



St. George's School of Theology

Fall 2019

Syllabus

Dates & Location

Sept 8th – Dec 15th (15 Total Sessions/Sundays). Meets every Sunday in the Parish Hall at 9:30am

Schedule and Overview

This course is intended to provide a basic theological framework of Christianity and in so doing provide basic concepts for biblical interpretation.

Part 1 – Worldview & Narrative

- Sept 8th – The Story Shapes Reality

Part 2 – Trinity and Divinity

- Sept 15th – Doctrine of God and the Trinity
- Sept 22nd – Christology and the Incarnation

Part 3 – Covenant and Law/Gospel distinction

- Sept 29th – Intro to Covenants and Covenant Theology
- Oct 6th – What is Law? What is Gospel?
- Oct 13th – Law & Gospel in the OT and in the NT

Part 4 – The Atonement: Divine Justice and Mercy

- Oct 22nd – The Scarlet Thread throughout Scripture
- Oct 29th – The Cost of Forgiveness
- Nov 3rd – Special Guest Scholar, Ephraim Radner

Part 5 – Justification: The Alien Righteousness of God

- Nov 10th – Imputation: the Word made Verb

Part 6 – Sanctification: the Justified life lived out

- Nov 17th – Walking in a Manner Worthy of Our Calling

Part 7 – Sacraments

- Nov 24th – What are Sacraments and why do they matter?
- Dec 1st – The Waters of New Birth
- Dec 8th – Bread & Wine & Mystery
- Dec 15th – The Church: A History of Mystery

Conclusions

- Dec 22nd – Wrap up and Final Exam

Coursework

Attendance at the Rector's Bible Study on Sundays, plus weekly reading and reflection at home. There will be a final exam on Dec 15th which will be reviewed in class, time permitting.

Materials

- Bible (preferably a reliable English translation such as the ESV, NIV, NRSV, or NASB; other contemporary translations like the Good News Bible, CEV, or paraphrase translations like the Message are not recommended)
- Book of Common Prayer (1979)
- On Being a Theologian of the Cross, by Gerhard O. Forde
- Our Anglican Heritage, by John Howe
- God of Promise: An Introduction to Covenant Theology, by Michael J. Horton
- Christian Theology: An Introduction, by Alistair McGrath
- Each Part will also have recommended further reading.