

GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: **Fall 2009**
Instructor: Andrei Orlov
Course #: THEO 8350
Section: 701
Course Title: **Special Questions in New Testament Studies**
Course Subtitle: Enochic Literature

Content:

This course will deal with ancient texts and traditions associated with the figure of the seventh antediluvian patriarch Enoch, concentrating mainly on the evidence preserved in *1 (Ethiopic) Enoch* and *2 (Slavonic) Enoch*. The seminar will also explore Christian and rabbinic reinterpretation of early Enochic texts and traditions.

Format:

Seminar - a mixture of introductory lectures, discussions, and student led presentations

Assignments and/or Examinations:

Two short seminar papers/presentations (3-5 pages each); one longer course paper (15-20 pages)

Language Pre-requisites:

Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek, Ethiopic and Slavonic would be useful to our study. Students will be encouraged to utilize relevant sources in French and/or German in preparation of their longer papers.

Required Texts:

1. *The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha (vol. 1): Apocalyptic Literature and Testaments* (ed. J. H. Charlesworth; Doubleday, 1985 [1983]). (\$34 on Amazon.com)

ISBN: 0385096305

2. A. Orlov, *The Enoch-Metatron Tradition* (TSAJ, 107; Tuebingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2005) (will be provided in electronic form).

3. Electronic materials