



Semester Two – Systematic Theology Spring 2019

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This semester introduces a wide array of themes in the study of Systematic Theology. It builds on the broad foundation of biblical knowledge gained in OT/NT Survey and aims to provide a core knowledge of theology for eventual use in teaching, leadership, counseling, apologetics, and evangelism.

SEMESTER OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this semester, students will be able to...

- A. Identify and defend key doctrines of the faith.
- B. Identify key ministry passages concerning each doctrine.
- C. Be familiar with the overall disciplines of Systematic Theology and each subtopic.
- E. Be able to think clearly about and answer controversial and difficult areas of theology.
- F. Better understand the use of the whole Scripture in life and ministry.
- G. Grow in the application of the whole Scripture to their personal lives.
- H. Advance in reading comprehension, analytical thinking, writing and communication, especially relating to Systematic Theology.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Brian Edwards, *Nothing but the Truth*. Evangelical Press, 2006.

Paul Enns, *The Moody Handbook of Theology*. Moody Publishers, 2014. Formats available: book, Kindle. Note: revised and expanded 25th anniversary version published March, 2014.

Wayne Grudem, *Bible Doctrine: Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith*. Zondervan, 1999. Formats available: book, Kindle.

H. Wayne House, *Charts of Christian Theology and Doctrine*. Zondervan, 1992.

Larry Pettegrew, *The New Covenant Ministry of the Holy Spirit*. Kress, 2013.

Robert Saucy, *The Church in God's Program*. Moody, 1974. Formats available: book, Kindle.

RESOURCES

Course information, calendars, and required readings will be found on the course homepage on Canvas.

Canvas

All assignments and grades will be available on Canvas.

All course assignments must be marked complete and/or uploaded by the student in their Canvas account.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Reading

Course material forms an important part of this course. It is expected that you will read the material very closely and thoughtfully. You will need to read the material the week *before* it is discussed in class. It is strongly recommended that you highlight or journal key points in your reading. *Please log the completion of your weekly reading in Canvas.*

Please read in the following order:

- A. SI Fact Sheets
- B. SI In-Depth Reading
- C. Assigned reading in the Syllabus Schedule (listed below)

Weekly Quizzes

Quizzes based on the SI Fact Sheets are due before class (5:00 p.m.) each Thursday. The quizzes become available at 10:00 p.m. the preceding Thursday. The quizzes are in Canvas and require you to log-in. Quizzes must receive a minimum of 80% to pass. Flashcards (Quizlet) may be used to prepare for the quizzes..

Systematic Theology Presentations

Students will write two papers (3 pages max), one on a topic from “List A” and one on a topic from “List B” (Lists A and B are available on Canvas). Topics not listed on either list may be considered, please contact the course Administrator. For each assignment, the student must advance an argument on the chosen topic with a strong thesis statement and a logical structure. The student will use this thesis and structure to make a 15 minute presentation on the topic in class. Students will sign-up for slots on Canvas; 2 slots will be available each week (A spreadsheet with all slots listed will be on Canvas, students may trade over the course of the semester and communicate the trade to the TA). The paper will be due the week of the presentation and will be graded. The other students in the class will provide live feedback in class on the following questions: Was the speaker engaging? Was the main point discernable? Were the subpoints clear and helpful? Was the source material relevant? The use of slides is acceptable but not required.

ASSIGNMENT VALUES

Reading / 25%

Quizzes / 25%

Presentations/ 25 %

Final Exam / 25 %

Course Schedule Spring 2019

DATE	TOPIC	READING
01/10/2019 List A	The Attack on the Bible/Inspiration of Scripture	<i>Edwards</i> 9-50, 116-143; <i>Enns</i> chapter 50; <i>House</i> 22-33, 38
01/17/2019	Inerrancy, Authority & Sufficiency	<i>Edwards</i> 97-115, 170-192, 485-492; <i>House</i> 24-25
01/24/2019	The Preservation of Scripture	<i>Edwards</i> 193-272
01/31/2019	The Meaning and Place of the Church	<i>Saucy</i> 11-56; <i>Enns</i> chapter 25 (Definition); <i>House</i> 116-117
02/21/2019	The Principles of the Church	<i>Saucy</i> 57-97; <i>Enns</i> chapter 48
02/28/2019	The Purposes of the Church 1	<i>Saucy</i> 166-234; <i>Enns</i> chap. 25 (Ordinances); <i>House</i> 122-125
03/07/2019	The Purposes of the Church 2	<i>Saucy</i> 127-165; <i>Enns</i> chapter 25 (Purpose)
03/14/2019	The Structure, Defense, & Leadership of the Church	<i>Saucy</i> 98-126; <i>Enns</i> chapter 25 (Leaders/Government); <i>House</i> 118-121, 126-127
03/21/2019	Theology Proper 1	<i>Enns</i> ch. 19 (Definition, Existence, Anti-Theistic); <i>House</i> 40-42; <i>Grudem</i> 17-29, 67-84
03/28/2019 List B	Theology Proper 2 & 3	<i>Enns</i> ch. 19 (Attributes, Names, Trinity); <i>House</i> 43-50; <i>Grudem</i> 85-123
04/04/2019	Theology Proper 4	<i>Enns</i> ch. 19 (Decrees & Openness of God); <i>Grudem</i> 142-157
04/11/2019	The Doctrines of Man & Sin	<i>Enns</i> chapter 23; <i>House</i> 83-90; <i>Grudem</i> 187-225
04/18/2019	The Doctrine of Christ	<i>Enns</i> chapter 20; <i>House</i> 53-56, 59-62; <i>Grudem</i> 229-247, 261-269
04/25/2019	The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit 1	<i>Enns</i> chapter 21 (Definition to Gifts); <i>House</i> 66-69; <i>Pettegrew</i> chapters 1-4
05/02/2019	The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit 2	<i>Enns</i> chapter 21 (Gifts & Filling); <i>House</i> 70; <i>Pettegrew</i> chapters 1-5
05/09/2019	The Doctrine of Salvation 1	<i>Enns</i> chapter 24; <i>House</i> 99-100; <i>Grudem</i> 248-260, 289-291
05/16/2019	The Doctrine of Salvation 2	<i>House</i> 91-94, 102, 104-108, 111-113; <i>Grudem</i> 295-359
05/23/2019	The Doctrine of Last Things	<i>Enns</i> chapter 26; <i>House</i> 129-140