Core Seminars—New Testament
Class 1: Introduction to the New Testament
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And he stood up to read. The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, and he began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” (Luke 4:16b-21)

I. Introduction

II. Purpose and Summary of the Course
III. Authorship of the New Testament

- Petrine Circle
- Pauline Circle
- Johanine Writings

IV. Genre

- Gospels and Acts
- Epistles
- Revelation

V. The Message of the New Testament

- God fulfilled His promises through Christ
- God fulfilled His promises to the New Covenant People
- God will ultimately fulfill His promises in the New Creation