
DS212—ANTHROPOLOGY

Fall 2017 Syllabus
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of the doctrine of humanity, comprising debates concerning human origins, the constitution of man, man in the state of integrity and the covenant of works, the human fall into sin, the nature and character of sin, the transmission of Adam's sin to his posterity, original sin, human freedom, common grace, and the covenant of grace. (*Fall, 2 hours, Prerequisite: DD 112*)

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES

Students will develop a biblical, confessional, and historical knowledge of theological anthropology. A successful completion of this course will result in the student's ability to define the essential issues of this theological locus and articulate a rich understanding and defense of them.

GRADING

The course grading will be based on two exams and the assigned reading. The midterm exam will cover all course lectures and readings up to that point. The final exam will cover the course lectures and readings following the midterm. The course grade will be based on the following weighted distribution:

Midterm exam	45%
Final exam	45%
Reading	10%

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 4—Midterm exam
- November 15—No class
- December 11-15—Final exam period

COURSE OUTLINE

0. Introduction and Orientation
 - 0.1. Course Introduction and Guidelines
 - 0.2. Redemptive-Historical Hermeneutics
 - 0.3. Systematic and Biblical Theology
1. Man Created in the Image of God
 - 1.1. The Biblical Account
 - 1.2. The Image of God
 - 1.2.1. Historical Views of the Image of God
 - 1.2.2. The Image of God in Biblical and Systematic Theological Perspective
 - 1.2.3. Implications of the Image of God: Dominion and Offices
 - 1.2.4. The Eschatology of the Image
 - 1.3. Human Constitution: Man as Psycho-Somatic Unity
 - 1.3.1. Dichotomy/Trichotomy
 - 1.3.2. Creationism and Traducianism
 - 1.3.3. Faculty Psychology and the Unified Operations of the Soul
 - 1.4. Contemporary Views and Applications
2. Man's Relationship to God
 - 2.1. The Covenant of Works
 - 2.1.1. Historical Overview
 - 2.1.2. Voluntary Condescension and Merit
 - 2.2. The Fall
 - 2.2.1. Original and Actual Sin
 - 2.2.2. The Imputation of Adam's Sin
 - 2.2.3. *Excursis*: The Historical Adam
 - 2.3. Free Moral Agency
 - 2.3.1. Exegetical and Theological Considerations
 - 2.3.2. Historical Views

READING SCHEDULE

The following is a guideline for reading materials in preparation for the lectures. It is best to read each section of the assigned materials prior to its corresponding lecture so that you may integrate and interact with the material presented in class.

SECTION ONE (COMPLETE FOR MID-TERM)

Geerhardus Vos, *Biblical Theology*, 3–40. [8/30]

John Murray, *Collected Writings of John Murray*, Vol. 2, 3–46 (chs. 1–4).

9/6 Chapters 1, 2, 4
9/27 Chapter 3

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics: God and Creation*, Vol. 2, 530–588.

9/6 pp. 530–562
9/20 pp. 563–588

Charles Hodge, *Systematic Theology*, Vol. 2, 92–122. [9/6]

Francis Turretin, *Institutes of Elenctic Theology*, volume I, 569–589. [9/20]

SECTION TWO (COMPLETE FOR FINAL EXAM)

Meredith G. Kline, *Kingdom Prologue*, 14–117.

10/11 pp. 1–57
10/18 pp. 58–117

John Murray, *Collected Writings of John Murray*, Vol. 2, chs. 5–9.

10/21 Chapter 5
11/1 Chapters 7, 8, 9
11/29 Chapter 6

John Murray, *The Imputation of Adam's Sin* (entire book). [11/8]

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics: God and Creation*, Vol. 2, 511–529; 589–620.

11/22 pp. 511–529
11/29 pp. 589–620

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics: Sin and Salvation in Christ*. Vol. 3, 25–232.

11/1 pp. 25–74
11/8 pp. 75–190
12/6 pp. 191–232

RECOMMENDED READING

J. Mark Beach. *Christ and the Covenant: Francis Turretin's Federal Theology as a Defense of the Doctrine of Grace*. Reformed Historical Theology, edited by Herman J. Selderhuis, et al. Gottingen: Vanderhoeck & Ruprecht, 2007. Pp. 78–324. [10/18]

J. Mark Beach, *Piety's Wisdom: A Summary of Calvin's Institutes with Study Questions*. Reformation Heritage Books, 2010. Pp. 38–130.

9/6 pp. 38–65 (*Institutes* 1.10–15)
11/1 pp. 66–105 (*Institutes* 1.16–18; 2.1–5)
12/6 pp. 106–130 (*Institutes* 2.6–11)

G. C. Berkouwer, *Man: The Image of God*, 67–147, 279–309. [9/13]

Thomas Boston, *Human Nature in Its Fourfold State* (Carlisle, Pennsylvania: Banner of Truth Trust, 1989). [11/29]

Louis Berkhof, *Systematic Theology*, 181–261.

8/30 pp. 181–190
9/27 pp. 191–201
9/6 pp. 202–210
10/11 pp. 211–218
11/1 pp. 219–236
11/8 pp. 237–261

Iain Campbell, *The Doctrine of Sin*, 3–87, 139–257. [11/1]

John Cooper, *Body, Soul, and Life Everlasting*, 7–72, 110–157 (chs. 1–3, 6–7). [9/27]

Meredith G. Kline, *Images of the Spirit*, 13–56 (chs. 1–2). [9/20]

Francis Turretin, *Institutes of Elenctic Theology*, Vol. 1, 462–488; Vol. 2, 710–724.

11/29 Vol I, 462–488
10/11 Vol II, 710–724

William Van Doodewaard, *The Quest for the Historical Adam: Genesis, Hermeneutics, and Human Origins* (Grand Rapids, Reformation Heritage Books, 2015).

Date and Topic	Required	Recommended
8/30 — Introduction; Biblical Accounts	Vos, pp. 3–40.	Berkhof, pp. 181–190. Beach, <i>Piety's Wisdom</i> , pp. 38–65.
9/6 — The Image of God	Bavinck, Vol. 2, pp. 530–562.	Berkhof, pp. 202–210.
9/13 — Dominion and Offices	Murray, Vol. 2, Chs. 1, 2, 4. Hodge Vol. 2, 92–122.	Berkouwer, pp. 67–147.
9/20 — Eschatology of the Image	Bavinck, Vol. 2, pp. 563–588. Turretin, Vol. 1, 569–589.	Kline, <i>Images of the Spirit</i> , pp. 13–56.
9/27 — Human Constitution	Murray, Vol. 2, Chapter 3.	Berkhof, pp. 191–201. Berkouwer, pp. 279–309. Cooper, pp. 7–72, 110–157.
10/4	MIDTERM	
10/11 — Covenant of Works	Kline, <i>Kingdom Prologue</i> , pp. 1–57. Murray, Vol. 2, Chapter 5.	Berkhof, pp. 211–218. Turretin, Vol. 2, pp. 710–724.
10/18 — Covenant of Works (continued)	Kline, <i>Kingdom Prologue</i> , pp. 58–117.	Beach, <i>Christ and the Covenant</i> , pp. 78–324.
10/25	READING RECESS	
11/1 — The Fall: Original and Actual Sin	Murray, Vol. 2, Chapters 7, 8, 9. Bavinck, Vol. 3, pp. 25–74.	Berkhof, pp. 219–236. Beach, <i>Piety's Wisdom</i> , pp. 66–105. Berkouwer, pp. 148–193. Campbell, pp. 3–87, 139–257.
11/8 — The Imputation of Adam's Sin	Murray, <i>The Imputation of Adam's Sin</i> (entire book). Bavinck, Vol. 3, pp. 75–190.	Berkhof, pp. 237–261.
11/15	NO CLASS	
11/22 — The Historical Adam	Bavinck, Vol. 2, pp. 511–529.	Van Doodewaard, <i>The Quest for the Historical Adam</i> .
11/29 — Free Moral Agency	Bavinck, Vol. 2, pp. 589–620. Murray, Vol. 2, Chapter 6.	Boston, <i>Human Nature in its Fourfold State</i> . Berkouwer, pp. 310–348. Turretin, Vol. 1, 462–488.
12/6 — Contemporary Issues; The Covenant of Grace	Bavinck, Vol. 3, pp. 191–232.	Beach, <i>Piety's Wisdom</i> , pp. 106–130.