BIB 501: OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION (2 credits)

COURSE OBJECTIVES: The student will be able to identify the themes, structures, authorship, and occasion. The student will be able to identify verses from each Old Testament book. The student will be prepared to take the Old Testament portion of the Licensure examination for Vanguard Presbyterian Church.

LECTURES: Dr. David Murray

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TEXT BOOK:

The Old Testament (ESV, KJV, NKJV, NASB 1977 or 1995, LSB)

Other references materials recommended by the mentor.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Read each Old Testament book and listen to the accompanying lecture.
2. Create a notebook with two to three pages introductions for each biblical book including: an outline of the book, major themes of the book, authorship, occasion, significant verses or sections. The student may use research materials for things like authorship and occasion. The outline should be the student’s own outline based upon their reading the Biblical text. 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, 1-2 Chronicles, and Ezra-Nehemiah may be done together if the student and mentor so choose.
3. Mentor sessions to review the notebook after each of the following sections: (1) Genesis -Joshua. (2) Judges – Esther. (3) Wisdom/Poetry. (4) The prophets. Mentors may direct the student regarding sections of the notebook that are incomplete or incorrect.
4. Final exam based on categories from the notebook: outlines, major themes, summaries, authorship, occasion, and significant verses.