

## BSD01 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

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<b>Qualifications to teach</b>	AQF Level 6 or above
<b>Status</b>	Core
<b>Co/pre-requisites</b>	None

WORKLOAD	TOTAL
Credit points	6
Duration	1 semester
Weekly Lecture Content	22
Essay Development Activities	20
Essay Preparation and Writing	38
Recommended Reading	33
Biblical Exegetical Activities	30
Foundational Knowledge Quizzes	7
<b>Total commitment hours</b>	<b>150</b>

### GENERAL AIM:

The unit contributes to the Diploma of Biblical Theology course by introducing the structure of biblical revelation that will form the framework for biblical interpretation in the course. It focuses on the unfolding self-revelation of God in human history, as revealed in the biblical literature. It will assist in the development of the graduate's understanding of God's work in this world, through a greater appreciation of how God has revealed himself culminating in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The purpose of this unit is to acquaint students with the method and content of biblical theology, and its application to Christian ministry.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:		Graduate Attributes
1.	<b>Define</b> Biblical Theology (including how it differs from systematic theology)	GA 1, 5
2.	<b>Articulate</b> a basic overview of the Bible including the major themes and epochs	GA 1, 2, 7
3.	<b>Apply</b> Biblical Theology to the study of passages, biblical themes, and current issues.	GA 1, 2, 7
4.	<b>Understand</b> some of the critical issues involved in the academic study of Biblical Theology.	GA 1

## CONTENT

1.	The perceived problem of 'diversity'. The complex unity of the Bible.
2.	The literary, historical, and theological dimensions of the Bible.
3.	The kingdom of God as the key to Biblical Theology.
4.	The epochal structure of the Bible.
5.	The application of biblical theological understanding to Christian life and ministry, with special reference to preaching.
6.	The application of biblical theological approach to current issues.
7.	Sustained examination and peer discussion of the Mission of God throughout the various epochs of God's self-revelation
8.	Application of biblical theological method in exposition and preaching

## TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS

Weekly Lecture content
Exegetical activities
Recommended readings
Essay Development activities
Foundational knowledge quizzes
Peer assessments

## ASSESSMENT METHODS

<b>Foundational knowledge quizzes</b> 100 Multiple Choice Questions. The quizzes help you consolidate your learning of the unit content. You must complete all quizzes and achieve an overall score above 90% to pass the unit. You are allowed unlimited attempts but must complete the quizzes satisfactorily before the end of the final assessment week. These quizzes do not contribute marks towards your final grade in the unit.	LO 1-4
<b>Three biblical theology exposition activities</b> Tutor and peer assessment. 250 - 500 words each. <b>Weighting: 20%</b>	LO 1-3
<b>Thematic Assignment</b> Development activities - 500 words (20%). Final paper submission – 1,750 words (60%). Total = 2,250 words. <b>Weighting: 80%</b>	LO 1-4

**Note for students:** Please refer to the [DBT Handbook](#) for College requirements on assessments, including presentation, correct referencing of sources, word limits and late submission.

## PROGRESSION

### Successful completion of this unit requires:

1.	An overall result of 50% or better
2.	50% or better in the final essay submission
3.	Completing the Foundational Knowledge Quizzes with an overall score above 90%

**RECOMMENDED READING**

Reading that will assist the student to achieve the unit learning outcomes

Author(s)	Title and Publisher	Pages	# of Pages
Bolt, P. G.	'Miracles in Scripture', in W.C. Campbell-Jack & G.J. McGrath (eds.), <i>New Dictionary of Christian Apologetics</i> . Leicester: IVP, 2006	All	4 pp
Goldsworthy, G.	<i>According to Plan</i> . Leicester: IVP. 1991	Read selections	255 pp
Gibson, R., ed.	<i>Interpreting God's Plan. Biblical Theology and the Pastor</i> . Explorations 11. Carlisle: Paternoster, 1998	Ch 1-2	45
Köstenberger, A.J. & P.T. O'Brien	<i>Salvation to the Ends of the Earth. Leicester: Apollos, 2001</i>	Introduction & Conclusion: 24 Choose one other section, approximately: 45	69
Webb, B. G.	'Homosexuality in Scripture'. in <i>Explorations 8: Theological and Pastoral Responses to Homosexuality</i> . Edited by B. G. Webb. Adelaide: Openbook, 1994	65-103	38
<b>Total recommended reading</b>			<b>595 pp</b>

**REFERENCE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Describes the scope of the unit, not required reading

Author(s)	Title and Publisher
Alexander, T. D., et al., eds.	<i>New Dictionary of Biblical Theology</i> . Leicester: IVP, 2000. <sup>1</sup>
Childs, B. S.	<i>Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments</i> . London: SCM, 1992.
Clowney, E. P.	<i>The Unfolding Mystery</i> . Leicester: IVP, 1988.
Goldsworthy, G.L.	<i>Gospel &amp; Kingdom. The Goldsworthy Trilogy</i> . Carlisle: Paternoster, 2000.
_____	<i>Preaching the Whole Bible as Christian Scripture. The Application of Biblical Theology to Expository Preaching</i> . Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.
_____	<i>Christ-Centred Biblical Theology: Hermeneutical Foundations and Principles</i> . Leicester: IVP, 2012.
Greidanus, S.	<i>Preaching Christ from the Old Testament. A Contemporary Hermeneutical Model</i> . Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1999.
Hamilton, J.M Jr.	<i>God's Glory in Salvation through Judgment: A Biblical Theology</i> . Wheaton: Crossway, 2010.
_____	<i>What is Biblical Theology? A Guide to the Bible's Story, Symbolism, and Patterns</i> . Wheaton: Crossway, 2013.
Harrington, W.	<i>The Path of Biblical Theology</i> . Dublin: Gill and Macmillan, 1973.

<sup>1</sup> NB: IVP issue a suite of dictionaries useful for NT study and Biblical Theology on CD-Rom: *The Essential IVP Reference Collection*.

Reventlow, H. G.	<i>Problems of Biblical Theology in the Twentieth Century</i> . Philadelphia: Fortress, 1986.
Scobie, C. C.	'The challenge of biblical theology', <i>Tyndale Bulletin</i> 42 (1991).
_____	'The structure of biblical theology,' <i>Tyndale Bulletin</i> 42.1 (1991).
Smart, J. D.	<i>The Past, Present, and Future of Biblical Theology</i> . Philadelphia: Westminster, 1979.
Strom, M.	<i>Days Are Coming</i> . Sydney: Hodder and Stoughton, 1989.
Van Gemeren, W.	<i>The Progress of Redemption</i> . Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1988.