ST 5150: Scripture, Theology Proper, Anthropology

Hybrid Course

Summer B term 2020 (July 13-August 7).

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Course Description:   
  
This course focuses on the systematic-theological loci of Scripture, theology proper, and anthropology, focusing on their biblical roots and articulation within Reformed theology. Topics will thus include the doctrines of general and special revelation, God (nature, attributes, Trinity) and the works of God (decrees, creation, providence), and humanity as created and fallen.

Course Readings:

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic 2003-8).

Vol. 1, chapters 9-14.

Vol. 2. Chapters 3-14

Francis Turretin, *Institutes of Elenctic Theology* (Philipsburg: P&R, 1992).

Vol. 1, Third Topic, Questions III-XXXI (pages 181-310).

John Murray, *The Imputation of Adam’s Sin* (Philipsburg: P&R, 1977).

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Michael Allen and Scott Swain (eds.), *Christian Dogmatics: Reformed theology for the Church Catholic* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016).

Chapters 1-9.

Nathaniel Sutanto, “Herman Bavinck on the Image of God and Original Sin,” *International Journal of Systematic Theology* 18, no. 2 (April 2016): 174-190.

Westminster Confession of Faith, chapters 1-9, 19.

Recommended reading: the primary sources from Franciscus Junius (*Treatise on True Theology*), Petrus van Mastricht (*Theoretical-Practical Theology*, vols. 1&2), Francis Turretin (*Institutes of Elenctic Theology*), Abraham Kuyper (*Encyclopedia of Sacred Theology*), and Vos (*Reformed Dogmatics*) are all helpful as treatments of the loci covered in this course.

Schedule:

The course schedule will be divided into two, with the first half meeting mainly synchronously as live lectures, and the second half through recorded lectures (asynchronous classes).

Live lectures and discussion will take place during 10-12am (EST) in synchronous zoom meetings in the following dates:

July 13-16 (Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday)

July 20-23 (Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday)

July 27 and 30 (Monday & Thursday)

August 3 and 6 (Monday & Thursday)

A course pack will be provided to go along with the lectures.

Assignments:

1. Class Participation (20%)
   1. Engagement with synchronous zoom meetings
   2. Discussion on Canvas with professor (15 interactions) and other students (5 interactions).
2. Reading report: (20%)
   1. Students will submit a reading report indicating how many percent of the reading they have read (attached to the final exam).
3. Research Paper (30%)
   1. Students will write a 3000 word research paper (about 10-12 pages double spaced), citing at least 8 scholarly sources, engaging in a topic from the course.
4. Final Exam (30%)
   1. There will be a final comprising short and long essay questions based on the lecture material. A study guide will be provided.

Reading report, research paper, and exam will be due Friday, August 28th