

Covenant Theology

Doctor of Ministry Program

Ligonier Academy

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Course Outline

- I. The Big Idea: Introducing Covenant Theology
- II. Two Mothers: New Testament Interpretation of the Old Covenant
- III. A New Covenant: Continuity and Contrast
- IV. From Scripture to System: Three Over-Arching Covenants
- V. Lord and Servant of the Covenant: God, Man, and the God-Man
- VI. Providence and Covenant: Noah and the Common Grace Covenant
- VII. Covenant People: Israel and the Church
- VIII. Signs and Seals of the Covenant: Baptism and the Supper
- IX. New Covenant Obedience
- X. The New Covenant and the Consummation

Required Reading:

Herman Witsius, *The Economy of the Covenants Between God and Man: Comprehending a Complete Body of Divinity*, 1677 (reprint Escondido: The den Dulk Christian Foundation: 1990);

Geerhardus Vos, *Biblical Theology: Old and New Testaments* (Banner of Truth);

Michael Horton, *Introducing Covenant Theology* (Baker);

People and Place: A Covenant Ecclesiology (Westminster John Knox);

Grading:

- 1 brief (2-3 page) synopsis of the readings prior to the course, with questions for discussion in class (culled by the professor according to each day's topic/s);
- 10-page paper on any topic related directly to the covenantal motif or covenant theology: exegetical, historical, systematic, or practical. Due December 1, 2010.