

UTT Series Book I—Foundations Scope and Sequence

18 Chapters (units), 10 subsections per unit

180 class Lessons: 10 Class Lessons/Chapter

Chapter (Unit)	Key Themes:	Key Verses	Sequence
Chapter 1: Introduction	- worldview definition and examples of worldviews observed in the world today - what it means to be Christian, as well as three common misconceptions about being a Christian - why the Bible is foundational for Christians - common mistakes that people make in reading the Bible - summary of six acts and the interlude of the biblical story - knowing God and ourselves. - becoming like Christ is a lifelong process - why love is a Christian's primary calling. - the concept of truth	Luke 18:22 Proverbs 9:10	10
Chapter 2: What the Bible Is and Isn't	- four ways the Bible has influenced the world - four different ways people approach and read the Bible today - the different components of the Bible and how it is arranged - general and special revelation - how the canon of Scripture was selected. - three criteria used to select the books of the New Testament - three reasons to be confident that the entire Bible is God's Word "the correspondence theory of truth" is and how it relates to the Bible. - why relativism is a false belief and why truth matters	Psalms 19:1–4 Romans 1:19–20 Romans 2:14–15 2 Timothy 3:16	10
Chapter 3: Does the Bible Have Authority?	- what authority is and what it means to submit to God's authority. - internal evidence from the Bible to defend the Old Testament's authority. - specific examples of how Jesus confirmed his trust in the Old Testament. - the apostles' intent and authority for writing the New Testament. - examples of external evidence that support the Old Testament's reliability - ancient nonbiblical writings that confirm the historicity of Jesus and the teaching of the early Christians - the role of eyewitness testimony and the Church Fathers in affirming the accuracy of the Gospels - how the Dead Sea Scrolls and many early New Testament manuscripts confirm the accurate preservation of the biblical writings - responses to three common objections to the reliability and authority of the Bible. - five areas of life that are under God's authority - the importance of evaluating and examining all truth claims for accuracy - why God wants people to obey him	Proverbs 30:5–6 2 Peter 3:15–16 2 Peter 1:20–21	10
Chapter 4: How to Read the Bible	- how not to do a Bible study - the necessity of personal Bible reading and various benefits of studying God's Word - how postmodernism has affected the study of the Bible - common mistakes that people make when reading the Bible - seven steps to reading the Bible well and ways to apply what they learn in Bible study	2 Timothy 2:15 2 Timothy 3:16–17 James 1:22 1 Thessalonians 2:13	10
Chapter 5: The Bible as a Story	- the importance of stories - the different components of well-formed narratives. - the relationship between metanarratives, worldviews, and the meaning of life - the postmodern view of metanarratives - common non-Christian worldviews - summarize the metanarrative of the Bible. - defend the Bible as a historical metanarrative - biblical characters who were aware they were part of God's larger story - the six main acts in the biblical metanarrative and their corresponding Scriptures - God's role in the biblical metanarrative - the importance of knowing that the Bible is a metanarrative when interpreting difficult passages	Mark 1:14–15 Romans 1:1–5 Galatians 4:4 Revelation 21:5	10
Chapter 6: Act 1: Creation	- the purpose of creation myth - summarize the creation narrative from Genesis 1 - the account of the creation of humans found in Genesis 2 - various attributes of God including His transcendence and immanence - three ways in which human beings bear God's image - God's plan for people as relational and sexual beings - the biblical mandate for stewardship to our relationship with nature - the false ideas in creation myths and the truth of the Genesis creation story. - seven ways the biblical creation story is distinct from other worldviews.	Genesis 1:1 Genesis 1:26–28 Genesis 1:31 Genesis 2:18 Psalm 8:4–6	10
Chapter 7: Act 2: The Fall	- the harmony of the original creation with the state of the world today - the three words used in the Bible for sin - the fall is and how it happened. - the physical and spiritual consequences of the fall in peoples' relationship with God and nature - the consequences of the fall in peoples' relationships with themselves and with other people - the doctrine of original sin and whether God is to blame for peoples' sin - how God responded to Adam and Eve's sin and showed grace to them by promising redemption - examples of sin in the lives of Adam and Eve's descendants - what a covenant is, how God made a covenant with Noah, and what happened to humans after the tower of Babel.	Genesis 3:6 Genesis 3:14–19 Genesis 9:7–13 Romans 3:23 Romans 5:12	10
Chapter 8: Act 3: Redemption Initiated—Israel	- a covenant is, how God made a covenant with Noah, and what happened to humans after the tower of Babel - relate the Passover to the exodus from Egypt - explain the purpose of the tabernacle and the temple - differentiate between the two categories of Old Testament laws, the two types of sacrifices, and the three major festivals - the pattern Israel fell into during the period of the judges - summarize details about the first three kings of Israel - the consequences of sin and idolatry in the northern kingdom and how that sin interfered with Israel's mission - Jehoshaphat, Hezekiah, and Josiah and other kings of Judah and Israel by indicating how they served the Lord - how Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego modeled faithfulness to God - define a prophet and discuss the types of messages prophets were entrusted to deliver.	Genesis 50:20 Acts 13:22 2 Kings 5:15 Jeremiah 29:7	10
Chapter 9: Interlude: The Second Temple Period	- the empires represented in Daniel's vision - examples of the challenges Jews returning from exile faced - the rise of Greek culture during the intertestamental period - the factors that led to the Maccabean Revolt - how the rise of the Roman Empire set the stage for the birth, life, and death of Christ - the four key Jewish symbols during the second temple period - the role of synagogues post-exile and how Jews and Samaritans related to one another - the four Jewish factions that emerged during the second temple period - examples of literature from the second temple period - the five hopes of the Jewish people during the second temple period	Daniel 7:13–14 Acts 17:2–3 Galatians 4:4–5	10

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Chapter 10: Act 4: Redemption Accomplished—Jesus	- three ways in which the incarnation is significant - Jesus' ministry, the gospel and the kingdom of God - popular views of Jesus' identity with Jesus' own claim to be the Messiah - four lessons Jesus taught about the kingdom of God through parables and to interpret the parable of the tenants - two miracles Jesus accomplished and what they were a sign of - each of the eight beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount. - summarize the ethical teachings from the Sermon on the Mount. - two aspects of Jesus' redemptive work on the cross. - respond to skeptical objections to the resurrection - the most plausible explanation for the disciples' transformation - two major implications of Jesus' ascension	Luke 1:26–33 Luke 4:17–19 John 1:14 1 Corinthians 15:3–4	10
Chapter 11: Act 5: Restoration Initiated—The Church	- the kingdom of God is already here but is not yet fully realized - the relationship between church, the Great Commission, and Pentecost - how the early church grew despite the challenges it faced - how the New Testament epistles addressed concerns of the early church and continue to be relevant to the church today - summarize major events in the history of the church from the first century to the present era. - how sin affects humans' relationship with God and how that relationship can be restored through Christ - how God restores our relationship with ourselves and continues to transform us. - how Christ's redemption provides the opportunity for restored relationships with others. - how redemption has implications beyond ourselves and extends to the restoration of all creation	Matthew 28:18–20 John 13:34–35 Acts 2:1–4 1 Corinthians 12:12–14 1 Peter 2:9	10
Chapter 12: Act 6: Restoration Accomplished—New Creation	- relate redemption through Jesus Christ to the Christian hope of future restoration - the literary and cultural context of Revelation and the relevance of the Lamb in the book of Revelation. - the role of suffering in the Christian life. - the Christian view of God's final judgment - the clear truth about hell. - the eternal destiny of Christians - the significance of the second coming and what Christians should do while awaiting Christ's return - the new creation described in Revelation with the first creation in Genesis and details of the New Jerusalem	Acts 1:11 Romans 8:21 1 Peter 5:10 Revelation 21:5	10
Chapter 13: Who Is God?	- four ways in which people view God - how to know God and how he reveals himself to us - God is self-existent, personal, spirit, and incarnate in Jesus - God's eternality, omniscience, omnipotence, omnipresence, and immutability - God is holy, wise, righteous, and loving - the doctrine of the Trinity and argue that tritheism and modalism are false beliefs - Old Testament verses to support that God is three Persons in one. - New Testament verses that confirm God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - reasons why the Trinity is important to the Christian faith.	Psalm 90:2 Isaiah 46:9–10 Jeremiah 23:23–24 Matthew 3:16–17 1 John 4:8–10	10
Chapter 14: Who God Wants Us to Be	- what human means and why we have a need for God. - Jesus was fully human, he is a model we can follow for holy living in this world - as we follow Jesus, our character is gradually transformed so we can glorify God - the benefits of being in union with Christ - following Jesus requires serving others - following Jesus requires us to pick up our cross daily and to be willing to face suffering and persecution for his sake - Christian hope from optimism and pessimism and explain why we can have such hope - biblical examples of growing in Christlikeness - why it is necessary for believers to be in community	Matthew 5:48 Matthew 16:21–25 Philippians 1:6 Philippians 2:3–4 2 Peter 1:4	10
Chapter 15: Walking with God	- the purpose of the spiritual disciplines - differentiate between Christian spiritual disciplines and Eastern religion transcendence practices - examples of various approaches to prayer. - the Lord's Prayer as a model for prayer - the various forms of Christian worship - Christian meditation and Christian contemplation into personal Bible study - the merits of reading from a variety of authors, including those they disagree with - the three different types of fasts and describe appropriate fasting - the biblical view of simplicity and stewardship - how the stories of faithful Christians of the past can help modern Christians grow spiritually.	Genesis 3:6 Genesis 3:14–19 Genesis 9:7–13 Romans 3:23 Romans 5:12	10
Chapter 16: Walking with God in Community	- critique Simeon Stylites' model of spiritual solitude in relation to the Christian's need to be in community. - the elements of Christian worship in community - the value of worship services and small groups - the importance of prayer and the appropriate use of spiritual gifts - the significance of confession, accountability partners, and spiritual mentors. - the purpose of baptism and communion - how giving and serving meet the needs of our community - examples of how to share the gospel - four specific ways the church has positively impacted society	Hebrews 10:25 2 Corinthians 5:17 2 Corinthians 4:16 Matthew 5:44	10
Chapter 17: Loving God and Others	- the importance of keeping the two greatest commandments - four types of love and how to love God - receiving God's love to the ability to love others. - examples of ways Jesus demonstrated love. - summarize what loving your neighbor means - how Christians can contribute to building healthy communities - the concept of Christian dual citizenship and our responsibilities as citizens of God's kingdom - five principles for loving enemies.	Psalm 135:15–18 Matthew 5:43–45 John 15:12 Romans 13:8–10	10
Chapter 18: Conclusion	- the steps to reading the Bible well and summarize the Bible's metanarrative 15 attributes of God. - how to grow in relationship with God and how become more like Christ - how Christianity answers life's biggest questions - evangelism and apologetics are part of living out the Christian faith	2 Timothy 3:16–17 Matthew 3:16–17 Matthew 28:18–20 1 Peter 2:9 John 13:34–35	10