## **MEMRA 2011 - Beginning Biblical Hebrew**

**Explanation of the Course**: An independent study course, with the assistance of an instructor, designed to give the student an elementary grasp of biblical Hebrew grammar and vocabulary. The course requires a good deal of memorization, but the material is broken up over a year to make it manageable.

#### **Required Materials:**

- Mark Futato, Beginning Biblical Hebrew (Eisenbrauns, 2003)
  - Available in hard copy at Amazon.com
  - o (Recommended) Available in <u>electronic form</u> from Logos Bible Software
    - Note that the instructor does not get a commission on digital sales; there
      are advantages the digital version, but the hard copy book may be used.
- Internet access is required for two reasons:
  - Assorted course videos will be posted in the Google Group created for the course.
  - The Google group is a place where those taking the course can interact and post questions. Posted questions will be addressed in the Week 2 video (see format explanation below).

#### **Course Schedule**

The course begins on Monday, January 3, 2011. The course will follow the schedule below. It is designed to run for one year in two-week units (with the exception of units 21 and 22). Units will at times skip weeks due to holidays.

#### **Explanation of the Two-Week Unit Format**

### **During Week 1** of the two-week unit:

- (1) Students should begin each unit with the video overview of the assigned chapter(s) for the two-week unit.
- (2) Students should also view any other posted videos covering vocabulary or other topics.
- (3) Students read through the assigned chapter(s) for the two-week unit.
- (4) Students attempt to memorize the vocabulary given in the chapter(s) assigned for the two-week unit.
- (5) Students attempt the exercises at the end of the assigned chapter(s).

**NOTE**: The grammar contains an answer key that the student may consult AFTER attempting the exercises. See below for Week two of the unit for more on the exercises.

#### **During Week 2**

At the beginning of week two, students should watch the video(s) on the exercises for the assigned chapter(s). The goal is for the student to check his/her work and to understand why he or she made any mistakes on the exercises. Once again, students can also utilize the answer key for the exercises contained in the grammar.

**NOTE**: Students are encouraged to use the Google Group created for the course to post questions. Since the videos will be posted at the beginning of Week 2, students need to start each unit promptly so the instructor gets their questions in time for the video.

# Schedule of Units

2 WEEK UNIT	DESCRIPTION (F = "Futato grammar")
Unit 1 = 1/3-16/2011	F – chapters 1-3
Unit 2 = 1/17-30/2011	F – chapters 4-5
Unit 3 = 1/31-2/13/2011	F – chapter 6
[added exam week, 2/14-	Exam over chapters 1-6, including vocabulary
20/2011]	
Unit 4 = 2/21-3/6/2011	F – chapters 7-10 (just skim 8)
[added exam week, 3/7-	Cumulative vocab exam AND exam over chs. 1-10
13/2011]	
Unit 5 = 3/14-27/2011	F – chapter 11
Unit 6 = 3/28-4/10/2011	F – chapters 12-13
[added exam week, 4/11-	Cumulative vocab exam and exam over chs. 1-13
17/2011]	
[HOLIDAY week, 4/18-	Review time
24/2011]; Easter and Passover	
Unit 7 = 4/25-5/8/2011	F = Chapters 14-15
Unit 8 = 5/9-22/2011	F – chapters 16-17
Unit 9 = 5/23-6/5/2011	F – chapters 18-19
[added exam week, 6/6-	Cumulative vocab exam AND exam over chs. 11-19
12/2011]	
Unit 10 = 6/13-26/2011	F – chapter 20
Unit 11 = 6/27-7/10/2011	F – chapter 21
Unit 12 = 7/11-24/2011	F – chapters 22-23
Unit 13 = 7/25-8/7/2011	F – chapter 24
[added exam week, 8/8-	Cumulative vocab exam AND exam over chs. 11-24
14/2011]	
Unit 14 = 8/15-28/2011	F – chapter 25
Unit 15 = 8/29-9/11/2011	F – chapter 26
Unit 16 = 9/12-25/2011	F – chapter 27
Unit 17 = 9/26-10/9/2011	F – chapters 28-29
Unit 18 = 10/10-23/2011	F – chapter 30-31
[added exam week, 10/24-	Cumulative vocab exam AND exam over chs. 11-31
30/2011]	
Unit 19 = 10/31-11/13/2011	F – chapter 32-34
[Holiday break, 11/14-	Review vocab and previous chapters
27/2011]	· · · · ·
Unit 20 = 11/28-12/11/2011	F – chapters 35-36
Unit 21 = 12/12-18/2011	F – chapter 37
One week unit!	
[Holiday break, 12/19-	Christmas Break
25/2011]	
Unit 22 = 12/26-1/1/2012	F – chapter 38
One week unit!	
Unit 23 = 1/2-15/2012	F – chapters 39-40
[added exam week, 1/16-	Final exam; Cumulative vocab exam AND exam over
22/2012]	chs. 31-40