



Curriculum Catalog
Old Testament Survey 1

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Old Testament Survey 1 Course Overview

Old Testament Survey 1 introduces students to the first eight books of the Bible. The course begins with God's creation of the world in Genesis 1 and ends with the story of Ruth during the time of the Israelite judges. As students survey these books of the Old Testament, they will gain an understanding of the "big picture" of Scripture and will see how these stories of God's faithfulness in the past relate to their lives in the present. Thus, the goal of this course is two-fold—(1) to know the Word of God better in order (2) to know the God of the Word better.

In this course, students will examine:

- Creation of Abraham
- The Patriarchs
- The Exodus
- The Law and the Wilderness
- The Conquest of Canaan

By the end of the course, students will be expected to do the following:

- Summarize the "big picture" of the Old Testament.
- Develop the skill of interpreting the Bible.
- Reflect on the Old Testament's relevance to their own spiritual lives.
- Learn about the character of God through Old Testament stories.
- Recognize the sinfulness of humanity and the grace of God.
- Identify what God wants for his people.
- Understand how the Old Testament points forward to Jesus Christ.

Unit 1: Creation of Abraham

Assignments

1. Overview of the Old Testament
2. The Creation of the World
3. The Creation of Humanity
4. The Fall of Man
5. Cain and Abel
6. Noah and the Flood
7. The Tower of Babel

Unit 2: The Patriarchs

Assignments

1. Abraham Called by God
2. Abraham Justified by Faith
3. The Birth of Ishmael
4. The Birth of Isaac
5. The Offering of Isaac
6. Jacob and Esau
7. Joseph the Slave
8. Joseph the Ruler

Unit 3: The Exodus**Assignments**

1. Israel in Slavery
2. Moses in Egypt
3. Moses in Midian
4. God's Judgment on Egypt
5. The Passover
6. The Flight from Egypt

Unit 4: The Law and the Wilderness**Assignments**

1. The Lord Provides for Israel
2. The Ten Commandments
3. The Golden Calf
4. Leviticus
5. From Sinai to Canaan
6. The Bronze Serpent
7. Deuteronomy

Unit 5: The Conquest of Canaan**Assignments**

1. The Calling of Joshua
2. Rahab and the Spies
3. Miracles at the Jordan and Jericho
4. Israel's Victories and Failures in Canaan
5. The Period of the Judges
6. The Story of Gideon
7. The Story of Samson
8. Ruth

Supplemental Resources

Students will need access to a Bible, either in print or online.

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