

Birmingham Theological Seminary
ST3530 Systematic Theology V
Dr. Jeff Lowman

Class Hours: 2

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This class will be a study of systematic theology. It will include a study of the application of the doctrine of the Church and the sacraments.

COURSE TEXTBOOKS

(click on book titles to purchase the books online - requires an Internet connection)

- *The Apostolic Church*, by Thomas Witherow
- *Systematic Theology*, by Louis Berkhof (pp. 555-656)
- *The Church*, by Edmund Clowney
- *Christian Baptism*, by John Murray
- *The Israel of God*, by O. Palmer Robertson

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Listen and/or watch all course lectures.

2. Read the following texts:

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3. Write a theological paper on one of the following topics:

- Baptism
- The Lord's Supper

This paper should include the following:

1. A title page
2. A table of contents
3. An introduction

4. A thesis statement
5. The text (should include)
 - a) A definition of the doctrine
 - b) A historical overview
 - c) A biblical defense of the doctrine
 - d) An application of the doctrine to your discipline of study
6. A conclusion – Giving a summary of the paper’s contents
7. Footnotes (according to Turabian standards)
8. Bibliography with at least 15 theological references
9. No less than 12 pages and no more than 15 pages typed (double spaced);
12 pt. Times New Roman font. (Turabian format)
10. Papers without footnotes or bibliography will receive a zero.
11. No more than 5% of paper to be direct quotes

4. Take the final exam

COURSE GRADING

1. Theological paper (40 points)
2. Reading (20 points)
3. Final examination (40 points)

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