

**NEWMAN BIBLE ACADEMY  
ONLINE COURSE SYLLABUS  
By Dr. Willis C. Newman**

***FREE INTRODUCTORY COURSE***

**Course Title:** Christian Foundations

**Abbreviation:** TH 101

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Instructional Hours:** 30

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**Catalog description:** This introductory course covers the basic concepts of Christianity. Included are studies on the doctrines of the Bible, God, Jesus Christ, humanity, the Holy Spirit, church, future, salvation, angels, bible study, and Christian growth.

**Student Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Explain the nature and purpose of the Bible.
2. Gain an understanding of God
3. Describe the Person and Work of Jesus Christ.
4. Evaluate the origins, condition, and future of humanity.
5. Understand who is the Holy Spirit and His role in the world and Christian life.
6. Identify issues relating to the nature and purpose of the Church.
7. Explain the future events of history as seen from the Bible.
8. Demonstrate a clear understanding of the principles, tools, and methods of Bible interpretation.
9. Gain an understanding of the principles of Christian growth.
10. Exhibit expertise in understanding salvation.
11. Comprehend the origin, nature, and role of angels.

**Course Requirements.**

Students have 10 weeks to complete the following course requirements. Final grade will be based on the total accumulated points from the examination. More details can be found in the examination workbook.

**1. The reading and understanding** of the assigned ebook textbook: Christian Foundations: Basic Teachings

**2. Examination.** Required is one examination. The exam consists of 656 points. In the examination workbook, there is an exam for each chapter of the textbook.

This introductory course is **FREE**. You can download both the ebook textbook, and the examination workbook to your computer. Just click on the links for this course.

**If you want credit** for this course, you must fill out an application form, and registration form, and then send them to me. You can find them on the main page, BIBLE ACADEMY.

For credit, you will also need to fill out the answers in the examination workbook, and return it to me by email attachment to drwillisnewman@gmail.com. The exam is open book. On a Word document, type out your answers to each question. Here is an example.

Give your name and course at the top of the page.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Course: TH 101 \_\_\_\_\_

Answers:

1. d
2. a
3. Write out your choice of answer for any fill in questions.
4. Write out True or False for any questions that calls for such an answer .
5. c.

The exam answers can be found in the ebook textbook, and the Bible. Be sure to write out in your own words a short paragraph at the end of each exam chapter section on what stands out to you in the chapter.

**3. Recommended Reading**. The preferred English Bible translations for the student to use are the New American Standard Bible, or the New King James Bible. Recommended study Bibles are The Ryrie Study Bible (Moody Press), and the Nelson Study Bible, NKJV (Thomas Nelson Publishers, Earl Radmacher, general editor). You may use a Bible in your own mother language.

**4. Total possible points:**                      656

**5. Course schedule:**

The following schedule will enable you to finish the course in 10 weeks. It is important to stay on schedule so you do not get overwhelmed at the end of the course. These dates are guidelines, not deadlines.

Weeks one - two:    Read/study ebook chapters one and two.  
                                 Complete portion of examination on chapters one and two.

Weeks three, four:    Read/study ebook chapters three and four.  
                                 Complete portion of examination on chapters three and four.

Weeks five, six:        Read/study ebook chapters five and six.  
                                 Complete portion of examination on chapters five and six.

Weeks seven, 8:        Read/study ebook chapters seven and eight  
                                 Complete portion of examination on chapters seven and eight.

Week nine, ten:        Read/study ebook chapters nine, ten, eleven.

Complete portion of examination on chapters nine, ten, eleven.  
 Send your completed work to me by email attachment to  
 drwillisnewman@gmail.com.

**Grading/Method of evaluation:** Your grade is determined by adding together all your earned points, then dividing that number by the total points possible. That results in a percentage number. The following chart indicates your grade.

**GRADE SCALE:**

%	GPA	Letter	%	GPA	Letter
95%	4	A	77%	2.7	C+
94%	3.9	A-	76%	2.6	C
93%	3.8	A-	75%	2.5	C
92%	3.7	A-	74%	2.4	C
91%	3.6	A-	73%	2.3	C-
90%	3.5	A-	72%	2.2	C-
89%	3.4	B+	71%	2.1	C-
88%	3.3	B+	70%	2.0	C-
87%	3.2	B+	69%	1.9	D+
86%	3.2	B	68%	1.8	D+
85%	3.2	B	66%	1.6	D+
84%	3.1	B	65%	1.5	D+
83%	3.1	B-	64%	0.9	D
82%	3.1	B-	63%	0.8	D
81%	3.1	B-	61%	0.7	D
80%	3.0	B-	60%	0.7	D
79%	2.9	C+	0%	0	F
78%	2.8	C+			

**Technical requirements.** You will need a computer, printer, email account, and Microsoft Office 2003 – 2007. I would recommend that you use a free gmail account from Google for your email, and Internet Explorer for a browser. You will also need an adobe reader. If you don't have one, you can download one free from <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>

**Purpose of Newman Bible Academy:** This Academy exists to train men and women for worldwide Christian ministry as pastors, missionaries, teachers, and lay-workers. Our goal is to train students by strengthening their Christian faith, in order to proclaim and defend the teachings of the inerrant Word of God. This purpose is pursued through training in Bible, theology, and practical ministry, plus the development of personal spiritual maturity and zeal. Our existence is grounded in the Great Commission, which is to proclaim the gospel of Christ to the entire world, and make disciples of all those who respond to Christ. The Academy is global in nature, and designed to provide training for those who can least afford it anywhere in the world.

**Study tips:** It is suggested that the student carefully study each reading. First, read through the assigned section to get a general overview. Reread the section, and write down important concepts as you read along. Review. Review. Review. Rehearse and visualize the contents. Memorize key concepts. Take the exam. The exams are open book, but realize that you must know the material very well to complete the exams within the time limit allowed.

**Book acquisition:** You do not need to purchase any books as everything you need is found on the internet. Of course, you will need a Bible.

For further resources online, visit:

1. Christian Ethereal Library: <http://www.ccel.org/>
2. A. Strong's Systematic Theology:  
<http://www.ccel.org/ccel/strong/theology1.html>.
3. Jamieson Faussett and Brown Commentary:  
<http://www.ccel.org/ccel/jamieson/jfb.html>