



STH254 The Doctrine of Christ Syllabus Highlights

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

—John 1:14

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Course Description

A study of the person and work of God the Son, with a focus on the formulation of Chalcedon.

Learning Outcomes

The primary outcome is to understand orthodox Christology through a biblical, theological, and historical analysis. At the end of this course of study, successful students will be able to:

1. Explain and summarize key theological concepts related to the doctrine of Christ.
2. Identify significant questions related to the doctrine of Christ as they arise in the contemporary cultural context (e.g., in current events, social media discussions).
3. Apply the doctrine of Christ to personal spiritual formation and ministry to the world.
4. Defend the classical doctrine of Christ as expressed in the Definition of Chalcedon and the Reformed confessions of faith.
5. Elaborate on an important element of the doctrine of Christ by means of scholarly research, analysis of contrasting views, and a concluding defense of the orthodox Reformed doctrine.

Textbooks

1. John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, trans. Henry Beveridge (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2008). ISBN: 978-1598561685.
2. Brandon D. Crowe, *The Lord Jesus Christ: The Biblical Doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ* (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2023). ISBN: 9781683597162.
3. Steven J. Duby, *Jesus and the God of Classical Theism: Biblical Christology in Light of the Doctrine of God* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2022). ISBN: 9781540967114.
4. Daniel R. Hyde, *Grace Worth Fighting For: Recapturing the Vision of God’s Grace in the Canons of Dort* (Landrum, SC: Davenant Institute, 2019). ISBN: 9781949716924.
5. Patrick Schreiner, *The Ascension of Christ: Recovering a Neglected Doctrine* (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2020). ISBN: 9781683593973.

Course Requirements

1. Attend and participate in class.
2. Complete all required reading.
3. Write a weekly reflection of the class reading in relation to doxology and missiology.
4. Write a final research paper on a topic related to the field of Christology.



5. Complete final exam.

*This abbreviated syllabus is subject to revision. A complete syllabus will be provided on the first day of class.