

Spring 2026 Classes

Graduate Classes (12 weeks)

BIBL 6332, Interpreting the Hebrew Scriptures II

Intensive study of the most urgent theological and methodological issues confronting the Hebrew Scripture, focusing on background issues, interpretive methodologies, biblical content, and theological implications for the church and contemporary Christianity. Emphasis will be given to the application of the texts to concerns currently appearing in varied contexts. The focus this term will be on the prophets and Wisdom literature.

Heidi Baxter, 7-8:30 PM (CT), on Thursdays, beginning February 5.

RGC 133: The Fruit of the Spirit in Withering Times

A revisionary study of the classic fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22, noting how they are often so misunderstood. The class will set them in a healthy relationship of faith and works, spiritual maturity and immaturity. It will explore how a healthy understanding of them is practically helpful, not only in good times but also in bad. For those in the leadership certificate, there will be a special emphasis on leadership based on the fruit of the Spirit.

Dan Stiver, 7-8:30 PM (CT) on Tuesdays, beginning February 3.

Certificate Classes (8-9 weeks)

CC 301: The Identity, Growth, and Leadership of a Christian Coach

This course will offer 18 total coach training hours. Ten hours (5 classes) will focus on the use of coaching in particular ministry tasks: teaching, preaching, equipping staff and volunteers, leading meetings and processes, tackling difficult subjects, dealing with conflict, understanding power dynamics, and recognizing the limits of a coach approach in ministry. These five classes will include instruction, discussion, and breakouts for in-class coaching practice. Eight hours (4 classes) will be group mentor coaching. In these sessions one student will coach another for a half hour while the rest of the class observes and then debriefs the coaching for the learning of all involved. (There will be two coaching sessions/debriefs per two-hour class.)

While all ICF Core Competencies will be addressed, there will be special emphasis on Core Competencies 3 (Establishes and Maintains Agreements), 6 (Listens Actively), 7 (Evokes Awareness), 8 (Facilitates Client Growth), and the Code of Ethics.

Laura Stephens-Reed, 11:00 AM-1 PM (CT) on Thursdays, beginning February 5.

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