

Bible and Theology Department

"Shaping Servant-Leaders"

— Course Synopsis —

<p>COURSE NUMBER and TITLE: BHE 531 LEC 01 Hebrew IB CREDIT HOURS: 3 SEMESTER: Spring 2021 COURSE DAY/TIME: Tuesday, Thursday, 11:00-12:30 LOCATION: AGTS 228</p>	<p>INSTRUCTOR: Roger D. Cotton, Th.D. PHONE: 417-865-2815 ext. 8876 or 417-268-1076 OFFICE: AGTS 214 EMAIL: cottonr@evangel.edu OFFICE HOURS: posted by office door</p>
<p><u>REQUIRED TEXTS:</u></p> <p>Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. <i>Basics of Biblical Hebrew: Grammar</i>. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2019. ISBN: 978-0-310-53349-8 (or latest edition)</p> <p>Holladay, William L. <i>A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament</i>. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1988. ISBN: 978-0-8028-3413-3 (will be needed for Hebrew IB)</p> <p><u>Recommended, One of the Following (you must at least have access to one):</u></p> <p>Arnold, Bill T. and John H. Choi. <i>A Guide to Biblical Hebrew Syntax</i>. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge, 2003. ISBN: 0-521-82609-8 (this is the middle depth one of the three)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Waltke, Bruce K., and M. O'Connor. <i>An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew Syntax</i>. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 1990. ISBN: 0-931464-31-5 (deepest and highest recommendation)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Williams, Ronald J. <i>Hebrew Syntax: An Outline</i>. 3d ed. Revised and expanded by John C. Beckman. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2007. ISBN: 9780802094292 (briefest)</p>	

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<http://www.bkstr.com/evangelstore/home>.

Course Requirements:

The course works through the second half of the grammar in the text book. There are take-home quizzes weekly and a two-thirds term take-home translation exam covering all of Hebrew I, using the lexicon and textbook.

For the final four weeks of the semester, there will be four take-home guided research assignments, increasing in depth of analysis expected in Hebrew syntax and word studies and in weight in grading. This involves translation of selected passages from different genres of the Old Testament, with use of the major advanced Hebrew tools. The emphasis will be on the difference that knowing Hebrew can make in interpreting a passage.

Details on the requirements and a selected bibliography will be a part of the syllabus, which will be available a week prior to class through course commons.