



Individual User's Guide

Welcome to Our Daily Bread Christian University!

Our Daily Bread Christian University coursework can easily be studied individually, but the most effective use of the courses is in association with a learning community. Working with others will provide new perspectives and additional accountability. You are encouraged to seek out a small group or adult education group to join in your study. But if that is not possible, this guide has been provided to guide your personal study program.

You may create an optional individual user account by going to the Our Daily Bread Christian University homepage at www.ChristianUniversity.org. New users can click "SIGN UP" in the top right corner of the screen to create your free account and begin your studies. This allows you to maintain course records, and also receive updates on new courses. Once you have created your free student account, you are ready to begin your studies. Simply find the course you wish to take and begin working through the lessons.

Helpful tips for completing your studies:

1. Ask for God's direction in your study and make a commitment to complete your course(s).
2. Carefully review the course descriptions online to determine which areas of study are of most interest to you. Course descriptions can be found on each course's homepage.
3. Determine a start and completion date for your course or series. We suggest a minimum of one completed lesson per week. A sample study schedule can be found below.
4. If possible, find a mentor or friend who can study with you or meet with you for accountability. Personal interaction is an important aspect of online learning.
5. You will find helpful additional study resources within many courses. Don't miss the Listening Guides, Leader's Guides, Charts, Maps, Commentary and other features in many of the courses.
6. For a small monthly fee, other features are available on the "[Premium](#)" site, including Discussion Questions, Journaling, Glossary of Key Terms, Quizzes and Final Exams, and Validated Completion Certificates.

The Basics Series and Old/New Testament Survey Series

We suggest starting your study with our [Basics Series](#), even if you are a seasoned Bible student. This will prepare you personally, but also help you lead others in their study. The 8-course Basics Series covers foundational content every believer should know and apply. Once completed, move to the Old and New Testament Survey Series. Sample features include:

1. Learning Objectives for each course.
2. Listening Guides and Leader's Guides for each course in the Basics Series.

3. The [Old Testament Survey](#) and [New Testament Survey](#) courses include suggested readings from a basic Bible commentary that can be referenced for additional ideas and notes.
4. Many of the courses offer charts and maps that can be printed for distribution and discussion, and for your permanent course notebook or archive.
5. The lessons include a lecture transcript. Print the lesson transcript and add your comments and questions related to the lecture. This is ideal for your later reference, especially if studying with another person or group.
6. Read and/or listen to select Bible passages.

Suggested Our Daily Bread Christian University Study Schedule

The following schedule is a sample plan for your study program. You can compress or lengthen this schedule based on your personal preferences.

Level 1: Introductory Christian Studies – Year 1

Spiritual Life Basics - Weeks 1-4

Bible Study Basics - Weeks 5 - 8

Bible Basics -Weeks 9-12

World Religion Basics - Weeks 1-4

Worldview Basics - Weeks 5-8

Theology Basics -Weeks 9-12

Old Testament Basics (Part 1) - Weeks 1-8

Old Testament Basics (Part 2) - Weeks 9-12

New Testament Basics (Part 1) - Weeks 1-8

New Testament Basics (Part 2) - Weeks 9-12

Level 2: Bible Survey – Year 2

Old Testament Survey -12 courses; two per month

New Testament Survey - 12 courses; two per month

Level 3: Personalized Track – Year 3 Plus

When you have completed Levels 1 and 2, you will have an excellent foundation for further study. Any course from the Our Daily Bread Christian University [Course Series](#) can be used as a single course for a short-term study. Our Daily Bread Christian University offers more than 160 courses, providing many years of theological studies for dedicated students. Series include subjects such as SoulCare, Expository Preaching, Ultimate Leadership, and First Steps in Christian Ministry.