



BI 201 – Life Of Christ
Online Syllabus
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I. Course Description

This course is an in-depth look at the harmonizing of the Gospels. It looks at the major chronological periods in the life of our Lord. The Lord's life and teachings will be examined. A proper approach to the life of Christ must direct attention primarily to the Person, as well as to the program, in which He involved Himself during the course of His earthly ministry. A study of the life of Christ must make clear that all that Christ did and said is grounded in His being as the eternal Son of God and the Saviour of the world.

II. Course Objectives

1. To familiarize the student with the major events of the life of Jesus Christ while He was on the earth relating to the historical, cultural, and social backgrounds of that period of history.
2. To show the harmony of the four gospels and to dispel any questions of the so-called "contradictory facts" found in each of them.
3. To parallel the events of the four gospels in chronological order according to the sequence of events from Christ's incarnation to ascension.
4. To have a better understanding of the God-man, Jesus Christ, the Lord of Heaven and the Son of man in one Person.
5. To see how our Saviour ministered to the saved and the unsaved, that we may in turn know better how to minister to them as His servants.
6. That we may have a deeper love and appreciation for the finished work of Calvary, and the glorious victory of the resurrection of our Lord.
7. That we may fall more in love with our Saviour every day and strive to be more like Him.

III. Course Requirements

1. Class notes on all lectures should be downloaded and kept in a 3-ring binder.
2. The student is to read the Four Gospels through 3 times. The required reading is due 1 time at the midterm and 2 times at the time of the **FINAL EXAM**. Failure to not do all the required reading will result in failure to pass the course.
3. The student is to select four events in the Gospels and write four Sunday School lessons which tie into a four-part series.



*Scholastic dishonesty includes cheating, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, or any other action that is not an honest participation in the learning process. By enrolling in this course, you have agreed to WCBC's guidelines for handling academic dishonesty.

The lessons should have the following parts to each:

- a. The Title of the Lesson
- b. Text
- c. Memory Verse
- d. Lesson to be learned, or purpose of the lesson
- e. Written introduction
- f. Body of the Lesson is to be written in an outline form including:
Roman numeral: main points, sub-points to support the main point, and support of sub-points if needed
- g. A strong conclusion with either a closing illustration, summary of the lesson, or concluding application.

*****The Entire Series is to be type-written. DUE: Anytime during course or by Final Exam**

4. **Quizzes:** Students will be given quizzes covering the lecture material. Quizzes over the notes will be given in the following order:

- Quiz 1 - Lecture 1 (pp.1-6)
- Quiz 2 - Lectures 2-3 (pp.7-18)
- Quiz 3 - Lectures 4-5 (pp.19-33)
- Quiz 4 - Lectures 6-8 (pp.34-50)
- Quiz 5 - Lectures 9-11 (pp.51-66)
- Quiz 6 - Lectures 12-14 (pp.67-79)
- Quiz 7 - Lectures 15-16 (pp.80-86)

5. **Exam:** There will be a Final Exam at the end of the course of study. Projects **must** be turned in before final can be taken.

IV. Course Grading

A. Reading the Gospels 3 times	25%
B. Sunday School Lessons	25%
C. Quizzes	25%
D. <u>Exam</u>	25%
TOTAL	100%

VI. Course Accountability

This section is to encourage the student to realize that in order to pass this course he must fulfill the requirements and assignments given in this syllabus. The assignments are carefully selected so it will reinforce and complement the class material.

I hope you enjoy this course as much as I enjoy teaching it. If you have a question, I encourage you to contact me via email.



Outline for the Life of Christ

Introduction to the Life of Christ

The Significance of Jesus Christ's Life

- I. World Powers
- II. Israel's Struggle With Sin
- III. Religious And Political Sects

Introduction to the Gospels

- I. The Synoptic Problem
- II. The Introduction To The Gospels

The Preexistence of Christ

The Relationship Of The Word

Thirty Years of Preparation – Part 1

- I. John's Prologue
- II. Luke's Preface
- III. The Two Genealogies

The Annunciations of John and Christ

- I. The Announcement To Zacharias
- II. The Announcement To Mary

Thirty Years of Preparation – Part 2

- I. The Birth Of Christ
- II. The Infancy Of Christ
- III. Childhood At Nazareth

The Year of Obscurity – Part 1

- I. The Ministry Of John The Baptist
- II. The Baptism Of Christ
- III. The Temptation Of Christ

The Year of Obscurity – Part 2

- I. First Disciples
- II. The First Miracle

The Year of Obscurity – Part 3

- I. The Cleansing Of The Temple
- II. Nicodemus
- III. The Woman At The Well

The Year of Popularity – Part 1

- I. The Opening of the Galilean Ministry
- II. The First Preaching Tour
- III. The Opposition of the Pharisees



The Year of Popularity – Part 2

- I. The Sermon on the Mount
- II. The Second Preaching Tour
- III. Teaching by the Sea
- IV. The Miracles by the Sea
- V. The Third Preaching Tour

The Year of Opposition – Part 1

- I. First Northern Journey to Tyre and Sidon
- II. Second Northern Journey to Caesarea Philippi
- III. Journey to Capernaum
- IV. Feast of Tabernacles

The Year of Opposition – Part 2

- I. Opening Events
- II. The Feast of the Dedication
- III. Teaching in Perea Concerning Trust in God and Judgment
- IV. The Raising of Lazarus
- V. Journey from Ephraim to Jericho
- VI. Jesus at Jericho and Bethany

The Passion Week

- I. Six Days Before the Passover
 - II. Five Days Before the Passover
 - III. Four Days Before the Passover
 - IV. Three Days Before the Passover
 - V. Two Days Before the Passover
 - VI. The Day Before the Passover
 - VII. The Passover Sabbath
 - VIII. One Day After the Passover
 - IX. Two Days After the Passover
 - X. Three Days After the Passover
- The Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ

The Post-Resurrection Ministry

