

# UNDERSTANDING THE NEW TESTAMENT



## SEMESTER COURSE

This course covers the storyline of the 400 years between the Testaments, the gospels, and Acts, focusing on the life of Christ and life application. In studying the life of Jesus, students will wrestle with the evidence of His divinity, identify Christ-like character, and assess His redemptive work. Through a book study, students will walk through how to study a New Testament letter in context for personal application.

### Intro to Bible (1 week)

Intro to class and teacher  
Story of the Bible  
NT Structure

### Unit 1 Preparation of Jesus (2 weeks)

Between the Testaments  
Birth of Jesus  
Jesus at Temple  
Baptism  
Temptation

### Unit 2 Public Ministry (4 weeks)

Map Study                      Healing the Paralytic  
Nicodemus                      Opposition Against Jesus  
Woman at the Well      Sermon on the Mt. (1 wk)  
Call of 4 fishermen      Day of Miracles (Mk 4-5)  
12 Disciples

### Unit 3 Special Ministry (2 weeks)

Feeding 5000/Transfiguration  
Rich Young Ruler  
Parables (how to interpret)  
Parable Project

### Unit 4 Passion Week (2 weeks)

Upper Room/ Trial  
Crucifixion  
Crucifixion/Spiritual/ Salvation  
Resurrection  
Ascension

### Unit 5 Church is born & Spreads (3 weeks)

Pentecost (2:1-41)                      Servant Leaders (6)  
Church defined (2:42-47)      Stephen Stoned (7-8)  
Lame man Healed (3:1-26)      Persecution  
Apostles Jailed (3:12-42)      Purpose of Suffering  
Opposition (4:1-31)                      Philip's Preaching (8)  
Ananias and Sapphira (5:-1)      Paul's Conversion (9)  
Peter's Visions (10)

### Unit 6 Paul's Journeys and NT Letters (3 weeks)

Paul's Journeys & Letters Overview  
Paul's Death  
Spread of the Gospel  
Other Letters and Revelation

### NT Letter Study (1 week)

Historical and Literary Context  
Interpretation  
Personal Application Project