

Systematic Theology 2 – 2ST 514

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

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

CLASS MEETINGS

This class meets Mon to Fri 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM, June 08 - June 12.

TEXTBOOKS TO BE PURCHASED BY STUDENTS

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, Volume 2 [ISBN 13: 9780801026553]

→ *Students will read chapters 11-13 of Reformed Dogmatics, Volume 2*

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, Volume 3 [ISBN 13: 9780801026560]

→ *Students will read chapters 1-6 of Reformed Dogmatics, Volume 3*

OTHER READING AVAILABLE ON RESERVE IN THE LIBRARY

Andreas J. Köstenberger and Scott R. Swain, *Father, Son and Spirit: The Trinity and John's Gospel* [ISBN 13: 9780830826254]

→ *Students will read chapter 7 of this book*

Fred Sanders, "Introduction to Christology: Chalcedonian Categories for the Gospel Narrative," in *Jesus in Trinitarian Perspective* [ISBN 13: 978-0805444223]

→ *Students will read this essay in its entirety*

DAILY READING ASSIGNMENTS

The above mentioned reading assignments are due *on the day when the final exam is due* (TBA). However, *before each day of class* students will read brief excerpts from Reformed confessional documents along with their accompanying Scripture proofs. Such reading will enable a better grasp of the daily lectures and further our discussion of various doctrines and their applications. Students will be ready to report on these reading assignments on a daily basis (by means of a simple reading report which states, "I have read today's assignment," or by means of a more formal oral/written quiz as needed).

Note: The assigned confessional documents are available in many formats (including internet). However, be sure to use a format that includes Scripture proofs.

<i>Read before the beginning of class</i>	<i>Confessional excerpt/Scripture proof</i>
Monday, June 8	<i>Westminster Confession of Faith</i> , chapter 4, paragraph 2; chapter 7, paragraphs 1-2; <i>Heidelberg Catechism</i> , questions 1-2, 6, 9
Tuesday, June 9	<i>Westminster Confession of Faith</i> , chapter 3, paragraph 1; chapter 5, paragraphs 1-4; chapter 6, paragraphs 1-6; chapter 7, paragraph 3; <i>Heidelberg Catechism</i> , questions 3-5, 7-8, 10-11, 91-115
Wednesday, June 10	<i>Westminster Confession of Faith</i> , chapter 2, paragraphs 1-3; chapter 7, paragraphs 3-6; chapter 8, paragraphs 1-2; <i>Heidelberg Catechism</i> , questions 12-19, 22-25
Thursday, June 11	<i>Westminster Confession of Faith</i> , chapter 8, paragraphs 3-8; <i>Heidelberg Catechism</i> , questions 29-36
Friday, June 12	

OTHER ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

1. Assigned reading (20 %) 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 final exam.

2. Daily reading assignments from confessional documents/Scripture proofs (10 %) See discussion above.

3. Final exam (70 %) Students will take one exam in this course. The exam will test comprehension and critical grasp of lectures and all assigned readings.

OFFICE HOURS

Due to the unusual structure of a summer class, I will not have any regular office hours during this course. However, I am generally available during class breaks to discuss any questions related to the course. Also, please feel free to send me an email at: sswain@rts.edu.