

Signature Assignment for TRS # 1 & 3

Course: 211 Old Testament
Instructor: Dr. Benjamin Winter
Assignment Title: “Troubling Theological Texts”
Assignment ID: (To be assigned)

Outcomes to be Assessed: TRS/BA/1 -

Evaluation Criteria:

The project will be evaluated based on the following criteria. See the attached rubrics for further details.

Paper (Written Communication VALUE Rubric)

1. Context and Purpose for Writing: Students will demonstrate awareness of the implied audience for this project, namely, a person who is struggling to engage with a troubling theological text.
2. Content Development: Students will explore the cultural and theological context behind a troubling theological text.
3. Genre and Disciplinary Conventions: Students will organize their writing by following the instructions provided in the assignment description.
4. Sources and Evidence: Students will engage with at least four scholarly sources.
5. Control of Syntax and Mechanics: Students will utilize language skills to cogently convey information.

Presentation (Oral Communication VALUE Rubric)

1. Organization: Students will organize their presentation by following the instructions provided in the assignment description.
2. Language: Students will utilize language skills to cogently convey information.
3. Delivery: Students will demonstrate the capability to speak clearly and to hold the attention of an audience.
4. Supporting Material: Students will engage their audience with succinct and aesthetically-pleasing Powerpoint slides.
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Possible Topics:

1. Creation and Evolution
2. The Binding of Isaac
3. The Plagues and the Killing of the Firstborn
4. Israel's "Holy War" against the Canaanites
5. Prophets and the Land / Ecological Consciousness