



BI 542 – Proverbs
Online Syllabus
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I. Course Description:

The content of this book is very difficult to teach in that it covers a vast variety of subjects and material. Our attempt in these lectures each week will be to simply wet your appetite for this great Book.

II. Course Objectives:

This course will endeavor to:

- A. Give the student an appreciation for the variety of wisdom contained in the Book of Proverbs and some practical ways to use it in teaching and preaching.
- B. Help the student to see the repetition of certain important themes in the Book of Proverbs and develop a system of thinking and then preaching those themes.
- C. Discover the vast amount of support verses in this Book to the principles contained throughout the Word of God.
- D. Develop an appreciation for the wisdom and advice given in this Book for the every day problems of man in today's culture.

III. Course Requirements:

All lectures must be listened to and the notes printed out for study purposes. Reading assignments from the textbook are listed on the following page. Tests will be given after every two lectures and will include the reading material from the textbook as listed.

The class project is also explained on the following pages and dates due. Your grade will be determined from the tests, final examination and projects.



IV. Textbook Reading and Assignments

Lecture	Textbook & Bible	Memory
Lectures 1-2	Proverbs 1-3	Proverbs 3:13-18
Lectures 3-4	Proverbs 4-8	Proverbs 6:16-19
Lectures 5-6	Proverbs 9-12	Proverbs 11:1-6
Lectures 7-8	Proverbs 13-17	Proverbs 16:21-25
Lectures 9-10	Proverbs 18-21	Proverbs 19:6-9
Lectures 11-12	Proverbs 22-26	Proverbs 23:29-35
Lectures 13-14	Proverbs 27-31	Proverbs 30:11-14

**On the tests following each two lectures, you will be responsible for the chapters listed in the Bible and also the information from the textbook on those chapters, along with the Scripture memory listed.*

V. Project

Each student must choose one of the following topics from the Book of Proverbs and have it approved by the end of Lecture Six. The first phase of the project will include reading through the entire Book and finding every reference in Proverbs that deals with this subject and list those references under main points.

The second half of the project will be to take those main points with the references and organize them into a teaching outline that could be used in a Sunday School lesson or series of lessons. This should be very thorough including every reference listed in phase one of the project.

The second phase of the project is due at the end of the lectures and prior to the Final Examination.

VI. Topics for Selection

1. The Fear of the Lord
2. Sowing and Reaping
3. The Benefits of Wisdom
4. Reproof and Correction
5. Pride and Humility
6. Happiness and Joy
7. Sorrow and Grief
8. Honor and Respect
9. Parents and Children
10. Friends
11. Temptation and Deliverance
12. Immorality versus Purity
13. Poverty and Riches
14. The Fool and the Wise

V. Grading

Your grade will consist of the, tests,, final examination, and the two projects.

