

A SYNOPSIS OF THE SCHEDULE 1.5 (1/15/14)

IST2004-1-W114: INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT

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N.B.1 This schedule is subject to change, though any alterations of assignments would be very minor.

N.B.2 WBC=Women's Bible Commentary; JANT=Jewish Annotated New Testament

Jan 6 WHAT IS THE NT AND WHERE DID IT COME FROM? | INTRODUCING JESUS

- 1 Corinthians 15
- Mark 13
- Matthew 5-7
- *Scripting Jesus*, Prologue
- **Optional Reading:** *Brief Introduction*, chap. 1

Jan 13 A SECRET SAVIOR: GOSPEL OF MARK | THE GRECO-ROMAN CONTEXT

- Gospel of Mark
- *Scripting Jesus*, chaps. 7, 11
- *Brief Introduction*, chaps. 2,4
- Peruse notes on Mark in JANT
- **Optional:** *Brief Introduction*, chap. 5

Jan 20 A NEW MOSES? GOSPEL OF MATTHEW | JUDAISM OF THE FIRST CENTURY (NO CLASS – MLK HOLIDAY – ONLINE ACTIVITY)

- Gospel of Matthew
- *Scripting Jesus*, chap. 12
- Eisenbaum, *Paul*, chaps. 5,6,7 (pp. 67-131; these chaps. function as a brief introduction to the beliefs and practices of ancient Judaism)
- Peruse notes on Matthew in JANT
- **Optional:** *Brief Introduction*, chap. 6

Jan 27 REJECTED PROPHET AND HIS FOLLOWERS: LUKE & ACTS

- Gospel of Luke
- Acts chaps 1-16; 26-28
- *Scripting Jesus*, chap. 13
- *Brief Introduction*, chap. 11
- WBC: Margaret Aymer "Acts" (scan)
- Peruse notes on Luke in JANT

Feb 3 SYNOPTIC PROBLEM | Q/THOMAS | COMPARING GOSPELS

- *Scripting Jesus*, chaps. 9, 15; Appendices B & D
- *Brief Introduction*, chap. 10
- Excerpts from the *Synopsis of the Four Gospels* (scan)
- Excerpts from Thomas (online)

Feb 10 MIDTERM EXAM | JOHN | COMPARING JOHN AND THE SYNOPTICS

- Gospel of John

- *Scripting Jesus*, chap. 14

Feb 17 **INTRODUCING PAUL | 1 THESSALONIANS, PHILIPPIANS & 1 CORINTHIANS**

- 1 Thessalonians, Philippians, 1 Corinthians
- Eisenbaum, *Paul*, chaps. 2, 8, 9, 10, 11
- *Brief Introduction*, chap. 13
- *Native Land*: Abraham Smith, “Paul and African American Biblical Interpretation” (scan)
- *WBC*: Jouette Bassler, “1 Corinthians”

Feb 24 **ROMANS**

- Romans
- Stendahl, *Final Account* (entire)
- *WBC*: Beverly Gaventa, “Romans”
- Peruse notes on Romans in *JANT*

Mar 3 **LITERATURE IN THE PAULINE TRADITION | HEBREWS**

- Ephesians; 1-2 Timothy; Titus
- Acts of Paul and Thecla (provided)
- Hebrews
- *Brief Introduction*, chaps. 17,19
- *Native Land*: Clarice Martin, “1 & 2 Timothy, and Titus”
- *WBC*: Margaret McDonald, “The Religious Lives of Women in the Early Church”

Mar 10 **FINAL | JESUS: THE NEXT GENERATION**

- *Study Hard!!!*