

Graduate Studies Preparation Module Study Guide

The New Testament

The purpose of the required reading is to provide you with the biblical knowledge to move forward in the Curriculum required for the degree. The GPSM requires a complete reading of the Old and New Testaments.

Textbooks

Panorama of the New Testament... Thomas R. Rodgers

*This text is available via pdf PowerPoint in your Resource Room. No textbook purchase is required.

Section Two: The New Testament Course Instructions

Section Two: Project One

Read *Panorama of the New Testament*. As you read, make notes about facts in each New Testament book which are of special interest to you. You may decide to choose a theme, or themes, which flow through each New Testament book. These can be themes such as: God the Father; the Lord Jesus; the Holy Spirit; grace; salvation; prayer; sin; or the prerequisites for living a victorious Christian life.

Summarize these facts and discoveries in a paper titled, *Discoveries in the New Testament*. This paper must be not less than 1,000 words.

Section Two: Project Two

Write a brief and succinct 50-word summary of each New Testament book. As you write, think about what your reply would be if a person asked, “What is in the book of Matthew?” Your reply to this question should be the 50 words that you will write to summarize the book of Matthew. Use this principle for all 27 books.

The 27 books in the New Testament will result in a total of not less than 1,350 words to complete the 50 words for each N.T. book requirement for this Project.

Section Two: Project Three

Using the 50 words you wrote to summarize each book in Project Two, or the notes that you wrote while reading the book, create two questions, each with brief answers, for each book in the New Testament. These should be questions regarding what you believe to be two of the major themes, or issues, in each of the 27 books.

The average number of words used for each question should be 10-12. The average number of words for each answer should be 12-25. This is approximately 50-60 words required for the questions and answers related to each New Testament book. This is a total of approximately 1,600 words required to complete this Project.

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Section Two Project Submission

After you have thoroughly read the texts for the New Testament and completed Section Two, submit all three Projects as a single unit using the course Cover Page (located in your Resource Room) and upload them through the project submission page. Your submission must be in a Microsoft Word format. When you receive a passing Mark from the faculty for the three Projects in Section Two, contact the Faculty Dean for approval to begin your studies in the Master of Arts degree.