

## 2018 "GET EQUIPPED"

### Course Structure

"Get Equipped" is a set of 4 courses, offered one per term, and running for 6 Monday evenings each. Broadly speaking, most evenings are divided into two sections: the first section deals with how we *understand* the Bible and the second section is how we *apply* the Bible to all of life. You can register for as few or as many courses as you like.

### Course Participants

These courses are primarily aimed to serve Christians who want to deepen their ability to understand, teach and live out the message of the Bible. Work experience is preferred but not essential.

### Course Presenters

The courses are offered by the Johannesburg Bible College (JBC). The presenters will be Nat Schluter (principal) and Thorsten Marbach (lecturer).

### Course Contents

#### **Course 1: God's Story, My Story**

This course looks at how the whole Bible proclaims one large story. We also explore what this story means for how we understand and navigate the world in which we live. This will include a Bible overview, a Biblical worldview foundation, a look at various Christian approaches to the Bible and to culture, and what it means to be spiritual in the "real world".

#### **Course 2: Love God, Love Neighbour**

Jesus summarises the scriptures in relational terms: love God, love neighbour (Mt.22:37-40). What can this practically look like at home, in church, at the workplace and in wider society? This course traces how this relational theme runs through the whole Bible and God's entire kingdom, and offers a Bible-based model to help us understand and improve all our relationships.

#### **Course 3: Apologetics 2.0**

Apologetics is about so much more than presenting proofs for the existence of God. It is about offering meaningful answers to the deep head & heart questions our friends or colleagues have, in a way that makes sense to them, and in a way that builds relationship. This course aims to help us build our skills and confidence for such conversations.

#### **Course 4: A Book of the Bible brought to Life**

This course looks at how we come to understand and apply a book of the Bible - faithful to the text, and relevant to life. With ample opportunity to practice, the course offers a method for translating a selected passage of scripture into life application, a sermon or a Bible Study. There is a particular emphasis on making the message "real" and practical in today's context.

## Course Dates & Times

Monday evenings, 18:30 for 18:45 until 21:00. Please arrive on time.

4 courses of 6 sessions each, as follows:

- Course 1: 12 February - 19 March
- Course 2: 16 April - 28 May (not 30 April)
- Course 3: 30 July - 3 September
- Course 4: 8 October - 12 November

## Course Venue

The venue is Rosebank Union Church, corner William Nicol & St Andrews Rd, Sandton.

Transport is provided from and back to the JBC Auckland Park Campus (corner Hampton & Golf Streets). Besides this, students need to arrange their own transport.

## Course Cost

R600 per term (R300 if unwaged). Some bursaries are available.

Payment can be made by EFT as follows (alternatively a cash payment at the first session of each course is also possible):

- Bank: FNB (First National Bank)
- Acc Name: Johannesburg Bible College
- Acc No: 62078805888
- Branch Code : 256505 (Melville)
- Reference: "Sandton " followed by your name
- Proof of payment: email to [charlene@jbc.org.za](mailto:charlene@jbc.org.za)

## Course Registration

Register online at either of the following:

- [www.ruc.org.za](http://www.ruc.org.za) (select "Equipping", then "JBC")
- [www.jbc.org.za](http://www.jbc.org.za) (select "Courses", "Evening Courses", "Connect @ Sandton")

## Homework and Assignments

- Small homework tasks or assignments may occasionally be given.
- Further reading is sometimes recommended but is not compulsory.
- There are no tests or exams on these courses.

## Course Accreditation

Please note that these courses are designed to be more practical than academic, and are *not* accredited with other educational institutions.

## Contact Info

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