COURSE DESCRIPTION

A continuation of Systematic Theology I (2ST510). This course includes anthropology and the person of Christ.

OBJECTIVES

In this course we will study the doctrines of **humanity** and **Christology**.

- Our study of humanity will include topics like: humanity’s role in covenant and kingdom, the image of God, humanity as male and female, as well as the doctrine of sin.

- In this course we will begin our study of the doctrine of Jesus Christ, a study that will continue in ST III. Our focus here will be upon Jesus’ role in fulfilling the biblical story line and upon the nature of the incarnation.

The goal of our study will be to better understand and appreciate these doctrines as they are taught in Holy Scripture and received in the Reformed tradition so that we may better live to the glory of the triune God.

CLASS MEETINGS

This class meets on Wednesdays from 1:00-2:55 pm.

TEXTS

The Westminster Confession of Faith [WCF]

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics [RD]*, Volumes 2 & 3

John Frame, *Salvation Belongs to the Lord: An Introduction to Systematic Theology [SBL]*
ASSIGNMENTS

1. Assigned reading (25 %)

   WCF, Chapters 4, 6-9, 19, 21
   Bavinck, *RD*, 2:511-588
   Frame, *SBL*, 85-145
   Swain, “Christology in John’s Trinitarian Perspective,” all
   CBE, “Statement on Men, Women, and Biblical Equality”
   (www.cbeinternational.org/new/about/biblical_equality.shtml)
   CBMW, “The Danvers Statement” (www.cbmw.org/about/danvers.php)

2. Exams (50 %)

   Students will take two exams in this course. Exams will test comprehension and critical grasp of lectures, readings, and relevant chapters of the Westminster Confession of Faith (Chapters 4, 6-9, 19, 21).

3. Critical Book Review (25 %)

   Students will write a critical review of one of the following books. The review must follow the format prescribed by the professor (details forthcoming) and should be between 6-8 pages in length, double spaced, typed, in 12 point font.

   Students may choose one of the following books to review:
   
   Stephen G. Dempster, *Dominion and Dynasty*
   Jonathan Edwards, *Freedom of the Will*
   Paul L. Gavrilyuk, *The Suffering of the Impassible God*
   Stanley Grenz, *The Social God and the Relational Self*
   Michael S. Horton, *Lord and Servant: A Covenant Christology*
   N. T. Wright, *The Climax of the Covenant*
OFFICE HOURS

My office hours are Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am until noon. If this time does not fit your schedule, please email me and we will schedule a meeting at an alternative time.