

GENERAL EPISTLES: JAMES – JUDE

Course #634

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GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. READING REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Read each of the seven epistles (James through Jude) a minimum of three times.
- B. A weighty question on the final exam will ask whether the reading was done in full.

2. REPORT REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Write a report (**FIVE** page minimum) from any **ONE** of the general epistles.
- B. This report must include discussions of the epistle's author (who wrote it), authorship (how we know who wrote it), date of writing, overall theme, & prominent lessons from the epistle.
- C. This report must cite a minimum of **FIVE** sources IN ADDITION TO THE BIBLE (sources can include concordances, commentaries, Bible encyclopedias, etc.).
- D. Reports must be formatted in Times New Roman 12-font, single-spaced.
- E. Reports must include an MSOP-approved cover page.
- F. Reports may be composed in either outline or paragraph format.
- G. **This report must include a bibliography or works-cited page in current MLA format.**

3. RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS (For **M.O.S.T. ADVANCED DIPLOMA** only):

- A. Write a report (**FIVE** page minimum) about the apostasy of Gnosticism.
- B. This report must cite a minimum of **FIVE** scholarly sources.
- C. Reports must be formatted in Times New Roman 12-font, single-spaced.
- D. Reports must include an MSOP-approved cover page.
- E. Reports may be composed in either outline or paragraph format.
- F. **This report must include a bibliography or works-cited page in current MLA format.**

GRADING PARAMETERS:

Grades will be calculated from the average score of all assignments.

- Midterm Exam (100 points)
- Epistle Report (100 points)
- Gnosticism Report (100 points – only required for ADVANCED DIPLOMA)
- Final exam (100 points)

Grading scale: 95-100=A, 85-94=B, 70-84=C, 60-69=D, 0-59=F

CLASS SCHEDULE:

Sept 7 James 1

Sept 14 James 2-5

Sept 21 1 Peter 1-2

Sept 28 1 Peter 3-5

Oct 5 2 Peter 1

Oct 12 2 Peter 2-3

Oct 19 1 John 1-2 (Midterm: Take Home)

Oct 26 1 John 3

Nov 2 1 John 4

Nov 9 1 John 5

Nov 16 2 John

Nov 23 No Class – Thanksgiving

Nov 30 3 John

Dec 7 Jude (Final Exam – Take Home)