + Personal Introduction (10%)

Book Reviews (2) Post your Book Reviews in the Digital Dropbox Due Dates October 13 and December 4

John Skinner, *Prophecy and Religion: Studies in the Life of Jeremiah*

One other book on Jeremiah (in consultation with professor).

These will be shared with your classmates.

Procedures

1. **Translations** -- Weekly translations shall be submitted via the "Digital Dropbox" in Blackboard. The translations should include: (1) a "rough/rote" translation of the words, followed by (2) the parsing of key verbs (not all, only those of "significance" and/or difficulty), and then (3) a dynamic or formal equivalency translation of the text, keeping the following model in mind: "the accuracy of the New American Standard Version with the readability of "Today's New International Version."
2. **Discussion Board** -- In the Four Subject areas, each student is to post his or her own discussion on the given topic assignment, and then contribute to the postings of at least two other students in the course.
3. **Key Questions** - Several of the translation passages will have a "Key Question" regarding the interpretation of the given text.

EXEGETICAL RESEARCH PAPER: 20-25 pages

The student is to write an exegetical research paper on a section of the Book of Jeremiah, chosen in consultation with the professor. The passage should be approximately 12-20 verses. Students will turn in a statement regarding their chosen passage on or before Sept 18.

****Rhetorical /Structural Analysis (5 pages) due by Oct. 23**** See handouts for guidelines. The paper which should include the following elements:

Introduction - To the passage (not the entire biblical book) including the historical and cultural setting, important biblical background material, etc.

Translation - Your own translation, having the following quality goal: the precision of the *NASB* or the *NKJV*, with the readability of the *NIV* or *NLT*.

Textual Footnotes: Address the issues in important text critical notes, as well as any key words which you have translated in a nuanced manner.

Exegetical Outline - Provide an exegetical outline of the chosen passage, with at least one but no more than two sub-levels. The outline should reflect the prophetic literary structure of the passage.**

Exegetical Notes and Discussion - Explicate the meaning of the text, highlighting words studies, structural elements, pertinent background material.

Homiletical Outline - Assuming you will be teaching or preaching from this material, provide an outline of your presentation, including: Title, Theme or Key Point, Outline with no more than two sub-levels, Conclusion.

COURSE SCHEDULE HEBREW EXEGESIS: JEREMIAH

NOTE: Students should read the appropriate pages in Thompson's commentary according to the assigned passage for the given class session.

Week

I Due Aug 31 Post Personal Introduction on Blackboard Discussion Board #1
Translate Jer 1:1-19 Call of Jeremiah Read Thompson, pp. 139-158
Read Thompson pp. 1-106 Introduction to Jeremiah

Due Sep 5 Discussion Board Topic #2 The Call of Jeremiah and My Call to Ministry

II Due Sep 7 Translate Jer 2:1-19 Israel's Unfaithfulness
Read Thompson pp. 159-175

III Due Sep 14 Translate Jer 2:20-37 Futility of Idolatry
Read Thompson pp. 175-187 Obedience over Sacrifice
Read R. Byargeon, "Thus Saith the LORD: Interpreting the Prophetic Word" in *Biblical Hermeneutics*, by B. Corley, S. Lemke, G. Lovejoy (B & H) pp. 301-315. See also handouts in "Course Documents"

IV Due Sep 21 Translate Jer 10:1-16 Satire on Idolatry
Read Thompson pp. 323-339
Due Sep 26 Discussion Board Topic #3 Idolatry in the 21st Century

V Due Sep 28 Translate Jer 7:1-20 (cf. 26:1-16) Temple Sermon(s)
Read Thompson pp. 271-286

Due Oct 1 "Introduction to the Book of Jeremiah" (5-7 pages)

VI Due Oct 5 Translate Jer 7:21-8:3 Temple Sermon & Queen of Heaven
Read Thompson pp. 286-296
Discussion Topic #4 Defining Biblical Worship

VII Due Oct 12 Translate Jer 11:1-17 The Broken Covenant
Read Thompson pp. 339-347

VIII Due Oct 19 Translate Jer 11:18-23; 20:1-6; 38:1-13 Plots against Jeremiah
Read Thompson pp. 347-352; 454-456; 635-640

IX Due Oct 26 Translate 2 Symbolic Act Accounts Jer 13:1-11; 18:1-12; 19:1-15
Reread Thompson, p. 71-76 plus sections on translations
Due October 30 Literary Analysis of your chosen passage

- X Due Nov 2** Translate Jer 17:1-18 Judah's Indelible Sin
Read Thompson pp. 416-426
- XI Due Nov 9** Translate Jer 21:1-14; 22:1-9 Jeremiah vs. Zedekiah & the Kings
Read Thompson pp. 465-475
- XII Due Nov 16** Translate Jer 22:10-12 Shallum; 22:13-19 Jehoiakim; 22:24-30
Coniah; Jer 23:1-8 Future Righteous King
Read Thompson pp. 475-492
Discussion Topic #5 The Messianic Kingship of Jesus in light of Jeremiah's
assessment of the Kings of Judah and their failure to live up to God's ideal
kingship model as described in part in Deuteronomy 17.
- XIII Due Nov 30** Translate Jer 31:1-22 Restoration & Judgment of Israel
Read Thompson pp. 563-576
- XIV Due Dec 7** Translate Jer 31:23-40 The New Nation and the New Covenant
Read Thompson pp. 576-585
- XV Due Dec 9** Translate Jer 32:1-25 Word of Hope: Jeremiah Purchases Land
Read Thompson pp. 585-596
- XVI Exegetical Paper Due Dec 17**

Fall Semester Bible Reading Plan: September 1, 2009 – December 19, 2009

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Genesis 1:1-2:25, Matthew 1:1-25, Psalm 1:1-6, Proverbs 1:1-4
- 2 Genesis 3:1-4:26, Matthew 2:1-23, Psalm 2:1-6, Proverbs 1:5-6
- 3 Genesis 5:1-6:2, Matthew 3:1-17, Psalm 2:7-12, Proverbs 1:7
- 4 Genesis 7:1-9:7, Matthew 4:1-20, Psalms 3:1-8, Proverbs 1:8-9
- 5 Genesis 9:8-10:32, Matthew 4:21-5:12, Psalm 4:1-8, Proverbs 1:10-14
- 6 Genesis 11:1-12:20, Matthew 5:13-32, Psalm 5:1-6, Proverbs 1:15-16
- 7 Genesis 13:1-15:6, Matthew 5:33-6:4, Psalm 5:7-12, Proverbs 1:17-19
- 8 Genesis 15:7-17:27, Matthew 6:5-24, Psalm 6:1-5, Proverbs 1:20-23
- 9 Genesis 18:1-19:22, Matthew 6:25-7:12, Psalm 6:6-10, Proverbs 1:24-27
- 10 Genesis 19:23-21:21, Matthew 7:13-8:4, Psalm 7:1-8, Proverbs 1:28-31
- 11 Genesis 21:22-23:20, Matthew 8:5-27, Psalm 7:9-17, Proverbs 1:32-33
- 12 Genesis 24:1-54, Matthew 8:28-9:17, Psalm 8:1-9, Proverbs 2:1-5
- 13 Genesis 24:55-26:11, Matthew 9:18-38, Psalm 9:1-6, Proverbs 2:6-8
- 14 Genesis 26:12-27:29, Matthew 10:1-20, Psalm 9:7-12, Proverbs 2:9-10
- 15 Genesis 27:30-29:12, Matthew 10:21-42, Psalm 9:13-20, Proverbs 2:11-15
- 16 Genesis 29:13-30:43, Matthew 11:1-19, Psalm 10:1-6, Proverbs 2:16-19
- 17 Genesis 31:1-55, Matthew 11:20-12:8, Psalm 10:7-12, Proverbs 2:20-22
- 18 Genesis 32:1-33:20, Matthew 12:9-37, Psalm 10:13-18, Proverbs 3:1-2

- 19 Genesis 34:1-35:29, Matthew 12:38-13:9, Psalm 11:1-3, Proverbs 3:3-4
- 20 Genesis 36:1-43, Matthew 13:10-35, Psalm 11:4-7, Proverbs 3:5-6
- 21 Genesis 37:1-38:30, Matthew 13:36-58, Psalm 12:1-5, Proverbs 3:7-8
- 22 Genesis 39:1-41:7, Matthew 14:1-21, Psalm 12:6-8, Proverbs 3:9-10
- 23 Genesis 41:8-42:4, Matthew 14:22-15:9, Psalm 13:1-6, Proverbs 3:11-12
- 24 Genesis 42:5-43:14, Matthew 15:10-39, Psalm 14:1-7, Proverbs 3:13-14
- 25 Genesis 43:15-44:34, Matthew 16:1-20, Psalm 15:1-5, Proverbs 3:15-16
- 26 Genesis 45:1-46:27, Matthew 16:21-17:13, Psalm 16:1-6, Proverbs 3:17-18
- 27 Genesis 46:28-48:22, Matthew 17:14-18:9, Psalm 16:7-11, Proverbs 3:19-20
- 28 Genesis 49:1-50:26, Matthew 18:10-35, Psalm 17:1-5, Proverbs 3:21-24
- 29 Exodus 1:1-2:25, Matthew 19:1-22, Psalm 17:6-12, Proverbs 3:25-26
- 30 Exodus 3:1-4:31, Matthew 19:23-20:19, Psalm 17:13-15, Proverbs 27-28

OCTOBER

- 1 Exodus 5:1-6:30, Matthew 20:20-21:11, Psalm 18:1-6, Proverbs 3:29-32
- 2 Exodus 7:1-8:32, Matthew 21:12-27, Psalm 18:7-12, Proverbs 3:33-35
- 3 Exodus 9:1-10:20, Matthew 21:28-46, Psalm 18:13-19, Proverbs 4:1-2
- 4 Exodus 10:21-12:36, Matthew 22:1-22, Psalm 18:20-24, Proverbs 4:3-4
- 5 Exodus 12:37-14:20, Matthew 22:23-46, Psalm 18:25-29, Proverbs 4:5-6
- 6 Exodus 14:21-16:20, Matthew 23:1-22, Psalm 18:30-36, Proverbs 4:7-9
- 7 Exodus 16:21-18:27, Matthew 23:23-39, Psalm 18:37-42, Proverbs 4:10-13
- 8 Exodus 19:1-20:26, Matthew 24:1-14, Psalm 18:43-50, Proverbs 4:14-17
- 9 Exodus 21:1-22:20, Matthew 24:15-35, Psalm 19:1-6, Proverbs 4:18-19
- 10 Exodus 22:21-24:18, Matthew 24:36-51, Psalm 19:7-14, Proverbs 4:20-22
- 11 Exodus 25:1-26:14, Matthew 25:1-13, Psalm 20:1-9, Proverbs 4:23-24
- 12 Exodus 26:15-28:14, Matthew 25:14-30, Psalm 21:1-7, Proverbs 4:25-27
- 13 Exodus 28:15-29:25, Matthew 25:31-26:5, Psalm 21:8-13, Proverbs 5:1-2
- 14 Exodus 29:26-30:38, Matthew 26:6-25, Psalm 22:1-5, Proverbs 5:3-6
- 15 Exodus 31:1-32:35, Matthew 26:26-50, Psalm 22:6-10, Proverbs 5:7-8
- 16 Exodus 33:1-34:35, Matthew 26:51-75, Psalm 22:11-15, Proverbs 5:9-10
- 17 Exodus 35:1-36:19, Matthew 27:1-23, Psalm 22:16-21, Proverbs 5:11-14
- 18 Exodus 36:20-37:29, Matthew 27:24-44, Psalm 22:22-26, Proverbs 5:15-17
- 19 Exodus 38:1-39:31, Matthew 27:45-66, Psalm 22:27-31, Proverbs 5:18-20
- 20 Exodus 39:32-40:38, Matthew 28:1-20, Psalm 23:1-6, Proverbs 5:21-23
- 21 Leviticus 1:1-3:17, Mark 1:1-20, Psalm 24:1-10, Proverbs 6:1-3
- 22 Leviticus 4:1-5:19, Mark 1:21-45, Psalm 25:1-7, Proverbs 6:4-5
- 23 Leviticus 6:1-7:21, Mark 2:1-22, Psalm 25:8-15, Proverbs 6:6-8
- 24 Leviticus 7:22-8:36, Mark 2:23-3:12, Psalm 25:16-22, Proverbs 6:9-11
- 25 Leviticus 9:1-11:12, Mark 3:13-35, Psalm 26:1-7, Proverbs 6:12-15
- 26 Leviticus 11:13-13:17, Mark 4:1-20, Psalm 26:8-12, Proverbs 6:16-19
- 27 Leviticus 13:18-14:14, Mark 4:21-41, Psalm Ps 27:1-6, Proverbs 6:20-22
- 28 Leviticus 14:15-15:12, Mark 5:1-20, Psalm 27:7-14, Proverbs 6:23-26
- 29 Leviticus 15:13-16:34, Mark 5:21-43, Psalm 28:1-5, Proverbs 6:27-29
- 30 Leviticus 17:1-19:10, Mark 6:1-20, Psalm 28:6-9, Proverbs 6:30-31
- 31 Leviticus 19:11-20:27, Mark 6:21-46, Psalm 29:1-6, Proverbs 6:32-33

NOVEMBER

- 1 Leviticus 21:1-22:33, Mark 6:47-7:16, Psalm 29:7-11, Proverbs 6:34-35
- 2 Leviticus 23:1-24:23, Mark 7:17-37, Psalm 30:1-6, Proverbs 7:1-3
- 3 Leviticus 25:1-55, Mark 8:1-21, Psalm 30:7-12, Proverbs 7:4-5
- 4 Leviticus 26:1-46, Mark 8:22-9:1, Psalm 31:1-8, Proverbs 7:6-8
- 5 Leviticus 27:1-34, Mark 9:2-29, Psalm 31:9-18, Proverbs 7:9-12
- 6 Numbers 1:1-54, Mark 9:30-50, Psalm 31:19-24, Proverbs 7:13-17
- 7 Numbers 2:1-3:16, Mark 10:1-22, Psalm 32:1-7, Proverbs 7:18-21
- 8 Numbers 3:17-4:20, Mark 10:23-45, Psalm 32:8-11, Proverbs 7:22-23

- 9 Numbers 4:21-5:31, Mark 10:46-11:11, Psalm 33:1-9, Proverbs 7:24-27
- 10 Numbers 6:1-7:29, Mark 11:12-33, Psalm 33:10-17, Proverbs 8:1-3
- 11 Numbers 7:30-89, Mark 12:1-27, Psalm 33:18-22, Proverbs 8:4-5
- 12 Numbers 8:1-10:10, Mark 12:28-44, Psalm 34:1-7, Proverbs 8:6-7
- 13 Numbers 10:11-11:35, Mark 13:1-20, Psalm 34:8-14, Proverbs 8:8-9
- 14 Numbers 12:1-14:4, Mark 13:21-37, Psalm 34:15-22, Proverbs 8:10-13
- 15 Numbers 14:5-45, Mark 14:1-21, Psalm 35:1-10, Proverbs 8:14-17
- 16 Numbers 15:1-41, Mark 14:22-42, Psalm 35:11-16, Proverbs 8:18-19
- 17 Numbers 16:1-50, Mark 14:43-72, Psalm 35:17-21, Proverbs 8:20-21
- 18 Numbers 17:1-19:8, Mark 15:1-21, Psalm 35:22-28, Proverbs 8:22-24
- 19 Numbers 19:9-21:9, Mark 15:22-47, Psalm 36:1-6, Proverbs 8:25-26
- 20 Numbers 21:10-22:41, Mark 16:1-20, Psalm 36:7-12, Proverbs 8:27-29
- 21 Numbers 23:1-24:25, Luke 1:1-23, Psalm 37:1-6, Proverbs 8:30-31
- 22 Numbers 25:1-26:22, Luke 1:24-56, Psalm 37:7-13, Proverbs 8:32-33
- 23 Numbers 26:23-65, Luke 1:57-80, Psalm 37:14-20, Proverbs 8:34-36
- 24 Numbers 27:1-28:31, Luke 2:1-20, Psalm 37:21-26, Proverbs 9:1-2
- 25 Numbers 29:1-30:16, Luke 2:21-38, Psalm 37:27-33, Proverbs 9:3-6
- 26 Numbers 31:1-54, Luke 2:39-52, Psalm 37:34-40, Proverbs 9:7-9
- 27 Numbers 32:1-42, Luke 3:1-20, Psalm 38:1-8, Proverbs 9:10-12
- 28 Numbers 33:1-56, Luke 3:21-38, Psalm 38:9-14, Proverbs 9:13-15
- 29 Numbers 34:1-35:34, Luke 4:1-21, Psalm 38:15-22, Proverbs 9:16-18
- 30 Numbers 36:1- Deuteronomy 1:46, Luke 4:22-44, Psalm 39:1-6, Proverbs 10:1-2

DECEMBER

- 1 Deuteronomy 2:1-3:29, Luke 5:1-20, Psalm 39:7-13, Proverbs 10:3-5
- 2 Deuteronomy 4:1-49, Luke 5:21-6:11, Psalm 40:1-5, Proverbs 10:6-8
- 3 Deuteronomy 5:1-6:25, Luke 6:12-36, Psalm 40:6-10, Proverbs 10:9-11
- 4 Deuteronomy 7:1-8:20, Luke 6:37-7:10, Psalm 40:11-17, Proverbs 10:12-14
- 5 Deuteronomy 9:1-10:22, Luke 7:11-35, Psalm 41:1-6, Proverbs 10:15-17
- 6 Deuteronomy 11:1-12:19, Luke 7:36-8:3, Psalm 41:7-13, Proverbs 10:18-21
- 7 Deuteronomy 12:20-14:21, Luke 8:4-25, Psalm 42:1-11, Proverbs 10:22-25
- 8 Deuteronomy 14:22-16:22, Luke 8:26-56, Psalm 43:1-5, Proverbs 10: 26-27
- 9 Deuteronomy 17:1-19:13, Luke 9:1-22, Psalm 44:1-8, Proverbs 10:28-30
- 10 Deuteronomy 19:14-21:23, Luke 9:23-45, Psalm 44:9-16, Proverbs 10:31-32
- 11 Deuteronomy 22:1-23:25, Luke 9:46-62, Psalm 44:17-26, Proverbs 11:1-4
- 12 Deuteronomy 24:1-26:19, Luke 10:1-24, Psalm 45:1-5, Proverbs 11:5-6
- 13 Deuteronomy 27:1-28:14, Luke 10:25-11:4, Psalm 45:6-12, Proverbs 11:7-8
- 14 Deuteronomy 28:15-68, Luke 11:5-28, Psalm 45:13-17, Proverbs 11:9-11
- 15 Deuteronomy 29:1-30:20, Luke 11:29-54, Psalm 46:1-11, Proverbs 11:12-13
- 16 Deuteronomy 31:1-29, Luke 12:1-21, Psalm 47:1-9, Proverbs 11:14-15
- 17 Deuteronomy 31:30-32:52, Luke 12:22-40, Psalm 48:1-7, Proverbs 11:16-18
- 18 Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12, Luke 12:41-59, Psalm 48:8-14, Proverbs 11:19-21
- 19 Joshua 1:1-3:17, Luke 13:1-21, Psalm 49:1-9, Proverbs 11:22-23

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