

Bible 10
The Leos Family

I. Course Description

This course is designed to teach the student techniques and principles necessary to glean life-giving truths from Scripture. It will teach the student Bible study methods with emphasis on implementation and integration of the principles learned.

II. Goals and Objectives

A. The student will:

1. Learn to observe Scripture before attempting to comprehend or apply it
2. Let Scripture speak to them individually and personally
3. Get the necessary tools needed to properly interpret the biblical text they're studying
4. Complete exercises and answer probing questions to help apply God's Word to every area of life
5. Walk through complete studies of the biblical books of Ruth and James in order to practice and implement these Bible study methods
6. Learn to see what the Bible really says
7. Learn to see the importance of little words and phrases that are easily missed at first glance
8. Learn to pay attention to things that are repeated or emphasized
9. Learn to use study aids (i.e. atlases, Bible dictionaries, Bible handbooks, commentaries, etc.) to help interpret Scripture accurately
10. Learn different approaches to studying the many literary genres of the Bible
11. Learn to look at the context and to compare Scripture to Scripture
12. Learn that application is a very necessary step in the process

III. Course Outline

A. Observation

1. Observing a passage of Scripture
2. Observing a verse
3. Reading the Bible as for the first time
4. Reading the Bible as a love letter
5. Reading thoughtfully
6. Reading repeatedly
7. Reading patiently
8. Reading selectively
9. Reading prayerfully

10. Reading imaginatively
11. Reading meditatively
12. Reading purposefully
13. Reading acquisitively
14. Reading telescopically
15. Working with a paragraph
16. Looking for things that are emphasized
17. Looking for things that are repeated
18. Looking for things that are related
19. Looking for things that are alike
20. Looking for things that are unlike
21. Looking for things that are true to life
22. Working with a segment of Scripture
23. How to study a section of Scripture
24. Making a start with your chart

B. Interpretation

1. Why do we need interpretation?
2. Aids to interpretation
3. Hazards to avoid
4. Literary Genres of the Bible
5. Examining the content
6. Looking for context
7. Making relevant comparisons
8. Considering the culture
9. Doing further consultation
10. Coming to terms
11. Figuring out the figurative

C. Application

1. The process of application
2. Nine questions to ask
3. Asking the right questions
4. Cultures in context
5. Stating principles from Scripture
6. A process of life-change

D. Putting it all together

1. Book of Ruth
2. Book of James

IV. Instructional Materials

- A. Living by the Book Workbook, Moody Press, copyright 2000

V. Teaching Methods

- A. Reading
- B. Written responses
- C. Teacher-student discussions
- D. Daily lessons

- VI. Evaluation
 - A. Daily assignments
 - B. Teacher-student interaction
 - C. Tests

- VII. Grading Scale
 - 100-90%=A
 - 89-80%=B
 - 79-70%=C
 - 69-60%=D
 - 59-lower=F