

A Study in Confessional Theology Course Syllabus

Purpose:

The intention of this class will be to construct a theological system which is consistent with the revelation of God as contained in the Old and New Testament scripture. However, we will not be doing it alone! We will utilize that unbroken tradition of interpretation distinguished as the classic evangelical and reformed faith. The course assumes a confessional approach rather than a skeptical/apologetic one. Continuity with the historic reformed tradition will be maintained through our text, The Westminster Confession of Faith.

Method:

The method of this class consists of reading and discussion of the Westminster Confession of Faith together with a study guide. Each study guide is linked to the syllabus under its appropriate theological category.

Required Texts:

The Bible
The Westminster Confession of Faith <http://www.opc.org/wcf.html>

Schedule:

1. Of the Holy Scripture (Chapter 1, section 1)
2. The Nature and Sufficiency of Scripture (Chapter 1, sections 1-6)
3. Scripture/Canon Cont'd.: (Chapter 1, Section 1-6)
4. The Doctrine of God and the Trinity (Chapter 2)
5. God's Decrees and Providence (Chapters 3 and 5)
6. Of Creation (Chapter 4)
[PCA Study Report on Creation](#)
7. Biblical Anthropology and The Fall (Chapter 4, section 2 and chapter 6)
8. Effectual Calling (Chapter 10)
9. Christ the Mediator (Chapter 8)
10. Justification and Adoption (Chapters 11 and 12)
11. Conversion (Chapters 14 and 15)
12. Sanctification and Good Works