

**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***

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### **GBST 103**

#### **CHRONOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT I**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

A chronological and comprehensive survey of the Old Testament featuring a unique structuring of biblical events in basic stages of Bible history. This course presents the Creation, Patriarchal, and Exodus stages.

#### **RATIONALE**

A student of God's Word must consider the value of the Old Testament for their lives. Not only is the Old Testament the history of the Jewish people, but it holds God's earliest teachings of sin, repentance and justification. This course identifies the points of importance for a more complete, historical and contextual understanding of God's revelation to man.

#### **I. PREREQUISITES**

None

#### **II. REQUIRED RESOURCE PURCHASES**

Click the following link to view the required resources for the term in which you are registered: <http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/liberty.htm>

#### **III. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING**

- A. Computer
- B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
- C. Microsoft Word  
(Microsoft Office is available at a special discount to Liberty University students.)
- D. A study Bible

#### **IV. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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

- A. Become familiar with the history of the Old Testament.  
(Method of assessment —Reading of all of the Old Testament books covered in this course [Genesis to II Samuel] and the Reading Report Form)
- B. Internalize the truths of the Old Testament for today's believer.  
(Method of assessment—Discussion Boards)
- C. Recognize the content of the Old Testament through authorship, literary style and theological development.  
(Method of assessment—Lessons)

- D. Understand the role and significance of the Old Testament as foundational truths for the teachings of the New Testament.  
(Method of assessment—Lessons, Discussion Boards)

**V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS**

- A. Textbook readings
- B. Discussion Board forums (4)  
You are expected to participate in all 4 Discussion Boards (DB). The instructions for participation can be found with each discussion board assignment.
- C. Lesson Assignments (3)  
The student will complete 2 lessons from the workbook for Module/Weeks 1–7 and 1 lesson for Module/Week 8; they should be submitted through the assignment link. Each set of lessons is due on the Monday at the end of the module; for example, Assignment 1 is due by the Monday at the end of Module/Week 1.
- D. Reading Report  
You are required to read all of the books of the Old Testament covered in this class (Genesis through II Samuel). You are also required to read the chapter from the textbook that corresponds to the work text chapter number (see the course schedule). A reading report form is due at the end of Module/Week 8.

**VI. COURSE GRADING AND POLICIES**

- A. Points
 

Discussion Board forums (4 at 50 pts ea)	200
Lesson Assignments (8 at 80 pts ea)	640
Reading Report	160
<b>Total</b>	<b>1000</b>
- B. Scale  
A = 900–1000 B = 800–899 C = 700–799 D = 600–699 F = 0–599
- C. Disability Assistance  
Students with a documented disability may contact Liberty University Online’s Office of Disability Academic Support (ODAS) at [LUOODAS@liberty.edu](mailto:LUOODAS@liberty.edu) to make arrangements for academic accommodations.

## ***COURSE SCHEDULE***

### **GBST 103**

Textbooks: Willmington: *Great Truths from God's Word* (2003).

Buck: *Old Testament Survey I Student Workbook*

<b>WEEK/ MODULE</b>	<b>READING &amp; STUDY</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENTS</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>1</b>	Willmington: pp. 6–31; 32-57 Buck: pp. 8-13; 14-20 Bible Readings	Course Requirements Checklist Class Introductions Lesson Assignment 1	0 0 80
<b>2</b>	Willmington: pp. 57–78; 78-108 Buck: pp. 21-25; 26-31 Bible Readings	DB Forum 1 Lesson Assignment 2	50 80
<b>3</b>	Willmington: pp. 108–117; 117-123 Buck: pp. 32-36; 37-41 Bible Readings	Lesson Assignment 3	80
<b>4</b>	Willmington: pp. 124–134; 134-139 Buck: pp. 42-46; 47-51 Bible Readings	DB Forum 2 Lesson Assignment 4	50 80
<b>5</b>	Willmington: pp. 139–155; 155-171 Buck: pp. 52-57; 58-62 Bible Readings	Lesson Assignment 5	80
<b>6</b>	Willmington: pp. 171–187; 190-204 Buck: pp. 63-67; 68-72 Bible Readings	DB Forum 3 Lesson Assignment 6	50 80
<b>7</b>	Willmington: pp. 204–211; 214-226 Buck: pp. 73-79; 80-84 Bible Readings	Lesson Assignment 7	80
<b>8</b>	Willmington: pp. 226–234 Buck: pp. 85-89 Bible Readings	DB Forum 4 Lesson Assignment 8 Reading Report	50 80 160
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1000</b>

DB = Discussion Board

**NOTE:** Each course week (except 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.