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**Live Classes**

# **World History: A Journey Through HIS-story**

**Mr. Powell**

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**Syllabus**

**2025-2026**



## Personal Note from Instructor:

Welcome to *World History*! It is my privilege to guide you through this fascinating journey, exploring the stories of civilizations, cultures, and events that have shaped our world. Together, we will uncover the hand of God in history, examining how His truth has guided humanity through the ages. My hope is that this course not only deepens your understanding of history but also strengthens your faith as we see God's plan unfold across time.

## Recommended Grade Level:

9th – 12th grade

## Prerequisites:

None

## Live Lecture Date & Time:

Wednesday 10 – 11 am **Eastern**  
Wednesday 9 – 10 am **Central**

Wednesday 8 – 9 am **Mountain**  
Wednesday 7 – 8 am **Pacific**

*NOTE: The instructor does not require attendance of the live lectures but highly recommends students attend as many of the live lectures as possible to take advantage of live Q&A. Lectures are recorded and posted on the course Canvas page under the associated week and module. If you miss a lecture, please watch the recording.*

## Description:

Embark on an exciting journey through HIS-Story, exploring history from Creation to modern-day events through a Christian perspective. This course provides a comprehensive look at the development of civilizations, the rise and fall of empires, and the pivotal events that have shaped the world. We will begin by examining how history is studied and recorded, including the methods of archaeology, dating techniques, and the significance of the written record. Along the way, we'll uncover the hand of God in the unfolding of history, gaining a deeper understanding of His purpose and plan through the ages. This is more than a study of the past—it's an opportunity to see how history informs our faith and shapes our future.

# Course Topics:

The historical eras we will explore and evaluate from a Biblical worldview include, but are not limited to:

- **Early Civilizations and Kingdoms:** The foundations of human societies and the role of faith in their development.
- **Classical Greece, Rome, and Early Christianity:** The cultural and political legacies that shaped Western civilization and the spread of the Gospel.
- **African History:** The rich heritage and contributions of African societies throughout history.
- **The Early Middle Ages and the Development of European Nations:** The growth of Christendom and the shaping of medieval Europe.
- **Pre-Columbian America:** The civilizations of the Americas prior to European contact.
- **The Renaissance and the Reformation:** A revival of art and learning alongside the transformative impact of the Protestant Reformation.
- **The Enlightenment and Humanism:** The shift toward reason and individualism and its challenges to Biblical principles.
- **The French Revolution:** The quest for liberty and its consequences on society and faith.
- **Industrial Progress:** Technological advancements and their impact on humanity and moral ethics.
- **Democratic Nationalism and European Imperialism:** The rise of nation-states and the spread of European influence around the globe.
- **WWI, WWII, and Other Military Conflicts:** The global conflicts that shaped the modern era and the role of faith amidst war.

This course offers a comprehensive study of these eras, always considering how history reflects God's sovereignty and humanity's need for redemption.

## Required Class Materials:

[Streams of Civilization, Volume 1: Third Edition.](#) Mary Stanton, Albert Hyma

[Streams of Civilization Volume 2 Textbook \(3rd Edition\).](#) Garry J. Moes

## Assignment Structure:

Each textbook has 17 chapters. We will read through the chapters throughout the course; 1st Semester covering Volume 1 and the 2nd Semester covering Volume 2. Each week will have a multiple-choice quiz, and there will be both a Mid-Term and Final exam. All quizzes/exams will be open-book.

## Grading:

<b>Class Participation/Discussion Posts</b>	20%
<b>Attendance</b>	20%
<b>Chapter Quizzes</b>	25%
<b>Mid-Term and Final Exams</b>	35%
<b>Extra Credit</b>	*

\*Extra credit is provided at the discretion of the instructor.

## Due Dates and Late Policy:

Pay attention to due dates. Assignments not completed by the due date will be marked late. All assignments have a built-in two weeks for completion therefore extensions will not be offered.

## Student Conduct:

### Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty is any type of cheating that occurs on any exercise related to this course. It can include plagiarism, fabrication, deception,

cheating, bribery, sabotage, professional misconduct, and impersonation. **Any type of cheating will not be tolerated!**

Cheating includes but is not limited to copying homework, falsifying reasons for missing class, copying other students' exams/homework/answers, impersonating a parent, having someone else login to a Canvas/Zoom account to complete material on a student's behalf, or plagiarizing material someone else has written and claiming it as your own.

**Any plagiarism will receive 0 points and the parents will be notified.**

### **Class Behavior**

**Zoom** is our online classroom. You will use the link provided in the Canvas portal to log on every week. You will enter your **First Name and the Initial of your last name**. Do not use nicknames, if the teacher is unable to recognize the student, said student will be removed from class. The class is being **recorded**.

## **Instructor Availability for Questions:**

Instructor is available by email Monday – Friday: [mrpowell@apologia.com](mailto:mrpowell@apologia.com)  
Office hours are on Fridays 9a-12p

Additional details on instructor availability are provided during the open house for this course.