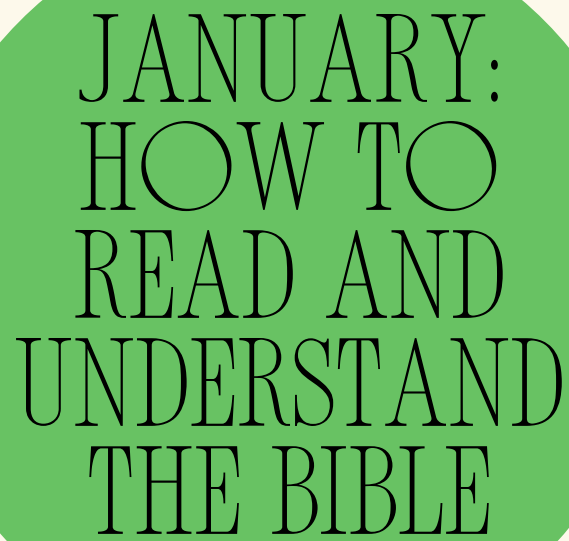


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# JANUARY: HOW TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course helps you explore the Bible in a way that is meaningful and practical. You'll learn how to read Scripture thoughtfully, understand the context behind the stories, and discover how God's Word applies to your life today. By the end, you'll gain confidence in studying the Bible on your own and sharing insights with others.

## **What to Expect:**

- Tips for reading and studying the Bible
- Understanding Bible structure and genres
- Interpreting passages in context
- Practical ways to apply Scripture to daily life



# FEBRUARY: HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH

## **Course Description:**

Sharing your faith doesn't have to be intimidating. This course teaches you simple, natural ways to talk about Jesus with friends, family, and classmates. You'll explore personal testimony, relational conversations, and ways to live out your faith authentically.

## **What to Expect:**

- Learning your personal story of faith
- Understanding common questions and challenges
- Practical strategies for conversations about Jesus
- Confidence-building through role-play and discussion



# MARCH: APOLOGETICS

## **Course Description:**

Ever wondered how to answer tough questions about your faith? Apologetics equips you to defend your beliefs in a respectful, clear, and thoughtful way. You'll learn how to respond to doubts, misconceptions, and cultural questions while growing in your own understanding of God.

## **What to Expect:**

- Overview of common questions about Christianity
- Understanding logic, evidence, and faith
- Respectful ways to engage in spiritual conversations
- Encouragement to explore your own beliefs deeply




# APRIL: HOMILETICS

## **Course Description:**

Want to learn how to share God's Word in a way that inspires others? Homiletics teaches the basics of preparing and delivering short messages, whether in small groups, youth gatherings, or presentations. You'll develop confidence in speaking about your faith clearly and effectively.

## **What to Expect:**

- Basics of message preparation
- Structuring a short talk or devotional
- Speaking with clarity and confidence
- Practice and feedback in a supportive environment



# MAY: SENIOR NEXT STEPS CLASS

## **Course Description:**

As you finish high school, it's important to think about your next steps in faith, education, and life. This course helps you prepare for the transition with practical guidance and spiritual insight. You'll explore how to stay rooted in faith, make wise choices, and pursue God's calling in the next chapter of life.

## **What to Expect:**

- Planning your next steps after high school
- Spiritual disciplines for independent faith
- Understanding vocation, purpose, and calling
- Tools for making wise decisions in college, work, and life
- Getting you connected with a local church & campus ministry