INTRODUCTORY HEBREW 6OT504

Fall Session, 2011
Monday and Thursday Evenings, 5:30pm to 7:00pm
August 29 – December 15
McLean Presbyterian Church

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PURPOSE:
- To glorify God and enjoy Him! (1 CORINTHIANS 10:31)

GOALS:
1. To enhance your personal devotions in the Holy Scriptures from their original languages
2. To enable you to read and translate from portions of the Hebrew Old Testament
3. To aid in your preparations of the teaching ministry of the Holy Scriptures
4. To enable you to follow comments regarding the Hebrew language made in sermons, Bible Studies, etc.

TEXTBOOK:
  BE SURE TO PURCHASE THE CORRECT VOCABULARY CARDS! LOOK FOR THE CARDS BY DILLARD (NOT BY MILES VAN PELT).
  This is not a requirement, but I will ask that you demonstrate some way in which you plan to keep up with the vocabulary.
  Students are free to make their own set of cards.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Attendance:
  - You are required to attend each class.
  - If you know you cannot make it to a class session, notify me in advance.

- Homework: You are accountable for your homework on a regular basis.
  - Full credit for homework completed on time.
    - Doing the whole assignment.
    - Corrections with the key.
  - Partial credit for incomplete or late homework.
    - Doing part of the assignment
    - Not making corrections with the key.
  - No credit for work not done.
o **Quizzes:** Each class will begin with a short quiz.
  ✓ Material on these quizzes will cover only what is discussed in class.
  ✓ Vocabulary will be cumulative and taken only from the lessons covered.

o **Exams:** There are two exams.
  ✓ The questions on these exams will be similar to the exercises from the homework.
  ✓ Exam Dates:
    ➢ Midterm: Date will be announced in class
    ➢ Final Exam: Date will be announced in class

o **Total Grade:** Grades will be based on the total of points from above.
  ✓ Homework = 5% of total grade
  ✓ Hebrew reading skills = 5% of total grade
  ✓ Quizzes = 20% of total grade
  ✓ Midterm Exam = 30% of total grade
  ✓ Final Exam = 40% of total grade

• **WAYS TO STUDY & PREPARE FOR THIS COURSE:**
  o Focus on the “Holy Trinity” of linguistics
    ✓ Memorize your vocab.
    ✓ Memorize your paradigms
    ✓ Understand the grammatical concepts in each lesson
  
  o Do not procrastinate!
    ✓ Studying a language requires consistency!
    ✓ I would recommend doing some Hebrew daily, or at least every other day.

  o Know your limitations.
    ✓ Too much of anything is not a good thing.
    ✓ If you find that you lose focus after 30 minutes, then stop and do something else.

  o Ask questions in class!
    ✓ There is no such thing as a “bad question.”
    ✓ You will find that others may also have the same question as you.

  o Contact me for “one-on-one” time.
    ✓ Don’t hire a tutor!
    ✓ I’m here to help you when (or if) you require it and I’m more than willing to do so.

  o Trust in the Lord!
    ✓ By the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, you can do it!

• **STRUCTURE OF EACH CLASS MEETING**
  o 5:30pm to 5:45pm Quiz
  o 5:45pm to 6:30pm Go over quiz / homework
  o 6:30pm to 7:00pm Discuss new lesson & material