

Theology for Life I
May 31-Aug. 23 (13 Weeks)

COURSE DESCRIPTION: *Theology for Life I* (Building Foundations) – Christian theology can often be viewed as disconnected from our everyday life. Nothing could be further from the truth! A helpful and common way to understand Christian theology is by looking at ten categories of theology that give us a clear, organized picture of what we believe and why it matters. In this class, we'll focus on five of these categories: who God is, what the Bible says about itself, how God made us, the entrance and effect of sin, and God's provision of salvation.

CLASS OUTLINES

***Theology for Life I* Outline**

- Introduction to the Class (1 Week)
- Bibliology (3 Weeks)
- Theology Proper (3 Weeks)
- Anthropology & Hamartiology (3 Weeks)
- Soteriology (3 weeks)

Introductory Class Outline

- Week 1 – Introduction to *Theology for Life I*
 - How this fits into the BTC Core Classes
 - Theology is FOR LIFE
 - The Scope and Sequence of the Course
 - Systematic Theology
 - What is it?
 - How do you arrive at accurate conclusions?
 - Why is it important?

Bibliology Outline

- Week 2 – Revelation and Inspiration
 - Definition of Bibliology and why it matters
 - Revelation
 - Inspiration
 - Inerrancy & Infallibility
- Week 3 – Canon, Transmission, and Translation
 - The Canon of Scripture
 - Apocrypha & Pseudepigrapha
 - Preservation of Scripture
 - Textual Criticism
 - Bible Translations
- Week 4 – Authority, Sufficiency & Interpretation =
 - Authority of Scripture

- Sufficiency of Scripture
- Illumination of Scripture
- Interpretation of Scripture
- Application of Scripture

Theology Proper Outline

- Week 5 – Knowing God
 - Definition of Theology Proper and why it matters
 - The Knowability of God
 - The Existence of God
 - The Revelation of God
 - False Views of God
- Week 6 – The Attributes of God
 - Defining God’s Attributes
 - Incommunicable Attributes
 - Communicable Attributes
- Week 7 – The Triune God & His Works =
 - The Trinity
 - The Plans and Purposes of God

Anthropology and Hamartiology Outline

- Week 8 – The Creation of Humanity
 - The Image of God
 - Purpose and Calling of Humanity
 - Human Constitution
 - Gender & Marriage
- Week 9 – The Fall & Nature of Sin
 - The Historic Fall
 - The First Sin
 - Immediate Consequences
 - Definition of Sin
 - Adam as Representative Head
- Week 10 – Human Corruption, Guilt and Inability
 - The Sin Nature
 - Human Depravity
 - Personal Sin
 - Guilt Before God
 - Human Responsibility and Accountability
 - Human Inability

Soteriology Outline

- Week 11 – The Plan & Provision of Salvation
 - Definition of Salvation

- The Source of Salvation
- The Eternal Plan of Salvation
- The Person of the Savior
- The Work of Christ
- Week 12 – The Application of Salvation
 - Calling
 - Faith
 - Regeneration
 - New Birth and Justification
 - Understanding Repentance
- Week 13 – Results of Salvation
 - Union with Christ
 - Adoption
 - Sanctification (Positional vs. Progressive)
 - Eternal Security
 - Assurance of Salvation