

course of instruction in the Old Testament should begin with the covenant nucleus. But I think it important to bear in mind that pupils will not profit as much as they might from such a course, if they have not already begun to prepare themselves for it by beginning and beginning again—at the beginning.

Yours sincerely,

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FR BOURKE WRITES:

'I feel that the difference between the Old Testament and a Latin grammar is more profound, more immediately important, and more far-reaching in its consequences for Bible study than Fr Hill apparently supposes. I was *not* suggesting a course of instruction. I was trying to explain how the tangled complex of traditions which we call the Old Testament accumulated over the centuries, and what effect this ought to have on our study of it. Only in the most superficial sense can the Old Testament be regarded as "a book" at all or studied as such. And why any student should be condemned to a preliminary sentence of three to five years' enforced superficiality, involving "a more or less continuous suspension of judgment", I cannot imagine.'

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