

How Do Christians Read the Old Testament TÛ.01.04

Workload 4 ECTS. 18 contact hours (45') in school, 2 contact hours in web, 84 individual work hours.

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Assessment: Non-differentiated (pass/fail)

Language of Instruction – English, but special dispensation can be granted for Estonian.

Course Dates: Nov. 13-Dec. 11., 2024 Tallinn Estonia

Learning outcomes. After passing the course successfully, the student is able to...

- Identify and communicate the key steps of historical-grammatical exegesis as well as theological reflection.
- Preach a sermon based on the research paper, demonstrating the key idea of that passage along with its application to the church.
- Identify and trace key theological ideas originating from the Old Testament and into the New Testament.

Assessment Methods and Criteria

Assessment Methods	Due date	Assesment Criteria
Narrative Passage Outline	Jan. 8, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will submit a narrative overview, outline, and main themes of an Old Testament passage and it's connection to New Testament text's: choose one – Joshua 2, Psalm 23. 2-3 pages.
Prophecy Passage Outline	Jan. 8, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will complete an exegetical worksheet on a Old Testament prophetic theme and trace it through to the N.T. 3-4 pages.

Formation of the final mark

Assessment is non-differentiated, but individual feedback is given to first two assignments. All three assignments must be submitted according to the deadlines indicated in the provided schedule.

Study flow

<i>Independent work</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Content and methods</i>
	Nov. 13 – 6 Hours	Zoom (hybrid) – Sander Tulk and Fred Hansen. Why Read the Old Testament; Introduction to Major O.T. Themes in the Torah/Pentateuch.
Sanctified Vision: Selected Reading Chapters	Dec 10, 11, 12 -- 8 hours.	Face-to-face lecture and student interaction at Estonian Free Church Theological Seminary, Koskla 18, Tallinn.- Fred Hansen.

		How to Read Old Testament Narratives – Genesis 11, Deuteronomy 1, 1 Samuel 28, Joshua 2
	Dec 11 – 8 hours	Face-to-face lecture and student interaction at Estonian Free Church Theological Seminary, Koskla 18, Tallinn.- Fred Hansen. Identifying Themes and Ideas in Old Testament Prophecy – Hosea, Jeremiah
	Dec 12 – 8 hours	Face-to-face lecture and student interaction at Estonian Free Church Theological Seminary, Koskla 18, Tallinn.- Fred Hansen Identifying Themes in Old Testament Poetry

Primary literature:

- Philipp Yancey, *The Bible Jesus Read*. Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan Publishing: 1999.
- D. Brent Sandy and Ronald Geise, *Cracking Old Testament Codes*. Nashville, TN, B&H Academic: 1995.

Suggested Literature:

- G.K. Beale, Finding Christ in the Old Testament, *JETS* 63.1 (2020), pp. 22-50
- O'KEEFE, JOHN J., AND R. R. RENO. *SANCTIFIED VISION: AN INTRODUCTION TO EARLY CHRISTI AN INTERPRETATION OF THE BIBLE*. BALTIMORE: THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY PRESS, 2005.