Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary  
Extension Class  
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church  
Hwy 13S  
Morton, MS  
NT 123c New Testament Survey  
Spring 2009  
Correspondence Course with Class Lectures  
Teacher: Danny Pitts

Spring Semester Class begins January 27, 2009  
Spring Semester Class ends May 12, 2009

COURSE OBJECTIVES
After completing the requirements for this course, you should be able to:

1) Recognize and discuss basic events, terms, and verses in each book of NT.
2) Prepare a folder which has Background Information, Basic Divisions, and Beautiful Truths of each book of the New Testament which may be used as a resource for future studies.
   • The Background Information will include the authorship, theme, historical setting, time, and place of writing of each book.
   • The Basic Divisions will include a Simply Put section which will briefly summarize what is in the book and a Survey Presentation section which will seek to outline the book according to its natural structure and divisions.
   • The Beautiful Truths will include Powerful Principles in each book.
3) Basic knowledge of geographic features which influence understanding the NT. Draw a map in which significant places of each book is located.
4) Basic knowledge of some controversial and problematic texts in the NT. List various views on some controversial and problematic texts.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS & Grade Value of each requirement

2) Complete the “Home Study Exercises” for Lessons 1-6. 20% of Final Grade -- Due mid-term.
3) Attend class lectures on each book of the New Testament and take notes on lectures.
4) Use class notes and handouts to prepare a folder with basic information about each book of the New Testament. This folder will include:
a. **Background Information** on each of the New Testament books  
b. **Basic Divisions** of each of the New Testament books  
c. **Beautiful Truths** found in each of the New Testaments

Notice that attendance policies will follow the guidelines found in the Seminary Catalog, including **missing more than four classes** will result in a failing grade.

### COURSE GRADING

**Grading System**

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**Grade value of class requirements**

- **50%** Folder
- **20%** Mid-term Grade on Home Study Exercises 1-6  
  (This grade will be composed of the composite grade of answering the questions at the end of lessons 1-6)
- **20%** Final grade on Home Study Exercises 7-13  
  (This grade will be composed of the composite grade of answering the questions at the end of lessons 7-13)
- **10%** Reading the required Bible (NT), textbook, and the accompanying material which is given at the beginning of each lesson of the Correspondence Course.

### SPRING SEMESTER - 2009

January 12 - 16, Monday through Friday - Registration, or Online.  
January 26, Monday - Classes Begin, 6 p.m.  
February 27, Friday - Last Day to Drop a Course  
April 21 - Spring Break (BMAA Meeting)  
May 12 - Final Requirements due

**Disclaimer:** Items on syllabus may be changed during semester.

Students will order book and materials through the virtual bookstore at [WWW.BMATS.EDU](http://WWW.BMATS.EDU)
LECTURE AND CLASS SCHEDULE
January 27, 2009

- Introductions made and share syllabus
  - Stress the importance of keeping up with Reading and Correspondence work
  - Stress the importance of complete and readable notes on class lectures in folder
  - Note that lectures will not necessarily parallel weekly correspondence requirements

- Overview of Bible Divisions
  (Importance of genre of book and passage to the meaning)
  d. Law (Not just laws), Torah, Pentateuch, Chumash
  e. Writings, History, Narrative
  f. Poetic Books, Wisdom Literature
  g. Prophecy (Minor & Major books—misnomer)
  h. Accounts of Gospel
  i. Acts (of Spirit), History of Church
  j. Pauline Epistles
    i. Church
    ii. Personal
  k. General Epistles
  l. Apocalypse, Revelation

- Review of the structure of Gospel Accounts
  o Synoptics: Syn-together; Optics-Seen <Matt, Mk, Lk
  o Harmony: Includes John

- Sources/Views of writing:
  o Priority of Mark
  o Document Q (Oral, Written)
  o Four Document View
    - View of inspiration shapes possibilities
      o Liberal
      o Dictation
      o Verbal, plenary

    - Four purposes for writing
      o Matthew – Messiah/ King of the Jews
      o Mark – Servant
      o Luke – Son of Man
      o John – Son of God

  - Transmission of NT Scriptures
    o Autographs
Transmission
○ Canon (General principle of process)
  ■ Other information connected to date of individual books

February 3, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Matthew
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Mark

February 10, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Luke
☞ Lecture on the Basics of John

February 17, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Acts

February 24, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Romans

March 3, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of I Corinthians
☞ Lecture on the Basics of II Corinthians

March 10, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Galatians
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Ephesians
☞ All Correspondence Course Questions at the end of Lessons 1-6 and must be turned in at this class.

March 17, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Philippians
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Colossians

March 24, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of I Thessalonians
☞ Lecture on the Basics of II Thessalonians

March 31, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of First Timothy
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Second Timothy
April 7, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Titus
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Philemon

April 14, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Hebrews
☞ Lecture on the Basics of James

April 21, 2009
(No class, Spring Break, BMAA)

April 28, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of I Peter
☞ Lecture on the Basics of II Peter

April 28, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of I John

May 5, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of II John
☞ Lecture on the Basics of III John
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Jude

May 12, 2009
☞ Lecture on the Basics of Revelation

May 12, 2008
☞ All Correspondence Course Questions at the end of Lessons 8-13 must be turned in at this class.
☞ All Folders will be checked during this class.
☞ Turn in a written statement of the percentage of the New Testament, text book, and the accompanying material which you have read.
☞ Review plus Q&A