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## 50+ Sunday Class

All Saints Presbyterian Church Austin, TX

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# Because You Asked . . . Your Questions & Topics

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Summer 2024

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50+ Schedule – Summer

**Songs of Praise** 

Prayer

"Because You Asked"

#### 50+ Schedule - Summer 2024

#### June

- <u>Fri, 6/7</u> Summer Social –at Jo Anne Hendrix's. 6:30 9:00 PM. Dinner, Dessert & Soft Drinks provided. Otherwise, BYOB. Please <u>RSVP</u> via our weekly email.
- Sun, 6/30 Last Class until 8/18 (Summer Break)

#### July

- Thu, 7/4 Patriotic Pool Party at the Chapmans' with Young Adults & Unidos. BYO Beverage and an appetizer or dessert to share. Hot dogs and burgers provided.
- <u>Fri, 7/26</u> **Potlucks with Young Adults** in various locations, from 6:30 9:30 PM.

#### Aug

• Sun, 8/18 – Class Resumes

# The CHOSEN

SEASON 4
LIVESTREAM
SCHEDULE

SUN. JUNE 2 EPISODE 1

THUR. JUNE 6
EPISODE 2

SUN. JUNE 9 EPISODE 3

THUR. JUNE 13 EPISODE 4

SUN. JUNE 16 EPISODE 5 THUR. JUNE 20 EPISODE 6

SUN. JUNE 23 EPISODE 7

THUR. JUNE 27 EPISODE 8



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#### **GIVE THANKS**

**Henry Smith** 

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks unto the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (Repeat)

And now, let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich, Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat) ... Give thanks!

#### I LOVE YOU, LORD

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I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice To worship you, O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what you hear: May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

#### 2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

(NIV)

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"Because You Asked"

- 4/7 Guest Teacher Mark Hagen Mark 5.1-20 –
   Temptations.
- 4/14 *Because You Asked #33b* Branches of the Church 2.
- 4/21 Guest Robt Dorrough & Bill Laughlin God of Hope.
- 4/28 *Because You Asked #33c* Branches of the Church 3.
- 5/5 Guest Teacher Jeff Springer Christian Contentment.
- 5/12 Because You Asked #33 Branches of the Church 4
- 5/19 *Because You Asked #33* Branches of the Church 5
- 5/26 No Class (Memorial Day Weekend)
- 6/2 Because You Asked # Branches of the Church 6
- 6/9 Guest Teacher Stephen Hurd "Thru the Valley...Part 2"
- 6/16 *Because You Asked #* Branches of the Church 7
- 6/23 Guest Teacher Bo White "Engaging Our Culture"

#### **Church History**

- —Q32—What happened between the Old and New Testament? (Intertestamental Period—500 BC-4BC)
- —Q32a—How did Israel get where it is today?
- —Q32b—How did the Samaritans come to be? Any today?
- —Q32c—Explain the Jews' view of "Messiah"—then and today.
- —Q33—Define & Distinguish: Coptic; Orthodox (Eastern, Greek, Russian); Roman Catholic; Protestant; Evangelical
- —Q34—Are the following Christian?—Mormon? Jehovah's Witness? Christian Scientist? Scientologist? Unitarian? Deist?

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- Church History is a study in God's people responding to (heretical) teaching in the Church
- John 16:7-13—It is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you and ... he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment.... <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth....

#### John 17.21-22

<sup>21</sup> that those who believe in me] may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> ...that they may be one even as we are one....

**Branches of Christianity** 

- Catholic
  - □ <u>1054</u> AD □
  - Roman Catholic □□ Orthodox
    - <West/Rome/Latin> <East/Constantinople/Greek>
      - □ <u>1517</u> AD □
      - Roman Catholic | | | Protestant

<Matthew 13.24ff - Parable of Wheat & Tares>

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Catholic

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(Today ~ 2.3 - 2.6 B out of 7.85 B = ~ 1/3)
• Roman Catholic □□ Orthodox
(Today \sim 1.4 B) (Today \sim 220 M)
   • Roman Catholic | Protestant
             (Today \sim 800 M - 1 B)
          ☐ Lutheran ~ 70-90 M
          □Anglican ~ 110 M
            ☐ Methodist ~ 60-80 M
          Calvinist ~ 70-80 M
          ☐ Anabaptist ~ 100 M
          ☐ [Evangelical or Modern Protestant
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~ 400-500 M]

#### Catholic Age - <u>Seeds of Future Schism</u>

- 33-300 Age of the Apostles...Early Church Fathers...Apologists
- 300-600 Age of Theologians
  - Ecumenical Councils:
    - Constantinople I (381) Its Bishop preeminent in East
    - Carthage (397) adopts The Apochrypha (v. Jerome)
    - Chalcedon (451):
      - Oriental Orthodox (e.g., Coptics)
      - ☐ Constantinople & Rome declared equal in preeminence
- 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> C. West adds *Filioque* to Nicene Creed (325)

### **Western Intellectualism**

The Holy Spirit proceeds from the Word/Logos

The source of our spirituality is the logic and Word of God

We can and should study God by doing theology academically





If we're studying God, we should study God's creation with Science

Time to start all the greatest Universities!



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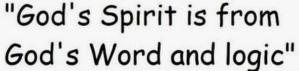
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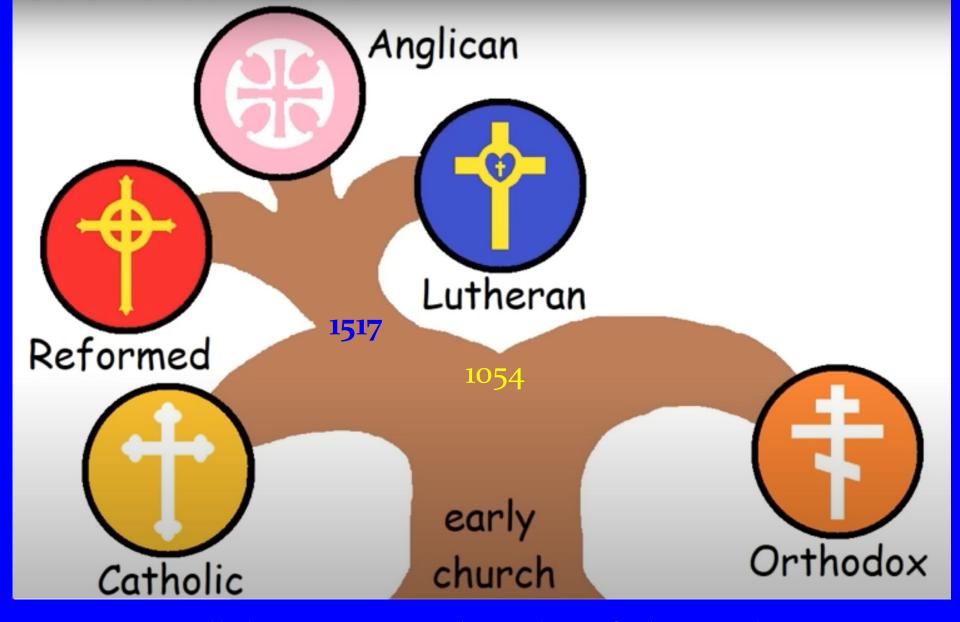




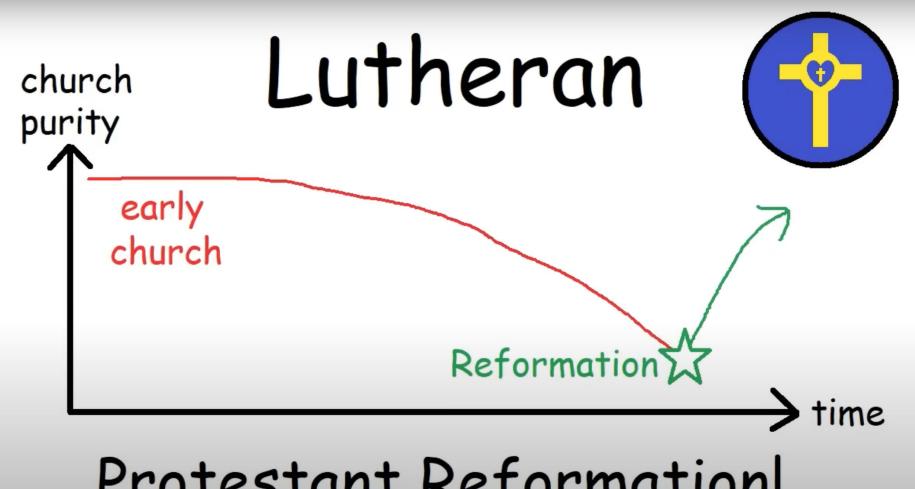


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A fundamental idea in the Protestant Reformation was *SOLA SCRIPTURA* (Latin: *Scripture Alone*)—people can learn to understand the Word of God by the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit. Because the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Son of God (Living *Logos* or Word), then the Spirit can enlighten us to understand the Written *Logos* or Word of God. Before the Protestant Reformation, it was thought that only certain individuals could understand Scripture. But the Reformation said everyone with the Holy Spirit can learn to understand Scripture.



All the mainstream branches of Christendom come from the Early Church



Protestant Reformation!

From 1054 to 1517 we have the Western Church becoming more & more corrupt

- 33-600 Ancient Church Period 600-1500 – Medieval Church Period
- 1054 (7/16) East-West Schism 1500-Present – Modern Church Period
  - 1517-1650 Protestant Reformation

## Lutheran





#### Criticisms:

- Purgatory
- Indulgences
- Power of the Pope

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- 1020-1085 **Pope Gregory VII** (1073-85)
  - Asserted the primacy of the church over secular powers
  - Brought a sharper distinction between roles of clergy & laity
  - Greater centralization of authority in the papacy
  - Ordered King Henry to stop Investiture
  - Pope excommunicated Henry when he didn't.
  - Henry realized he would lose his kingdom due to the papal power of *Interdict*—only the church had the right to bury dead people. And so, Henry repented!

- 1095-1291 "The Crusades"
  - Response to Islamic forces in the Holy Lands
  - European military operations sought access to Christian holy sites. Held Jerusalem for 200 years.
  - Preserved Europe from Islamic invasion
  - Indulgence system is developed
  - Roman Church became largest European landowner
    - "To those who set out for Jerusalem and offer effective help towards the defense of the Christian people in overcoming the tyranny of the infidels, we grant the remission of their sins, and we place their houses and families and all their goods under the protection of blessed Peter and the Roman church"
    - □ soldiers' wills left all to the Church who promised, in return, to care for their family

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- 1200 Martin Luther considered the Church basically orthodox up until about now

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- 1290-1349 Thomas Bradwardine
  - Reformer. Taught John Wycliffe.
  - "Grace of God precedes all good works."

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  - <u>Matt 16:18-19</u> "…you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."
  - <u>1 Cor 2:15</u> The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one.

- 1320-1384 John Wycliffe (English)
  - Translated Bible into English from Latin.
  - Reformer critical of transubstantiation & ecclesiastical hierarchy. Distinguished Institutional vs. Invisible Church.
- 1372-1415 John Huss (Czech/Bohemian)
  - Reformer, influenced by Wycliffe, but stated more radically.

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- Raises profound questions about relative authority of popes and councils.
- Divisions into:
  - Conciliarists church reform thru councils' authority
  - Radical Conciliarists church reform thru God's Word
  - Papalists loyal to papal supremacy
- Failure of resolution contributed to the Reformation

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  - 3 Elements necessary for Full Administration
    - Things the matter (physical objects or gestures)
    - Words the form
    - Person the minister

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- 1453-1455 Lefebre D'Etaples (French)

- Published Bible commentaries saying that man is justified by God's grace and mercy which is received by faith alone
- Never left the Roman church, but is supported by Calvin
- 1466-1536 Desiderius Erasmus (Dutch)
  - Reformer who influenced Luther, Zwingli & Calvin
  - 1516 published Greek New Testament, along with a new Latin New Testament, which departed from the Vulgate in many particulars

- 1500's Most in the Roman Church agreed it needed reforming
- 1500's Russian Orthodox Church (ROC) is born. History:
  - Vikings received the Gospel from England and took it to Russia (Kiev) when the Slavic people hired Vikings to be their military protectors.
  - By early 1100's, Russa was the most "Christianized" country
  - Genghis & Kubla Khan conquered & oppressed Russia
  - 1500's Russia overthrew Mongolians & formed the ROC
- 1507 Scottish Reformation broke out due to Wycliffe's Bible translation

- 1483-1546 Martin Luther (German)
  - 1517 (10/31) nailed 95 Theses (Latin propositions, i.e., complaints) on the Wittenberg Church door, including:
    - Power/Authority of the Pope
    - Indulgences "tickets to heaven" to raise money to build
       St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
    - Purgatory human merit (*The Apochrypha*)
    - Law & Gospel Confusion humans cannot merit what can only be God's grace (unconditional gift)
      - Law = God's demand
      - Gospel = God's gift

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Lots of other Catholics agreed with Luther . . . But not on everything . . .

Next Class on 6/9/24

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