

Core Seminar: **Systematic Theology II**

God's Plan of Redemption

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REMAINING SESSION DATES

- Wednesday, Mar 12:
 - *The Plan of Redemption — Death and Glorification*
- Wednesday, Mar 26:
 - *No class (Pastor Matthew on vacation)*
- Wednesday, April 09:
 - *Eschatology — The Last Days, The Second Coming, The Final Judgment, and New Heavens and New Earth (pt 1)*
- Wednesday, April 23:
 - *Eschatology — The Last Days, The Second Coming, The Final Judgment, and New Heavens and New Earth (pt 2)*

~ *Spring Semester Ends April 30* ~

GOD'S PLAN OF REDEMPTION

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1) Election (*God's choice of people to be saved*)
- 2) The Gospel Call (*proclaiming/hearing the message of the Gospel*)
- 3) Regeneration (*being born again*)
- 4) Conversion (*faith and repentance*)
- 5) Justification (*right legal standing; righteousness of Christ imputed*)
- 6) Adoption (*membership in God's family*)

- 7) Sanctification (*growth in obedience and knowledge; increased conformity to Christ*)
- 8) Perseverance (*continuing in the faith; abiding in Christ*)
- 9) Death (*going to be with the Lord*)
- 10) Glorification (*receiving a resurrection body*)

II. Death

A. Why do Christians Die?

- The Contemporary View vs. The Christian View (1 Cor. 15:26; Gen. 3:19; Rom. 6:23; Rom. 5:12; John 11:33-36; 1 Cor. 54-57; 1 Thess. 4:13).
- Death is Not a Punishment for Christians (Rom. 8:1)
- Death is the Final Outcome of Living in a Fallen World (1 Cor. 15:26)

- Our Experience of Death Completes Our Sanctification and Union with Christ (Rom 8:28, Heb. 12:6, 10-11; Rev. 2:10; Phil. 3:10; Phil. 1:20-21; Rom. 8:17; 1 Peter 4:13; 1 Peter 2:21; Heb. 12:2; Rev 12:11)

- Annihilationism? (Dan. 12:2; Mt. 3:12; 18:8; 25:41-46)

B. What Happens When We Die?

- The Intermediate State (2 Cor. 5:8; Heb. 12:22-23)

- Soul Sleep? (Luke 23:43)

- Postmortem Salvation? (Luke 16:19-31; Rom. 3:23; Heb. 9:27)

- Purgatory?

- The Christian's Hope (Phil. 1:21; 1 Cor. 15:55)

III. Glorification (1 Cor. 15; Rom. 8:11, 23; Phil. 3:21; 1 John 3:2; Rev. 21:3-5)

Glorification is “the final step in the application of redemption. It will happen when Christ returns and raises from the dead the bodies of all believers for all time who have died, reunites them with their souls, and changes the bodies of all believers who remain alive — thereby giving all believers at the same time perfect resurrection bodies like His own.”