



READ IT



NEW TESTAMENT CHALLENGE  
**STUDY IT GUIDE**



LIVE IT

# About this guide

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Our goal for 2024 is simple: strengthen faith & experience new life in Christ as we read, understand & apply God's Word to our daily lives! **A focus for the next year is to study the Bible together.** We believe that God's Word is the key to *transformative* growth, and we're diving deep into Scripture to uncover its power for our lives. **Our goal is to help you not just read the Word, but to understand it and apply it to your life.** Join an upcoming study to experience this *transformative* power for yourself.

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Please register for studies so we can have materials prepared and you can be notified about any class changes. This can be done in the Hope App under Events or on our website:

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## THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

Learn how Matthew bridges the Old Testament messianic expectation of Israel with the New Testament proclamation that Jesus is Immanuel, God with us - Savior of the world!

**Greece:** Sundays,

Jan. 7 - Feb. 11 9:30-10:30 AM

led by Kristo Miettinen & Jay Mazikas

**Brockport:** Wednesdays,

Jan. 10 - Feb. 7 6:30-7:30 PM

led by Doc Kavanagh

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## HERMENEUTICS

To interpret any piece of literature correctly, especially God's Word, it is important to understand principles of interpretation and apply them correctly. This study will equip you to read the Scriptures as God intended.

**Greece:** Sundays, Jan. 7 & 14 6:30 - 7:30 PM (2 weeks)

**Brockport:** Sunday, Feb. 11 11:00 AM -12:30 PM (1 week)

led by Pastor Kirk Dueker

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## APOLOGETICS

Explore evidence-based arguments affirming God's existence and engage in a thorough defense of the Christian faith, empowering you to confidently navigate and articulate your beliefs.

**Greece:** Wednesdays,

Jan. 10 - Feb. 7 6:30-7:30 PM

led by Brian Barnard

**Brockport :** Wednesdays,

Feb. 14 - Mar, 20 7:15 - 8:15PM

led by Nick D'Amuro

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## JOURNEY THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT

This class will give you a thorough understanding of the New Testament and how it applies to your life today.

**Greece:** Tuesdays,  
Jan. 9 - Mar. 19 6:30 - 8:00 PM

**Greece:** Thursdays,  
Sept. 12 - Dec. 14 6:30 - 8:00 PM  
led by Pastor Larry Stojkovic & Mark Erbelding



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## FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Say Bye to Debt With Our Proven Plan. Make Your Money Work for You! Learn How to Budget, Payoff Debt, Invest, and More. Plan For Your Future. Win With Money. Communicate in Marriage. Dump Debt. Build a Legacy.

**Brockport:** Sundays,  
Jan. 21 - Mar. 17 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
led by David & Marianne Virgilio

**Greece:** Tuesdays,  
Feb. 6 - Apr. 2 6:30 - 8:00 PM  
led by Carl Coloney



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## HOPE FOR COUPLES: MERGE

A great marriage starts with a great foundation. This class experience will enable couples to explore the blessing of marriage as God designed it to be. This class is required to be married at Hope Church.

**Greece:** Thursdays,  
Feb. 15 - Apr. 4 6:30 - 8:30 PM  
led by Pastor Arnold Deknatel & Mary Peeso





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## THE TRUTH ABOUT ANGELS

Angels announced the birth of Christ on the very first Christmas and appear throughout Scripture. Discover Bible-based answers to your questions. Based on Dr. David Jeremiah's book, *Angels: Who They Are and How They Help*.

**Greece** : Sundays,  
Feb. 18 - Mar. 10 9:30-10:30 AM  
led by Mike Mordenga



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## THE BOOK OF LUKE

Dr. Luke, a Gentile convert who never met Jesus in person wrote a book about the life and times of Jesus not too many years after Jesus lived. Come join the conversation and let's read about Him together.

**Greece** : Sundays,  
Mar. 10 - Apr. 21 10:30-11:30 AM  
led by Dave Smith

**Brockport**: Sundays,  
Feb. 18 - Mar. 24 11:00 AM - Noon  
led by Mark Anderson



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## SHADOWS OF THINGS TO COME

We will explore overarching themes in Scripture by connecting concepts between the Old and New Testaments.

**Brockport**: Thursdays,  
Apr. 4 - May 10 6:30 - 7:30 PM  
led by John Brown



## JOB - OUT OF THE STORM

Why does a good God allow suffering? Why does a just God act unfairly? These are just a couple of the questions we'll grapple with as we study the book of Job - out of the storm.

**Greece:** Sundays,

Apr. 7 - May 19 9:30 - 10:30 AM

led by Mark Erbelding



## THE TRUTH PROJECT

The Truth Project is a ground-breaking small group curriculum on the Biblical worldview. This video-based study is the starting point for looking at life and living life from a biblical perspective.

**Greece:** Tuesdays,

May 21 - Aug. 6 6:30 - 8:00 PM led by Tom Confer

**Brockport:** Sundays,

June 2 - Aug. 25 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM led by Mark Anderson



## THE BOOK OF ROMANS

We will be exploring the major themes in the Book of Romans - our need for salvation, our justification through Jesus and our call to live out the Gospel of Jesus.

**Greece:** Sundays,

May 26 - June 30 9:30 - 10:30 AM

led by Tony D'Apice





## LUTHERAN DISTINCTIVES

Every Christian denomination brings historical blessings to the Church as a whole. Strengthen your faith and learn how our Lutheran understanding of key Biblical doctrines including the theology of the cross, law and gospel understanding and the doctrine of the two kingdoms and others has blessed the Christian church.

**Greece:** Mondays,

June 17 - July 8 6:30 - 7:30 PM

led by Pastor Kirk Dueker



## 2 CORINTHIANS

In the apostle Paul's letters to the Corinthians, we get a glimpse of his pastoral heart as he teaches, guides and exhorts believers, while also sharing his own struggles and persecutions. We will be doing a verse by verse study of 2nd Corinthians, listening for what the Holy Spirit will be teaching us.

**Greece:** Sundays,

July 7 - Aug. 11 9:30 -10:30 AM

led by Dave Smith



## PARENTING

Nothing has greater impact or significance than parenting. So how do we know if we're doing it "right"? Join in to learn more about parenting from a biblical perspective.

**Greece:** Wednesdays,

July 24 - Aug. 28 6:30 - 7:30 PM

led by Pastor Jeffrey Reuter



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## COLOSSIANS

Colossians gives us some of the best Christology in the Bible. Through this study you will learn the context, audience and purpose of this prison letter from Paul. Even more importantly you will grow in even greater awe and have deeper love for Jesus Christ.

**Greece:** Wednesdays,  
Aug. 28 - Sept. 18 6:30 - 7:30 PM  
led by Pastor Kirk Dueker



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## FAITH AND DOUBT

We often think of doubt as the opposite of faith, but could it be one of the ways to strengthen our relationship with God? In this course, we use Biblical examples of God's faithfulness with our doubt, discuss reasons why people doubt and reflect on our own faith journey.

**Greece:** Sundays,  
Sept. 8 - Oct. 13 9:30 - 10:30 AM  
led by Tim Kneeland

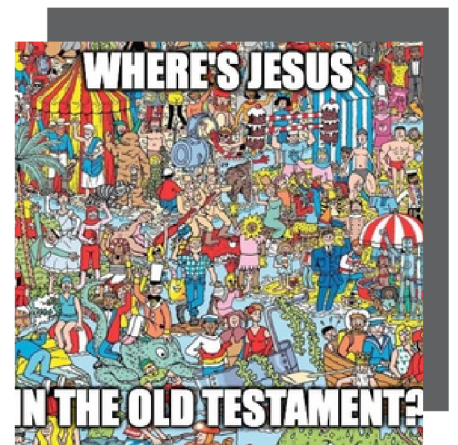


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## WHERE IS JESUS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT?

Explore how Christ is prefigured in the Old Testament—an introduction to Biblical typology.

**Greece:** Thursdays,  
Sept. 19 - Oct. 24 6:30 - 7:30 PM  
led by John Brown





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## CHURCH HISTORY

The Christian church has been in existence for over 2000 years and has been pivotal in its effects. We will be using “The Story of Christianity” by Justo Gonzalez to explore its rich, beautiful and sometime troubling history.

**Greece:** Wednesdays,

Oct. 2 - Nov. 20 6:30 - 7:30 PM

led by Dave Smith



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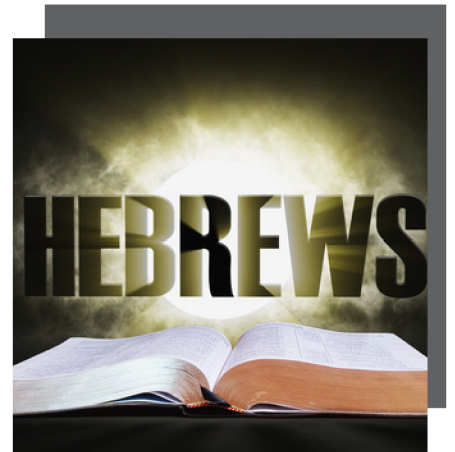
## THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

Hebrews is a complex work that draws from Old Testament texts and contemporary issues. The author encourages readers to remain faithful, emphasizing Jesus Christ's superiority as the ultimate mediator. Overall, the book is a rich and thought-provoking text that continues to inspire and challenge readers today.

**Greece:** Sundays,

Oct. 20 - Nov. 24 9:30- 10:30 AM

led by Kristo Miettinen



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## IS THAT ALL? ;)

If there are additional studies scheduled after the publication of this guide please visit the Studies section in **Events** menu of the Hope App or check online

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# Studies at Brockport

Title	Campus	Dates	Day of Week	Start Time	Leader(s)
The Book of Matthew	Brockport	1/10 - 2/7	Wednesdays	6:30 PM	Doc Kavanagh
Financial Peace University (FPU)	Brockport	1/21 - 3/17	Sundays	11:00 AM	David & Marianne Virgilio
Hermeneutics	Brockport	2/11	Sunday	11:00 AM	Pastor Kirk Dueker
Apologetics	Brockport	2/14 - 3/20	Wednesdays	7:15 PM	Nick D'Amuro
The Book of Luke	Brockport	2/18 - 3/24	Sundays	11:00 AM	Mark Anderson
Shadows of Things to Come	Brockport	4/4 - 5/10	Thursdays	6:30 PM	John Brown
The Truth Project	Brockport	6/2 - 8/25	Sundays	11:00 AM	Mark Anderson

# Studies at Greece

Title	Campus	Dates	Day of Week	Start Time	Leader(s)
The Book of Matthew	Greece	1/7-2/11	Sundays	9:30 AM	Kristo Miettinen & Jay Mazikas
Hermeneutics	Greece	1/7 & 1/14	Sundays	6:30 PM	Pastor Kirk Dueker
Apologetics	Greece	1/10-2/7	Wednesdays	6:30 PM	Brian Barnard
Journey through the New Testament	Greece	1/9-3/19	Tuesdays	6:30 PM	Pastor Larry Stojkovic & Mark Erbeling
Journey through the New Testament	Greece	9/12 - 12/14	Thursdays	6:30 PM	Pastor Larry Stojkovic & Mark Erbeling
Financial Peace University (FPU)	Greece	2/6-4/2	Tuesdays	6:30 PM	Carl Coloney



# Studies at Greece continued

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Hope for Couples: Merge	Greece	2/15 - 4/4	Thursdays	6:30 PM	Pastor Arnold Deknatel & Mary Peeso
The Truth About Angels	Greece	2/18 - 3/10	Sundays	9:30 AM	Mike Mordenga
The Book of Luke	Greece	3/10 - 4/21	Sundays	10:30 AM	Dave Smith
Job - Out of the Storm	Greece	4/7 - 5/19	Sundays	9:30 AM	Mark Erbelding
The Truth Project	Greece	5/21 - 8/6	Tuesdays	6:30 PM	Tom Confer
The Book of Romans	Greece	5/26 - 6/30	Sundays	9:30 AM	Tony D'Apice
Lutheran Distinctives	Greece	6/17 - 7/8	Mondays	6:30 PM	Pastor Kirk Dueker
2 Corinthians	Greece	7/7 - 8/11	Sundays	9:30 AM	Dave Smith
Parenting	Greece	7/24 - 8/28	Wednesdays	6:30 PM	Pastor Jeffrey Reuter
Colossians	Greece	8/28 - 9/18	Wednesdays	6:30 PM	Pastor Kirk Dueker
Faith & Doubt	Greece	9/8 - 10/13	Sundays	9:30 AM	Tim Kneeland
Where is Jesus in the Old Testament?	Greece	9/19 - 10/24	Thursdays	6:30 PM	John Brown
Church History	Greece	10/2 - 11/20	Wednesdays	6:30 PM	Dave Smith
The Book of Hebrews	Greece	10/20 - 11/24	Sundays	9:30 AM	Kristo Miettinen

*Classes may be subject to change.*

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# WHAT'S NEXT?



## continue the NEW TESTAMENT CHALLENGE & LIVE IT



Continue to strengthen your faith & experience new life in Christ through living God's Word with others! **A great way to do this is to join a Hope group.** A variety of groups gather from different walks of life with a common goal. **The goal to help you move from learning God's Word to living it out in your daily life.** Join an upcoming Hope Group session to experience the *transformative* power of the Holy Spirit working in Christian community.

## More about Hope Groups at [sharethehope.org/groups](http://sharethehope.org/groups)

