# **Back to School Sermon Series**

Syllabus

# **Course Description**

This course is designed to answer questions submitted by the students. The course will provide knowledge in answer to the questions asked with the ultimate goal of helping each of us discover God's truth.

#### **Course Outcome**

The ultimate purpose of this sermon series is to enable participants to be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit, as we seek together to develop a relationship with God that will enable us to bring glory to the one who created us and gives us life.

#### **Course Textbooks**

Required: The Holy Bible (any version of your choice). Please bring your textbook to class.

Suggested Reading:

Pastor Mark will offer suggestions of other books to enhance your learning experience, but none of them are as important as the Bible.

#### **Course Schedule**

This sermon series will be conducted for 4 Sundays. Each sermon will answer several questions, packing lots in a little time. Pastor Mark reserves the right to make changes to the questions answered each week as the Holy Spirit directs. The Holy Spirit is the ultimate instructor.

## Week 1 (Aug. 31)

Title: Textbook Of Life

Key Text: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Questions Answered: Why do Protestants not use the Septuagint? How do we know the history between Adam and Jesus? Do Nazarene's believe the Bible is inspired by God? What is the hardest passage of scripture I have ever had to preach from.

Truth Discovered: The Bible is God's Word, and we must trust the Bible that God has preserved for us as our guide for faith and life.

## Week 2 (Sept. 14)

Title: The First Adam Key Text: Romans 5:12

Questions Answered: Where did Cain's wife come from? How did sin enter Heaven for Satan to fall? Why is it so hard to live the Christian life?

Truth Discovered: The sin of Adam and Eve has affected everyone born since then, but unlike the angels, we have a chance to be redeemed through the blood of Jesus Christ.

## Week 3 (Sept. 21)

Title: The Last Adam

Key Text: 1 Corinthians 15:45

Questions Answered: Why do some Christians seem to be hypocrites? What can we do to help our children grow up to be strong Christians? Do I always have to struggle with the same temptations my whole life?

Truth Discovered: Jesus is the new Adam that gives us a fresh start in life due to His death and resurrection on the cross. We cannot stop short of discovering all that is available through this new life given us through our union with Christ.

## Week 4 (Sept. 28)

Title: United With Him in Baptism

Key Text: Romans 6:1-4

Questions Answered: Why is baptism important? How many times should someone be baptized? Do Nazarenes believe in once saved always saved? Do we go to Heaven immediately when we die?

Truth Discovered: Baptism is a wonderful means of God's grace in which we follow the example of Jesus Christ. The grace of baptism does not need to be ever repeated. It marks us as those who will be united with Christ for all eternity.