

**Syllabus for Penn West Conference Lay Leaders Academy
Hebrew Bible/First Testament/Old Testament for 2017-2018**

Nevi'im

(former prophets)

Joshua; Judges; 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel; 1 Kings, 2 Kings

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This is an **Evolving Syllabus** – My Best Guesses to Start with in Anticipation with continued updates and hopefully improvements

Texts:

Bible – New RSV

John J. Collins A Short Introduction to Hebrew Bible, second edition

Session 1 **Joshua** September 15 & 16, 2017

Session 2 **Judges** October 13 & 14, 2017

Session 3, **1 Samuel, 2 Samuel** March 9 & 10, 2018

Session 4 **1 Kings, 2 Kings** May 11 & 12, 2018:

Session Format

1. Review Discoveries, Questions from scripture reading
2. Questions from Collins
3. Observations related to lectionary passages
4. Other assignments like Sermon critique. Sermon series plan, Bible Study plan
5. Other avenues to explore the text: art, music, drama, sitcoms?

Initial Session

Brief Intro...Dealing with my dementia ---

Questions

1. Why do People. You. Me. Read the Bible? Read the text first without commentary.....NRSV
2. On First Read

Note Surprises, patterns, clues

Huh?

New

Wow

What?

Resources

On line Bible Gateway - Multiple Translations of Bible (biblegateway.com)

Text week – lectionary resource, including commentary on weekly texts, sermons and more

Bible Art

http://www.conservapedia.com/Famous_Bible_paintings

<http://www.biblical-art.com/>

<http://www.artbible.info/art/>

Art in the Christian Tradition Vanderbilt)

<http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/>

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The Bible Project Youtube

<http://www.artbible.info/>

Web Gallery of Art www.wga.hu

Website for Summary of Bible Books and some topical work

Podcasts



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