

**Course:** **TH221-D&DN Systematic Theology II:**  
Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, Soteriology  
**Credits:** 3 Semester Hours  
**Semester:** Summer 2026, Session 1 (May 11—Jun 26)  
**Class Time:** 1:00–2:20 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays  
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## DESCRIPTION

A study of the origin, fall and nature of man including hamartiology, the doctrine of sin; a study of the doctrine of the person of Christ; and a study of the doctrine of salvation. (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

**General competencies to be achieved.** You will be able to . . .

1. Explain and defend Christian biblical Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, and Soteriology (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) (A 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8)
2. Research and defend the Christian biblical understanding of a significant issue in anthropology, hamartiology, Christology, and Soteriology (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) (A 1, 3, 9, 11, 12)
3. Articulate the personal spiritual significance of Christian biblical Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, and Soteriology (PLO 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) (A 1, 3, 10, 12, 13, 14)

**Specific competencies to be achieved.** You will . . .

1. Explain and defend Christian Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, and Soteriology from the Bible (PLO- 1, 2) (A- 3, 4, 5).
2. Articulate practical, real-life application of the traditional Christian Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, or Soteriology (PLO- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) (A- 2, 3).
3. Research and articulate the orthodox Christian understanding of a significant issue in Anthropology, Hamartiology, Christology, or Soteriology (PLO- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) (A- 4).

## **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

Charles Ryrie, *Basic Theology*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1999. ISBN: 9780802427342.  
Cost: \$39.99. Pages: 560.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

[Note: Further instructions for how to do each of the following assignments are presented in the specific assignment link in Canvas.]

**A-1 – Topic Discussions:** Each week of the course, answer a question the instructor asks concerning the week’s topics – these are intended for you to process the practical implications of the course material (7 @ 5 points each week, 35 points total).

**A-2 – Topic Introductions:** Select 3 of the topics to be discussed in class and prepare 3, 5-7-minute video presentations to be shown to the class at the beginning of the discussion of those specific topics. Include in the video presentation the following: (1) a brief intro of yourself (only with the first introduction), (2) a definition of the topic, (3) a key passage in which the definition is seen with a brief explanation of the passage, and (4) how this topic is misunderstood / distorted / confused by unbelievers and some believers today (3 @ 40 points each, 120 points total).

**A-3 – Reading & 10 Questions #1:** Read “Man: The Image of God” (Section VII) and “Sin” (Section VIII) in *Basic Theology* by Ryrie (pages 171-236) answer the 10 Questions assignment in Canvas about Anthropology & Hamartiology (115 points).

**A-4 – Exam #1: Anthropology/Hamartiology.** There are 50 questions (true/false and multiple choice). Use the study guide to prepare for the exam (100 points).

**A-5 – Reading 10 Questions #2:** Read “Jesus Christ our Lord” (Section IX) in *Basic Theology* by Ryrie and answer the 10 Questions assignment in Canvas about Christology (115 points).

**A-6 – Exam #2: Christology.** There are 50 questions (true/false and multiple choice). Use the study guide to prepare for the exam (100 points).

**A-7 – Write a Research Essay:** Select 1 of the research questions in the Canvas assignment link and write a Research Essay which gives the biblical answer to the question. The essay must be at least 1500 words (i.e. 5-7 pages for the Body) and include and interact with at least 5 sources in addition to the Bible. (200 points)

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**A-8 – Reading 10 Questions #3:** Read “So Great a Salvation” (Section X) in *Basic Theology* by Ryrie, answer the 10 Questions assignment in Canvas about Soteriology (115 points).

**A-9 – Exam #3: Soteriology.** There are 50 questions (true/false and multiple choice). Use the study guide to prepare for the exam (100 points).

**POINTS AND FINAL GRADE**

See the grading scale in the University Catalog for the specific grading scale that will be used for final course grade.

Possible points for each specific assignment:

Topic Discussion Questions (7 @ 5 ea.). . . . .	= 035 points
Topic Introductions (3 @ 40 ea.). . . . .	= 120 "
Research Essay (1 @ 200. . . . .	= 200 "
Reading 10 Questions (3 @ 115 ea.). . . . .	= 345 "
Exams (3 @ 100 ea.). . . . .	= <u>300</u> "
<b>TOTAL POINTS. . . . .</b>	<b>= 1000 "</b>

**CLASS SCHEDULE**

\* Note: A detailed Class Schedule will be provided in Canvas.

Week 1	Anthropology
Week 2	Hamartiology, Part 1
Week 3	Hamartiology, Part 2
Week 4	Christology, Part 1
Week 5	Christology, Part 2
Week 6	Soteriology, Part 1
Week 7	Soteriology, Part 2

**POLICIES**

**All class papers** must follow the Calvary University *2019 Turabian Style Guide Addendum* to Turabian, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition.

**Late Assignments:** Assignments will be lowered by -5 points each day.

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism is defined as copying any content without identifying the source. This also includes taking another person's or AI entity's ideas or constructs and presenting them as your own. Plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated. Most assignments at Calvary require the student to produce original work. Therefore, unless specifically permitted by the instructor, the use of AI-generated content 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. AI, however, may be utilized in cases where the instructor has explicitly permitted its use to accomplish specific tasks. It is only in these cases that AI-generated (or modified) content may be submitted by the student. If there are any questions as to the permissibility of AI use for an assignment, please ask your instructor for clarification. Any assignment that includes plagiarism will receive a **zero (0) grade**. (**Note:** Turn-It-In.com will be used to verify plagiarism.)

**Disabilities:** 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 all 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

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