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This list is not a complete survey of available literature on the topics of our courses. Rather, it is meant to be a "sampling" of suggestions to get the student started, including both Internet links and printed books. In our day, the Internet offers almost limitless resources, and part of the learning process for the student is to become a good researcher to find materials on topics of interest. However, the following list gives a few suggestions, adds some brief comments about the materials and authors, and recommends guidelines for using the search engines of websites.

Resources that are especially recommended are marked with an asterisk*.

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I. HISTORY AND THEOLOGY

A. CHURCH HISTORY AND THE HISTORY OF THEOLOGY

Internet Resources

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](http://www.ccel.org/)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

This website has a multitude of classic Christian literature. Click on "Research," then write the name of an author or a title of a book in their search boxes. You may also choose to click on "Browse" and look through the list of documents in alphabetical order, either by author or by title. You don't need to register to use this. For example, in the area of history of theology, we suggest you look at the following documents as examples:

Eusebius. *Church History*. (church historian from the fourth century AD)

Josephus, Flavius. *Complete Works*. (Jewish historian from the first century AD)

Robertson, J.C. *Sketches of Church History, From AD 33 to the Reformation*. (19th century professor of church history, Kings College, London)

*Schaff, Philip. *The History of the Christian Church* (3 volumes). (19th century Swiss historian)

_____. *Creeds of Christendom* (3 volumes).

[Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry \(CARM\)](http://carm.org/)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. For studying the history of theology, we suggest that you click on "Apologetics," then "Heresies," and browse through the list.

[Wikipedia](http://en.wikipedia.org)

<http://en.wikipedia.org>

Most people are familiar with this Internet encyclopedia. You can put almost any important name or concept in the search box to find interesting information. For example, to study the history of theology, you may want to look up names such as Eusebius, Tertullian, or Marcion. You may want to study topics such as Gnosticism or Montanism. Remember that, while this popular electronic encyclopedia is surprisingly complete and accurate, it aims to represent all points of view, which may lead to some error and confusion.

Printed Resources

*Berkhof, Louis. *The History of Christian Doctrines*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1975.

Bettenson, Henry, ed. *Documents of the Christian Church*. London: Oxford University Press, 1970.

*Gonzalez, Justo L. *A History of Christian Thought*. 3 vols. Rev. ed. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1987.

Hagglund, Bengt. *History of Theology*. St. Louis: Concordia, 1968.

Kelly, J. N. D. *Early Christian Doctrines*. Rev. ed. San Francisco: Harper and Row, 1978.

*Latourette, Kenneth Scott. *A History of Christianity*. New York: Harper and Row, 1953.

B. WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTS

Internet Resources

BBC

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

To find articles on religions, click on "More" then "Full A-Z," then click on "R," then "Religion home page," then find "Religion A-Z" in the margin.

Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry (CARM)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. For studying world religions, click on the "World Religions" tab in the left margin.

Kingdom of the Cults

<http://www.waltermartin.com/cults.html>

This web site give Walter Martin's teachings about many of the popular cults.

New Advent

<http://www.newadvent.org/>

This is a Catholic encyclopedia. To find a topic, use the alphabetical index. For example, to find an article on world religions, click on the letter of the name of the religion, such as "B" for Buddhism, and scroll down to find an article on it.

Religion Facts

<http://www.religionfacts.com/>

This ecumenical site gives information about most religions. Just find the name on the home page.

Religious Tolerance

http://www.religioustolerance.org/var_rel.htm

Find a religion to study by looking at the menu of "World Religions" in the left column.

Sacred Texts

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/world.htm>

Find important texts for each religion as found in the list.

Printed Resources

Anderson, J. N. D. *The World's Religions*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1968. (Christian perspective)

Hoekema, Anthony A. *The Four Major Cults*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1963.

Knight, George R. *A Brief History of the Seventh Day Adventists*. New York: Macmillan, 2004.

Martin, Walter. *The Kingdom of the Cults*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1965.

Sookhedeo, Patrick. *A Christian's Pocket Guide to Islam*. Fearn, Ross-shire, Scotland: Christian Focus Publications, 2001.

C. SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

1. Systematic Theology in General

Internet Resources

[Anselm, *Proslogium*.](#)

(Scholastic theologian)

<https://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/basis/anselm-proslogium.asp>

[Aquinas, Thomas. *The Summa Theologica*.](#)

(Key medieval scholastic theologian, a favorite of the Roman Catholic Church)

<http://www.newadvent.org/summa/>

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. Just scroll down the index to find a topic.

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

This website has a multitude of classic Christian literature. Click on "Research," then write the name of an author or a title of a book in their search boxes. You may also choose to click on "Browse" and look through the list of documents in alphabetical order, either by author or by title. You don't need to register to use this. For example, in the area of Systematic Theology, we suggest you look at the following examples:

Anselm, *Proslogium*. (scholastic theologian)

*Aquinas, Thomas. *The Summa Theologica*. (Key medieval scholastic theologian, a favorite of the Roman Catholic Church)

Arminius, Jacobus. *Works of James Arminius*. (opponent of Calvinism)

Edwards, Jonathan. *Freedom of the Will*. (reformed)

*Hodge, Charles. *Systematic Theology*. (reformed)

[Desiring God](#)

<http://www.desiringgod.org/>

This website is oriented around the teaching of John Piper. We suggest you search for an article by looking under "Browse By," click on "Topic index" and scroll down to find the subject you would like to study. You can also search by author.

*[Frame-Poythress](#)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and

scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order. To find a book, click on "Books" and scroll down to find the title. We suggest a few examples below:

Frame, John. "Certainty."

Frame, John. "Introduction to the Reformed Faith."

Frame, John. "My Use of the Reformed Confessions."

*Frame, John. "A Primer on Perspectivalism."

Frame, John. "Traditionalism."

Poythress, Vern S. "Multiperspectivalism and the Reformed Faith."

Poythress, Vern S. "Presbyterianism and Dispensationalism."

*Poythress, Vern S. *Symphonic Theology*. (Search under "Books.")

[Ligonier Ministries](http://www.ligonier.org/)

<http://www.ligonier.org/>

This reformed website contains hundreds of articles on theology. We suggest clicking on the tab "Learn," then under "Ways to Learn," click on "Topics." Articles in theology are in the first column.

[Monergism](http://www.monergism.com/)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology. We suggest especially the resources listed below. To find any of them, look under the category "Theology," click on "Systematic Theology," and scroll down to find the title.

*Aquinas, Thomas. *The Summa Theologica*. (Key medieval scholastic theologian, a favorite of the Roman Catholic Church)

*Berkhof, Louis. *Summary of Christian Doctrine*. (synthesis of reformed doctrine)

Reymond, Robert L. "The Justification of Theology as an Intellectual Discipline." (reformed)

*Poythress, Vern S. *Symphonic Theology*. (reformed)

Wells, David F. "The Nature and Function of Theology." (reformed)

[Regent University Divinity and Religion Resources](http://libguides.regent.edu)

<http://libguides.regent.edu>

This site recommends many resources and gives key information about them. We suggest for example that you click on "Bibliographies" and then "Systematic Theologies by denomination and persuasion." You could also click on "Websites" and then "Theology" to find other sites.

[Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy](http://plato.stanford.edu/)

<http://plato.stanford.edu/>

You can use this resource especially for studying philosophers or liberal theologians. For example, write

the name "Schleiermacher" in the search box in order to find an article on Friedrich Schleiermacher, or write the name "Kierkegaard" to study Søren Kierkegaard.

*[Third Millennium](#)

<http://thirdmill.org/>

The main website, thirdmill.org, contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find reading materials, click on the "Resources" tab. Browse through the "Electronic Books," the "RPM Magazine," and other links to find hundreds of resources. You can also use the search function, and write the names of theologians, such as "Pratt" or "Frame," to find articles by them or about them.

The Westminster Confession of Faith

See the following options:

https://reformed.org/documents/wcf_with_proofs/

<http://www.pcaac.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/WCFScriptureProofs.pdf>

<http://www.pcaac.org/resources/wcf/>

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/articles/westminster-confession-faith/>

[Wikipedia](#)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

To study Systematic Theology you may want to look up theologians such as Augustine, Aquinas, Calvin, or Luther, or you may want to study topics such as Catholicism, eschatology, or Mormonism. For studying liberal theologians, look up the following examples: Adolf Harnack, Albrecht Ritschl, Gustavo Gutierrez, Friedrich Schleiermacher, and Paul Tillich. Remember that, while this popular electronic encyclopedia is surprisingly complete and accurate, it aims to represent all points of view, which may lead to some error and confusion.

Printed Resources

Arminius, Jacobus. *The Works of Jacob Arminius*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1986. (opponent of Calvinism)

*Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996. (reformed)

_____. *The History of Christian Doctrines*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1975.

*Boice, James M. *Foundations of the Christian Faith*. Downers Grove: Inter-Varsity Press, 1986. (reformed)

*Buswell, J. Oliver. *A Systematic Theology of the Christian Religion*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1962-63. (reformed)

*Calvin, John. *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1967. (fundamental theologian of the Reformation)

Catechism of the Catholic Church. New York: Doubleday, 1995.

Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983. (Baptist)

*Frame, John. *The Doctrine of the Christian Life*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2008. (reformed, contemporary)

* _____. *The Doctrine of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2002.

* _____. *The Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 1987.

* _____. *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Christian Belief*. Phillipsburg, NJ: P&R Publishing, 2013.

*Grudem, Wayne. *Systematic Theology*. Leicester: Inter-Varsity Press, and Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994. (Grudem is fairly recent and very practical, directing his theology to the issues of our day. He represents a unique combination of historical reformed theology with an occasional defense of charismatic views. He is also Baptist.)

* _____. *Bible Doctrine; Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1999. (summary of his *Systematic Theology*)

Hagglund, Bengt. *History of Theology*. St. Louis: Concordia, 1968.

* Hodge, Charles. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1952. (reformed)

Kelly, J. N. D. *Early Christian Doctrines*. Rev. ed. San Francisco: Harper and Row, 1978.

McGrath, Alister E. *The Science of God: An Introduction to Scientific Theology*. London: T&T Clark, 2004. Contemporary "natural theology" by a well-known Oxford professor.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Nature*. London: T&T Clark, 2001.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Reality*. London: T&T Clark, 2002.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Theory*. London: T&T Clark, 2003.

Packer, J.I. *Concise Theology; a Guide to Historic Christian Beliefs*. Wheaton : Tyndale, 1993. Originally written as notes for the *New Geneva Bible*. (Evangelical Anglican)

Pearlman, Myer. *Knowing the Doctrines of the Bible*. Springfield, Mo.: Gospel Publishing House, 1937. (Pentecostal)

*Pratt, Richard L., Jr. *Designed For Dignity: What God Has Made It Possible For You To Be*. Second edition. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 2000. (reformed)

*Reymond, Robert L. *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1998. (reformed)

*Sproul, R.C. *Essential Truths of the Christian Faith*. Wheaton: Tyndale, 1998. (reformed)

*_____. *Faith Alone: The Evangelical Doctrine of Justification*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1999.

_____. *Renewing Your Mind: Basic Christian Beliefs You Need to Know*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1998.

_____. *What Is Reformed Theology?: Understanding The Basics*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2005.

Tillich, Paul. *Systematic Theology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1951-1963. (liberal)

2. The Apostles' Creed

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

<http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM>

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. Just scroll down the index to find a topic. To read their exposition of the Apostles' Creed, look at Part 1, Section 2, Chapter 1, Article 1.

[Center for Reformed Theology and Apologetics \(CRTA\)](#)

<http://www.reformed.org/index.html>

We suggest you use this site to read an exposition of the Apostles' Creed. Using the "Advanced Search" box (the link just below the search box), write "Apostles Creed" (without the apostrophe) in the box that says "Exact Phrase." It will lead you to the following article:

*Dodds, James. *Exposition of the Apostles' Creed*.

[Monergism](#)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains articles on theology from a reformed perspective. To find resources on the Apostles' Creed, write "Apostles' Creed" in the search box.

3. The Doctrine of Scripture

Internet Resources

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

<http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM>

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. To read about their official view of Scripture, see Part 1, Chapter 2, Articles 1-3. To see their view of Tradition, see Part one, Section 1, Chapter 2, Article 2, "The Transmission of Divine Revelation."

[Catholic.com](#)

<http://www.catholic.com/>

Catholic web site. To read about their view of Scripture and Tradition, for example, write "Tradition" in the search box, and find the following articles:

"Apostolic Tradition"

"Scripture and Tradition"

[Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry \(CARM\)](#)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. We suggest the following articles:

Slick, Matt. "Is the Bible Inspired" (See "Christianity," then "Bible.")

_____. "Roman Catholicism, Bible and Tradition." (See "World Religions," "Roman Catholicism," "Scripture and Tradition.")

[*Frame-Poythress](#)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order. To find a book, click on "Books" and scroll down to find the title. We suggest a few examples below:

Frame, John. "No Scripture, No Christ."

_____. "Scripture Speaks for Itself."

Poythress, Vern S. "What Does God Say Through Human Authors?"

[*Monergism](#)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology from a reformed perspective. We suggest for example the articles below on the topic of the doctrine of Scripture. To find them, go to the Block called "Bible," click "Bible Research," then "Inspiration," and scroll down to find them.

Boettner, Loraine. "The Inspiration of Scripture."

Hughes, Philip Edgcumbe. "The Reformers View of Inspiration."

Warfield, B. B. "The Inspiration and Authority of Scriptures."

New Advent

<http://www.newadvent.org/>

This is a Catholic encyclopedia. To find a topic, use the alphabetical index. For example, to find an article on their view of Tradition, click on "T" and scroll down to:

"Tradition and Living Magisterium"

*Sproul, R.C. "[Sola Scriptura, Part 1](#)" (Video on You Tube, first of series of three)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j45czYrPJfI&feature=player_embedded

_____ "[Sola Scriptura, Part 2](#)"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8GnJ4eaj_Y&feature=related

_____ "[Sola Scriptura, Part 3](#)"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=szz0LmEKII8&feature=related>

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Printed Resources

Catechism of the Catholic Church. New York: Doubleday, 1995. For their view of Scripture and Tradition, see Part 1, Section 1, Chapter 2, Articles 1-3.

*Frame, John. *Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*. Phillipsburg: P&R, 1989.

*Frame, John. *The Doctrine of the Word of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2010.

Geisler, Norman, ed. *Inerrancy*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1980.

Godfrey, Robert, James White, R.C. Sproul and others. *Sola Scriptura; The Protestant Position on the Bible*.

Lindsell, Harold. *The Bible in the Balance*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1979.

Warfield, Benjamin B. *The Inspiration and Authority of the Bible*. Phillipsburg: P&R Publishing, 1948.

Young, Edward J. *Thy Word is Truth*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1957

4. Doctrine of God

Suggested reading especially selected to go along with the *Third Millennium* video lessons for the course "We Believe in God."

Lesson 1: What We Know about God

Divine Revelation

- Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983.
- Kline, Meredith. *The Structure of Biblical Authority*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1972.
- Kuyper, Abraham. *Principles of Biblical Authority*. Trans. by J.H. de Vries. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1968.
- McDonald, H. D. *Theories of Revelation: An Historical Study, 1860-1960*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1979.
- Vos, Geerhardus. *Biblical Theology: Old and New Testaments*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1948.

Divine Mysteries

- Bavinck, *The Doctrine of God*. Students Reformed Theological Library. Trans. William Hendrickson.
Location: Banner of Truth 1978.
- Bray, Gerald L. *The Doctrine of God*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1993.
- Flavel, John. *The Mystery of Providence*. London: Banner of Truth, 1963.
- Frame, John M. *Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*. Phillipsburg, NJ: Presbyterian and Reformed, 1987.

Divine Attributes

- Bavinck, Herman. *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4 vols. (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2003-8).
- Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.
- Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983.
- Kaiser, Christopher B. *The Doctrine of God*. Westchester, IL: Good News, 1982.
- Packer, J. I. *Knowing God*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1973.

Divine Works

- Berkouwer, G. C. *The Providence of God*. Trans. by Lewis B. Smedes. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1952.
- Frame, John. *The Doctrine of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2002.
- Gilkey, Langdon. *Maker of Heaven and Earth*. Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1959.
- Helm, Paul. *The Providence of God*. Leicester and Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1994.
- Hodge, Charles. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1952.

Lesson 2: How God is Different from Us

Identifying God's Incommunicable Attributes

Charnock, Stephen. *The Existence and Attributes of God*. Repr. ed. Evansville, IN: Sovereign Grace Book Club, n.d.

Helm, Paul. *Eternal God: A Study of God without Time*. Oxford: Clarendon, 1988.

Packer, J. I. *Knowing God*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1973.

Reymond, Robert L. *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1998.

Integration of God's Incommunicable and Communicable Attributes

Bavinck, Herman. *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4 vols. (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2003-8).

Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

Grudem, Wayne. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994.

Helm, Paul. *Eternal God: A Study of God without Time*. Oxford: Clarendon, 1988.

Lewis, C. S. *A Grief Observed*. New York: HarperOne, 2001.

Lewis, C. S. *The Problem of Pain*. New York: HarperOne, 2001.

Reymond, Robert L. *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1998.

Lesson 3: How God is Like Us

God's Communicable Attributes in Scripture

Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

Kaiser, Christopher B. *The Doctrine of God*. Westchester, IL: Good News, 1982.

Macleod, Donald. *Behold Your God*. 2nd ed. Fearn, Ross-shire, UK: Christian Focus, 1995.

Tozier, A. W. *The Knowledge of the Holy*. New York: Harper and Row, 1961.

Wenham, John W. *The Goodness of God*. London: InterVarsity Press, 1974.

God's Communicable Attributes in Theology

Bavinck, Herman. *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4 vols. (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2003-8).

Bray, Gerald. *The Doctrine of God*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1993.

Lewis, C. S. *The Four Loves*. London: Geoffrey Bles, 1960.

Reymond, Robert L. *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1998.

Urban, Linwood, and Douglas N. Walton. *The Power of God*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1978.

Lesson 4: God's Plan and Works

God's Plan for History

Basinger, David, and Randall Basinger, eds. *Predestination and Free Will: Four Views of Divine Sovereignty and Human Freedom*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1986.

Bavinck, Herman. *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4 vols. (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2003-8).

Boettner, Loraine. *The Reformed Doctrine of Predestination*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1957.

Carson, D. A. *Divine Sovereignty and Human Responsibility: Biblical Perspectives in Tension*. New Foundations Theological Library. Atlanta: John Knox, and London: Marshall, Morgan and Scott, 1981.

Craig, William Lane. *The Only Wise God: The Compatibility of Divine Foreknowledge and Human Freedom*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1987.

Pink, Arthur W. *The Sovereignty of God*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1930.

God's Works of Creation and Providence

Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

Berkouwer, G. C. *The Providence of God*. Trans. by Lewis B. Smedes. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1952.

Blocher, Henri. *In the Beginning: The Opening Chapters of Genesis*. Trans. by David G. Preston. Leicester: InterVarsity Press, 1984.

Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983.

Gilkey, Langdon. *Maker of Heaven and Earth*. Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1959.

Helm, Paul. *The Providence of God*. Leicester and Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1994.

Kline, Meredith G. *Images of the Spirit*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1980.

Murray, John, "Calvin's Doctrine of Creation," *Westminster Theological Journal* 17 (1954-55): 21- 42.

Young, Davis A. *Creation and the Flood*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1977.

Additional Topic: The Trinity

What is the Trinity?

Augustine. On the Trinity.

Beisner, Calvin. *God in Three Persons*. Wheaton, IL: Tyndale Press, 1984.

Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

Bloesch, Donald G. *The Battle for the Trinity: The Debate Over Inclusive God Language*. Ann Arbor, MI: Servant, 1985.

Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983.

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Harris, Murray. *Jesus as God*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1992.

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D. BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

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*Beginning with Moses

<http://beginningwithmoses.org/>

This website is dedicated especially to Biblical Theology. You can use the search box if you want to look for a topic or author. We suggest for example that you write in the names of the authors and the titles of the articles below:

Clowney, Edmund. "The Final Temple."

Gaffin, Richard B. "Systematic Theology and Biblical Theology."

Poythress, Vern S. "Kinds of Biblical Theology"

Bible Study Tools

<http://www.biblestudytools.com/>

This free online website contains many versions of the Bible, commentaries, encyclopedias, and dictionaries. To study Biblical Theology, we suggest you click on "Dictionaries" to locate the following:

Baker's Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology

Use the alphabetical index to find articles on topics such as the "ark" or "Abraham" the "Angel of the Lord," "Theology of Genesis," or "Theology of Exodus," for example.

Kerux

<http://www.kerux.com/default.asp>

Click on "Online Archives" and type in an author or topic. We suggest you read for example:

Dennison, James T. "What is Biblical Theology?"

Monergism

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology from a reformed perspective. To find articles on Biblical Theology, look at the first menu block on "Theology," click on "Biblical Theology," and scroll down to find articles and links.

*A Puritan's Mind

<http://www.apuritansmind.com/>

Search for the articles on the covenant listed below. You can write either the name of the author in the search box, or the subject matter ("covenant"). You may need to advance to another page to find the article (see page numbers at the bottom.)

*Hodge, A. A. "God's Covenants with Men"

*Hodge, Charles. "The Covenant"

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*Kline, Meredith. "Oath and Ordeal Signs," Parts 1 and 2.

*[Third Millennium](http://thirdmill.org/)
<http://thirdmill.org/>

The main website, thirdmill.org, contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find reading materials, click on the "Resources" tab. Browse through the "Electronic Books," the "RPM Magazine," and other links to find hundreds of resources. You can also use the search function, and write the names of theologians, such as "Pratt" or "Frame," to find articles by them or about them.

[The Upper Register](http://www.upper-register.com/index.html)
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Click on "Papers" and find articles on Biblical Theology.

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II. THE OLD TESTAMENT

A. SOFTWARE FOR BIBLE STUDY IN GENERAL

[Bible Gateway](#)

<http://www.biblegateway.com/versions/>

This free software has many versions of the Bible and some commentaries.

[Bible Study Tools](#)

<http://www.biblestudytools.com/>

This free online website contains many versions of the Bible, commentaries, encyclopedias, and dictionaries.

[Bible Research](#)

<http://www.bible-researcher.com/index.html>

This site includes articles on topics such as the Greek text of the New Testament, the Hebrew manuscripts of the Old Testament, ancient versions of the Bible, the canon of the Bible, and interpretation of the Bible. Click on the general category of interest, then scroll down through the articles.

[*E-Sword](#)

<http://www.e-sword.net/>

This free software can be downloaded. It has many versions of the Bible, commentaries, and other resources.

[*Logos](#)

<http://www.logos.com/>

This software has an enormous library of commentaries, dictionaries, and other resources for pastoral and academic study, including Greek and Hebrew tools. Search engines allow following links to Bible passages and volumes of helpful information.

B. COMMENTARIES ON THE OLD TESTAMENT OR THE COMPLETE BIBLE

Internet Resources

*[Bible Study Courses](#)

<http://biblestudycourses.org/>

Rev. Don Ritsman provides excellent commentaries on many books of the Bible, with an emphasis on practical application.

[Christianity.com](#)

<https://www.christianity.com/bible/>

Click on the commentaries by Matthew Henry (Presbyterian) or John Wesley (Methodist).

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

You can find the commentaries of Matthew Henry and John Calvin on this site. Just click on "Research" and write the name in the search box called "Book Title or Author."

[Easton's Bible Dictionary](#)

<https://www.biblestudytools.com/dictionaries/eastons-bible-dictionary/>

Online Bible dictionary.

Ligonier Ministries has a list of "Top 5 Commentaries" on every book of the Bible.

See the following link for Genesis:

<https://www.ligonier.org/blog/top-5-commentaries-on-the-book-of-genesis/>

You can write in the search box, "Top 3 commentaries on the Book of _____" to find commentaries on other books.

*[Third Millennium](#)

<http://thirdmill.org/>

The main website, thirdmill.org, contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find reading materials, click on the "Resources" tab. Browse through the "Electronic Books," the "RPM Magazine," and other links to find hundreds of resources. You can also use the search function, and write the names of theologians, such as "Pratt" or "Frame," to find articles by them or about them.

We suggest the following commentaries:

*Calvin, John. *Commentaries*.

To find Calvin's Commentaries, click on "Electronic Books," and "Browse Books by Series."

*Jamison, Fausset and Brown. *Commentaries*.

Click on "Electronic Books," and "Browse Books by Series." This series also includes articles on introductory information to different sections of the Bible.

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C. INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION ON THE OLD TESTAMENT

Internet Resources

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](http://www.ccel.org/)

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For an excellent detailed study of the chronology of the complete Bible, see this following chart, with links to explanatory articles, by Rick Aschmann.

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Hosea, Amos, Micah, by Gary V. Smith

Joel, Obadiah, Malachi, by David W. Baker

Jonah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, by James Bruckner

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III. THE NEW TESTAMENT

A. SOFTWARE FOR BIBLE STUDY IN GENERAL

[Bible Gateway](#)

<http://www.biblegateway.com/versions/>

This free software has many versions of the Bible and some commentaries.

[Bible Study Tools](#)

<http://www.biblestudytools.com/>

This free online website contains many versions of the Bible, commentaries, encyclopedias, and dictionaries.

[Bible Research](#)

<http://www.bible-researcher.com/index.html>

This site includes articles on topics such as the Greek text of the New Testament, the Hebrew manuscripts of the Old Testament, ancient versions of the Bible, the canon of the Bible, and interpretation of the Bible. Click on the general category of interest, then scroll down through the articles.

*[E-Sword](#)

<http://www.e-sword.net/>

This free software can be downloaded. It has many versions of the Bible, commentaries, and other resources.

*[Logos](#)

<http://www.logos.com/>

This software has an enormous library of commentaries, dictionaries, and other resources for pastoral and academic study, including Greek and Hebrew tools. Search engines allow following links to Bible passages and volumes of helpful information.

B. COMMENTARIES ON THE NEW TESTAMENT OR THE COMPLETE BIBLE

Internet Resources

*[Bible Study Courses](#)

<http://biblestudycourses.org/>

Rev. Don Ritsman provides commentaries on many books of the Bible, with an emphasis on practical application.

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

You can find the commentaries of Matthew Henry and John Calvin on this site. Just click on "Research" and write the name in the search box called "Book Title or Author."

*[Frame-Poythress](#)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order.

We suggest you search especially for articles by Vern Poythress on different books of the New Testament, such as 2 Timothy, Acts, Johannine Studies, and Revelation.

To find a book, click on "Books" and scroll down to find the title. We suggest the following book on the New Testament:

Poythress, Verne. *The Returning King; A Guide to the Book of Revelation.*

Ligonier Ministries has a list of "Top 5 Commentaries" on every book of the Bible.

See the following link for The Gospel of Matthew:

<https://www.ligonier.org/blog/top-5-commentaries-on-the-gospel-of-matthew/>

You can write in the search box, "Top 3 commentaries on the Book of _____" to find commentaries on other books.

*[Third Millennium](#)

<http://thirdmill.org/>

The main website, thirdmill.org, contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find reading materials, click on the "Resources" tab. Browse through the "Electronic Books," the "RPM Magazine," and other links to find hundreds of resources. You can also use the search function, and write the names of theologians, such as "Pratt" or "Frame," to find articles by them.

We suggest the following:

*Calvin, John. *Commentaries.*

To find Calvin's Commentaries, click on "Electronic Books," and "Browse Books by Series."

*Jamison, Fausset and Brown. *Commentaries*.
Click on "Electronic Books," and "Browse Books by Series." This series also includes articles on introductory information to different sections of the Bible.

Printed Resources

The Bible Knowledge Commentary (New Testament). Eds. John F. Walvoord and Roy B. Zuck. Colorado Springs: David C. Cook, 1983.

New Bible Commentary. D.A Carson, R.T. France, J.A. Motyer and others, editors. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1994.

Commentary on the New Testament Use of the Old Testament. G.K. Beale and D.A. Carson, editors. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2007.

New International Commentaries on the New Testament. Gordon Fee, ed. (various authors such as Leon Morris, F.F. Bruce, John Murray, F.W. Grosheide, Philip E. Hughes, and Herman N. Ridderbos) 18 volumes. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans.

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Warren Wiersbe. *The Bible Exposition Commentary*, 6 Volumes. Victor, 2003.

C. INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION ON THE NEW TESTAMENT

Internet Resources

[Chronology of the Bible](#)

<http://aschmann.net/BibleChronology/>

For an excellent detailed study of the chronology of the complete Bible, see this following chart, with links to explanatory articles, by Rick Aschmann.

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*Bruce, F.F. *The Book of Acts*. New International Commentary on the New Testament. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1975.

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IV. PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

A. ETHICS

Internet Resources

*[Frame-Poythress](http://www.frame-poythress.org/)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order.

We suggest you search especially for articles by John Frame on topics such as abortion, bioethics, civil disobedience, cloning, divorce, ethics, the fifth commandment, homosexuality, racism, slang, and war, for example.

*[Third Millennium](http://thirdmill.org/)

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The main website, thirdmill.org, contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find reading materials, click on the "Resources" tab. Browse through the "Electronic Books," the "RPM Magazine," and other links to find hundreds of resources. You can also use the search function, and write the names of theologians, such as "Pratt" or "Frame," to find articles by them.

Find Calvin, John. *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. Click on "Electronic Books," "Browse by Author," scroll down to "Medieval and Reformation Authors," click on "Calvin, John," and find "Institutes of the Christian Religion." To read about his view of the use of the Old Testament law, see book 4, chapter 20. See also book 2, chapter 7.

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B. APOLOGETICS

Internet Resources

[Answers in Genesis](#)

<http://www.answersingenesis.org/>

This web site is dedicated to defend creationism from a "young earth" perspective.

[CARM](#)

<http://carm.org/apologetics>

Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry

Many articles explaining classical apologetics, presuppositional apologetics, evidentialist apologetics, as well as contemporary issues.

[Reasons to Believe](#)

<http://www.reasons.org/>

This web site defends creationism from an "old earth" perspective.

[RZIM](#)

<http://www.rzim.org/>

Ravi Zacharias International Ministries.

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In "RPM Magazine," "Topical Archives," scroll down to "Practical Theology" and find "Apologetics."

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C. MINISTRY

1. Ministry in General

Internet Resources

[Desiring God](#)

<http://www.desiringgod.org/>

Go to "Resource Library," "Articles," and scroll down to articles on "Church Leadership" and "Outreach."

[NineMarks](#)

<https://9marks.org/>

Site with many articles, sermons, and books related to the ministry of the local church. They offer books that can be downloaded in PDF format regarding topics such as preaching, evangelism, counseling, and the marks of a healthy church.

[Redeemer Presbyterian Church](#)

<http://www.redeemer.com/>

Church pastored by Tim Keller. Go to "Learn" and "Resources" to find articles on ministry.

[Third Millennium](#)

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2. Spiritual Formation

Mathis, David. *Habits of Grace*.

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3. Leadership Training

Moore, T.M. *Shepherding God's Flock*.
<http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/waxedtablet>

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8. Materials for Evangelizing and Discipling Others

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