

Front Range Bible Institute  
OTE 650 The Minor Prophets Syllabus  
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**I. Scope of the course**

This course is a “directed studies” class for an exposition of The Minor Prophets, with primary study being made in the English text. This course may also involve some interaction with the Hebrew language, but a prior knowledge of Hebrew will not be necessary. The course will center on the study of the 12 Minor Prophets by looking at the general message of each book as well as the main theological issues that each of these prophets proclaimed and how these doctrines apply to the church of Jesus Christ today.

**II. Objectives of the course**

- As a result of this course, the student should be able to do the following:
  - A. Have a greater knowledge of the authorship historical context, main purposes of each book.
  - B. Know better the basic contents and key doctrines of each book.
  - C. Articulate the structure of the books by producing outlines that give an explanation of the major flow of each book.
  - D. Become familiar enough with the books as a whole, as well as its individual sections, that the student will be positioned for explaining these same points to others.

**III. Textbooks and materials for the course: Each student must obtain the following materials:**

- A. Feinberg, Charles L. *The Minor Prophets*. Chicago: Moody Press. 1990.
- B. Barker, Ken. *Zechariah*, in *The Expositor’s Bible Commentary*, Vol. 7, Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1985
- C. For an individual book study use the above resources plus the following:
  - 1. *Exposition of The Minor Prophets notes* by Tim Dane (available on CD)
  - 2. *Exposition of The Minor Prophets* by Tim Dane (MP3)
  - 3. Note: Any approved commentary may be substituted for one of the above works with permission from the instructor

IV. Requirements for the course

- A. Read through each book three times using a New American Standard translation once and a second translation of your choice.
- B. Read through each commentary in its entirety.
- C. Prepare an annotated outline of each book with a basic explanation of the sections (a sample will be provided).
- D. The following is for individual book studies in depth when not studying all 12 prophets in one quarter.
  - 1. Listen to the CD messages from each book.
  - 2. Write a 10 page double spaced term paper on an approved topic (15 pages for master's degree students):

V. Grading for the course

- A. Reading each book three times 40%
- B. Reading Feinberg and Barker 40%
- C. Outlines 20%
- D. If doing an individual book study the following applies:
  - 1. Read the book five times 20%
  - 2. Listen to CD lectures 20%
  - 3. Read the assigned commentary 20%
  - 4. Quizzes and Outlines 20%
  - 5. Term paper 20%

I have completed this % of my assigned reading and tape studies

<u>Project</u>	<u>%</u>
Three readings of each book	_____
Readings from commentaries	_____
Outlines	_____
Listen to all tapes/CDs	_____ (if an individual book)
Term Paper	_____ (if an individual book)