

Advanced Hebrew  
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## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- TEXTS:** —*Old Testament Textual Criticism* by Ellis Brotzman. There is an open-book quiz over each chapter of Brotzman. Quizzes are due the first class in December.
- From Exegesis to Exposition: A Pract. Guide to Using Bib. Heb.* by Chisholm  
OR  
—*OT Exegesis: A Primer for Students and Pastors*, by Douglas Stuart
- Photocopies of Watts' *Lists of Words*

### SUPPLEMENTAL READINGS due by week of mid-term

- G.D. Young. "Language of the OT" in *Expositor's Bible Commentary*, Vol. I,  
OR Waltke/O'Conner. *Introduction to Hebrew Syntax* Chpt. 1
- Beekman & Callow. *Translating the Word of God*, chpts. 1 & 2  
OR for a more linguistic approach, Waltke/O'Conner, chpts. 3 & 4
- "Preface" in *Biblia Hebraica*

### VOCABULARY using Watts' *Lists of [Hebrew] Words*

We will learn most Hebrew Nouns used over 100 times and most Verbs used over 50 times.

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| Week II (Sept 14)  | = List 1 & 2 = Words 1-59   |
| Week III           | = List 3 = Words 60-121; Translate Joshua 1   |
| Week IV            | = List 4 = Words 125, 126, 130-32, 134-36, 138-39, 142-45, 152-53, 157-60, 164-67                               |
| Week V (Oct. 5)    | = <b>NO Class</b> — out for Presbytery; Translate Ruth 1  |
| Week VI            | = List 4 = Words 170-72, 178-79, 181-82, 185, 187-88, 192, 195-99, 202-204, 209, 212-215, 218; Translate Ruth 2 |
| Week VII (Oct. 19) | = Midterm Week; = List 6 = Words 1-43; Translate Ruth 3   |
| Week VIII          | = List 7 = Words 44-76; Translate Ruth 4  |
| Week IX            | = List 8 = Words 77-116; Translate Psalm 23   |
| Week X             | = List 9 = Words 117-155; Translate Jonah 1   |
| Week XI            | = List 9 = Words 156-191; Translate Jonah 2   |
| Week XII (Nov 23)  | = Thanksgiving = List 11.1 = Words 1-6, 10-27   |

Week XIII = List 11.2,3 = Words 1-11/1-8, 10-16; Translate Jonah 3  
Week XIV = List 11.4 = Words 1-14; Translate Jonah 4  
Week XV (Dec 14) = Final Exam

## **TRANSLATIONS**

Joshua 1                  Ruth                  Psalm 23                  Jonah

On your written translations, list the root of every unknown word that you look up. These translations will be turned in after having reviewed them together in class.

## **EXAMS**

Plan on a verb parsing quiz over 10 words every other class. There will be a final exam over the Word Lists, grammatical moment discussions, and over one of the translations.

## **WORD STUDY**

Develop a 2-4 page word study on the Hebrew word of your choice. Show how the word is used in various contexts; develop general and special meanings for the word and, if applicable, of its derivatives. Due the last class.

## **GRADING**

Vocabulary exams: 20%	Parsing Exams: 10%	Word Study: 5%	Readings: 10%
Translations: 25%	Text Quizzes: 10%	Final Exam: 20%	