

Final Exam Study Guide

The final is taken exclusively from the lectures, manual (lecture notes), and the Garimus File. There are 131 questions, fairly evenly drawn from Sessions #2 through #20. While no specific dates are asked for in the final, there are several opportunities to discover whether or not you know the chronological order of events and the like.

The goal of the final exam is not to test for picky details, which you would just put in your short-term memory, but the wise student will “own” the general structure (outline) of most of the books. The intent of many of the questions is to help you develop an “ear” for the books and authors by testing your ability to distinguish between them (i.e. the matching questions). The final exam will be thorough and difficult, but fair. We hope you learn a lot, even by taking the exam.

Note: This study guide is not meant to be exhaustive and there may be questions on the final exam that are not addressed in this study guide. It is meant to be a guide to help you know how much detail you need to know on some topics.

Review for Final

- Canonicity, general timeline, principles governing
- Intertestamental periods (and their meanings)
- Intertestamental literature
- The “Q” source
- Ancient manuscripts
- Textual criticism
- Form criticism
- Redaction criticism
- Higher and Lower criticism
- For each book know:
 - characteristics
 - outline
 - major themes
 - author(s)
 - where they were written from
 - time frame when written
 - purpose
 - audience
- Timeline of Paul’s life
- events God used to shape Paul
- order books were written
- Names of Jesus’ disciples
- Septuagint
- Who founded the church at Rome
- Interpretations Hebrews 6
- Gnosticism
- Eschatology
- schools of interpretation
- views on millennium
- Difficulties commonly encountered in understanding the epistles
- New Testament writers and their characteristics

Instructions for Taking the Final

1. Take the final exam online (<http://virtualibs.ccci.org/course/view.php?id=7>).
2. This is a closed book exam. Do not use any helps (readings, lecture notes, etc.).