



The University of Manchester



**School of Arts, Languages & Cultures, Faculty of Humanities
Course Unit Descriptor**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Credit Rating	10
Course Unit Title	Biblical Texts on Mission
Unit Code	111 (8111 for Distance learning version)
Unit Level	1
Contact Hours	22 (n/a for Distance learning version)
FHEQ Level	4
Teaching Period	Flexible delivery
Teaching Staff	Dr Hetty Lalleman
ECTS	5

EXTERNAL FACING COURSE UNIT OVERVIEW

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AIMS

To examine selected Biblical texts related to mission and mission practice.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Knowledge and Understanding

- By the end of this unit students will be able to:
- Identify and evaluate different biblical concepts for mission in today's world.

Intellectual Skills

- By the end of this unit students will be able to:
- Discuss the missionary character of the Bible
 - Evaluate the mission practice of God's people throughout biblical history

Practical Skills

- By the end of this unit students will be able to:
- Demonstrate basic exegetical skills

Transferable Skills and Personal Qualities

By the end of this unit students will be able to:

- Apply relevant passages to their personal and church situation
- (111 only) work constructively in a group

Employability Skills

This unit develops analytical and reflective skills with a particular focus on the application of analysis and reflection on practice.

SYLLABUS

1. Introduction
2. Creation in a missionary context: universalism in the Old Testament (a)
3. Universalism in the Old Testament (b)
4. Old Testament people involved in mission
5. The battle as part of mission
6. The Book of Jonah
7. The Gospels: The Kingdom of God
8. The Gospels: Sent into the world
9. Acts and Mission
10. Letters from the New Testament: the Church's proclamation in word and deeds
11. The battle and the victory: God reigns
12. Conclusion
13. Review

TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS

111 Interactive lectures
8111 Distance learning
Unit materials are available at Spurgeon's *Online* to support student learning

ASSESSMENT METHODS

Assessment task	Length	Weighting within unit
Formative: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 111: A written assignment• 8111: A written assignment	500 words 500 words	n/a n/a
Summative: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 111: An essay• 8111: An essay and a learning journal*	2000 words 2000 words	100% 100% Pass/fail*

* Distance learning students are required to pass this element. So long as this element has been passed, they will be eligible for compensation if the overall unit mark is within the compensation zone (30-39%), and the compensatable credit allowance as set out in the Degree Regulations has not been exceeded.

FEEDBACK METHODS

- Oral feedback in class
- Written feedback on formative and summative written submissions within 15 working days

REQUISITES

Available on which programme(s)?	BA in Theology
Available as Free Choice (UG) or to other programmes (PG)?	Available as Free Choice (UG)
Pre-requisite units	n/a
Co-requisite units	n/a

RECOMMENDED READING

Bauckham, Richard J. (ed.), <i>Bible and Mission: Christian Witness in a Postmodern World</i> (Carlisle: Paternoster, 2003)
Bosch, David, <i>Transforming Mission: Paradigm Shifts in Mission</i> (New York: Orbis, 1991)
Glasser, A.F., <i>Announcing the Kingdom: The Story of God's Mission in the Bible</i> (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2003)
Köstenberger, Andreas J., and O'Brien, P.T., <i>Salvation to the Ends of the Earth: A Biblical Theology of Mission</i> (Downers Grove: IVP, 2001)
Larkin, William J., and J.F. Williams (eds), <i>Mission in the New Testament: An Evangelical Approach</i> (New York: Orbis, 1998)
Ott, Craig, Stephen J. Strauss and Timothy C. Tennent, <i>Encountering Theology of Mission: Biblical Foundations, Historical Developments, and Contemporary Issues</i> (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2010)
Peskett, Howard and Vinoth Ramachandra, <i>The Message of Mission: The Glory of Christ in All Time and Space</i> (Leicester: IVP, 2003)
Stott, John R.W., <i>New Issues Facing Christians Today</i> (London: Marshall Pickering, 3rd edn 1999)
Wright, Christopher J.H., <i>The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative</i> (Leicester: IVP, 2006)
Wright, Christopher J.H., <i>The Mission of God's People: a Biblical Theology of the Church's Mission</i> (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2010)

SCHEDULED ACTIVITY HOURS

22 contact hours (n/a for distance learning version)
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PLACEMENT HOURS

n/a

INDEPENDENT STUDY HOURS

78 hours (100 hours for distance learning version)
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ADDITIONAL NOTES

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APPROVAL

Date approved by UGC	
Valid from Date (Publishing Date)	