The “Misses” in Scripture -- “Miss-understood, “Miss”-quoted, “Miss-tery! A look at Women in the Two Thousand Years of Biblical History”
This course continues the survey of women and their roles in The Bible predominately Hebrew Scriptures/Old Testament. This five week course explores the historical, literary context, and interpretive religious meaning of the feminine side of the greatest story ever told! It is sensitive to both Christian (Protestant and Catholic) and Jewish Faiths. There is promise of an adventure full of surprises as we explore these fascinating personalities. Learn about women breaking social mores, acting as prophets, deceiving their husbands and even lying-- all in the service of God. On a serious note, we will examine the individual lives of numerous holy women who complemented and help to sanctify God’s Chosen People, including Ruth, Esther, Elizabeth, Mary the Mother of Jesus, Anne and others. The course presents modern methods of biblical study, scholarship and a reading of the texts themselves. It also deals with questions of historicity, interpretation, and the applicability of biblical texts to modern life. Part One is NOT a requirement.

At the conclusion of the course, students will see Scripture as a work of both human and divine origin. Class members will learn to identify key elements and contents of the Bible. Finally, the student can develop a personal approach to the Bible and its interpretation based upon wisdom, knowledge, truth and opinion. So with ALL that formality, let's have some fun learning!!