

COS 421 – BIBLE IV

PROPHETS, PSALMS & WISDOM LITERATURE

COURSE DESCRIPTION *(Goals & Objectives)*

This course examines God's Word as expressed through Israel's prophets, selected Psalms, and selected passages from Wisdom literature.

Students will be able to:

1. Understand the origin, history, and use of these forms of biblical literature among God's people.
 2. Exegete these forms of biblical literature.
 3. Apply exegesis to preaching, other pastoral responsibilities, and issues of the present day.
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TEXTBOOKS

REQUIRED TEXTS:

- Walter Brueggemann: ***Spirituality of the Psalms***
- Louis Stulman & Hyun Paul Kim: ***You Are My People: An Introduction to Prophetic Literature***
- Richard Clifford: ***Wisdom Literature***

REFERENCE:

- Bruce Birch, Walter Brueggemann, Terrence Frietham, David Petersen: ***A Theological Introduction to the Old Testament, 2nd Edition****

TEXTBOOK SELECTION FOR COURSE OF STUDY

Goal: Two basic texts (**required**) per class. Individual faculty may add another.

Reference books are **required** and are to help a student build their own library.

Assignments assure the use of the reference books; they are not classroom texts.

Supplemental texts are valuable, but **optional** texts if a student wants to pursue an area of ministry.

*Students will have the book from a previous class or Licensing School