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Davenant Hall Course on Reading the Bible

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\$99 for ten weeks. Sign up by the 25th January!

Transcript

Welcome back. Today I returned from a two-week trip to the US and was reminded on my return that I had failed to do something very important that I should have done beforehand, which is to advertise my forthcoming Davenant Hall course. Davenant Hall is a program set up by the Davenant Institute that offers courses in scripture, history, Christian doctrine, and philosophy.

In the next term we're going to be doing courses on Richard Hooker and theological method, Aristotelian ethics, medieval theology, the five points of Calvinism, modern apologetics, the medieval papacy, biblical hermeneutics, and my course on how to read the Bible. The purpose of my course is to give an introduction to the reading of the biblical text accessible to a wide audience. You do not need to have any sort of specialist knowledge to enter this course.

You do not need to have a knowledge of the biblical languages. We will be dealing with the text in English and helping you to understand some of the patterns, some of the ways in which you can approach the text to get the most out of your biblical reading. One of the purposes of my video channel and also my podcast has been to make the scriptures accessible to people in the church, not just to teach about the meanings of particular passages, but to give people some of the instincts that they can read with themselves, to teach people how to fish, not just to fish for them.

And if you are interested in looking deeper into the methodology, the approach, and the instincts and skills that will help you to read your Bible better, this course is for you. The course is going to start on the 3rd of February and the applications close in a couple of days time. They may be extended, but there is a very narrow window of opportunity.

I'm sorry, I got to advertising this very late. So if you are interested, now is the time to apply. There are already a number of people signed up, so there may be few places to fill.

Apply now if you would like to be involved in this course. The course involves 10 weeks of lectures. Each lecture will be about an hour to an hour and a half in length.

There will be time for discussion and interaction. There will be some reading recommendations, but I'm trying to keep the reading recommendations fairly light or the expectations. There will be recommendations if you want to look further.

The course will involve Zoom conferences and will arrange times that are convenient for as many people as possible. On my previous course, I offered two different times during the week so that people could choose whichever one suited them. Depending on how full the course is, I may do that again.

The other thing is that if you miss a course or a particular session, all the sessions are recorded and they will be sent to you. They're not publicised, so if you do not sign up for the course, you won't have access to this material. There is no guarantee that I'm going to teach this course again.

It's quite likely that I will, but there is no guarantee. So if you are interested in the subject, sign up now. It's going to be a great course.

I'm really looking forward to teaching this. As you probably know, I love getting into the depths of scripture. I love trying to explore some of the patterns and the structures and to see some of the deep themes and motifs that are playing out throughout the whole text.

So if you are interested, sign up at the Davenant Hall section of the Davenant Institute website. I will put the link to that in the notes for this podcast or YouTube video. If you would like to know more, please contact me using the contact page on my blog and I can answer any questions that you might have.

Thank you very much for listening. God bless.