

## ST 520 – Systematic Theology III

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### MEETING TIMES

This course meets Monday to Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, July 28-August 1, 2008.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. In this course we will study the doctrine of redemption, which includes:

- The *basis* of redemption in the Father's plan (the Covenant of Redemption, the Covenant of Grace);
- The *accomplishment* of redemption through the Son's humiliation and exaltation (the doctrine of the work of Christ);
- The *application* of redemption by the Spirit's power and presence (the doctrine of salvation); and
- The *consummation* of redemption in the kingdom of the triune God (the doctrine of last things, i.e., eschatology).

2. The goal of our study will be:

- To understand and appreciate these truths as they are taught in Scripture and confessed in the Reformed tradition;
- So that we may live in the light of these truths to the glory of the triune God.

## TEXTS

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics, Volume 3: Sin and Salvation in Christ* (Baker), ISBN: 0801026563

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics, Volume 4: Holy Spirit, Church, and New Creation* (Baker), ISBN: 0801026571

Henri Blocher, "Atonement," in *Dictionary for Theological Interpretation of the Bible*, ed., Kevin J. Vanhoozer (available from professor)

C. S. Lewis, "The Weight of Glory" (available at: <http://www.doxaweb.com/assets/doxa.pdf>)

The Canons of the Synod of Dort (Schaff edition; available at: <http://www.ccel.org/ccel/schaff/creeds1.toc.html>)

The Westminster Confession of Faith (available in many formats)

## ASSIGNMENTS

**Reading:** (40 % of final grade) On the final exam there will be a question asking students to state the *percentage* of the assigned reading that they have read with reasonable care by the due date of the exam.

**Exam** (60 % of final grade) Students will take one exam that will test comprehension and critical grasp of lectures, readings, the Canons of the Synod of Dort (Schaff edition), and relevant chapters of the Westminster Confession of Faith (chapters 3, 5, 7-19, 32-33). The exam will consist of *objective questions* and *essay questions*.

***All assignments are due in hard copy format to Ceci Helm by August 25, 2008.***