Note:

Course content may be changed, term to term, without notice. The information below is provided as a guide for course selection and is not binding in any form, and should not be used to purchase course materials.
COURSE SYLLABUS

BIBL 163
HEBREWS

COURSE DESCRIPTION
An intensive exegetical study of Hebrews. The course includes an investigation of the doctrines of Christ, especially His mediatorship and priesthood and the use of the Old Testament in this book. A verse-by-verse exposition will follow a brief study of authorship, background, destination and purpose.

RATIONALE
Hebrews is one of the more important books in the New Testament. This is due to a number of reasons: (1) it presents more “unsettled problems,” (2) it makes a more extensive use of the Jewish Scriptures than any other New Testament document, (3) it is the major work on Jesus’ High Priestly ministry, (4) there are widespread interest and historical debates over its severe warnings texts, (5) it has a skillful construction and scholarly appeal, and (6) it has as its message a “word of encouragement” (13:22). Hebrews is, therefore, one of the most crucial New Testament books, which will be to the benefit of the student to master.

I. PREREQUISITES
For information regarding prerequisites for this course, please refer to the Academic Course Catalog.

II. REQUIRED RESOURCE PURCHASES
Click on the following link to view the required resource(s) for the term in which you are registered: http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/liberty.htm

III. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING
A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
C. Microsoft Word
   (Microsoft Office is available at a special discount to Liberty University students.)

IV. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:
A. Explain the relevant issues surrounding the authorship of Hebrews.
B. Trace the various arguments throughout the book of Hebrews.
C. Explain the major theological themes presented in the book of Hebrews.
D. Identify how the author of Hebrews uses the Old Testament.
V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

A. Textbook readings and presentations

B. Course Requirements Checklist

After reading the Syllabus and Student Expectations, the student will complete the related checklist found in Module/Week 1.

C. Discussion Board Forums (3)

The student is required to provide a thread in response to the provided prompt for each forum. Each thread must be 400 words in length and demonstrate course-related knowledge. In addition to the thread, the student is required to reply to 2 other classmates’ threads. Each reply must be 200 words in length. Each thread must contain at least 2 citations (1 from the Bible), and each reply must have at least 1 citation.

D. Reflection Questions (8)

The student will complete a set of questions for each module/week. There will be 4 questions from each chapter of Hebrews. These will be provided in Blackboard.

E. Essays (2)

Each essay must contain at least 3 pages and be in current Turabian format. A cover page and bibliography must be included in addition to the 3-page minimum. Each essay must include at least 3 citations in addition to the course textbook and the Bible.

F. Exams (2)

The student will complete a mid-term and final in this course. Each exam will be open-book/open-notes, contain 50 multiple-choice and true/false questions, and have a 1-hour and 30-minute time limit.

VI. COURSE GRADING AND POLICIES

A. Points

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B. Scale

A = 900–1010  B = 800–899  C = 700–799  D = 600–699  F = 0–599

C. Late Assignment Policy

If the student is unable to complete an assignment on time, then he or she must contact the instructor immediately by email.
Assignments that are submitted after the due date without prior approval from the instructor will receive the following deductions:

1. Late assignments submitted within one week of the due date will receive a 10% deduction.

2. Assignments submitted more than one week late will receive a 20% deduction.

3. Assignments submitted two weeks late or after the final date of the class will not be accepted.

4. Late Discussion Board threads or replies will not be accepted.

Special circumstances (e.g. death in the family, personal health issues) will be reviewed by the instructor on a case-by-case basis.

D. Disability Assistance

Students with a documented disability may contact Liberty University Online’s Office of Disability Academic Support (ODAS) at LUOODAS@liberty.edu to make arrangements for academic accommodations. Further information can be found at www.liberty.edu/disabilitysupport.
## COURSE SCHEDULE

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**NOTE:** Each course week (except Module/Week 1) begins on Tuesday morning at 12:00 a.m. (ET) and ends on Monday night at 11:59 p.m. (ET). The final week ends at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Friday.