



"Theology 101"
A Small Group Class at FBC Cowpens

Welcome: Hello everyone! I am so excited for the opportunity to lead this class! Theology is extremely important to me. It is not just a hobby or an interest; it is worship. One of my greatest worries about the modern church is we disregard the importance of doctrinal excellence for pragmatism and popularity. My hope for FBC Cowpens, however, is that we seek to be as biblically literate and excellent as we can, in order to honor the Lord and serve Him better. So, in this class, we will dive into these topics together and work through the Scriptures to see what it is that God has called us to believe and confess. May we grow to love and worship Him more, together. ~ Landon Norris

Our Purpose: In this class, we will seek to understand God and His Word better, according to what He has revealed to us in His Word, for the purpose to glorify Him, love Him more, and worship better. The class phrase should be remembered as, "proper theology fuels greater doxology."

Requirements:

1. An Open Heart.
2. A Ready Mind.
3. Great discussions.
4. Bring a physical copy of the Bible (preferably a formal-literal translation).

Meeting Times:

Wednesdays at 6:30pm in Room A-101 (unless otherwise stated).

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Recommended Texts:

Bavink, Herman. *Reformed Dogmatics*. 4 vol. Ada, MI: Baker Academic, 2008.

Beeke, Joel R., Paul M. Smalley. *Essentials of Reformed Systematic Theology*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.

Grudem, Wayne. *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994.

Sproul, R.C. *Everyone's a Theologian: An Introduction to Systematic Theology*. Sanford, FL: Ligonier Ministries, 2019.

Sproul, R.C. *What is Reformed Theology? Understanding the Basics*. Baker Books, 2016.

Tentative Schedule

Date:	Topic:	Extra Notes
Aug 12	Welcome / Introduction: What is Theology & Why study it?	
Aug 19	The Scriptures: Sufficiency, Inerrancy, Infallibility, Authoritative	
Aug 26	The Scriptures: Sufficiency, Inerrancy, Infallibility, Authoritative	
Sep 2	Theology Proper: God (Character, Person, Attributes)	
Sep 9	Theology Proper: The Holy Trinity	
Sep 16	Christology: The Study of Jesus Christ	
Sep 23	Christology: The Study of Jesus Christ	
Sep 30	Pneumatology: The Study of the Holy Spirit	
Oct 7	Pneumatology: The Study of the Holy Spirit	
Oct 14	Creation: God's Good Creation & Design	
Oct 21	Creation: God's Good Creation & Design	
Oct 28	Hamartiology: The Study of Sin	
Nov 4	Hamartiology: The Study of Sin	
Nov 11	Soteriology: The Study of Salvation	
Nov 18	Soteriology: The Study of Salvation	
Nov 25	NO MEETING: THANKSGIVING	
Dec 2	Ecclesiology: The Study of the Church & Her Practices	
Dec 9	Ecclesiology: The Study of the Church & Her Practices	
Dec 16	Eschatology: The Study of the Last Things	
Dec 23	NO MEETING: CHRISTMAS	
Dec 30	Eschatology: The Study of the Last Things	
Jan 6	EXTRA	
Jan 13	EXTRA	