



Nipawin Bible College
GE3133 Biblical Hebrew II
Winter 2023
3 Credit Hours
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This class is the second half of the introduction to *Biblical Hebrew*, in order to read and interpret the Old Testament as a foundation for Bible study and exegesis. God's Word remains the same. The problem is that the languages into which the Bible is translated are living languages where word meanings are not static. Knowledge of Hebrew will enable the student to proclaim God's Word with confidence.

The return to Hebrew and Greek study was one of the primary fuels for the Reformation. There will always remain a need for the study of Hebrew as we continually seek to go "*Ad Fontes* (to the sources)" to avoid misinterpreting God's Word and to correct those who twist it for their own purposes.

COURSE TEXTBOOKS

Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Grammar* 3rd ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019.

Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Workbook* 3rd ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2019.

One of the following:

- Pratico, Gary D. and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Old Testament Hebrew Vocabulary Cards* 2nd edition.
- Pratico, Gary D. and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Basics of Biblical Hebrew Vocabulary Audio*.

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Pratico, Gary D., and Miles V. Van Pelt. *Zondervan Get an A! Study Guides: Biblical Hebrew*.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student will:

1. Begin to master the elements of Hebrew grammar and syntax.
2. Master Hebrew infinitives and participles.
3. Master six other verb stems in addition to the "Qal" stem.
4. Build a basic Hebrew vocabulary of 527 common Hebrew words.

5. Be able to translate biblical Hebrew without a dictionary (apart from words that only occur 69x or less in the Old Testament).

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Workbook Assignments – 30%

- The student will complete their workbook assignments. The workbook assignments are also excellent quiz preparation.

Quizzes – 40%

- There will be a quiz for most of the chapters covered in class (see schedule for specifics). The quizzes will cover the grammar and vocabulary for each chapter. They will take place at the beginning of the class period following the one where the grammar was covered.
- Vocabulary and grammar review is **required daily**. Students should plan to devote an hour every day to the study of Hebrew whether an assignment is due or not (this will make the quizzes and exams a breeze!).

Final Exam – 30%

DUE: Exam Week

GRADING

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| WB Assignments: | 30% |
| Quizzes: | 40% |
| Final Exam: | 30% |
| TOTAL: | 100% |

NOTE: All written assignments are to be typed in accordance with the guidelines in Kate L. Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 9th ed. (Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press, 2018) for papers. **(See NBC Sample Paper - 2022.)** Assignments will be graded on the basis of content, clarity, grammar, and spelling.

Assignments will be due at the **beginning of the class period** on the day that they are assigned.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY:

- Refer to the NBC Handbook 2022-2023

HEBREW II CLASS SCHEDULE:

| Date | Subject | Reading | Written |
|---------|----------------------------------|---------|------------------|
| 1/17 | Syllabus Review & Qal Inf Cs | Ch. 20 | Ch. 19 WB bonus! |
| 1/20 | Qal Inf Abs | Ch. 21 | Ch. 20 Quiz & WB |
| 1/24 | Qal Participle | Ch. 22 | Ch. 21 Quiz & WB |
| 1/27 | Sentence Syntax | Ch. 23 | Ch. 22 Quiz & WB |
| 1/31 | Niphal Strong Verbs | Ch. 24 | Ch. 23 Quiz & WB |
| 2/3 | Niphal Weak Verbs | Ch. 25 | Ch. 24 Quiz & WB |
| 2/10 | Hiphil Strong Verbs | Ch. 26 | Ch. 25 Quiz & WB |
| 2/14 | Hiphil Weak Verbs | Ch. 27 | Ch. 26 Quiz & WB |
| 2/17 | Hophal Strong Verbs | Ch. 28 | Ch. 27 Quiz & WB |
| | READING BREAK | | |
| 2/28 | Hophal Weak Verbs | Ch. 29 | Ch. 28 Quiz & WB |
| 3/3 | Piel Strong Verbs | Ch. 30 | Ch. 29 Quiz & WB |
| 3/7 | Piel Weak Verbs | Ch. 31 | Ch. 30 Quiz & WB |
| 3/14 | Pual Strong Verbs | Ch. 32 | Ch. 31 Quiz & WB |
| 3/17 | Pual Weak Verbs | Ch. 33 | Ch. 32 Quiz & WB |
| 3/21 | Hithpael Strong Verbs | Ch. 34 | Ch. 33 Quiz & WB |
| 3/24 | Hithpael Weak Verbs | Ch. 35 | Ch. 34 Quiz & WB |
| 3/28 | Introduction to the Hebrew Bible | Ch. 36 | Ch. 35 Quiz & WB |
| 3/31 | Translation | | Reading 1&2 WB |
| 4/4 | Translation | | Reading 3&4 WB |
| 4/11 | Translation | | Reading 5&6 WB |
| 4/12-13 | Final Exam | | |