

BIBLE FOUNDATIONS COURSE

1. SALVATION AND THE WORD OF GOD

Important questions such as: What is sin? How does one repent? How can one be saved? and is the Bible really God's Word? will be answered.

2. THE NEW LIFE AND WITNESSING

How does God expect a Christian to walk and live daily? How do Christians practice their faith? The principles of a victorious life are discussed.

3. BAPTISMS AND THE GODHEAD

The importance of water baptism to the life of a Christian is studied. The relationship of the Trinity — God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit — to each other and to a believer is also covered.

4. BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

The manifestation of the baptism in the Holy Spirit, with speaking in tongues, and its relevance to a Christian today are covered in the light of Scripture.

5. PHYSICAL HEALING

The reasons for sickness and death are searched out in God's Word. When and why God doesn't heal is examined, along with how to receive healing from God.

6. PRAISE AND PRAYER

We should enter into God's presence through praise and thanksgiving before bringing our petitions to Him in prayer. Effective prayer, praise, and ways of overcoming hindrances to prayer are studied.

7. PROSPERITY VERSUS THE DANGERS OF COVETOUSNESS

God's Word tells us how to prosper through tithing, trusting God, right motives, and God's promises to us. The dangers of prosperity and success are also explored.

8. THE VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN HOME

Biblical principles for a victorious Christian home are taught, along with ways to overcome the obstacles that every home faces. Love, submission, children, and spiritual warfare are also studied.

9. THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH AND COMMUNION

The New Testament church is explored as to 1) its organization and leadership; 2) the Holy Spirit as Lord in the church; 3) gifts in the church; 4) unity; and 5) communion.

10. THE BLESSED HOPE — THE RAPTURE

Christ's coming for His bride (the Church) is covered by answering these questions: 1) What? 2) How? 3) Why? 4) When? 5) and most important, for whom?

11. END-TIME EVENTS

The important end-time events are discussed, along with their timing. The Dispensation Chart, the marriage Supper of the Lamb, the Tribulation, Armageddon, the Revelation—2nd Coming and the Millennium are examined.

12. ISRAEL AND OUR JEWISH ROOTS

Brief discussion concerning why God chose the Jews; the scattering and regathering; God's everlasting love and covenant to Israel; the Church's proper relationship as debtors and fellow citizens of the Commonwealth of Israel; and what actions the church should be taking concerning Israel and the Jewish people.

II Tim. 2:15 - "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

We are pleased to again present this class to those who are hungry to learn some of Christianity's most important principles and doctrines. We will begin with basic concepts on salvation and will work our way up to and end with three studies on end-time prophecy. Guided self-study sheets (taking 1-2 hours a week) will be required of participants before each 1½-2 hour teacher presentation. We hope you will all join us in this endeavor of greater discipleship.

We want to recognize and thank several people for the development of the format and questions for this class:

The original formatting and general idea for the course came from Derek Prince's *Self-Study Bible Course* [P.O. Box 19501, Charlotte, NC 28219, contactus@derekprince.org]. Derek Prince was one of the last century's most recognized teachers and was the author of over a dozen books.

George Latham gleaned ideas from the format and questions used by Prince, and created all new introductory statements. Several of the course topics such as the Christian Home, the End Times, and Israel were totally developed by Pastor Latham. He was one of the founding administrators and teachers of a Denver area layman's two-year Bible College.

Many of Pastor Bob Hooley's prophecy books will be referred to in several of the latter classes on end time events and Israel. He was the head pastor of the above-mentioned Bible College; without his support as head pastor, this Foundations Class would probably never have occurred. He is the author of almost two dozen books and booklets and has been successfully pasturing for almost half a century.

Chuck Mummert is the present teacher of the Foundations Class. He helped to create most of the third year elective classes at the above-mentioned Bible College and has again reworked and added to some of the Foundations classes. He has taught in private and public junior and senior high schools for over a third of a century and has earned many teaching awards such as Who's Who Among America's Teachers.