

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

THEI 532 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY II

AN AGTS CD-ROM COURSE

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Independent Studies Program

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An overview of the theological areas of pneumatology, soteriology, ecclesiology, and eschatology.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of Systematic Theology I and Systematic Theology II, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a basic familiarity with the language and concepts of Christian theology.
2. Associate the individual doctrine of Christian theology with their personal piety and ministry.
3. Analyze the evangelical formulations of Christian doctrines within the larger context of contemporary theological discussion and development.
4. Assess the unique contributions and challenges of the Pentecostal tradition to the articulation of a distinctive Pentecostal theology.
5. Explain the biblical foundations for the expression of doctrinal affirmations.
6. Formulate clear statements of the relationship of theology to the ministry of the Church in the postmodern age.

TEXTBOOKS

Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Second ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Book House, 1998.

McGrath, Alister E., ed. *The Christian Theology Reader*. Second edition. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2001.

THEI 511 Christian Theology, Ministry Resource CD-ROM Set. Springfield, MO: Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, 2005. **(Supplied by the AGTS Continuing Education Office upon official course registration, unless student already has this resource)**

COURSE OUTLINE

(Note: The Erickson readings are assigned by page numbers; the McGrath readings are assigned by section numbers.)

Lesson 16	The Holy Spirit ➤ Person of ➤ Deity of ➤ Works of	Erickson, 861-900 McGrath, 3.9, 14, 16
Lessons 17-18	The Holy Spirit (Cont'd) ➤ Spirit Baptism ➤ Fruit of the Spirit ➤ Gifts of the Spirit	
	Online Forum Discussion Question #1	
	TAKE EXAM ONE	
Lessons 19-20	Salvation ➤ The application of salvation to the repentant believer	Erickson, 901-1034 McGrath, 5.21; 6.11-12, 15-21, 26, 29-36, 39, 42-43, 45-46
	Theological Essay One Due	
	Online Forum Discussion Question #2	
	TAKE EXAM TWO	
Lessons 21-22	The Church ➤ The word ➤ Nature of ➤ Organization of ➤ Ministry in ➤ Ordinances of	Erickson, 1035-1154 McGrath, 7.1-4, 6, 9, 11-14, 17, 19-22, 24- 25, 27; 8.4-5, 8, 10-11, 16-21, 23-24, 26-28
	Online Forum Discussion Question #3	
Lessons 23-24	The Last Things ➤ Individual last things ➤ General last things	Erickson, 1155-1253 McGrath, 10.1, 3-5, 8, 10-11, 15-19, 21-22
	Online Forum Discussion Question #4	
	Theological Essay Two Due	
	TAKE EXAM THREE	

METHODOLOGY

Video lectures, theological essays, exams, and online forum discussion questions.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. The student is expected to view Lessons 16 – 24. A question will be asked on Exam Three as to how much of the video sessions were viewed.
2. The student is expected to read the assigned readings before watching each session.
3. The student should sustain successfully three examinations covering the lecture material and the assigned readings. The exams will be a mix of objective and subjective questions and should be taken at the appropriate times shown on the Course Outline above. Please note that all exams must be requested from the Continuing Education Office two weeks prior to the student taking the requested exam (see Exam Request Form).
4. The student will participate in four online forum discussion questions during the term in response to questions posed by the professor. The student will be responsible to respond to the question **and** to at least one posting by a fellow student. The discussion will focus on an aspect of the session presentations that allows the student to further their understanding by interaction with their colleagues.
 - a. You will be provided access to the discussion forum by the Continuing Education Office when you are officially registered for the course.
 - b. Students are expected to email the AGTS professor of record (see course release form) the web link to the students' responses on the completion of **each** forum question.
5. The student will submit two five-page theological essays that express the student's understanding of a theological topic, based on the classroom presentation and/or the assigned reading of the topic. The first essay is due **BEFORE WATCHING Lesson 21**, and should be on one of these topics: Doctrine of the Holy Spirit, or Doctrine of Salvation. The second essay is due **AFTER WATCHING Lesson 24**, and should be on one of these topics: Doctrine of the Church, or Doctrine of Last Things. The page limitation should be observed; if used, the source documentation and format should reflect Turabian 6th edition utilizing footnotes; and, the essays will be graded on content, comprehensiveness, and clarity of expression.

All assignments are to be typewritten, double-spaced, represent quality graduate level work, and follow the *Turabian* style manual, 6th edition.

All assignments must include a title page that includes your name, address, phone and email, course number, title, and assignment title.

DUE DATES

Due date: All assignments are to be postmarked no later than 15 weeks after course registration (**All projects must be received by your AGTS Professor of Record by your due date**)

NOTE: A \$30.00 fee will be charged to the student's account for every grade change even if the instructor has approved an extension for completing the work. Any exception to the policy will be made by the registrar.

Submit all assignments to: AGTS Professor of Record (See Course Release Form)
1435 N. Glenstone Avenue
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GRADING PROCEDURE

Viewing Video Sessions	10%
Online forum discussions	10%
Examinations (3)	50%
Theological essays (2)	30%

AGTS Grading Scale

Publishable = A+
100% - 94% = A
93% - 90% = A-
89% - 87% = B+
86% - 84% = B
83% - 80% = B-
79% - 77% = C+
76% - 74% = C
73% - 70% = C-
69% - 67% = D+
66% - 64% = D
63% - 60% = D-

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