Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary  
January 5-9, 2009, 8:20-11:50 am; 1:00-4:30 pm  
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I. Course Description
This class introduces the student to the primary Christian doctrines of Christology,  
Pneumatology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology. We shall seek to understand  
the significant historical development within each of these topics, yet our primary goal is  
to develop a biblical background for their proper understanding.

II. Texts
A. Required

B. Recommended
Grudem, Wayne. Systematic Theology. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House,  
1994.  

III. Requirements
A. Reading and Participation
Active participation in class discussion will form an integral part of this class. Each  
student is expected to have read all the material from Erickson prior to the beginning of  
the first class. The required sections are listed in this syllabus, and students should have  
plenty of time for a careful reading of the material.  
In addition to an overall reading of the entire text, each student must prepare to discuss  
the section(s) that will be covered on each day. The student should prepare for daily  
written quizzes by becoming familiar with the questions at the beginning of each chapter  
(relevant chapters for quizzes are given for each day in the schedule below). Effective  
preparation for these quizzes will be impossible unless the student has taken time to  
formulate written answers to the questions prior to class time.

B. Book Report
From the attached bibliography, each student shall select a book to read and write a four  
to five page book review. The review should contain an introductory paragraph, one or  
two pages summarizing the primary arguments of the book, and a couple pages  
evaluating the book. This review is due at the beginning of the first day of class.
The format of the review should be similar to a research paper composed according to the latest edition of Turabian. However, in references to the book being reviewed, parenthetical page numbers may be provided at the end of the sentence. Within your evaluation section, feel free to use first-person language, and explain why the book is helpful or unhelpful to your own theological perspective.

C. Research Paper
In consultation with the instructor, each student shall select a broad topic (such as a chapter title) covered in class and write a fifteen to twenty page research paper. Do not begin work on your paper until you have verified your topic with the instructor. If you would like to begin work on the paper prior to the beginning of class, you may email me to obtain approval. The paper must be composed according to the latest edition of Turabian and should employ footnotes rather than end notes. A well-written paper will utilize at least five books other than textbooks or commentaries and at least five journal articles. The research paper is due no later than January 31. The paper may be emailed to the professor or turned in at the Seminary.

D. Exam
One exam will be given on Thursday afternoon and will include the material from Part Seven through Part Eleven. The exam will not include material on eschatology, but the quiz on eschatology will count double.

IV. Grades
Reading and Participation 20%
Book Report 20%
Research Paper 30%
Exam 30%

V. Schedule
Monday, January 5 – The Person of Christ (Erickson, Part 7, 675-775)
Quiz will be taken from chapters 33, 34, 35
Book Reviews due at the beginning of class
Tuesday, January 6 – The Work of Christ, Pneumatology (Erickson, Parts 8, 9, 777-898)
Quiz will be taken from chapters 38, 39, 42
Wednesday, January 7 – Soteriology (Erickson, Part 10, 899-1032)
Quiz will be taken from chapters 45, 46, 47, 48
Thursday, January 8 – Ecclesiology (Erickson, Part 11, 1033-1152)
Quiz will be taken from chapters 51, 53, 55
Friday, January 9 – Eschatology (Erickson, Part 12, 1153-1248)
Quiz will be taken from chapters 57, 58, 59
Saturday, January 31
Research Papers Due

VI. Additional Notes
A. Attendance
There are ten class sessions (morning and evening for five days). Each absence from one of these sessions will remove four points from your final grade. Four instances of tardiness will equal one absence. These guidelines encourage everyone to be in class on time, ready to begin the day’s requirements.

B. Personal Note
I look forward to this class and will be praying for you as you prepare. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me using the information at the top of the first page. I pray that our time will challenge you to examine your own theological background, provide a fuller understanding of the relevant issues, and encourage you to serve God more faithfully.
BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY II

Christology


**Soteriology**


Kennedy, Kevin. *Union with Christ as Key to John Calvin’s Understanding of Christ’s Atonement*.


**Pneumatology**


