

READING THE BIBLE: With Tom Brewer

Winter Session, January 14 & 28; February 4, 11 & 25 (Mondays 7 – 9 p.m.) Room S-150

2 Testaments = ONE BIBLE: The Letter to the Hebrews (continued)

Reader's Guide: The date, theme and scripture references for each class session are provided to encourage you to do a careful pre-reading of the texts before the class presentation. Using the letter to the Hebrews as a basis to recall First Testament texts, we will recognize the unity of the Bible and the divinity and centrality of Jesus Christ, the One and only eternally begotten Son of God.

January 14	THEME: OUR SUPERIOR GREAT HIGH PRIEST	Hebrews 8:1 – 10:18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superior Covenant	Heb. 8:1-13; Ex. 25:40; Jer. 31:31-34
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superior Sanctuary	Heb. 9:1-11; Ex. 35:4-40:38
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superior Sacrifice	Heb. 9:12-10:18; Ex. 24:8; (Lev. 1-7;16); Ps. 40:6-8 (LXX)
January 21	NO CLASS: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	
January 28	THEME: 5 EXHORTATIONS + WARNING	Hebrews 10:19-39
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Let Us" x 5	Heb. 10:19-25
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fearful Expectations	Heb. 10:26-31; Nu. 15:27-31; Dt.17:2-7
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Persevere!	Heb. 10:32-39; Dt. 32:35,36; Hab. 2:3,4 (LXX)
February 4	THEME: FAITH FACTOR	Hebrews 11:1-31
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faith Is...	Heb. 11:1-3,6;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keeping the Faith	Heb. 11:13-16
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ancient Faith Heroes	Heb. 11:4-12, 17-31; Gen. 4-6; 12-22; 27:27-40; 48:1, 8-22; 50:24,25; Ex. 2-24; Jos. 6:12-20; 2:8-14; 6:22-25

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see... And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Hebrews 11:1 & 6

February 11 **THEME: FAITH ALONE & ALWAYS** **Hebrews 11:32 – 12:13**

- Faith & Immediate Outcomes
- Faith & Delayed Outcomes
- Faith & Discipline

Heb. 11:32-35a; Judges; 1&2 Sam. Dan. 3,6&8; 1Ki. 17:17-24
 Heb. 11:35b-40
 Heb. 12;1-13; Prov. 3:11,12; 4:26

February 18 **NO CLASS: President’s Day Holiday**

February 25 **THEME: SEIZE YOUR MOMENT** **Hebrews 12:14 – 13:25**

- Realize Your Place in Time & Space
- Remain Unshaken
- Practical Exhortations

Heb. 12:14-24; Ex. 19:12,13; Dt. 9:19
 Heb. 12:25-29; Haggai 2:6
 Heb 13:1-25; Dt. 31:6; Ps. 118:6,7

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.”

Hebrews 12:1-3