



LIFE

UNIVERSITY

Course Syllabus



Getting the Most Out of Old Testament Characters

LU Track: Personal LIFE

Term: Fall 2020

Day/Time: Sundays at 9:00am

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Teaching Team:

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Associate Pastors and Leaders

Description:

We live in a world that is desperate for heroes. Super macho film and TV stars, professional athletes, rock stars and “the rich and famous” are held up to us as role models. Yet deep within the pages of the Old Testament, we meet real, flesh-and-blood people like us, with both weaknesses and strengths, who provide us with genuine models we can imitate. Unfortunately, large portions of the Old Testament remain a closed book to many.

This 12-week interactive study will help you open the Old Testament portion of God’s revelation and to discover the buried treasures that lie within. We’ll examine Scriptures, analyze modern video clips, share testimonies, and facilitate group discussions to expand your understanding of the ways of our God as we work through these Old Testament character studies.

Course Objectives:

- Encourage participants to live out God’s Word by our careful reflection on the successes and failures of men and women who have gone before us.
- Apply lessons learned from Old Testament characters as a stirring exhortation to fruitfulness, genuine faith and heartfelt obedience.

Course Schedule:

- Lesson 1/Sep 27: Abraham: Following God’s Call
- Lesson 2/Oct 4: Moses: Seeking Justice
- Lesson 3/Oct 11: Caleb & Joshua: Overcoming the Impossible
- Lesson 4/Oct 18: Achan: Sin in the Community
- Lesson 5/Oct 25: Hannah: Praying in Pain
- Lesson 6/Nov 1: Samuel: Hearing God’s Voice
- Lesson 7/Nov 8: King Saul: Doing Almost All of God’s Will
- Lesson 8/Nov 15: David: Loving Your Enemy
- Lesson 9/Nov 22: Elijah: Knowing God’s Power
- Lesson 10/Nov 29: Jonah: Running from God
- Lesson 11/Dec 6: Daniel: Tempted to Compromise
- Lesson 12/Dec 13: Esther: Saying Yes to God

Course Materials and Required Text:

- Scripture reading will be assigned each week for home study and personal reflection.
- Lesson handouts will be distributed during class.