

Term Offered: Fall 2022

Course Name: Introduction to Theology I

Course Times/Dates: 1.5 hour Zoom meetings for six weeks, Begins September 20 and meets on six consecutive Tuesdays. The classes will be live.

Course Content: This course spans two terms covering the major topics usually addressed in systematic theology. We will attempt to clarify the often confusing terms used in theology. We will identify orthodox positions and areas of theology where honest differences of understanding remain. The emphasis will be on understanding what the Bible teaches on major topics raised in the scripture.

The six topics in the first term include:

- 1. The Word of God
- 2. The Character of God
- 3. Creation
- 4. God's Providence and Prayer
- 5. Angels, Satan and Demons
- 6. The Doctrine of Man

Requirements for Credit: To receive credit for the course students will need to:

- Attend every live Zoom session
- Participate in the class discussions
- Complete a 1-2 page report on one of the 6 topics reflecting on how this doctrine impacts your thinking and how you will apply it to your life.
- One absence is permitted as long as the student makes arrangements to watch the Zoom replay.

Book Requirements: I highly recommend the purchase of <u>Bible Doctrine</u>, <u>Second Edition</u> written by Wayne Grudem. The weekly lessons are based on the content of this well-written look at Christian teachings.

Costs: There is \$10 fee to cover costs for taking courses in the Renewal School of Ministry. Please enroll for the course/s on our website: **www.hsrm.org**.

Instructor: This course will be taught by Rev. Ed Owens. He graduated from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity. He served as the long-term pastor of the Olivet Baptist Church in Lansing, Michigan. He has served as the national chair of the Holy Spirit Renewal Ministries and as a consultant for transition ministry with the American Baptist Churches of Michigan. He now resides in Euless, Texas, escaping the joys of snow. **edgarlowens@gmail.com**