

SALVATION AND THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

Purpose. (1) The classes will introduce you to the doctrines related to salvation and the Christian life. Lectures, questions and discussion.
 (2) The assignments include memorizing Scripture (the basis of doctrine), inductive concordance study (the method of doctrine), reading a text (the systematizing of doctrine), and writing a tract (the use of doctrine).

Outline. Topics for the class sessions will be as follows.

1. The Depravity of Man
2. The Incarnation of Christ
3. The Life and Ministry of Christ
4. True and False Conceptions of the Death of Christ
5. Accomplishments of the Death of Christ Assignment 1 due
6. Accomplishments of the Death of Christ
7. The Doctrine of Ejection
8. God's Part in Salvation
9. Man's Part in Salvation
10. False Conceptions of Man's Part Assignment 2 due
11. Eternal Security
12. Problems in Eternal Security
13. What is Spirituality?
14. Biblical Psychology of Man
15. Dedication
16. The Process of Sanctification Assignment 3 due
17. The Filling of the Spirit--What It Is
18. The Filling of the Spirit--How Does It Happen?
19. The Filling of the Spirit--Its Results
20. Using Your Spiritual Gifts Assignment 4 due

Assignments. 1. Memorize word perfect Romans 3:20 through 26. Use K.J., A.S.V., N.A.S.B. or R.S.V. only. (1-2 hours)

2. Write a tract entitled "Maybe you don't understand--Let me tell you what a Christian is". The absolute maximum is 500 words and it may be shorter. Aim it at your unsaved college friends. Be sure to give it a rewrite. (2-3 hours)

3. In a large concordance look up the noun "perfect" (Greek: teleios, also translated full age (once) and men(once)). After studying the passages where the word is used, formulate an outline (which you could use in a group Bible study) on "The Bible Doctrine of Perfection or Maturity." (1-2 hours)

4. Read Balancing the Christian Life. On the exam you will be asked to certify that you have read it, and there will likely be some questions from it (which I will give you some clues about later). (5-8 hours)

TOPIC 1. THE DEPRAVITY OF MAN

I. The Historical Views

Augustine, Pelagius, semi-pelagianism

II. The Reasons why Man is Condemned

A. He sins

1. Definitions of sin

2. Description of sin, Rom. 3:9-20

B. He has a sin nature, Eph. 2:3

C. He was involved in the sin of Adam, Rom. 5:12

III. The Meaning of Total Depravity

Unmeritoriousness. Matt. 22:10, Rom. 5:7, Acts 23:1

TOPIC 2. THE INCARNATION OF CHRIST

I. The Purposes of the Incarnation

John 1:18, Luke 1:31-33, 1 John 3:8, Heb. 5:1-2, Heb. 10:1-10; 1 Pet. 2:21.

II. The Means of the Incarnation

Matt. 1:16

III. The Result of the Incarnation

Undiminished deity and perfect humanity united in one person forever. Phil. 2

IV. The Heresies concerning the Incarnation

Docetism--denies humanity

Ebionism--denies deity

Arianism--reduces deity

Apollinarianism--reduces humanity

Nestorianism--2 persons

Eutychianism--1 indistinguishable mixed nature

TOPIC 3. THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF CHRIST

I. The Offices of Christ

Prophet, Matt. 5-7; Matt. 24-25; John 13-17

Priest, Aaronic type--Melchizedek order

Potentate, meaning of kingdom now and later

II. The Passion of Christ

Betrayal and arrest, John 18:2-13

Trial before Annas, John 18:12-24

Trial before Caiaphas, Mark 14:53--15:1

Trial before Pilate, Mark 15:1-5

Trial before Herod, Luke 23:8-12

Second trial before Pilate, Mark 15:6-15

Crucifixion

Burial

Resurrection. Explain 3rd day

III. The Practical Point, 1 John 2:6

TOPIC 4. TRUE AND FALSE CONCEPTIONS OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST

- I. The Basic Biblical Conception--Substitution
Matt. 20:28; Mark 10:45; 1 Tim. 2:6; Lk. 11:11
1 Tim. 2:1; Gal. 3:13; 1 Pet. 3:18; 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Cor. 15:29; Philemon 13
- II. The False Conceptions
 - A. Ransom Theory--Origen (185-254)
 - B. Satisfaction Theory--Anselm (1033-1109)
 - C. Moral Influence Theory--Abelard (1079-1142)
 - D. Example Theory--Socinus (1539-1604)
 - E. Governmental Theory--Grotius (1583-1645)
 - F. Dramatic Theory--Aulen
- III. The Modern Smorgasbord

TOPIC 5. ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST

- I. Redemption
 - A. Ransom, Matt. 13:44; 2 Pet. 2:1; Rev. 5:9-10; 1 Cor. 6:19-20
 - B. Removal, Eph. 5:16; Gal. 3:13; 4:5.
 - C. Release, Matt. 20:28; 1 Pet. 1:18-19; Eph. 1:7; 1 Tim. 2:6
- II. Reconciliation
 - A. Meaning--change
 - B. Scripture-- 2 Cor. 5
- III. Propitiation
 - A. Meaning
 - B. Basis, Rom. 3:25
 - C. Extent, 1 John 2:2
 - D. Problem, Lk. 18:13

TOPIC 6. ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST (CONTD.)

- IV. Judgment of the Sin Nature, Romans 6
- V. Forgiveness
 - A. To enter the family of God, Eph. 1:7
 - B. While in the family of God, 1 John 1:9
- VI. Victory over Satan
Col. 2:14-15; Rev. 12:11

TOPIC 7. THE DOCTRINE OF ELECTION

- I. The Nature of Election
 - A. The Biblical words.
Sovereign, omniscient, foreordain, foreknow, predestine, elect
 - B. The Characteristics of Election
 1. It is inclusive, Eph. 1:11
 2. It is harmonious, Eph. 1:4
 3. It is comforting, Rom. 8:28
- II. The Problems in Election
 - A. What's going to be is going to be
 - B. God is the author of sin
 - C. Man is not responsible because he is not free

TOPIC 8. GOD'S PART IN SALVATION

- I. The Proving Work of the Holy Spirit, John 16:7-11
 - A. The Meaning of "reprove"
 - B. The Particulars of sin, righteousness, judgment
- II. The Regenerating Work of the Holy Spirit
 - Titus 3:5; John 3:5
 - A. Characteristics--instantaneous, related to faith
 - B. Results

TOPIC 9. MAN'S PART IN SALVATION

- I. The Meaning of Faith
- II. The Divine Gift and Human Responsibility, Eph. 2:8-9, Acts 16:31
- III. The Object of Faith
- IV. The Illustration, John 4:10
 - Is it easy to believe?

TOPIC 10. FALSE CONCEPTIONS OF MAN'S PART

- I. Believe and be baptized
 - Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16
- II. Believe and Repent
- III. Believe and pray
- IV. Believe and surrender
 - A. The Meaning of Lord
 - B. The Meaning of Disciple
 - C. Some illustrations, 2 Pet. 2:4; Acts 19:18

TOPIC 11. ETERNAL SECURITY

- I. The Relation between security and assurance
- II. The Intercession of Christ, Heb. 7:25; 1 John 2:1-2
- III. The Works of the Holy Spirit
 - A. Regeneration
 - B. Indwelling, 1 Cor. 6:19
 - C. Baptizing, 1 Cor. 12:13
 - D. Sealing, Eph. 4:30

TOPIC 12. SOME PROBLEMS IN ETERNAL SECURITY

- I. The Doctrinal Problem--license
- II. The Biblical Problem Passages
 - A. Rev. 22:19
 - B. 1 Cor. 9:27
 - C. John 15:6
 - D. Heb. 6:4-6

TOPIC 1 (13). WHAT IS SPIRITUALITY?

- I. The Concept of Spirituality
 - A. Its relation to Spirit-filling
 - B. Its relation to maturity, 1 Cor. 2:15
- II. The Characteristics of Spirituality
 - A. In relation to the individual, Gal. 5:22-23
 - B. In relation to the individual's relationships with others, Eph. 5:18-6:9
 - C. In relation to the individual's church fellowship, Gal. 6:1; 1 Cor. 12:25

TOPIC 2 (14). BIBLICAL PSYCHOLOGY OF MAN

- I. Some Aspects of Man
 - A. He has personality
 1. Intellect, Eph. 4:17; 1 Cor. 2:16; 2 Cor. 10:5
 2. Feelings, Mark 10:5; Heb. 10:22; Heb. 5:8
 3. Will, Rom. 6:20, 18
 - B. He has capacities
 - Eph. 2:3; 2 Pet. 1:4; Eph. 4:22,24; Rom. 7:15
 - C. He is a unity, Gal. 2:20
- II. Some Kinds of Men
 - A. Unsaved, 1 Cor. 2:14
 - B. Carnal believers, 1 Cor. 3:1-4
 - C. Spiritual believers, Heb. 5:11-14

TOPIC 3 (15). DEDICATION

- I. The Basis for Dedication, Rom. 12:1
- II. The Area of Dedication
- III. The Components of Dedication
 - Presentation, separation, transformation
- IV. The Frequency of Dedication
- V. The Results of Dedication

TOPIC 4 (16). THE PROCESS OF SANCTIFICATION

- I. The Meaning and aspects of sanctification
- II. The Work of God in Sanctification
 - John 15:2; Gal. 2:20; 2 Cor. 3:18
1 Th 5:13 Gal 5:20-7 Eph 5:22-3 Rom 12:3
- III. The Work of the Believer in Sanctification
 - 2 Cor. 7:1; 1 Cor. 10:14; 2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Tim. 4:15 *Mark 13 below*
- IV. Other Means of Sanctification
 - A. The Word of God *John 17:17 part 4 not important*
 - B. Prayer *John 15:7 Gal 4:2 Rom 8:17 - all to will*
 - C. Fellowship and Worship *John 17:21*

TOPIC 5 (17) THE FILLING OF THE SPIRIT--WHAT IT IS

- I. The Definition of the filling, Eph. 5:18
- II. The Demand for filling
- III. The Distinctions of filling
 - A. From Baptism of the Spirit
 - B. From Second Blessing Experience

TOPIC 6 (18) THE FILLING OF THE SPIRIT--HOW DOES IT HAPPEN?

- I. Negatively
 - Praying, pleading, tarrying
 - II. Positively
 - A. Dedication
 - B. Direction
 - C. Confession, 1 John 1:9
 - D. Progression, 1 John 1:7
 - E. Dependence, Gal. 5:16
- Can you say you're filled?

TOPIC 7 (19) THE FILLING OF THE SPIRIT--ITS RESULTS

- I. Christlikeness, Gal. 5:22-23
- II. Praise, Eph. 5:18-20
- III. Submissiveness, Eph. 5:21
- IV. Soulwinning, Acts 2:41; 5:14; 9:17

TOPIC 8 (20) USING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

- I. The Definition of Spiritual Gifts
- II. The Description of Spiritual Gifts
- III. The Development of Spiritual Gifts, 1 Cor. 12:31; Rom. 1:11
- IV. The Discovery of Spiritual Gifts
 - Be Informed
 - Be Willing
 - Be Active

SOTERIOLOGY

TOPIC 1. THE DEPRAVITY OF MAN

I. The Historical Views

A. The Meaning of Augustinianism

B. The Meaning of Pelagianism

C. The Meaning of Semi-pelagianism

II. Reasons why Man is Condemned

A. He is a sinner

1. Some definitions of sin

a. Selfishness

b. Missing the mark

c. I John 3:4

d. Romans 3:23

B. He has a sin nature

Eph. 2:3

Ps. 51:5

C. He was involved in the sin of Adam

1. Meaning of Rom. 5:12

2. Some illustrations of imputation

III. The Meaning of Total Depravity

Matt. 22:10

Acts 23:1

Luke 11:13

Ps. 5:5

Rom. 5:7

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TOPIC 3. REDEMPTION, RECONCILIATION, PROPITIATION

I. Redemption

A. Ransom

Matt. 13:44

2 Pet. 2:1

Rev. 5:9-10

I Cor 6:19-20

B. Removal

Eph. 5:16

Gal. 3:13

Gal. 4:5

C. Release

Matt. 20:28

I Pet. 1:18-19

Eph. 1:7

I Tim 2:6

II. Reconciliation

A. Meaning

B. Scripture

I Cor 7:11

Rom. 5:11

2 Cor. 5:19-20

III. Propitiation

A. Meaning

B. Basis, Rom. 3:25

C. Extent, I John 2:2

D. Luke 18:13

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TOPIC 4. JUSTIFICATION, ELECTION

I. Justification

A. Meaning of the term

B. The Procedure in Justification, Rom. 3:21-26

C. Results

Rom. 5:1

Rom. 6:7

II. Election

A. The Concept is biblical

B. The biblical words

C. The Characteristics of the doctrine of election

1. It is all-inclusive, Eph. 1:11

2. It is harmonious, Eph. 1:4

3. It is comforting, Rom. 8:28

D. The Problems in the Doctrine

1. What's going to be is going to be

2. God is the author of sin

3. Man is not responsible because he is not free

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TOPIC 6. THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN SALVATION

I. The Proving Work of the Holy Spirit, John 16:7-11

A. The meaning of "convict"

B. The nature of His work

1. Of sin

2. Of righteousness

3. Of judgment

II. The Regeneration Work of the Holy Spirit, Tit. 3:5; John 3:5

A. Its characteristics

B. Its results

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TOPIC 5. LIMITED OR UNLIMITED ATONEMENT

I. The Question -- what is the purpose of the atonement?

A. The Arminian answer

B. The Calvinistic answer

C. The moderate Calvinistic answer

II. Scriptures which limit the extent of the atonement

John 10:15

Eph. 5:25

Note: Matt. 20:28; 26:28

III. Scriptures which broaden the extent of the atonement

A. John 1:29

B. John 3:17

C. Heb. 2:19

D. Acts 17:39

E. 2 Cor. 5

F. I John 2:2

G. 2 Pet. 2:1

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TOPIC 8. THE SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER

I. The Doctrinal Problem -- license

II. The Practical Problem -- the reality of the profession and assurance

III. The Positive Biblical Proof

A. John 10:28-32

B. The Intercession of Christ, Heb. 7:25; I John 2:2

C. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit

1. Regeneration, John 3:3

2. Indwelling, I Cor. 6:19

3. Baptizing, I Cor. 12:13

4. Sealing, Eph. 4:30

IV. Some Problem Passages

A. Rev. 3:5

B. Rev. 22:19

C. I Cor. 9:27

D. John 15:6

E. Heb. 6:4-6

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TOPIC 7. ONLY TRUST HIM

I. False Additions to Faith

A. Believe and be baptized

1. Mark 16:16

2. Acts 2:38

3. Acts 22:16

B. Believe and Surrender

1. The meaning of Lord

2. The meaning of disciple

3. Some illustrations, 2 Pet. 2:4; Acts 19:18

II. The Elements of True Faith

A. The intellect

B. The emotions

C. The will

III. Is it easy to believe? John 4:10