

**B 1537**  
**Advanced Biblical Studies**  
**Exegesis of James**

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**Course Description**

The study of the Bible is a consequential, life encompassing matter. Once a student has mastered the forms and functions of biblical languages, Advanced Biblical Studies introduces the student to the possibilities for interpretation yielded from a textual analysis done taking into consideration the original language of the text.

The course is not limited to the reviewing and exposition of the Greek text. The course is designed to explore avenues of interpretation open to any serious biblical student.

Greek students will read the text in the *Novum Testamentum Graece*, edited by Eberhard and Erwin Nestle, XXVII Edition, comparing with two English translations; complete the Translation and Exegesis section of Craig Price, and read Douglas Moo's commentary.

English students will read the text from five different translations, and read two of the commentaries assigned.

Four word studies and two sermons will be required, which will be used for evaluation.

**Required Text for Greek Students**

Price, Craig. *Biblical Exegesis of New Testament Greek: James*. Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Books, 2008. ISBN 13: 978-1-55635-972-9.

**Required Commentaries**

1. Dibelius, Martin, revised by Greeven, Heinrich. *James* (Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1975), ISBN 0-8006-6006-4

**OR...** (Each student chooses one of these two).

Martin, R. P. "James," in *Word Biblical Commentary* (Waco, Texas: Word, 1988), ISBN 0-8499-0247-9 (vol. 48).

**AND...**

2. Moo, Douglas J. *The Letter of James* (Leicester, England: Apollos, 2000), Eerdmans ISBN 0-8028-3730-1 (Apollos ISBN 0-85111-977-8). This text is required for all students.