

Bible Training Institute

MODULE 4

Bible Training Institute (BTI) meets during the Sunday School hour but may take breaks during holidays and special church events. Please note that the schedule is somewhat flexible at the discretion of the instructor(s). You will be kept informed of changes as we go.

Textbooks

We encourage you to order books through the GraceEquip bookstore, but Amazon will have them as well.

The Cross and Salvation, by Bruce Demarest

Called to Lead, by John MacArthur (men)

The Trellis and the Vine, by Colin Marshall and Tony Payne (men)

God's Priorities for Today's Woman: Discovering His Plan for You, by Lisa Hughes (women)

"Covenant Theology and Dispensationalism," by Les Lofquist (PDF)

Recommended (not required)

Biblical Doctrine, by John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue

The Bible Knowledge Commentary, by John F. Walvoord and Roy B. Zuck (2 volumes)

Assignments

Reading

See the schedule below for a suggested schedule for reading.
You can submit your reading assignments using the Module 4 Reading Report form.

☐ You will read (or scan) these Bible books in this module in this order: ✓ Jeremiah ✓ Lamentations ✓ 1–2 Kings ✓ Ezekiel ✓ Daniel ✓ Haggai ✓ Zechariah ✓ 1–2 Chronicles
✓ Esther
✓ Ezra–Nehemiah✓ Malachi
☐ You will read sections from <i>The Cross and Salvation</i> .
You will read an article by Les Lofquist, "Covenant Theology and Dispensationalism"
☐ Men will read the entirety of <i>Called to Lead</i> and the entirety of <i>The Trellis and the Vine</i> . Women will read the entirety of <i>God's Priorities for Today's Woman</i> .
Writing You can submit your writing assignments by emailing Jay Street (jays@gbcob.org) a Word or PDF doc, or be printing a hardcopy and turning it in on Sunday morning at the BTI welcome table.
Every paper (e.g., Bible Book Review, Essay, etc.) should be formatted accordingly:
✓ Double-spaced✓ 12-point Times New Roman font
✓ 1" margins
✓ Title (cover page is optional)✓ Your first and last name
☐ You will write Bible Book Reviews for these Bible books in this module:

- ✓ Jeremiah
- ✓ Lamentations
- ✓ 1–2 Kings
- ✓ Ezekiel
- ✓ Daniel
- ✓ 1–2 Chronicles
- ✓ Esther
- ✓ Ezra–Nehemiah
- ✓ Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi (all one Bible Book Review)

1-2 pages for each Bible Book Review

A Bible Book Review should include the following information:

- ✓ **WHO:** Discuss the author and audience of the book.
- ✓ **WHEN:** Discuss the date of authorship of the book.
- ✓ **WHERE:** Discuss the location of the book's author and location of the audience at the time of writing, as well as the historical setting.
- ✓ WHY: Discuss the purpose of the book as written to the original audience.
- ✓ **HOW:** Provide a basic outline of the book and a few major themes.
- ✓ Optional: Any other interesting features in the book that you learned in the lectures or your own reading or study of the book.

☐ Doctrines of Grace Essay 1 Explain the doctrines of Grace, Election, Atonement, Divine Calling, and Conversion. You can use your class notes, reading, or other sources as needed. 3–7 pages ☐ Doctrines of Grace Essay 2 Explain the doctrines of Regeneration, Perseverance, Justification, Sanctification, Union with Christ, and Glorification. You can use your class notes, reading, or other sources as needed. Note that Ryrie's Basic Theology teaches non-Lordship salvation, so his book would not be a good source for the doctrine of Sanctification unless you are critiquing his view. 4-8 pages Leadership Development Short Essay (men) or Maturity Development Short Essay (women) (Men) From what you have learned so far, write a letter to a young man (even if you are one yourself) about the importance of godly leadership in a man and what this young man should be striving for as a leader. (Women) From what you have learned so far, write a letter to a young woman (even if you are one yourself) about the importance of the Titus 2 character qualities of a godly woman.

☐ Spiritual Impact Essay

1-2 pages

Write an essay indicating 3–5 ways you were spiritually impacted this semester. 2 pages

Though a cumulative submission of all assignments in a module will no longer be required, I advise that you keep all your BTI lecture notes and written assignments organized in one secure location for your own future reference and study. Your written work should be accessible for you so that, upon request, it would be no trouble for you to access and submit them as one cumulative project.

Activity

□ BTI Prayer Spend 15–30 minutes in prayer for yourself and others concerning BTI for this module. If you are married, do this prayer time with your spouse. □ Leadership or Maturity Prayer (Men) Spend 30–60 minutes in prayer for your church, leaders, ministries, and your own part in the ministry. (Women) Spend 30–60 minutes in prayer for your own development in godliness and for all the ladies in the church.

Schedule

The schedule below lists a **suggested** timeline for assignments due. No "due date" is hard and fast. Ultimately, you can turn in assignments any time you need. Nevertheless, arguably, the more disciplined you are to stay on schedule, the more you will get out of BTI.

TOPIC	READING	WRITING/ACTIVITY
The Doctrine of Grace	☐ The Cross and Salvation 70–96	☐ BTI Prayer see Activity section above
Jeremiah	☐ Jeremiah ☐ Called to Lead chapters 1–4 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman, Introduction and chapters 1–2 (women)	
The Doctrine of Election	☐ The Cross and Salvation 118–146 ☐ The Cross and Salvation 166–199	☐ Jeremiah Bible Book Review
Lamentations	☐ Lamentations ☐ Called to Lead chapters 5–6 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 3–4 (women)	
Kings	☐ 1–2 Kings	☐ Lamentations Bible Book Review
The Doctrines of Atonement, Divine Calling, and Conversion	☐ The Cross and Salvation 216–229 ☐ The Cross and Salvation 249–270	☐ 1–2 Kings Bible Book Review

Ezekiel	☐ Ezekiel ☐ Called to Lead chapters 9–12 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 5–6 (women)	
The Doctrines of Regeneration and Perseverance	☐ The Cross and Salvation 291–305 ☐ The Cross and Salvation 326–339	☐ Ezekiel Bible Book Review ☐ Doctrines of Grace Essay 1
Daniel	☐ Daniel ☐ The Trellis and the Vine chapters 1–3 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 7–8 (women)	Disciplines of a Godly Man (men) or Disciplines of a Godly Woman (women) Bullet Point Summary
The Doctrine of Justification	☐ The Cross and Salvation 362–382	☐ Daniel Bible Book Review ☐ Leadership or Maturity Prayer see Activity section above
Haggai, Zechariah	☐ Haggai, Zechariah ☐ The Trellis and the Vine chapters 4–6 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 9–10 (women)	☐ Hamartiology Essay

The Doctrine of Sanctification		Development Short Essay (men) Maturity Development Short Essay (women)
Chronicles	☐ 1–2 Chronicles ☐ The Trellis and the Vine chapters 7–9 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 11–12 (women)	
The Doctrine of Union with Christ		☐ 1–2 Chronicles Bible Book Review
Ezra–Nehemiah	☐ Ezra–Nehemiah ☐ The Trellis and the Vine chapters 10–12 (men) God's Priorities for Today's Woman chapters 13–15 (women)	
The Doctrine of Glorification	☐ The Cross and Salvation 406–429	☐ Ezra–Nehemiah Bible Book Review
Malachi	☐ Malachi	Doctrines of Grace Essay 2
Survey of Dispensationalism and Covenant Theology	☐ The Cross and Salvation 444–458 ☐ The Cross and Salvation 467–481 ☐ "Covenant Theology and ☐ Dispensationalism" by Les Lofquist (PDF)	☐ Malachi Bible Book Review ☐ Spiritual Impact Essay