**Introduction to The Hebrew Bible**

Fall 2019

Required Texts

- Bible (any translation)

- Introducing the Old Testament (2012), Tremper Longman III

Required Work

- Regular class attendance

- Read assigned texts

- Weekly quiz over assignments

- Two major exams

- Final exam

Grading

- Weekly quiz/outline average = 25%

- Major exam average = 50%

- Final exam = 25%

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

F = 0-59

**Quitting or absence from more than 4 classes = Loss of $100.00 deposit.**

The readings listed below are to be completed by the date next to them

September 3 – No reading (Introduction).

September 10 – Genesis 1-35; Longman, chapter 1.

September 17 – Genesis 37-50; Longman, chapter 2.

September 24 – Exodus 1-20, 24, 32-40; Longman, chapter 3.

October 1 – Leviticus 23-25; Number 1-2, 5-8, 31-36; Longman, chapter 4.

**Test sent out**.

October 8 – Joshua; Judges 1-8; Longman, chapter 7-9.

October 15 – 1 & 2 Samuel; Longman, chapter 10.

October 22 – 1 & 2 Kings; Longman, chapters 11 & 12.

October 29 – Ezra and Nehemiah, Longman, chapters 13 & 14.

**Test sent out**.

November 5 – No class.

November 12 – Psalms 1-6, 10, 23, 25, 34, 65, 78, 110, 120; Ecclesiastes; Longman, chapters

16 & 18.

November 19 – Isaiah 1-7, 30-33, 40-46, 52-53, 65-66,: Jeremiah 1-4, 7, 10; Longman, chapters

20 & 21.

November 26 – Ezekiel 1-5, 16, 18, 20, 23-24, 33-34, 37; Daniel 4-12; Longman, chapters

23 & 24.

**Test sent out.**

December – 3 – Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah; Longman chapters 25-30.

December – 10 – Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi; Longman, chapter

31-36.

December 17 – **The final exam**.

Additional Resources

Barton, John. *Ethics and the Old Testament*.

Cragie, Peter C. *The Problem of War in the Old Testament*.

Hamilton, Mark. *A Theological Introduction to the Old Testament*.

Goldingay, John. *Do We Need the New Testament?*

Goldingay, John. *Reading Jesus’s Bible.*

Heiser, Michael. *The Unseen Realm*.

Klawans, Jonathan. *Impurity and Sin in Ancient Judaism*.

Klawans, Jonathan. *Purity, Sacrifice, and the Temple*.

Miller, J. Maxwell and Hayes, John H. *A History of Ancient Israel and Judah*.

Schlimm, Matthew Richard. *This Strange and Sacred Scripture: Wrestling with the Old*

*Testament and its Oddities*.

Wright, Christopher J.H. *Knowing God Through the Old Testament*.

Wright, Christopher J.H. *Knowing Jesus Through the Old Testament*.

Wright, Christopher J.H. *Old Testament Ethics for the People of God*.