

Center for Extended Learning

BST3004: Biblical Perspectives

4 Units

Fall 2024 September 3 – December 22, 2024

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asynchronous	request

PLNU Mission

To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course reflects PLNU's commitment, as a Christian university of the liberal arts and professions, to nurture an appreciation for Scripture as the basis for creative personal faith and human life in the modern world. It is designed to foster knowledge and understanding of the literature and history of the Bible and to integrate faith, learning, and living from a Wesleyan perspective.

INSTITUTIONAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Learning, Informed by our Faith in Christ

Students will acquire knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world while developing skills and habits of the mind that foster lifelong learning.

2. Growing in a Christ-Centered Faith Community

Students will develop a deeper and more informed understanding of others as they negotiate complex professional, environmental and social contexts.

3. Service in a Context of Christian Faith

Students will serve locally and/or globally in vocational and social settings.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

The following student learning outcomes will be met in this course:

- 1. To recognize the central role of Jesus, as the fulfillment of the Old Testament hope for the future, and as the focus of the faith of the New Testament Church.
- 2. To outline the general contents of the Bible, including major events of biblical history and flow of the biblical narrative.
- 3. To identify, summarize and discuss major themes and virtues of the Bible and their continuing relevance for Christian faith and life.
- 4. To reflect on and articulate how certain key biblical concepts influence contemporary practice in students' social environments including family, work, relationships, and global settings.
- 5. To undertake an in-depth study of the Book of Philippians, identifying and reflecting in writing upon its major themes and the central role of Jesus in believers' lives and in the church.

COURSE CREDIT HOUR INFORMATION

In the interest of providing sufficient time to accomplish the stated Course Learning Outcomes, this class meets the PLNU credit hour policy for a 4-unit class delivered over 16 weeks.

Distribution of Student Learning Hours

It is anticipated that students will spend a minimum of 37.5 participation hours per credit hour on their course work. The time expectations for this course are shown below:

Distribution of Course Hours

Category	Time Expectations
Required Reading & Videos	35
Discussions & Collaborations	24
Assignments & Surveys	46
Exploratory Assignment (Church Visit or Interview)	15
Summary Projects and Final Papers	30
Total Course Hours	150

REQUIRED TEXT

Life Application Study Bible New International Version (NIV). (2020). Tyndale House Pub. ISBN: 978-1-4964-4012-9

Students are responsible to have the **required** textbook prior to the first day of class. Students are also encouraged to begin reading the book in preparation for the class as soon as possible.

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

Grades will be posted in the Canvas Grades area no later than midnight on Tuesday of each week beginning in Week Two of this course. It is important to read the feedback provided in the gradebook as these comments are intended to help you improve your work. Final grades will be posted within ten days of the end of the class.

Your grades will be determined by the grading scale below:

Grade Scale

Standard Grade Scale Based on Percentage of Points Earned					
Α	В	С	D	F	
A 93-100	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69	F ≤ 59	
A- 90-92	B 83-86	C 73-76	D 63-66		
	B- 80-82	C- 70-72	D- 60-62		

Only grades of C or better will count toward program GPA. A cumulative program GPA of 2.0 or higher is required to graduate.

Grading on the assignments as follows:

Distribution of Points by Percentage

Assignments	Percentage
Online Discussions & Group Collaborations	15%
Bible Readings (Scripture application)	30%
Video Responses (presented in quiz form)	15%
Exploratory Assignment (Church Visit or Interview)	10%
Writing Assignments (Philippians Journal & Final Papers)	30%
Total	100%

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All assignments are to be submitted/turned in by the due date and time identified in Canvas. There will be a 10% reduction of possible points for **each** day an assignment is late and assignments will not be accepted for credit four days after the due date. If missing assignments result in the failure to meet learning outcomes, students may receive a letter grade reduction on the final grade in addition to the loss of points for missing work. Assignments will be considered late if posted after the due date and time using Pacific Standard Time. No assignments will be accepted after midnight on Sunday night, the last day of class.

Exceptions for extenuating circumstances must be pre-approved by the instructor and the program director.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Multiple measures of evaluation are used in the course allowing students opportunities to demonstrate learning in more than one way, and giving consideration to individual learning styles. Course components that will be evaluated include the following:

- 1. **Academic Honesty Verification Statement:** During the first week of class, you will be asked to submit an Academic Honesty Verification statement. Submitting the Statement is a requirement of this course.
- 2. **Assignments** are located in each week throughout the course. These assignments will be fundamental to the learning process and are meant to impact your thinking about biblical concepts and how they apply to your personal life.
- 3. **Video Assignments** are located in each week throughout the course. These assignments will be fundamental to the learning process and are meant to impact your thinking about biblicak concepts.
- 4. **Online Discussions:** Participation in discuss board forums is intended to promote collaboration between participants and increase understanding of biblical concepts. These online conversations will be based primarily on related assigned readings, videos, and each student's individual experience. As a guideline, plan to contribute at least two substantive posts per week during active discussions. A substantive post contains material related to the topic, and/or extends learning in a meaningful way. It is expected that you read all posts in each discussion board forum.
- 5. **Exploratory Assignments** will involve experiences in different venues that will enhance the learning process for the student.
- 6. **Summary Projects, including the Final Project**, occur at the end of the course as a summative assignment of the culmination of each week's learning and contributions.

SPIRITUAL CARE

response. In addition, on the MV campus there is a prayer chapel on the third floor which is open for use as a space set apart for quiet reflection and prayer.

PLNU COPYRIGHT POLICY

Point Loma Nazarene University, as a non-profit educational institution, is entitled by law to use materials protected by the US Copyright Act for classroom education. Any use of those materials outside the class may violate the law.

PLNU ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Students should demonstrate academic honesty by doing original work and by giving appropriate credit to the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty is the act of presenting information, ideas, and/or concepts as one's own when in reality they are the results of another person's creativity and effort. A faculty member who believes a situation involving academic dishonesty has been detected may assign a failing grade for that assignment or examination, or, depending on the seriousness of the offense, for the course. Faculty should follow and students may appeal using the procedure in the university Catalog.

See the <u>Academic Honesty Policy</u> in the Graduate and Professional Studies Catalog for definitions of kinds of academic dishonesty and for further policy information.

During the first week of class, students will be asked to submit an Academic Honesty Verification Statement. Submitting the statement is a requirement of this course. By submitting the Academic Honesty Verification Statement, students will be verifying all assignments completed in this course were completed by them. Carefully review the Academic Honesty Statement below.

Statement: "In submitting this form, I am verifying all the assignments in this course will be completed by me and will be my own work."

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy

Because this course's learning outcomes seek to reveal YOUR understanding, the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools (e.g, ChatGPT, iA Writer, Marmot, Botowski) is not permitted, and use of these tools will be treated as plagiarism.

PLNU ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY

PLNU is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all its programs, services, and activities. Students with disabilities may request course-related accommodations by contacting the Educational Access Center (EAC), located in the Bond Academic Center (EAC@pointloma.edu or 619-849-2486). Once a student's eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, the EAC will issue an academic accommodation plan ("AP") to all faculty who teach courses in which the student is enrolled each semester.

PLNU highly recommends that students speak with their professors during the first two weeks of each semester/term about the implementation of their AP in that particular course and/or if they do not wish to utilize some or all of the elements of their AP in that course.

Students who need accommodations for a disability should contact the EAC as early as possible (i.e., ideally before the beginning of the semester) to assure appropriate accommodations can be provided. It is the student's responsibility to make the first contact with the EAC.

PLNU ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION POLICY

Students taking online courses with no specific scheduled meeting times are expected to actively engage throughout each week of the course. Attendance is defined as participating in an academic activity within the online classroom which includes, but is not limited to:

- Engaging in an online discussion
- · Submitting an assignment
- Taking an exam
- Participating in online labs
- Initiating contact with faculty member within the learning management system to discuss course content

Note: Logging into the course does not qualify as participation and will not be counted as meeting the attendance requirement.

Students who anticipate being absent for an entire week of a course should contact the instructor in advance for approval and make arrangements to complete the required coursework and/or alternative assignments assigned at the discretion of the instructor. Acceptance of late work is at the discretion of the instructor and does not waive attendance requirements.

Students may be warned if a student demonstrates a lack of academic activity. After a warning, students who miss more than one week of academic activity without prior approval and arrangements with the instructor may be disenrolled or withdrawn from the course. If the date of de-enrollment is past the last date to withdraw from a course, the student will be assigned a letter grade of "F" or "NC." There are no refunds for courses where a de-enrollment was processed after the last date to withdraw from a course.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND DISCRIMINATION

Point Loma Nazarene University faculty are committed to helping create a safe learning environment for all students. If you (or someone you know) have experienced any form of sexual discrimination or misconduct, including sexual assault, dating or domestic violence, or stalking, know that help and support are available through the Title IX Office at pointloma.edu/Title-IX. Please be aware that under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, it is required to disclose information about such misconduct to the Title IX Office.

If you wish to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact Counseling Services at counselingservices@pointloma.edu or find a list of campus pastors at pointloma.edu/title-ix

PLNU USE OF TECHNOLOGY

In order to be successful in your course, you'll need to meet the minimum technology and system requirements; please refer to the <u>Technology and System Requirements</u> information.

Problems with technology do not relieve you of the responsibility of participating, turning in your assignments, or completing your class work.

FINAL EXAMINATION POLICY

This course does not have a final examination. All assignments are due by December 22, 2024, by 11:59PM.

COURSE SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS

DATE PRESENTED	CLASS CONTENT OR ASSIGNMENT	ASSIGNMENT DUE DATE
WEEK 1	 Read Course Orientation pages Read Meet Professor Klett Academic Honesty Verification Statement Orientation to the Life Application Study Bible & Bible References Quiz Read WK 1 Overview Complete WK 1 Introduce & Connect Initial Post 	9/3
9/3-9/8	Complete Interaction with the Bible Activity Complete WK 1 Videos & Quiz 1. What is the Bible? 2. The Story of the Bible 3. Literary Styles in the Bible 4. Jewish Meditation Literature Complete WK 1 Introduce & Connect Responding Posts	9/4
	Select your Themes & Virtues	9/6
WEEK 2 9/9 – 9/15	Read WK 2 Overview Complete WK 2 Videos & Quiz 1. Plot in biblical narrative 2. Character in biblical narrative 3. Setting in biblical narrative 4. Design patterns in biblical narrative Discussion: A Look at Sin - Initial Post	9/9
	Complete WK2: Genesis 1-11 Video & Quiz	9/10
	WK 2 Bible Reading & Reading Organizer 1. Genesis 1-3 2. Genesis 6:9 – 7:24	9/11
	WK2: Genesis 1 Visual Commentary	9/13
	LAST DAY to DROP SEMESTER CLASSES (9/15/2024)	
WEEK 3 9/16 – 9/22	Read WK3 Overview WK 3: Genesis Part 2 Video & Quiz Discussion: A Look at Sin Initial Post Due Begin working on your Bible Reading WK3 Bible Reading & Organizer 1. Genesis 12:1-7 2. Genesis 13	9/16

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	3. Genesis 15:1-6			
	4. Genesis 16			
	5. Genesis 17:1-19			
	Discussion: A Look at Sin Responding Posts Due	- 1		
	WK3: Comment on Six Descriptors of Sin	9/20		
	Read WK4 Overview	9/23		
	There is no Video Quiz This Week	9/23		
	WK4 Bible Reading Organizer			
	1. Genesis 21: 1-21			
	2. Genesis 22: 1-19			
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WEEK 4	4. Genesis 37	9/25		
9/23 – 9/29	5. Genesis 39-45			
	6. Genesis 46:1-7			
	Discussion: A Look at Relationship - Initial Post			
	Discussion: A Look at Relationship – Responding Posts			
	WK4: Why did God ask Abraham to sacrifice Isaac?	9/26		
	WK4: Exploratory Assignment PREPARATION			
	WK4: Comment on Covenant (and Relationship)	9/27		
	Read WK5 Overview			
	Complete WK5 Videos & Quiz			
	1. Exodus 1-18 Overview			
	2. Exodus 19-40 Overview			
	3. Exodus 34:6-7: Character of God	9/30		
	4. Leviticus Overview			
	5. Numbers Overview			
	6. Deuteronomy Overview			
	Discussion: A Look at Holiness – Initial Post			
	WK5 Bible Reading & Reading Organizer			
WEEK 5	1. Exodus 1 – Exodus 2:15			
9/30 – 10/6	2. Exodus 3			
	3. Exodus 7			
	4. Exodus 11	10/2		
	5. Exodus 12	10/2		
	6. Exodus 14			
	7. Exodus 20:1-23			
	8. Deuteronomy 6			
	Discussion: A Look at Holiness – Responding Post			
	A Look at Holiness – Final Element to Read	10/4		
	Comment: The Law Video	10/4		
	REMEMBER: Visit a church this week or next week!			
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WEEK 6	Read WK6 Overview	10/7		

10/7 – 10/13	Complete WK6 Videos & Quiz	
	Joshua Overview	
	2. Judges Overview	
	WK6 Bible Reading & Reading Organizer	
	1. Joshua 1	
	2. Joshua 2	
	3. Joshua 6	10/9
	4. Joshua 24	10,5
	5. Judges 7	
	6. Judges 16	
	Discussion: A Look at Leadership – Initial Post	
	WK6: Royal Priests of Eden Video	
	Discussion: A Look at Leadership – Responding Posts	10/11
	REMEMBER: If you haven't done so already, visit a	10, 11
	church this week!	
	Read WK7 Overview	
	Complete WK7 Videos & Quiz	
	1. Ruth Overview	
	2. 1 Samuel Overview	10/14
	3. 2 Samuel Overview	
	4. 1-2 Kings Overview	
	5. Compassion	
	WK7 Bible Reading & Reading Organizer	
	1. Ruth	
	2. 1 Samuel 1	
	3. 1 Samuel 3	
WEEK 7	4. 1 Samuel 16	
10/14 – 10/20	5. 1 Samuel 17	10/16
	6. 2 Samuel 5	•
	7. 2 Samuel 7	
	8. 2 Samuel 11	
	9. 2 Samuel 12 10. Psalm 51	
	Discussion: A Look at Heroes – Initial Post	
	Work on your Exploratory Assignment (Church Visit or	
	Interview)	10/18
	Discussion: A Look at a Heroes – Responding Posts	
	Comment: "Strength"	10/18
	Turn In Exploratory Assignment: Church Visit or	
	Interview	10/20
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	Read WK8 Overview	
WEEK 8	Complete WK7 Videos & Quiz	10/21
10/21 – 10/27	1. Job Overview	
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10/20 - 11/3	WK9 Bible Reading & Organizer	
10/28 – 11/3	5. The Gospel of the Kingdom	
WEEK 9	4. John 1-12 Overview	
	3. Matthew 1-13 Overview	10/20
	2. The Birth of Jesus: Luke 1-2	10/28
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	Read WK9 Overview Complete WK9 Videos & Quiz	-
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	Responding Posts	
	Discussion: Sharing Themes, Virtues, Poetry –	10/25
	Mid-Course Evaluation	
1	WK8: An Important Look at Exile Video Response	
	WK8: The Way of Exile Video Response	10/24
	Post	
	Discussion: Sharing Themes, Virtues, Poetry – Initial	
	17. The Book of Amos Overview	
	16. Isaiah 40 – 66 Overview	
	15. Isaiah 1 – 39 Overview	
	14. Proverbs 31:10-31	
	13. Proverbs 14	
	12. Proverbs 13	
	11. Proverbs 3	
	10. Psalm 121	10/23
	9. Psalm 46	
	8. Psalm 34	
	7. Psalm 32	
	6. Psalm 23	
	5. Job 42:10-17	
	4. Job 39	
	3. Job 38	
	1. Job 1 2. Job 2:1-10	
	WK8 Bible Reading & Reading Organizer	
	9. Overview Amos	
	8. Overview: Daniel	
	7. The Book of Isaiah, Part 2	
	6. The Book of Isaiah, Part 1	
	5. The Prophets	
	4. The Book of Ecclesiastes	
	3. Proverbs Overview	
	2. Psalms Overview	

	5. Matthew 5	
	6. Matthew 6	
	7. Matthew 7	
	8. John 1:1-14	
	9. John 3	
	10. John 4	
	Discussion: A Look at Poverty – Initial Post	
	WK9: Philippians Video & Quiz	10/31
	WK9: Read Philippians	
	Discussion: A look at Poverty Responding Posts	11/1
	WK9: Philippians Journal: The Background	
NOVEMBER 10	LAST DAY TO DROP SEMESTER CLASSES	
	Read WK10 Overview	
	View Images from Philippi	
	Complete WK10 Videos & Quiz	
	1. The Crucifixion of Jesus: Luke 19-23	
	2. The Resurrection of Jesus: Luke 24	11/4
	3. Matthew 14-28 Overview	11/4
	4. John 1-12 Overview	
	5. John 13-21 Overview	
	6. Grace	
	Discussion: A Look at Grace – Initial Post	
WEEK 10	Discussion: A Look at Grace – Additional Information	11/5
11/4 – 11/10	WK10 Bible Reading & Organizer	
11/4 - 11/10	1. Matthew 22:34-40	
	2. Matthew 26	
	3. Matthew 27	
	4. Matthew 28	44/6
	5. John 13	11/6
	6. John 19	
	7. John 20	
	8. John 21	
	9. Luke 24	
	Comment Post: The Test	11/7
	WK10: Philippians Journal: The Blueprint	11/8
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	Read WK11 Overview	
	Complete WK11 Videos & Quiz	
WEEK 11	1. Pentecost: Acts 1-7	11/11
11/11 – 11/17	2. The Apostle Paul: Acts 8 - 12	-
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_	4. Bound for Rome: Acts 21-28	
	WK11 Bible Reading & Organizer	11/13

	1. Acts 1:1-14	
	2. Acts 2	
	3. Acts 9	
	4. Acts 10	
	5. Acts 16	
	Discussion: A Look at Transformation – Initial Post	
	WK11 Comment: The Image of God	11/14
	Discussion: A Look at Transformation – Responding	,
	Posts	11/15
	WK11: Philippians Journal: A Close Reading	, -
	Read WK12 Overview	
WEEK 12	Complete WK12 Videos & Quiz	
11/18 – 11/24	1. Romans 1-4 Overview	11/18
	2. Romans 5 – 16 Overview	
	WK12 Bible Reading & Organizer	
	1. Romans 8	44/20
	2. Romans 12	11/20
	Discussion: A Look at Sacrifice – Initial Post	
	Comment: Sacrifice & Atonement	
	WK12: Philippians Journal: Research	11/22
	Discussion: A Look at Sacrifice – Responding Posts	
WEEK 13	Read WK13 Overview	
11/25 – 11/26		
(Thanksgiving	Listen to the Survey of Philippians Audio Message	11/26
Week – No	Philippians Discussion Post	11,20
Classes		
Nov 27-29)		
	Read WK14 Overview	
	Complete WK14 Videos & Quiz	
	1. 1 Corinthians Overview	12/1
	2. 2 Corinthians Overview	-
	3. Galatians Overview	
_	4. Ephesians Overview	
	WK14 Bible Reading & RGO	
	1. 1 Corinthians 13	
	2. 1 Corinthians 153. Galatians 2:20	
WEEK 14	4. Galatians 2:20	12/3
12/1 – 12/8		
	5. Ephesians 2:8-10	
	Discussion: A Look at Love – Initial Post	
	Comment Post: God	12/4
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	Discussion: A Look at Love – Responding Posts	12/5
	WK 14: Philippians Journal: Looking Back	12/5
	Read WK15 Overview	
	Complete WK15 Videos & Quiz	12/9
	 Hebrews Overview 	12,3
	2. 1 John, 2 John, 3 John Overview	
WEEK 15	WK15 Bible Reading & Organizer	
12/9 – 12/15	1. Hebrews 11	12/11
12/9 – 12/15	2. Hebrews 12:1-3	12/11
	3. 1 John 1	
	Discussion: A Look at Faith – Initial Post	12/12
	WK 15: Biblical Diversity Reflection Paper	12/13
	Official Course Evaluation	12/22
	Read WK16 Overview	
	Complete WK16 Videos & Quiz	
	 Apocalyptic Literature 	12/16
	2. Revelation 1-11 Overview	
	3. Revelation 12-22 Overview	
	WK16 Bible Reading & Organizer	
WEEK 16	 Revelation 1 	
12/16 – 12/22	2. Revelation 21	12/18
	3. Revelation 22	
	WK16: Final Discussion & Share – Initial Post Due	
	WK16: Final Paper – Biblical Wisdom for My Major	
	WK16: Final Discussion & Share – Responding Posts	12/20
	Due	12/20
	Official Course Evaluation Due	12/22