

TH222 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY III

Course: TH222 Systematic Theology III
Credits: 3 credit hours
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Place: TBA
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DESCRIPTION

A study of angels including the doctrine of holy angels, Satan, and demons; a study of the Church, its beginning, nature, importance, officers, and ordinances; a study of the doctrine of prophecy and predictive revelation, both fulfilled and unfulfilled, with emphasis on the nature of the Rapture, the Tribulation, and the Millennial Kingdom. (Prerequisites: GE101 or concurrent enrollment in GE101, BI115)

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

A. General competencies to be achieved. The student will:

1. Explain the major teachings in the doctrines of Angelology, Ecclesiology and Eschatology (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (Assignments 1-13)
2. Put on the whole armor of God to take a stand against Satan's attacks (PLO 5) (Assignment 1-5)

Our Mission: "...to prepare Christians to live and serve in the church and in the world according to the Biblical worldview."

3. Worship and serve God in the local church (PLO 5) (Assignments 6, 7, 8)
4. Live a holy life knowing that the Lord Jesus Christ could return at any moment (PLO 5) (Assignments 9 -13)

B. Specific competencies to be achieved. The student will:

1. Explain the nature and purpose of angels, both elect and evil (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (A 1-5)
2. Explain the purposes of the church (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (A 6-8)
3. Explain a chronological sequence of future events (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (A9-13)
4. Explain and defend dispensational premillennialism from the Bible (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (A 9-13)

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 Bible (NASB), English Standard Version (ESV), New King James Version (NKJV), or King James Version (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 translation or version.

Ryrie, Charles C. *Basic Theology*. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 1986, 1999. ISBN: 9780802427342 (hard cover) [Retail \$35.99] Available as e-book.

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment 1 – Read section IV “Angels: Ministering Spirits” in *Basic Theology* by Charles Ryrie and indicate that you have finished this reading in a Word document and list 10 things you learned from your reading (100 points)

Assignment 2: Read section V “Our Adversary The Devil” in *Basic Theology* by Charles Ryrie and indicate that you have finished this reading in a Word document and list 10 things you learned from your reading (100 points)

Assignment 3: Read section VI “Demons: Unclean Spirits” in *Basic Theology* by Charles Ryrie and indicate that you have finished this reading in a Word document and list 10 things you learned from your reading (100 points)

Assignment 4: Exam on Angelology. There are 50 questions on this exam (true/false and multiple choice). A study guide is provided to help you review. No helps can be used on this exam. Do your best for the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. (100 points)

Assignment 5: Read section XII “I Will Build My Church” in *Basic Theology* by Charles Ryrie and indicate that you have finished this reading in a Word document and list 10 things you learned from your reading (100 points)

Assignment 6: Exam on Ecclesiology. There are 50 questions on this exam (true/false and multiple choice). A study guide is provided for you to use in your review. You cannot use any helps when you take this exam. Do your best for the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. (100 points)

Assignment 7: Read Section XIII “Things to Come” in *Basic Theology* by Charles Ryrie and indicate that you have finished this reading in a Word document and list 10 things you learned from your reading (100 points)

Assignment 8: Exam on Eschatology. There are 50 questions on this exam (true/false and multiple choice). A study guide is provided for you to use in your review. You are not to use any helps when you take this exam. Do your best for the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ (100 points)

Assignment 9: Answer the weekly question in Discussions in Canvas. Write a detailed answer to the questions and then respond to at least one other student on the questions (100 points)

Assignment 10: Attendance Reports: Post your attendance each week and list 3 things you learned from each lecture (see Announcements in Canvas for attendance reports). (100 points)

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 ALL STUDENTS

All Bible and Theology research papers must follow the Turabian style according to *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th edition.

Do not plagiarize. Plagiarism is defined as copying any part of a book or paper without identifying the source. This also includes taking another person’s or AI entity’s ideas or constructs and presenting them as your own. The use of AI generated content in student work is prohibited (even if cited) as it does not represent original work created by the student and is an

unreliable aggregate of ideas from other sources. Plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated. If a student plagiarizes the student will receive a zero (F) for the assignment and he/she will be reported to the dean of students and the chief academic officer.

SCHEDULE

Week 1	Angelology
Week 2	Angelology
Week 3	Angelology
Week 4	Ecclesiology
Week 5	Ecclesiology
Week 6	Eschatology
Week 7	Eschatology
Week 8	Eschatology

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