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.
GBST 103
SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT I

COURSE DESCRIPTION
A comprehensive survey of the Old Testament Pentateuch.

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
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

IV. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING
A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
C. Microsoft Word
D. Bible

V. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:
A. Explain the importance of the history and narrative of the Old Testament books, Genesis–Deuteronomy.
B. Discuss the application of the Pentateuch in today’s world.
C. Analyze some of the Middle-Eastern cultural expressions found in Genesis–Deuteronomy.
D. Evaluate Middle-Eastern history during the time of the Patriarchs and Exodus (2100 B.C.–1400 B.C.).
E. Discuss the theological perspectives of Genesis–Deuteronomy focusing on how the Pentateuch–Scripture presents God.
F. Apply basic literary structure and components to that structure.

VI. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS
A. Textbook readings and presentations.
B. Course Requirements Checklist
   After reading the Course Syllabus and Student Expectations, the student will complete the related checklist found in Module/Week 1.
C. Discussion Board Forums (5)
   There will be 5 Discussion Board Forums throughout this course. Discussion boards are collaborative learning experiences. Therefore, the student is required to post a thread in response to the provided prompt for each Discussion Board Forum. Each thread is to be at least 300 words and demonstrate course-related knowledge. In addition to the thread, the student must reply to 2 other classmates’ threads. Each reply must be at least 175 words.
D. Interpretive Papers (2)
   The student will complete 2 Interpretive Papers based on the given topics. These papers must both be 3 pages and use current Turabian formatting. A minimum of 5 sources must be cited in each paper.
E. Quizzes (8)
   The student will complete 8 quizzes in this course. Each quiz will be open-book/open-notes and contain 20 true/false and/or multiple-choice questions. The student will have 20 minutes to complete each quiz.

VII. 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 course 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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| 1           | Sailhamer: Selected Readings  
Walton and Hill: Unit 1  
Bible: Gen. 1–11  
1 presentation | Course Requirements Checklist  
Class Introductions  
DB Forum 1  
Quiz 1 | 10  
0  
80  
50 |
| 2           | Sailhamer: Selected Readings  
Walton and Hill: Unit 2.1–2.3a  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | DB Forum 2  
Quiz 2 | 80  
50 |
| 3           | Sailhamer: Selected Readings  
Walton and Hill: Unit 2.3b  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | Interpretive Paper 1  
Quiz 3 | 100  
50 |
| 4           | Bible Readings  
1 presentation | DB Forum 3  
Quiz 4 | 80  
50 |
| 5           | Sailhamer: Selected Readings  
Walton and Hill: Unit 2.3e–f  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | Quiz 5 | 50 |
| 6           | Walton and Hill: Unit 2.4a–b  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | DB Forum 4  
Quiz 6 | 80  
50 |
| 7           | Sailhamer: Selected Readings  
Walton and Hill: Unit 2.4c–e  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | Interpretive Paper 2  
Quiz 7 | 100  
50 |
| 8           | Walton and Hill: Unit 2.4f–g  
Bible Readings  
1 presentation | DB Forum 5  
Quiz 8 | 80  
50 |

**Total**: 1010

DB = Discussion Board

**NOTE**: Each course module/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 module/week ends at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on **Friday**.