

TH611 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY II

Course: TH611 Systematic Theology II
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Place: CABRE 101
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DESCRIPTION

This course surveys what the Bible teaches about the person and work of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit (Christology, Soteriology and Pneumatology)

This course is offered in two formats: in-person and online. Students registered for in-person attend the classes in person. Online students attend the classes via the online classroom. For both in-person and online students, assignments and interaction outside of the class period are done in the learning management system.

OBJECTIVES

General competencies to be achieved. The student will:

1. Explain and defend Christology from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 1, 2, 3, 8)
2. Explain and defend Soteriology from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3,4,5,8)
3. Explain and defend Pneumatology from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3,6,7,8)

Specific competencies to be achieved. The student will:

1. Explain the hypostatic union and give arguments for the deity and humanity of Christ (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 1, 2, 3, 8)

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2. Give biblical arguments for the virgin birth and the sinless life of Christ (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 1, 2, 3, 8)
3. Explain the different views of the atonement (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
4. Explain and defend the substitutionary atonement of Christ on the cross (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
5. Explain the finished work of Christ on the cross (redemption, reconciliation, propitiation) (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
6. Give arguments from the Bible for the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 1, 2, 3, 8)
7. Explain the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
8. Defend salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
9. Give arguments for eternal security (once saved always saved view) from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
10. Explain the similarities and differences between free grace theology and Lordship salvation (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 4, 5, 8)
11. Defend the deity and personality of the Holy Spirit from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 6, 7,8)
12. Explain the difference between the baptism and filling of the Holy Spirit from the Bible (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 6, 7, 8)
13. Define each of the spiritual gifts listed in the New Testament (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 6, 7, 8)
14. Give biblical reasons for cessationist view of the sign gifts of tongues, healing and miracles (PLOs 1-3) (Assignments 3, 6, 7, 8)

TEXTBOOKS

The Bible is a required textbook in every course at Calvary University. To facilitate academic level study, students are required to use for assignments and research an English translation or version of the Bible based on formal equivalence (*meaning that the translation is generally word-for-word from the original languages*), including any of the following: New American Standard (NASB), English Standard Version (ESV), New King James (NKJV), or King James (KJV). Other translations and versions based on dynamic equivalence (*paraphrases and thought for thought translations like NLT and NIV*) may be used as supplemental sources. Please ask the professor if you have questions about a particular translation or version

John Walvoord, *Jesus Christ our Lord*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1969.
ISBN-13: 978-0802443267 Cost: \$14.29 in Amazon

Hixson, J.B. and Rick Whitmire and Roy B. Zuck, editors. *Freely By His Grace*. Grace Gospel Press, 2012. ISBN -13: 978-1939110121 \$24.95 paperback in Amazon

Gromacki, Robert. *The Holy Spirit*. Nashville: Word Publishing, 1999.
ISBN-13: 978-0849913709 Cost: \$31.99 on Amazon (hardcover)

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment #1: Read the textbook *Jesus Christ our Lord* by Walvoord and write a two page (double spaced book review) (100 points).

Assignment #2: Answer ten questions in Discussions on Christology based on the reading of *Jesus Christ our Lord* (100 points)

Assignment #3: Write a research paper on one of the topics listed below. The research paper must be 10 double spaced pages (not including title page or bibliography) using Turabian style including footnotes. See expectations for the research paper below (200 points)

Select one of these topics:

A Critique of the Heresies Regarding Jesus Christ in Church History

A Critique of the Lordship Salvation view of John MacArthur

A Defense of Eternal Security (once saved always saved view)

A Biblical Evaluation of Calvinism

A Biblical Critique of Arminianism

A Biblical Study of the Four Receptions of the Holy Spirit in Acts

A Biblical Study of the Baptism and Filling Ministries of the Holy Spirit

A Biblical Critique of the Charismatic Movement

Assignment #4: Read the textbook *Freely By His Grace: Classical Free Grace Theology* and type a book review of two double spaced pages (100 points)

Assignment #5: Answer ten questions in Discussions on Soteriology based on the reading of *Freely By His Grace: Classical Free Grace Theology* (200 points)

Assignment #6: Read the textbook *The Holy Spirit* by Robert Gromacki and type a book review of two double spaced pages (100 points)

Assignment #7: Answer ten questions in Discussions on Pneumatology based on the reading of *The Holy Spirit* (100 points)

Assignment #8: Attendance in class and attendance reports. Students are expected to be in class (in-person or online in Microsoft Teams). In-person students are expected to be in their seats on the day and time that the class meets. Online students are expected to participate in the class in Microsoft Teams on the day and time that the class meets. All students should post their attendance each week in Canvas (see Week One Attendance Report in Announcements). All students should list three things that they learned from the weekly lecture.

Excused Absence = the student has notified the professor in an email that he or she will not be in class and gives the reason why. (Note: the student is still expected to watch the video recorded lecture each week even if he or she misses class).

Unexcused Absence = (1) the student did not attend class, (2) the student did not watch the video lecture for the week, (3) the student did not report his or her attendance in Canvas for the week

Attendance Grade

100 = student attends every class and reports attendance in Canvas

90 = student misses one class or fails to report attendance for one class in Canvas

80 = student misses two classes or fails to report attendance for two classes in Canvas

70 = student misses three classes or fails to report attendance for three classes in Canvas

60 = student misses four classes or fails to report attendance for four classes in Canvas

50 = student misses five classes or fails to report attendance for five classes in Canvas

40 = student misses six classes or fails to report attendance for six classes in Canvas

30 = student misses seven classes or fails to report attendance for seven classes in Canvas

0 = student misses all eight classes or fails to report attendance for eight classes in Canvas

Expectations for Research Papers in the Bible/Theology Department

All class papers must follow the Turabian style according to *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th edition (with footnotes).

Please refer to a minimum of six sources including two books, two journal articles and two online web sites.

Do not use Wikipedia as one of your websites.

Do not plagiarize. Plagiarism is defined as copying any part of a book or paper without identifying the author. This also includes taking another person’s ideas and presenting them as your own.

POINTS AND FINAL GRADE

960-1000	A
940-959	A-
920-939	B+
880-919	B
860-879	B-
840-859	C+
800-839	C
780-799	C-
0-779	F

CLASS LECTURES

- Week 1 The Identity of Jesus: Who is Jesus?
 The Historicity of Jesus: The Search for the Historical Jesus
 Christ in the Old Testament
 The Deity and Humanity of Jesus

- Week 2 The Virgin Conception and Birth of Jesus
 The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus
 The Miracles and Teachings of Jesus
 The Sufferings and Death of Jesus on the Cross

- Week 3 The Bodily Resurrection of Jesus
 The Ascension of Jesus and Present Ministry of Jesus in Heaven
 The Future Work of Jesus

- Week 4 The Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ
 Election and Predestination
 Substitutionary Atonement – The Finished Work of Christ on the Cross

- Week 5 Application of Salvation: Calling, Regeneration, Conversion
 Views on Justification
 Views on Sanctification

- Week 6 Free Grace vs. Lordship Salvation
 Eternal Security: Once Saved, Always Saved
 Perseverance of the Saints; Glorification

- Week 7 The Deity and Personality of the Holy Spirit
 The Ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament
 The Ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Life of Christ
- Week 8 The Ministry of the Holy Spirit Today
 A Cessationist View of the Gifts of Tongues, Prophecy, Healing and Miracles
 Permanent Spiritual Gifts and their Purpose in the Church

Help for Students

Students with disabilities have the responsibility of informing the Accommodations Support Coordinator (aso@calvary.edu) of any disabling condition that may require support.

The Clark Academic Center (learning@calvary.edu) is dedicated to providing free academic assistance for Calvary University students. Student tutors aid with all facets of the writing process, tutor in various subject areas, prepare students for exams and facilitate tests. Please take advantage of this service.

Expectations of Online Students

Attend class in Microsoft Teams. If you are unable to be in class on the day of class, you are required to let the professor know why you will be absent.

Be respectful of the professor and all students in the online classroom. A lack of respect in class will lead to a grade reduction.

Take all tests and turn all work in on time.

Expectations of Resident Students

Attend class. Any student who misses more than one class will experience a grade reduction.

Be on time for class. Coming in late interrupts the class and is disruptive. Two tardies equals one absence. Attendance for class will be taken.

Please put your cell phones away. Do not text during class.

Be courteous and respectful in class to the professor and all students. A lack of respect in class will lead to a grade reduction.

Please do not eat during the class lecture/discussion time.

Take all tests and turn all work in on time.

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