WSBM exists to equip God's people – head, heart, and hands – through the Word of God, helping them know Jesus Christ personally and carry on His ministry.

COURSE: WSBM 120 New Testament Panorama

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. J. Bryan Born, Pastor Brody Loewen, select pastors of Willingdon Church

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**DATE:** Thursdays | October 3 – November 28, 2024 | 7:00-9:00pm | 3030

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is an overview of the New Testament. It covers the basic content and topics of each book. You will learn how the books fit into the total history of the New Testament.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Upon completing the course, students will be able to:

- Provide a summary of the entire New Testament
  - Understand the historical period of the New Testament
  - See how the New Testament fulfills, depends on, and completes the Old Testament
  - Outline the structure and themes of each book of the New Testament
  - Apply the New Testament toward daily discipleship in the modern day

### **REQUIRED READING**

Berding, Kenneth, and Matt Williams, editors. What the New Testament Authors Really Cared About: A Survey of Their Writings. 2nd ed., Kregel Publications, 2015.

## **RECOMMENDED READING**

Carson, D. A., and Douglas J. Moo. *An Introduction to the New Testament*. 2nd ed., Zondervan, 2005.

Fee, Gordon, and Douglas Stuart. How to Read the Bible Book by Book: A Guided Tour. Zondervan, 2002.

#### **COURSE PROGRAM**

Date	Topic	Assignments Due
October 3	Introduction to the Course	
October 10	No Class – Prayer Summit Week	
October 17	The Gospels	
October 24	The Gospels	Pick topic for Topical Study
October 31	The Acts of the Apostles	
November 7	Paul's Letters	
November 14	Paul's Letters	Textbook Review
November 21	The General Letters	
November 28	The Revelation to John	Scripture Reading; Exam
December 5		Topical Study

#### STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS

### 1. Participation (10%)

Attend and participate in each class.

# 2. Textbook Review (20%)

Read the textbook in full, and note five insights that are new to you, or presented in a new way. Comment on how you intend to apply them in your life. Include references to the textbook.

Due: November 14, 2024

# 3. Scripture Reading (30%)

Read the New Testament in its entirety during the course. From each book, choose a verse/passage and include a one-to-two-sentence explanation of its significance to you.

Due: November 28, 2024

### 4. Exam (15%)

Covering everything from the course, the final exam will include general comprehension, multiple choice, fill in the blank, and short-answer questions, and long answer response.

Due: Taken on November 28, 2024

# 5. Topical Study (25%)

Trace a theme throughout the New Testament. Highlight how the theme develops across writers and contexts. Include reasons and ways this theme personally informs your own discipleship journey, with application to your daily life.

You will pick a topic in the first few weeks of the course, so you can keep track as you read the textbook and the Scriptures. Potential themes include (but are not limited to): love, grace, life, death, commands, faith, works, testimony, church, the nature of God, the nature of the believer, holiness, the future.

Due: December 5, 2024