I. The title of the course

A. Fact

## Genesis 1 - 2:16: Fact, Fiction or Fulcrum

"Introduction to Genesis - Part A"

B. Fiction
C. Fulcrum
II. Relevance of the Old Testament
A. The appearance of irrelevance
1. Differences to the present day
B. Historical Discontinuities
1. Misunderstanding the New Testament outlook
a. Matthew 5:21-47 –
b. Romans 6:14
c. Romans 10:4
2. Yet, Paul did teach the relevance of the Old Testament
a. II Timothy 2:15; II Timothy 3:16

## III. Affirmation of Relevance

## A. Continuities

- 1. Bridge of continuity.
  - a. Same God
  - b. Same World
  - c. Same kind of people
- B. Correct understanding of New Testament outlook -
  - 1. Jesus on the Law.
  - 2. Paul taught the validity of the Law for today.
    - a. Key text: II Timothy 3:14-17
  - 3. Three <u>uses</u> of the revealed law.
- IV. The Necessity of the Old Testament
  - A. Breadth of situation -
    - 1.
    - 2.
  - B. Old Testament is foundational for the New Testament.
    - 1. Examples