NEW TESTAMENT – SYLLABUS
M-F 3
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Purpose:
The primary focus of the course will be to acquaint the beginning student with the literary, social, historical, and religious contexts of the various New Testament writings.

Required Texts:
K. Aland et al, Synopsis of the Four Gospels in English
The Harper Collins Study Bible (New Revised Standard Version)

Course grade:
50% Exam #1 – Background and Gospels
50% Exam #2 - Paul and Post-Pauline Exam

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### Assignments

In addition to the reading assignments listed below, some specific discussion topics will periodically be posted on the class website or emailed to the class listserv at least one day in advance of the topic to be covered.

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EXAM #1 – BACKGROUND AND GOSPELS

Introduction to Paul; Acts 13-28
Ehrman, pp. 181-200 (review pp. 163-180)
Acts 13-28 (see also Harper Collins Study Bible, p. 1908)

1, 2 Thessalonians
Ehrman, pp. 201-215, 267-269
1,2 Thessalonians

Galatians
Ehrman, pp. 233-241
Galatians

1, 2 Corinthians
Ehrman, pp. 216-232
1,2 Corinthians

Romans
Ehrman, pp. 250-263
Romans

Philippians, Philemon
Ehrman, pp. 242-249
Philippians, Philemon

Colossians, Ephesians, Pastoral Epistles (1,2 Timothy, Titus)
Ehrman, pp. 264-267, 269-296
Ephesians, 1,2 Timothy, Titus

Post-Pauline Literature
Ehrman, pp. 297-348
Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, Jude, 2 Peter, Book of Revelation

EXAM #2 - PAUL AND POST-PAULINE EXAM