

Theology III

Syllabus

General Information

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Office hours: Available by Appointment

Class Dates: January 17th to May 15th, 2024

Class Time: Wednesdays from 5:05 – 5:50 MT

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Course Materials

Required Texts:

Books:

- Fruchtenbaum, Arnold G., *What The Bible Teaches About Israel: An Abridged Version of Israelology...*
- Chafer, Lewis Sperry, Revised by John F. Walvoord, *Major Bible Themes*
- Hixson, J. B., and Mark Fontecchio, *What Lies Ahead: A Biblical Overview of the End Times*
- Alva J. McClain, *Law and Grace: A Study of New Testament Concepts as They Relate to the Christian Life*

Articles:

- Rogers, E Dane, “A Survey of the Olivet Discourse”
- Rogers, E Dane, “The Challenge of Interpretation: The Parable of the Ten Virgins”
- Rogers, E Dane, “Dominion”

Lectures:

- Hosted at edanerogers.com/theology/4
- Live Meetings & Lectures will be held at Fort Collins Bible College

Course Description

This course (Theology IV) will cover Israelology, ecclesiology, and eschatology, or, the study of Israel, the Church, and the end times. Having completed the study of the uncaused cause (the Triune God) in Theology II, and the fall and salvation of the created universe in Theology III, it is time to turn our eyes towards the outworking of God’s plan in time, through His redeemed peoples, and his prophetic word.

Our study of Israel (Israelology) will consider the unique nature of Israel as a people of God, called out from among the nations as God’s chosen people, with special emphasis on His covenant program with these “covenant people”. Our study of the Church (ecclesiology) will consider the New Man in Christ, the nature of the unique organism of redeemed people after the cross, both their distinction

in nature and in operation from other redeemed peoples. Finally, our study of the end times (eschatology) will consider how God will fulfill His program for this creation and the New World to come.

Course Objectives

To give students a deeper understanding and appreciation for God, His choice of and purpose for Israel, the nature and distinction of the Church, and a general working chronology and rationale for His prophetic program. By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- Understand God's covenant program for Israel and generally define its facets.
- Understand the distinction between God's program for Israel and the church and their diverse purposes.
- Understand in general terms the prophetic events which will occur between the Rapture and the Eternal State, recognizing their general biblical descriptions and purpose.

Grading Scale

The grading scale will reflect the one given in the student handbook:

A = 100–94

B = 93–85

C = 84–70

A final grade of less than 70 will result in the student NOT receiving credit for the class and having to retake it to complete the academic program.

Assignments and Point Distribution

Attendance and participation (5%)

Students are required to attend each class (unless it's an excused absence). In addition to attending, students will be graded on their interaction and participation in class discussion. The students are expected to take notes on the pre-recorded lectures. Be prepared to discuss them in class. The student should watch all supplemental lectures which time permits and attend all live meetings. These lectures will prepare you for your papers and exams.

Reading Assignments (10%)

The students is to read a minimum of 500 pages from the assigned books and articles. The student must track what they have read and be prepared to indicate what percentage of the reading has been completed by May 15th. The reading prepares you for class discussions, papers, and exams.

Exams (40% – 2 at 20% each)

The course will consist of two exams: one midterm and one final exam. The midterm exam will cover the material from modules 1–5 and will be due on March 6th. The final exam will cover the

material from weeks 6–10 and will be due on May 15th. Supplemental lectures will not be covered on exams but may help in answering essay questions.

Papers (45% – 3 at 15% each)

The student will three papers of 3–5 pages each. One paper will be assigned for each of the three areas of systematic theology covered in this course. Topics must be selected and approved two weeks before the date they must be submitted. The student will be graded primarily on clarity, cohesion, and conciseness, and care in handling the biblical text. Papers are to be 12pt, double spaced, Times New Roman. Papers are to be submitted digitally to dane@edanerogers.com.

Academic Integrity and Adherence to the Student Handbook

Grades are only a reflection of what students are learning in class. While cheating may advance a student’s academic situation and reflect that they are learning, it does nothing to serve the purpose of why they are in school in the first place. As a Bible college we are not primarily interested in producing high performing academics but people of integrity who are rooted in God and His Word. We would far rather that students perform poorly on assignments but with integrity than perform well otherwise. Instances of academic dishonesty at all levels will be dealt with on an individual basis.

Class/Assignment Schedule

Module 1

01—January 17 – Panorama of the Ages – Major Bible Themes 297–311

1. [Watch Foundations 10–13](#) (2h)
2. [Meeting, course overview](#) (1h)

Module 2

02—January 24 – Israel Past – Fruchtenbaum 9–86

1. [Watch Foundations 15–18](#) (2h 20)
2. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)
3. [Supplemental: Watch Fruchtenbaum 2022: Israel Past](#) (1h 10)

Module 3

03—January 31 – Israel Present – Fruchtenbaum 87–160

1. [Watch Foundations 20–23](#) (1h 30)
2. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)
3. [Supplemental: Watch Fruchtenbaum 2022: Israel Present](#) (1h)

04—February 7 – Israel Present – Fruchtenbaum 161–250

1. [Watch Foundations 24–27](#) (1h 40)
2. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)
3. [Supplemental: Watch Salvation of Israel 1](#) (1h 10)

Module 4

05—February 14 – Israel Future – Fruchtenbaum 251–312 [NO MEETING]

1. [Watch Salvation of Israel 6 A-B: New Covenant](#) (1h 15)
2. [Supplemental: Watch Salvation of Israel 2–3](#) (2h 25)

Module 5

06—February 21 – Law & Grace – McClain 5–80 [NO MEETING]

1. [Watch Fruchtenbaum 2022: Law of Moses vs. Law of Messiah](#) (1h 20)
2. [Watch Foundations 19](#) (30 min)
3. **FIRST PAPER DUE – ISRAELOLOGY**

Module 6

07—February 28 – The New Man – Major Bible Themes 236–287

1. [Meeting Mini Lecture on Eph. 1–3](#) (1h): ASSIGN MIDTERM
2. [Supplemental: Watch SL 103–104](#) (2h 30)

08—March 6 – The New Man – [NO MEETING]

1. [Watch SL 112, 105–106](#) in this order (2h 50)
2. *Supplemental: Brad Maston on Church Polity (TBD)*
3. **MIDTERM DUE [Israel & The Church]**

Module 7

09—March 13 – The Rapture – Hixson, What Lies Ahead, 177–228

1. [Watch Our Blessed Hope 2023](#) (1h)
2. [Watch Revelation 137–138, 171](#) (1h)
3. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)

10—April 3 –Resurrection [NO MEETING]

1. [Watch Revelation 55–59](#) (2h 40)
2. **SECOND PAPER DUE – ECCLESIOLOGY**

Module 8

11—April 10 – Prophetic Overview

1. [Meeting Mini-Lecture on Chronology of Prophetic Events](#) (1h)

12—April 17 – Tribulation Overview – Olivet Discourse & Ten Virgins Paper

1. [Watch LOM 20](#) (1h 20)
2. [Supplemental: The Challenge of Interpreting Parables: Ten Virgins](#) (2h)
3. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)

13—April 24 – Tribulation Midpoint & Antichrist – Themes 320–349

1. [Watch Revelation 128–130](#) (1h 35)
2. [Meeting Q&A](#) (1h)

14—May 1 – Tribulation End [**NO MEETING**]

1. [Watch Revelation 131–132, 159–160](#) (3h)

Module 9

15—May 8 – Kingdom Come – Kingdom Article [**NO MEETING**]

1. [Watch Revelation 162–164](#) (2h 20)
2. [Supplemental: Watch LOM 12](#) (1h)

Module 10

16—May 15 – Kingdom Eternal – Themes 350–74

1. [Watch Revelation 173–176](#) (2h)
2. [Meeting Mini Lecture on the Eternal State](#) (1h)
3. **FINAL PAPER DUE – ESCHATOLOGY**
4. **FINAL EXAM DUE [*Prophecy*]**