



# EMMAUS EQUIP PROGRAM

THE EMMAUS ROAD -  
“THE ROAD TO BIBLE KNOWLEDGE”

It is our vision that ‘The Emmaus Road Academic Program’ will be a tool for encouraging the study of God's Word individually, in discipling relationships, and in group settings.

May all be blessed by learning “the things concerning Himself.”



# EMMAUS CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL

## EQUIP PROGRAM

## CURRICULUM & CERTIFICATES

*Emmaus: An international, non-denominational ministry, distributing over 1.4 million Bible correspondence courses annually, in over 120 languages through 1200 distribution centres, in more than 109 countries.*

Emmaus Correspondence School (ECS) courses are a helpful tool that leads the student, a step at a time, into some of the great truths of Scripture.

ECS Ministries has been helping students study the Bible by mail since 1942. Leading educators recognize study by mail as an effective method of learning. Students frequently achieve better results from home study than through classroom instruction. It has been shown that students often experience a greater degree of retention of material studied through correspondence than through listening to a Bible teaching message.

A Bible correspondence course is not a substitute for the Word of God, but rather a helpful tool that leads the student, a step at a time, into some of the great truths of scripture. Through the examination technique, it seeks a response, enabling the student to express themselves, and the instructor to evaluate the student's needs and respond in turn with appropriate counsel or instruction.

Using the Emmaus Correspondence School curriculum is convenient, as the students arrange the study to suit their own schedule. Home study is inexpensive as there is no loss of earnings or expensive tuition, and living costs that are associated with being a resident Bible College student. In addition, when the student enrolls in an Emmaus course, the student receives Biblically sound Christ-centred study materials. The student can select a wide range of courses from a constantly expanding curriculum to meet their current needs or interest.

In summary, when the student enrolls in an Emmaus course they receive much more than an ordinary book or study guide can offer. Included in their enrolment, are not only the services and counsel of a personal tutor, but a continuing interest in their spiritual growth and welfare. Students are invited to join the millions who have benefited from the help of Emmaus Correspondence Courses in their personal study, and ministry to others.

### **What are the Emmaus Correspondence School EQUIP Programs?**

Utilising 74 Emmaus Bible study courses, the programs are designed to be run as a church housed or group Bible study program. Students can study individually or as part of an organised group.

## What are the achievable outcomes?

The Apostle Paul encouraged the young man Timothy: *Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.* (2 Timothy 2:15).

We live in a time when many are neglecting personal Bible study. With the aid of the Emmaus study program and encouraged by their local church, the student will be more inclined to dedicate themselves to the systematic study of the Scriptures.

*We have found that as Students become more confident in the Scriptures, they are more likely to contribute to the enrichment of their local fellowship.*

***It is time to invest in the things that matter!***

## Why study with the Emmaus Correspondence School?

The courses are written in such a way as to personally enrich and guide the students study of the Scriptures. They do this by giving an excellent grounding in the Bible and although they don't provide formally accredited certification, they are eminently suitable to prepare the student for further theological studies if they so desire.

*There are over 100 courses available.*

## What is the benefit to the local church?

The program is designed to draw the church together in Bible study, for the enrichment of individuals, the encouragement of exercising spiritual gifts, and empowering for outreach.

*Church leadership can be assured that those who have completed the studies have demonstrated their commitment to spiritual enrichment.*

### Ten reasons to study with Emmaus Correspondence School

- The courses are Biblically sound
- They are instructional
- They are systematic
- They test for comprehension
- The offer of grading and personalised instruction
- Flexible studying times
- Over 100 courses to choose from
- They are excellent teaching tools
- They are inexpensive
- The Student receives certificates for successful completion of courses

## What do you get in an ECS Course?

An ECS course is a self-guided Bible study. The course not only includes the commentary text, but also an exam booklet with multiple choice and short answer questions that corresponds to each chapter of the text. If the student desires the Emmaus office to grade the exams, they must transfer their multiple-choice answers to a single sheet exam page which is provided. Only this sheet is to be returned to the Emmaus office.

*Exams enable the student to express themselves and the instructor to evaluate the student's needs and respond in turn with appropriate counsel or instruction.*

## How are the ECS Courses Graded?

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Course grades are the average of all the exam grades for each chapter in each course. The course grade is rounded to the nearest whole number and is expressed as a percentage. The only exception to the rounding rule is the course grade 100%, which must represent a perfect score on every exam in the course (example: a course grade of 99.7% would be rounded to 99 rather than 100). Courses with a grade of 69% or lower may not be retaken to improve a course grade.

*Each course exam chapter includes 'What do you say?' questions. These questions are for review and to better evaluate the students understanding of the topic. However, the answer or comment provided in this section is not accessed as part of the grading of the chapter.*

## What are the options with the ECS Course Modules?

### **The Introduction Program:**

The Introduction Program is a Foundation Module that is designed for students who have not yet come to faith, or are new Christians. This program includes courses proven to be effective for evangelism, and courses that introduce Bible layout, the work and person of Christ, and how to live a Christlike life. There is one Module in the Introduction Program with a total value of 13 units.

*Students who complete the Foundation Module will be able to have their overall grade attributed to their graduation result, should they participate in the Establishment Program at a later date.*

### **The Establishment Program:**

The Establishment Program is designed for students who are committed to systematic study of the word of God. There are seven Modules and a total of sixty-one courses to complete. While the completion of the Emmaus courses provides no formally recognised theological accreditation, the certifications can be used by local church leaders to recognise the significant effort students put into systematic Bible study.

Each Emmaus Correspondence School course is equal to between 1 and 4 units. The unit certificate is issued for each course the student completes with a grade of 70% or higher. Each certificate is made out in the student's name, showing the name of the course, date completed, grade, and units earned.

As each Module is completed with a successful pass, an attractively printed certificate acknowledging the achievement will be issued, and at the completion of the seven Modules, a special graduation certificate is granted.

*The Emmaus Correspondence School offers students the opportunity to study in their local church using the Emmaus resources, with achievement and graduation certificates granted by the Emmaus Australian Home office.*

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## What are the ECS Course Modules?

Emmaus Correspondence School offers an Introduction Program and an Establishment Program.

The course Modules follow the concept of the 'Emmaus Road', as in Luke 24 when the risen Christ beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

Using a selection from the Emmaus Bible study courses, the Modules lead the student through a progression of studies that will bring greater understanding concerning the person and work of Christ, and their responsibility in the world and in their local church.

There is one Module with a total of 13 units in the Introduction Program, and seven Modules with a total of 125 units in the of the Establishment Program. All courses in each Module must be completed to graduate with an Emmaus EQUIP Certificate.

## **The Introduction Program**

### **How is the Introduction Program run?**

The program is designed to run in a local church or group setting. Church leadership are best equipped to implement the formal study of the Scriptures by the members in the church fellowship, and can actively encourage them to participate in the program. When a reasonable number have indicated a willingness to be involved, a suitable person needs to be appointed for the role of an Associate Instructor (AI). This person will be qualified to oversee a church based Bible study program, and will be the liaison person between the church based students, and the ECS Home office.

Students may alternatively wish to complete the courses individually, and those students who prefer to participate separate to a church based program should order their courses direct from the ECS Home office. They are encouraged to return their course exams to the ECS Home office for grading.

There is one Module in the Emmaus Correspondence School Introduction Program:

**The Foundation Module** has twelve essential courses with a total value of 13 units.  
(An introduction to Bible study):

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| 1. Born to Win                       | (1 unit)  |
| 2. Men Who Met the Master            | (1 unit)  |
| 3. God is There                      | (1 unit)  |
| 4. The Greatest Man Alive            | (1 unit)  |
| 5. The Bible – What's in it for You? | (1 unit)  |
| 6. I'll Take the High Road           | (2 units) |
| 7. The Christian Life                | (1 unit)  |
| 8. A Journey Through the Bible       | (1 unit)  |
| 9. Good News for All (Romans)        | (1 unit)  |
| 10. Guide to Christian Growth        | (1 unit)  |
| 11. Proverbs for Life                | (1 unit)  |
| 12. Lord's Supper and Baptism        | (1 unit)  |

*Certificates for each course completed will be supplied. At the completion of the Foundation Module, a special certificate will be supplied to the student.*

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## **The Establishment Program**

## How is the Establishment Program run?

This program is designed to be run in a local church setting in the same manner as the Introduction Program.

There are seven Modules in the Emmaus Correspondence School Establishment Program:

**Module 1** has nine essential courses with a total value of 14 units. (An introduction to Bible study):

### The Overview Module

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| 1. Men Who Met the Master          | (1 unit)  |
| 2. A Journey Through the Bible     | (1 unit)  |
| 3. New Testament Survey            | (2 units) |
| 4. Gospel of Mark                  | (2 units) |
| 5. Perfect Person, Perfect Work    | (2 units) |
| 6. Lord's Supper and Baptism       | (1 unit)  |
| 7. The Holy Spirit at Work         | (1 unit)  |
| 8. The Letter to the Galatians     | (2 units) |
| 9. Sense and Nonsense About Prayer | (2 units) |

**Module 2** has seven essential courses with a total value of 14 units. (Summaries of the Bible; Survey of Doctrine; Hermeneutics):

### The Study Module

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| 1. Discovering Bible Study         | (2 units) |
| 2. Bible Doctrine 1                | (2 units) |
| 3. Bible Doctrine 2                | (2 units) |
| 4. Summary of the Bible            | (1 unit)  |
| 5. Securely Saved and Sure of It   | (2 units) |
| 6. The Three Marys                 | (1 unit)  |
| 7. Study to Show Yourself Approved | (4 units) |

**Module 3** has eight essential courses with a total value of 12 units. (Jesus Christ's Story, His Purpose, and Passion):

### The Focus Module

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| 1. John the Baptist             | (1 units) |
| 2. John (Part 1)                | (2 units) |
| 3. John (Part 2)                | (2 units) |
| 4. Forgiving and being Forgiven | (1 unit)  |
| 5. 1 Peter                      | (2 units) |
| 6. 2 Peter and Jude             | (2 units) |
| 7. Lessons for Christian Living | (1 unit)  |
| 8. The Letter of James          | (1 unit)  |

**Module 4** has seven essential courses with a total value of 13 units. (Old Testament Focus, and why it matters):

#### **The Beginning Module**

1. Old Testament: Law & History (2 units)
2. Joseph: A Life of Virtue (1 unit)
3. Judges (2 units)
4. Old Testament: Poetry & Prophecy (2 units)
5. My God & I: Selected Psalm (2 units)
6. Ecclesiastes (2 units)
7. Jonah (2 units)

**Module 5** has ten essential courses with a total value of 19 units. (Church Principles, Purpose, and Practical Applications):

#### **The Community Module**

1. The Gospel of Luke (2 units)
2. The Book of Acts (2 units)
3. Plant my Feet on Higher Ground (2 units)
4. Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth (2 units)
5. 1 Corinthians (2 units)
6. The Woman Who Pleases God (1 unit)
7. The Shepherd Leader at Home (3 units)
8. 2 Corinthians (1 unit)
9. God's Blueprint for Your Marriage (2 units)
10. Biblical Eldership (2 units)

**Module 6** has nine essential courses with a total value of 18 units. (Walking in the Spirit while Putting to Death the Flesh Nature):

#### **The Summit Module**

1. The Gospel of Matthew (2 units)
2. The Letters of John (3) (1 unit)
3. The Letter to the Hebrews (3 units)
4. Managing Anger God's Way (2 units)
5. The Letter to the Romans (Part 1) (2 units)
6. The Letter to the Romans (Part 2) (2 units)
7. The Believer's Battle with Temptation (2 units)
8. The Letter to the Ephesians (2 units)
9. Philippians, Colossians, & Philemon (2 units)

**Module 7** has eleven essential courses with a total value of 27 units. (Practical Tools for Preaching, Evangelism, Missions, Apologetics, and Prophecies):

**The Destination Module**

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| 1. Win the Battle of Your Mind       | (3 units) |
| 2. Winning Souls the Bible Way       | (1 unit)  |
| 3. Ready to Give an Answer           | (3 units) |
| 4. God's Mandate for Missions        | (3 units) |
| 5. Preach the Word                   | (4 units) |
| 6. Bible Prophecy                    | (2 units) |
| 7. The Life and Prophecies of Daniel | (3 units) |
| 8. 1 & 2 Thessalonians               | (2 units) |
| 9. 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus           | (2 units) |
| 10. Revelation                       | (2 units) |
| 11. Biblical Stewardship             | (2 units) |

*Certificates for each course completed with a minimum grade of 70% will be supplied. At the completion of each Module, a special recognition certificate will be supplied to the student.*

***At the completion of all 7 Modules, the student is eligible to receive an Emmaus Correspondence School Graduation certificate.***



## Primary Responsibilities

### **The primary roles of the students are:**

- Commit to the Emmaus Correspondence School EQUIP program
- Provide contact and address details to the church nominated Associate Instructor
- Complete each course in a timely manner to keep in sync with other students enrolled in the program
- Prayerfully commit to put into practice the things that are being learnt
- Offer to be of service in the local church and community

### **The primary roles of the ECS Home office are:**

- Provide the Associate Instructor assistance with the program as required
- Supply to the Associate Instructor forms for: student registration, student grading, and course orders
- Supply to the Associate Instructor, the courses required for the curriculum
- Supply to the Associate Instructor, invoices and receipts for purchases
- Facilitate record keeping for the student's courses, grades and course units
- Provide certificates to the Associate Instructor, for students who have successfully completed courses and Modules

### **The primary roles for the Associate Instructor are:**

- Supply the ECS Home office with contact and address details of the church for record and invoicing purposes
- Obtain, and provide student details to the ECS Home office using the supplied Student Registration form
- On behalf of the students, place orders with the ECS Home office for each course in the Modules as a bulk order when they are required using the supplied form
- Grade the participants exams using 'Answer Keys' provided by the ECS Home office
- Forward student grades to the ECS Home office using the supplied form
- Receive certificates from the ECS Home office, and present to the students, preferably recognising the student's efforts in the church setting

## Notes

*All the following are subject to change, addition, or withdrawal without notice.*

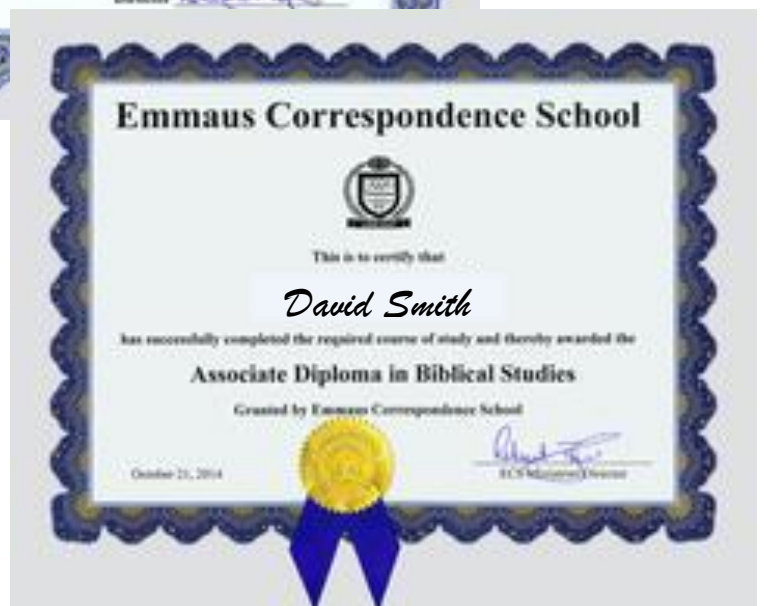
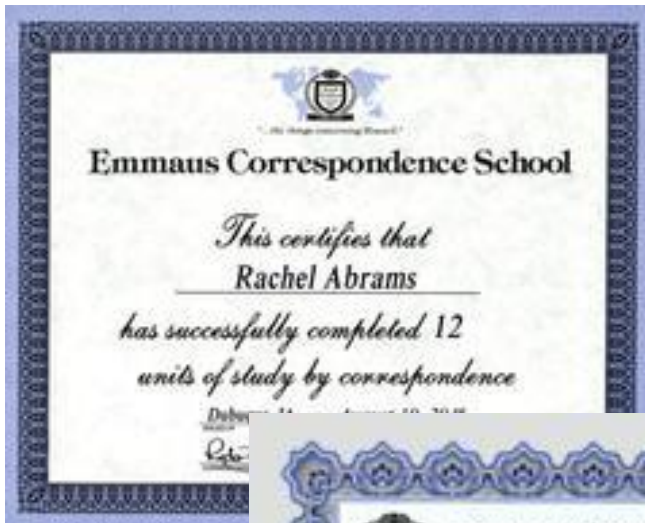
- Course requirements for each Special Certificate
- Courses listed in any of the Modules
- Unit value of each Course

There are over 110 courses available from the Emmaus Correspondence School. Students who wish to study courses not included in the EQUIP program, can request a course catalogue and order form, or all courses can be ordered on the ECS website at [www.emmausqld.org](http://www.emmausqld.org)

## Appendixes

- Program Guidelines and Instructions (3 pages)
- Sample - Answer Key. Supplied with each course order (2 pages)
- Church and Student Registration Form (2 pages)
- Sample - Marker's Report Form. Supplied with each course order (1 page)
- Course Order Form (2 pages)
- Certificate Examples (1 page)

Certificate Examples:



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