

V. Conclusion

Class Schedule

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Class 2: Revelation

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Class 7: Humanity & Sin

Class 8: The Incarnation

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Equipping Hour Foundations: Beliefs, Part 1 Class 1: Introduction



I. Introduction

The Goal of Equipping Hour: Discipleship!

- Ephesians 4:11-16

The Goal of Foundations: Beliefs Class: Getting back to the basics.

You are a theologian. Three reasons why:

- Everyone has a set of beliefs (right or wrong) about God.
- You were made to know God.

II. Five Practical Benefits of Theology

- Theology brings AWE. (Romans 11:33)
- Theology brings HUMILITY. (Romans 11:34-35)
- Theology brings SOUNDNESS. (2 Timothy 1:13)
- Theology brings UNITY. (1 Timothy 1:5)
- Theology brings CONFIDENCE. (1 Peter 3:15)

III. Our Heritage of Theology

Christian Theology

1st century-4th century

New Testament, disciples of Jesus Christ

Catholic Theology

4th century-11th century

Development of Creeds/Catechisms against false teaching

“Great Schism” - separated Eastern Orthodox / R.C.C.

Protestant Theology

11th century-16th century

“Reformation” - separated Protestants / R.C.C.

4 movements: Lutheran, Anglican, Reformed, Anabaptist

Puritan / Calvinistic Theology

16th century-17th century

Reformation movement from the Church of England

Baptist Theology

17th century-21st century

Separatist movement from Church of England reformation

IV. Theological “Triage”

Essential Beliefs

Example: The deity of Christ.

Urgent Beliefs

Example: Baptism

Important Beliefs

Example: The nature of the millennium in Revelation 20.

Indifferent Beliefs

Example: The identity of the Nephilim

Which doctrines belong where? Key questions:

- How prevalent is it in Scripture?
- How clearly does Scripture teach on it?
- How integral is it to the gospel message?
- What has the church taught/believed historically about it?
- How does it affect us now?