

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
BHE 530 Hebrew IA

Roger D. Cotton

Summer I, 2002

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The essentials of the Hebrew of the Old Testament with an emphasis on grammar. Most of the basic grammar is covered in IA. This course along with IB will equip the student to use the Hebrew language tools in exegesis of the Hebrew text.

OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Explain the basic grammatical features of the Hebrew language covered in the first 17 chapters of Kelley and pronounce it on sight.
2. Translate simple Biblical sentences using a lexicon.

TEXTBOOKS

Required:

Kelley, Page H. Biblical Hebrew: An Introductory Grammar. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1992.

Kelley, Page H., Terry L. Burden, and Timothy G. Crawford. A Handbook to Biblical Hebrew: An Introductory Grammar. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1994.

Recommended:

(needed for Hebrew IB)

Holladay, William L. A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1971.

BASIC OUTLINE

Class

Lessons in Kelley

- | | | | |
|----|------|-------|---------------------------|
| 1. | Mon | May 6 | Introduction and alphabet |
| 2. | Tues | " 7 | 1 and 2 |
| 3. | Wed | " 8 | 3 and 4 |

BHE 530 Hebrew IA

Roger D. Cotton

Page 2

- | | | | | |
|----|-------|---|----|-----------------------|
| 4. | Thurs | " | 9 | 5 and Quiz 1 over 1-4 |
| 5. | Fri | " | 10 | 6, 7, and 8 |

BASIC OUTLINE (Continued)

Class

Lessons in Kelley

6.	Mon	May	13	Quiz 2 over 5-8
7.	Tues	"	14	9 and 10
8.	Wed	"	15	Quiz 3 over 9-10
9.	Thurs	"	16	11
10.	Fri	"	17	MID TERM EXAM over lessons 1-11
11.	Mon	"	20	12 and 13
12.	Tues	"	21	Quiz 4 over 12-13
13.	Wed	"	22	14
14.	Thurs	"	23	Quiz 5 over 14
15.	Fri	"	24	15
16.	Mon	"	27	NO CLASS Memorial Day
17.	Tues	"	28	16
18.	Wed	"	29	Quiz 6 over 15-16
19.	Thurs	"	30	17
20.	Fri	"	31	FINAL EXAM over lessons 1-17

METHODOLOGY

Detailed, sequential coverage of the lessons in Kelley, with daily written homework and memorization of grammar and selected vocabulary checked orally and then by quizzes and exams.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Class attendance is expected; maximum allowable absences is three (3) class periods. Please tell the professor before you are absent if possible.

1. Be prepared each day to answer questions orally on the lessons including pronouncing the Hebrew.
2. Have completed each day's written assignment from the lessons in Kelley.
3. Write the quizzes and exams on the scheduled dates.

Late Work

Work completed after the class it was due may be credited for less than full credit at the professor's discretion.

Grading Procedure

Daily homework and class participation		10%
Quizzes		35%
Exams	Mid Term	20 %
	Final	35%

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Barr, James. Comparative Philology and the Text of the Old Testament. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1968.

Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia. Edited by K. Elliger, and W. Rudolph. Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelstiftung, 1977.

Bible Windows. Silver Mountain Software, Cedar Hill, TX..

Bible Works. Hermeneutika. Big Fork, MT.

Brotzman, Ellis R. Old Testament Textual Criticism: A Practical Introduction. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1994.

Chisholm, Robert B., Jr. From Exegesis to Exposition: A Practical Guide to Using Biblical Hebrew. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1998.

Clines, David J. A., ed. The Dictionary of Classical Hebrew. (incomplete). Sheffield, England: Sheffield Academic Press, 1993-.

Cotterell, Peter, and Max Turner. Linguistics and Biblical Interpretation. Downers Grove, IL: Intervarsity, 1989.

BHE 530 Hebrew IA

Roger D. Cotton

Page 4

Einspahr, Bruce. Index to Brown Driver and Briggs Hebrew Lexicon. Chicago: Moody, 1977.

Even-Shoshan, Avraham, ed. A New Concordance of the Bible. Jerusalem: Kiryat Sepher, 1982.

Gesenius, William. A Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament. Translated by Edward Robinson. Edited by Francis Brown, S. R. Driver, and Charles A. Briggs.

Harris, R. Laird, Gleason L. Archer, Jr., and Bruce K. Waltke, eds. Theological Workbook of the Old Testament. 2 vols. Chicago: Moody Press, 1980.

Harrison, R. K. Biblical Hebrew. New York: Random House, 1987.

Holladay, William L. A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1971.

Hunter, A. Vanlier. Biblical Hebrew Workbook: An Inductive Study for Beginners. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1988.

Kautzsch, E., and E. E. Cowley, eds. Gesenius' Hebrew Grammar. 2d ed. Oxford: The Clarendon Press, 1910.

Klein, Ernest. A Comprehensive Etymological Dictionary of the Hebrew Language for Readers of English. New York: Macmillan, 1987.

Koehler, Ludwig, and Walter Baumgartner. The Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament. (5 vols.) Revised by Walter Baumgartner and Johann Jacob Stamm. Translated and ed. By M. E. J. Richardson. New York: E. J. Brill, 1994-00.

Lambdin, Thomas O. Introduction to Biblical Hebrew. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1971.

(New) Englishman's Hebrew and Chaldee Concordance.

Nida, Eugene A., and Charles R. Taber. The Theory and Practice of Translation. Leiden: E. S. Brill, 1974.

BHE 530 Hebrew IA

Roger D. Cotton

Page 5

Owens, John Joseph. Analytical Key to the Old Testament. 4 vols. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1989-93.

Scott, William R. A Simplified Guide to BHS. 2d ed. Berkeley, CA: Bibal Press, 1990.

Seow, C. L. A Grammar for Biblical Hebrew. Revised. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1995.

Silva, Moises. Biblical Words and Their Meaning: An Introduction to Lexical Semantics. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1983.

Van Gemeren, Willem A., ed. New International Dictionary of Old Testament Theology and Exegesis. 5 vols. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1997.

Waltke, Bruce K., and M. O'Connor. An Introduction to Biblical Hebrew Syntax. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 1990.

Watts, J. Wash. A Survey of Syntax in the Hebrew Old Testament. Rev. ed. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1964.

Watts, John D. List of Words Occurring Frequently in the Hebrew Bible: Seminary Edition. 2d ed. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1960.

Williams, Ronald J. Hebrew Syntax: An Outline. 2d ed. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1976.

Williamson, H. G. M. Annotated Key to Lambdin's Introduction to Biblical Hebrew. JSOT Manuals 3. Sheffield, England: JSOT Press, 1989.

Yates, Kyle M. The Essentials of Biblical Hebrew. Rev. ed. Edited by John Joseph Owens. New York: Harper & Row, 1954.

SPECIFIC DATA

Prepared by Roger D. Cotton, Th.D., April, 2002.