

COURSE SYLLABUS

Ten Reasons to Believe Real Christians Can Look Like They're Not

Our Daily Bread University

Course Description

Hypocrites. The word carries with it a sneer and a skeptical view of a person's religious claims. In fact, religious people are still only people—people who are flawed, weak, and sometimes failing. The question is, can someone experience times of spiritual failure and still truly be a person of faith? This course, *Ten Reasons to Believe Real Christians Can Look Like They're Not*, will examine ten converging lines of evidence that can give clarity to a confusing issue.

Course Objectives

- To introduce students to the basic fundamentals of the Christian faith
- To provide scholarly and historical evidence for the validity of Christianity
- To encourage logical thinking in evaluating the authenticity of the teachings of Jesus and of the Bible

Course Methods

Throughout this course, a number of methods will be used to engage the students in learning and processing information, interacting with other students (when possible), and applying the learning to their lives. These methods include the following:

- **Video-based teaching**
The primary teaching session in each lesson is provided in video format. If you do not have the bandwidth required to view the video, we provide the option of listening to the lesson or reading the lesson from a transcript.
- **Readings and other media**
Students should have a copy of the Bible available in order to read the sections of the Bible assigned in each lesson. In addition, Scripture passages are linked to online Bible tools for convenience. These online resources also provide an opportunity for students for whom English is a second language to read the Bible passages in one of numerous international translations available.

For all other reading assignments, Our Daily Bread University provides the texts for this course in a downloadable Adobe® PDF format.

Course Requirements

Course requirements include:

1. Viewing the Class Time lectures for each lesson, which include:
 - **Lesson Overview:** A brief outline of what the lecturer will cover in the lesson.
 - **Lesson Objectives:** Objectives describe the learning outcomes you should achieve by the end of the lesson.
 - **Lectures:** 5-10 minute lessons that can be viewed as many times as needed.
2. Taking each lesson Quiz and the Final Exam.

Note: Quizzes and the Final Exam are automatically graded and your course grade is weighted as follows:

Quizzes	40% of Course Grade
Final Exam	60% of Course Grade

In order to obtain a Certificate of Completion your overall score in the course must be 70% or higher.