

Class Requirements and Instructions

1. Each student will need a Bible. Any translation is fine. The teacher will be using the New King James.
2. A notebook for taking as well as keeping notes and handouts. A three ring binder is suggested.
3. Some materials suggested to aid you in your study:
 - a. The Genesis Record, by Henry M. Morris, published by Baker Book House
 - b. The New Bible Commentary, by J.D. Douglas, published by Eerdmans
 - c. The Heart of Hebrew History, by H.I. Hester, published by Broadman Press.
 - d. Eerdmans' Handbook to the Bible, published by Eerdmans.
 - e. International Standard Bible Encyclopedia, published by Eerdmans.
 - f. The New Bible Dictionary, by Douglas, published by Eerdmans.
4. What is expected of each student:
 - a. Read the assigned passages each week and do the assignments on the handout before each class.
 - b. Take notes of class lecture and discussion.
 - e. Each student will be asked questions in class and we encourage each student to ask questions and make comments on the lesson.

A Brief Introduction to the First Five Books

1. Title: The first five books of the Bible are called "The Law" or "Torah" by the Jews - "Torah" is a Hebrew term meaning "law" or "teaching". The translators of the Septuagint (Greek Old Testament) called these books the "Pentateuch", it is a Greek term meaning "the fivefold book", from "*penta*" - five and "*teuchos*" - book or volume.
2. Author: That Moses is the author is unquestioned in scripture.
 - a. Moses commanded to write in the book - Ex 17:14; 34:27
 - b. Moses wrote the covenant - Ex 24:4-8
 - c. Moses wrote of the wandering - Num 33:1-2
 - d. The Law of Moses in a book - Josh 1:7,8; 8:31-34; 22:9; 23:6
 - e. Jesus confirms Moses authorship - Lk 24:27,44; Jn 5:45-47; 7:19
 - f. Other NT writers - Acts 3:22; 13:39; 15:5,21; Rom 10:5,19; 2 Cor 3:15; Rev 15:3

3. Date: Approximately 1450 BC. during the wanderings in the wilderness
4. Title and meaning of each book:
- Genesis (Greek) - Beginning or origin.
 - Exodus (Greek) - “ex” meaning out and “odus” meaning way or road, thus the road or way out.
 - Leviticus (Latin) - “Levi” - the tribe of priests and “ticus” - law, thus the law of the Levites or priests.
 - Numbers (Latin) - comes from the numbering of the Israelites at the beginning and end of the book.
 - Deuteronomy (Greek) - “deutero”-second and “nomos” - law, thus the second giving of the law.

A Brief Outline of the First Five Books

- Outline of Genesis
 - Creation of the heaven and the earth - 1:1 - 2:3
 - Generations of heavens and earth - 2:4 - 4:26
 - Generations of Adam - 5:1 - 6:8
 - Generations of Noah - 6:9 - 9:27
 - Generations of the sons of Noah - 10:1 - 11:9
 - Generations of Shem - 11:10 - 26
 - Generations of Terah - 11:27 - 25:11
 - Generations of Ishmael - 25:12 - 18 (16:11-16)
 - Generations of Isaac - 25:19 - 35:29
 - Generations of Esau - 36:1 - 37:1
 - Generations of Jacob - 37:2 - 50:26and
 - The period of beginnings
 - Creation - 1:1 - 2:25
 - Fall - 3:1 - 5:32
 - Flood - 6:1 - 9:29
 - Nations - 10:1 - 11:9
 - The Patriarchs
 - Abraham - 11:10 - 25:18
 - Isaac - 25:19 - 26:35
 - Jacob - 27:1 - 36:43
 - Joseph - 37:1 - 50:26
- Outline of Exodus
 - Redemption from Egypt (1:1 - 18:27)
 - The need for redemption from Egypt - 1:1 - 2:22
 - The preparation of Moses - 2:1 - 4:31
 - God’s redemption of Israel - 5:1 - 15:21
 - The preservation of Israel in wilderness - 15:22 - 18:27

- B. Revelation from God (19:1-40:38)
 - 1. The Revelation of the Covenant - 19:1 - 31:18
 - 2. Israel's response to the Covenant - 32:1 - 40:38

3. Outline of Leviticus

- A. The Laws of Acceptable approach to God(1:1-17:16)
 - 1. The Laws of Acceptable approach to God - 1:1-7:38
 - 2. The Laws of the Priests - 8:1-10:20
 - 3. The Laws of Israel regarding purity - 11:1-15:33
 - 4. The Laws of national atonement - 16:1-17:16
- B. The laws of acceptable walk with God(18:1-27:34)
 - 1. The laws of sanctification for people - 18:1-20:27
 - 2. The laws of sanctification for priests - 21:1-22:33
 - 3. The laws of sanctification in worship - 23:1-24:23
 - 4. The laws of sanctification in the land - 25:1-26:46
 - 5. The laws of sanctification through vows - 27:1-34

4. Outline of Numbers

- A. Preparation of Old Generation(1:1-10:10)
 - 1. The Organization of Israel - 1:1-4:49
 - 2. Sanctification of Israel - 5:1-10:10
- B. Failure of the Old Generation(10:11-25:18)
 - 1. The failure of Israel en route to Kadesh - 10:11-12:16
 - 2. The failure of Israel at Kadesh - 13:1-14:45
 - 3. The failure of Israel in the wilderness - 15:1-19:22
 - 4. The failure of Israel en route to Moab - 20:1-25:18
- C. Preparation of the New Generation(26:1-36:13)
 - 1. The reorganization of Israel - 26:1 - 27:23
 - 2. The regulations of offerings and vows - 28:1-30:16
 - 3. The conquest and division of Israel - 31:1-36:13

5. Outline of Deuteronomy

- A. Moses first sermon(1:1-4:43)-"What God has done for Israel"
 - 1. The preamble to the covenant - 1:1-5
 - 2. The review of God's act for Israel - 1:6-4:43
- B. Moses second sermon(4:44-26:19)-"What God expects of Israel"
 - 1. The introduction to the law of God - 4:44-49
 - 2. Moses teaches the law again- 5:1-26:19
- C. Moses third sermon(27:1-34:12)- "What God will do for Israel"
 - 1. The ratification of the covenant - 27:1-28:68
 - 2. The institution of the covenant - 29:1-30:20
 - 3. The transition from Moses to Joshua - 31:1-34:12

Class Schedule for Genesis

September 13	Intro and 1:1-2	The Creation of the World
September 20	Chapter 1:3-2:3	The Six Days of Creation
September 27	Chapter 2	The Creation of Man
October 4	Chapter 3	The Fall of Man
October 11	Chapter 4 & 5	The Lost World
October 18	Chapter 6	The Days of Noah
October 25	Chapter 7 & 8	The Great Flood
November 1	Chapter 9	The New World
November 8	Chapter 10-11	God and the Nations
November 15	Chapter 12-13	The Call of Abraham
November 22	Chapter 14-17	The Abrahamic Covenant
November 29	Chapter 18-20	Fire From Heaven
December 6	Chapter 21-23	The Child of Promise
December 13	Chapter 24-26	Isaac and Rebekah
December 20	Chapter 27-28	Jacob and Esau
December 27	Chapter 29-31	Jacob and Laban
January 3	Chapter 32-36	Jacob in Canaan
January 10	Chapter 37-39	The Testing of Joseph
January 17	Chapter 40-41	The Exaltation of Joseph
January 24	Chapter 42-45	Joseph and His Brothers
January 31	Chapter 46-50	Israel in Egypt

Genesis Chapter 1:1-2:3

1. What does “Genesis” mean?
2. Who is in the beginning, before Creation?
3. What is done on the first day?
4. What is the light created on the first day?
5. What is done on the second day?
6. What is a firmament?
7. What is done on the third day?
8. What word describes God's Creation?
9. What was done on the fourth day?
10. What are the lights that are set in the firmament?
11. What was done on the fifth day?
12. What was done on the sixth day?
13. What was done on the seventh day?
14. What does Sabbath mean?

Lesson 2- Genesis Chapter 2:4-25

1. What is the difference between Create and Form?
2. What are the functions of marriage that God designs?
3. Where did God put man?
4. What did God do for man in the Garden?
5. How was the Garden watered?
6. On Day 3 when God made the vegetation what did it look like?
7. When God put man in the Garden what did the vegetation look like?
8. Who did God tell not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil?
9. What was man to do in the Garden?
10. God said His creation was good, but what was not good?
11. What did Adam do before God made Eve?

Genesis Chapter 3

How did Satan tempt Eve?

Does Satan use the truth to deceive?

Where is Adam when Satan tempts Eve?

What did Adam & Eve know after they ate the fruit?

Why did they hide among the trees of the Garden?

Who did God address first?

What was Adam's response when God asked what he had done?

What was Eve's response when God asked her what she had done?

Who does God punish first?

List 3 punishments God gave to Adam.

List 3 punishments God gave to Eve.

From what were the first clothes God made for Adam and Eve?

Who is the Us in Genesis 3:22?

Where do we find the first promise of the Messiah?

Genesis Chapter 4 & 5

What was the difference in Cain's and Abel's sacrifices?

Where did Cain get his wife?

What arts & crafts are mentioned and who are the father's of them?

What significant thing did Lamech do?

Explain the second half of Gen 4:26 "Then men began to call on the name of the Lord".

Draw a timeline based on the genealogy of Adam given in Chapter 5.

Genesis Chapter 6

What is meant by “the sons of God” and “the daughters of men” in 6:2?

How long did God wait, after deciding he would not strive with man forever?

Why did God say He would destroy mankind off the face of the earth?

What kind of man was Noah?

What did God tell Noah to build? Why?

Give the approximate dimensions of the ark in feet.

What did God tell Noah He was going to destroy?

What did God say He would establish with Noah?

With what did God instruct Noah to fill the ark?

How did Noah get all the pairs of animals into the ark?

Genesis Chapter 7 & 8

1. Where did the water come from that flooded the earth?
2. How high above the mountains did the flood waters get?
3. What did God destroy with the flood?
4. Fill in the details of Noah's time in the Ark.
 - a. When did Noah and his family go in?
 - b. How long before the waters start to flood? And how long did it flood?
 - c. How long did the waters prevail on the earth?
 - d. When did the Ark rest on Mt. Ararat?
 - e. When were the tops of the mountains seen?
 - f. When did Noah send out a raven and what happened to it?
 - g. When did Noah send out doves? How many times? What happened to them?
 - h. When did Noah and his family leave the Ark?
 - i. How long was Noah and his family in the Ark?

Genesis Chapter 9

What is the first commandment given to Noah?

What is the second commandment given to Noah?

What is the third commandment given to Noah?

Who is required to carry out the third commandment?

What covenant does God make with Noah and his descendents?

Is that covenant still in effect?

What is the sign of that covenant?

Who is the father of Canaan?

Why is Canaan cursed?

Genesis Chapter 10 & 11

1. What happened to the descendants of Noah's son Japheth?
2. What significant things did Nimrod do?
3. What happened to the descendants of Noah's son Ham?
4. What happened to the descendants of Noah's son Shem?
5. What did the author say that the whole world had?
6. What did the people in the plain of Shinar set out to do?
7. What did the Lord do, and why did He do it?
8. Draw a timeline of Shem's genealogy from Chapter 11.
9. What did the author say about Abram's wife?
10. Where did Abram's father take his family?

Genesis Chapter 12 & 13

1. What land was Abram and his family from?
2. What did God tell Abram to do?
3. Whom did Abram take with him to the land God would show him?
4. To whom was God going to give the land he showed Abram?
5. Who possessed the land when God showed it to Abram?
6. Why did Abram ask Sarai to tell the Egyptians she was his sister?
7. Was this a lie?
8. What was the conflict between Abram and Lot about?
9. How did Abram propose to settle the conflict?
10. Where did Abram live, and where did Lot choose to live?

Genesis Chapter 14-17

Who was Melchizedek?

Who did Abram give a tithe to?

Why did Abram cut all the animals in two and place them opposite of each other?

How long would Abrams' descendants serve another nation?

What is the name of Sarai's maidservant?

What country is Sarai's maidservant from?

Why did Sarai give her maidservant to be Abraham's wife?

What prophesy is given of Ishmael and his descendents?

Who spoke to Hagar, telling her to return to Sarai?

Why did the LORD change Abram's name?

What covenant does the LORD make with Abraham?

What is the sign of that covenant?

Why was Sarai's name changed?

How old was Abraham and Ishmael when they were circumcised?

Genesis Chapter 18-20

1. Who promises Abraham that Sarah will have a son?
2. Who does Abraham intercede for in Sodom? Why does he stop at 10?
3. Who met with Lot and told him to leave Sodom?
4. What was destroyed in Sodom and Gomorrah?
5. Who are the descendents of Lot? Where did they come from?
6. Who is Abimelech?
7. Why did God appear to Abimelech and threaten him with death?
8. What punishment did God give to Abimelech because of Sarah?
9. Why did God relent from His punishment of Abimelech?

Genesis Chapter 21-23

1. How old was Abraham when Isaac was born?
2. What is the meaning of Isaac's name? Why was he called this?
3. When did Abraham send Hagar and Ishmael out?
4. Who told Abraham to send them out and why?
5. Read Galatians 4:21-31. What is the symbolism of Hagar and Ishmael being sent away?
6. Why did Abimelech want to make a covenant with Abraham?
7. What is the meaning of Beersheba?
8. What does it mean in 21:33 that Abraham "called on the name of the LORD"?
9. Why was Abraham commanded to offer up Isaac?
10. Where did Abraham begin to offer up Isaac?
11. Who stopped Abraham from sacrificing Isaac? What did he offer instead?
12. How old was Sarah when she died?
13. Where was she buried? Why?

Genesis Chapter 24-26

1. Where did Abraham send his servant to find a wife for Isaac? Why?
2. Who does Abraham say would be sent to help his servant?
3. How did the servant know whom the LORD had appointed as wife for Isaac?
4. How many sons did Abraham have?
5. Who inherited Abraham's wealth?
6. How old was Abraham when he died?
7. Who buried Abraham? Where?
8. Why did Isaac plead with the LORD for his wife?
9. Why did Esau sell his birthright? What is a birthright?
10. Name two similarities between Isaac's and Abraham's dealings with Abimelech?
11. What did Esau do that caused grief of mind to Isaac and Rebekah?

Genesis Chapter 27-28

1. What did Isaac ask Esau to do?
2. What did Rebekah do after she heard Isaac talking to Esau?
3. What did Jacob do to make Isaac think he was Esau?
4. What blessing did Isaac give Jacob?
5. Why couldn't Isaac change the blessing when he knew he was deceived?
6. How did Isaac answer Esau's request for a blessing?
7. What did Esau plan to do?
8. What did Isaac tell Jacob to do, and what blessing did he give him?
9. What did Esau do when he learned that Isaac had blessed Jacob?
10. What happened in Jacob's dream?
11. What was Jacob's response to his dream?

Genesis Chapter 29-31

1. Who came to the well, and how did Jacob respond to her? (29:9-12)
2. For what wage did Jacob agree to work for Laban? (29:15-18)
3. What happened after Jacob had worked for Laban seven years? (29:20-30)
4. What did the Lord do when He saw that Leah was not loved? (29:31)
5. For what did Leah hope? (29:32-34)
6. What did Rachel do when she realized she would not be able to have children? (30:1-8)
7. What did Leah do when she had seen what Rachel had done? (30:9-12)
8. What exchange did Rachel and Leah make, and what was the result? (30:14-21)
9. What did God do for Rachel? (30:22-24)
10. How did Jacob increase the number of his flocks? (30:37-43)
11. Why did Jacob flee from Laban and return to his native land? (31:1-13)
12. How did Rachel and Leah respond to the plan to leave? (31:14-20)
13. What did Rachel take with her? (31:14-20)
14. What was Laban looking for among Jacob's possessions, and why didn't he find it? (31:22-35)

Genesis Chapter 32-36

1. How did Jacob prepare for his meeting with Esau? (32:1-21)
2. With whom did Jacob wrestle, and what promise did Jacob elicit from him? (32:22-31)
3. What happened when Jacob met Esau? (33:1-20)
4. What happened to Jacob's daughter Dinah, and what did Jacob's sons do about it? (34:1-29)
5. What did God tell Jacob to do, and how did Jacob respond? (35:1-7)
6. What did God promise Jacob, and what was Jacob's response? (35:9-15)
7. How did Rachel die? (35:16-19)
8. Who were Jacob's sons? (35:22-26)
9. How old was Isaac when he died, and who buried him? (35:27-29)
1. Who were Esau's descendants? (36:1-40)

Genesis Chapter 37-39

What kind of report did Joseph bring to his father? (37:1-2)

Why did Israel love Joseph more than his other sons, and how did he show it? (37:3)

How did Joseph's brothers treat him? (37:4)

What kind of dreams did Joseph have, and how did his brothers respond when he told them about them? (37:5-11)

What did Joseph's brothers plot to do? (37:18-20)

What did Reuben do when he found out what his brothers had done to Joseph? (37:29-30)

What did Joseph's brothers do, and what did they tell their father? (37:31-33)

What did Judah do? (38:1-5)

What did Judah tell Onan to do, what did he do, and what happened to him? (38:8-10)

What happened to Judah and Tamar in Timnah? (38:15-19)

What did Judah do about his promise? (38:20-23)

How did Judah respond when he found out the truth? (38:25-26)

What did Potiphar observe about Joseph, and what did he do as a result? (39:2-6)

What did Potiphar's wife ask Joseph to do, what was his response, and what was her reaction? (39:7-18)

What happened to Joseph in prison? (39:21-23)

Genesis Chapter 40-41

1. What did Joseph say about dreams? (40:8)
2. What did the chief cupbearer dream, and what did Joseph say about it? (40:9-15)
3. What did the chief baker dream, and what did Joseph say about it? (40:16-19)
4. What happened at Pharaoh's birthday party? (40:20-22)
5. What did Pharaoh dream? (41:1-7)
6. What did the chief cupbearer tell Pharaoh? (41:9-13)
7. Why did Pharaoh send for Joseph? (41:14-15)
8. What did Pharaoh say to Joseph, and how did Joseph respond? (41:15-16)
9. What did Joseph tell Pharaoh about his dreams? (41:25-32)
10. What did Joseph tell Pharaoh he should do in light of his dreams? (41:33-36)
11. What did Pharaoh do in response to Joseph's advice? (41:37-45)
12. What happened when the years of abundance came to an end? (41:53-57)

Genesis Chapter 42-45

1. Who went to Egypt, and why did they go? (42:1-5)
2. What did Joseph do when he recognized his brothers? (42:6-26)
3. What happened after Joseph's brothers left Egypt? (42:27-34)
4. What happened when Joseph's brothers got home? (42:35-38)
5. Who went with Joseph's brothers on their second trip to Egypt, why, and under what circumstances? (43:1-14)
6. What happened when Joseph's brothers arrived in Egypt the second time? (43:15-34)
7. What happened when Joseph's brothers left Egypt the second time? (44:1-13)
8. What happened when Joseph's brothers returned to Egypt? (44:14-33)
9. When and why did Joseph finally make himself known to his brothers? (45:1-2)
10. What did Joseph tell his brothers when he revealed who he was? (45:3-13)
11. What did Joseph do after he told his brothers who he was? (45:14-15)
12. What did Pharaoh do when he heard about what had happened? (45:16-20)
13. What happened when Joseph's brothers returned to Canaan? (45:25-28)

Genesis Chapter 46-50

What did God tell Jacob? (46:2-4)

What happened when Jacob arrived in Egypt? (46:28-30)

What did Joseph say he would do, and what did he tell his brothers to do? (46:31-34)

What happened when people in both Egypt and Canaan ran out of money? (47:13-19)

What law did Joseph establish? (47:23-26)

What did Joseph do when he heard that his father was ill? (48:1-2)

What did Jacob tell Joseph, and what responsibility did he give him? (48:21-22)

What did Jacob say concerning Judah? (49:8-12)

What did Jacob say about Joseph? (49:22-26)

What instructions did Jacob give his sons? (49:29-32)

What did Joseph do when his father died? (50:1-3)

What did Joseph ask Pharaoh? (50:4-5)

What worried Joseph's brothers after their father died, and what did they do about it? (50:15-18)

How did Joseph respond to his brothers? (50:19-21)

What did Joseph do when he was about to die? (50:22-25)