

Catholic Bible Institute – Diocese of San Bernardino
Schedule of Readings for Year Two: New Testament (2011–2012)

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Primary Text: *The Holy Bible* (any “Study Edition” that has extensive introductions, notes, maps, etc.)

Secondary Text: Raymond E. Brown. *An Introduction to the New Testament*. NY: Doubleday, 1997.

NOTE: Please do the scheduled readings *before* coming to each month’s session, *especially* the biblical texts!

NOTE: The chapters in Brown’s book are long and detailed, so you are *not* expected to read every single word.

For each chapter, *carefully read* the sections called “General Analysis of the Message” and “The Background,” but only *briefly skim* the concluding “Issues and Problems for Reflection” and any other sections in between.

September 10: *Introduction to the NT & Gospel according to Mark*

BIBLE: **The Gospel according to Mark**

BROWN: Chapters 1, 6A (pp. 99-111), Ch. 7; also *skim* Ch. 2 & 3 (*as time permits*)

Reflection Paper, due in Oct.: on **Mark 5, or Mark 7, or Mark 13**

October 8: *Gospel according to Matthew*

BIBLE: **The Gospel according to Matthew**

BROWN: Chapter 6B (pp. 111-122) and Ch. 8 (also *skim* Ch. 5)

Reflection Paper, due in Nov.: on **Matt 7, or Matt 18, or Matt 25**

November 12: *Luke’s Two-Volume Work*

BIBLE: **The Gospel according to Luke & The Acts of the Apostles**

BROWN: Chapters 9–10 (also *skim* Ch. 4)

Reflection Paper, due in Dec.: on **Luke 10, or Luke 16, or Acts 7, or Acts 19**

December 10: *Johannine Literature*

BIBLE: **The Gospel according to John & The Johannine Letters (1, 2, 3 John)**

BROWN: Chapters 11–14

Reflection Paper, due in Jan.: on **John 3, or John 15, or John 17, or 1 John 3**

January 21: *Paul’s Early/Undisputed Writings*

BIBLE: **1 Thessalonians, Galatians, Philippians, Philemon, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Romans**

BROWN: Chapters 18–24 (also *skim* Ch. 15–17)

Reflection Paper, due in Feb.: on **1 Thess 2–3, or Phil 2, or 1 Cor 15, or 2 Cor 8–9, or Rom 11**

February 18: *Deutero-Pauline Letters*

BIBLE: **2 Thessalonians, Colossians, Ephesians; 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus**

BROWN: Chapters 25–31

Reflection Paper, due in March: on **Col 1, or Eph 4, or 1 Tim 3–4, or 2 Tim 2, or Titus 1–2**

March 10: *Hebrews & Catholic Epistles*

BIBLE: **Hebrews, James, 1 & 2 Peter, [1 & 2 & 3 John], Jude**

BROWN: Chapters 32–36

Work on longer research paper, due in April – see separate instruction page

April 14: *Book of Revelation*

BIBLE: **The Book of Revelation**

BROWN: Chapter 37

Longer research paper due today – see separate instruction page

One-page Reflection Paper, due in May: on **Rev 2, or Rev 4–5, or Rev 18, or Rev 21**

May 12: *New Testament Theology & Early Christian Writings*

EARLY CHRISTIAN TEXTS: *selections will be handed out in April*

BROWN: *reread* Chapters 1-3; also read Appendices I & II (pp. 817-840)

Last chance to turn in any late or missing papers.

Catholic Bible Institute – Diocese of San Bernardino Monthly Schedule for Year 2 (2011–2012)

8:30 *Groups providing Refreshments, Sacred Space, and Prayer arrive and set up; All participants check in, turn in papers, pick up new handouts, find their seats*

8:45 Opening Prayer

Homework Issues & other Brief Announcements

9:00 Instructor's First Hour

10:00 *Brief Q&A (3-5 min) and/or small-group sharing or activity (10-12 min.)*

10:15 Break

10:30 Instructor's Second Hour

11:30 *Longer Q&A (10-15 min) and/or small-group sharing or activity (15-20 min.)*

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Instructor's Third Hour

2:00 *Brief Q&A (3-5 min) and/or small group sharing or activity (10-12 min.)*

2:15 Break

2:30 Instructor's Fourth Hour

3:30 *Longer Q&A and/or small group sharing/activity (20 min. total)*

3:50 Final Announcements & **Closing Prayer**

4:00 Departure

Note: *Out of respect for the instructors and all the participants, please arrive **on time** and stay for the **whole** session. Please do not come late or leave early, unless absolutely necessary!*

CBI Program Overview:

Orientation Session: Sept. 11, 2010

Year One: Old Testament

***Fall 2010:** Sept. 25 (Grand Terrace), Oct. 9 (SB), Nov. 13 (SB), Dec. 4 (Grand Terrace)*

***Spring 2011:** Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 5, April 16, May 21 (all in San Bernardino)*

Year Two: New Testament

***Fall 2011:** Sept. 10 (St. Adelaide), Oct. 8 (SB), Nov. 12 (SB), Dec. 10 (SB)*

***Spring 2012:** Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 10, April 14, May 12 (all in San Bernardino)*

Year Three: Leadership Practicum

***Fall 2012:** Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1 (locations TBD)*

***Spring 2013:** Jan. 5 and April 6; graduation in May*