



TS211, Christian Theology 1: God & Creation

Dr Tan Seng Kong | 3CR

About the Course

“Nearly all the wisdom we possess,” John Calvin insists, “consists of two parts: the knowledge of God and of ourselves.”¹ Nothing is more foundational in theology than a right understanding of God. But we can only know God in His revelation of Himself to us. And when we do this, we discover that He has revealed fundamental truth about ourselves. This course examines the great truths about God and Humankind that make up the prelude to the Gospel of Redemption in Jesus Christ.

Dates (2022)

Jan 24

Feb 7, 21

Mar 7, 21

Apr 11, 25

Location

TBC

Time

7:15pm – 10:00pm

Fees*

S\$450(Credit)

S\$240 (Audit)

Credits

3 CR

Class Format

- Self-Paced+Live (In-Person)
- ✓ **Self-Paced+Live (Online)**
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Pre-requisite: TS101

About the Lecturer

Dr Tan Seng Kong is our Lecturer of Systematic and Spiritual Theology. He is a graduate from Regent College, Vancouver (MA, Spiritual Theology). Seng Kong completed his PhD in Systematic Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary, where he focused his research on Jonathan Edwards's doctrine of salvation. Seng Kong was trained as an architect and with his family, worships at Bethel Assembly of God.



¹ John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, ed. John T. McNeill, trans. F. L. Battles, Library of Christian Classics, vol. 20 (Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1960), bk 1, ch. 1, 35.

Academic Information

Learning Outcomes

This course seeks to:

1. Explicate the introductory matters of theology and the doctrines of divine revelation, Scriptures, God, creation, humankind and sin.
2. Explore the general contour of the above doctrines as held by the Great Tradition and the specific Protestant-evangelical interpretations, where applicable.
3. Encourage close and critical engagement with primary sources from a broad spectrum of theological traditions.
4. Appreciate the revelation of God's tri-unity as a lens by which we understand our experiences and the world.

Assignments

1. 3R Exercises (20% of total grade):
2. Book Report (20% of Course Grade)
3. Group Presentation (20% of Course Grade)
4. Research-Reflection Essay (40% of Course Grade)

Course Texts:

1. Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker, 2013 (parts 1-6).
2. Leithart, Peter J. *Traces of the Trinity: Signs of God in Creation and Human Experience*. Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2015.

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