



# CHRISTOLOGY

— The Person & Work of Christ —  
1 Unit Course

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## Course Description:

This course is an introduction to the biblical teaching regarding the person and work of Christ; in other words, what his nature is and what he has done for our salvation.

## Course Objectives:

*After completing the course the student should be able to:*

1. Biblically express how Jesus is fully God and fully man, yet one person.
2. Describe the issues and persons related to the development of the doctrine of the person of Christ in the early church.
3. Explain the significance of the doctrine of the person of Christ for our salvation.
4. Biblically explain nine “events” in Christ’s life that are crucial for our salvation:
  - his incarnation; sinless life; death; resurrection; ascension; session; Pentecost; intercession; second coming
5. Appreciate the different biblical pictures that explain Christ’s saving work for us.
6. Explain the significance and centrality of the Bible’s presentation of Christ’s death as our legal substitute.
7. Love and worship Christ more because of a greater understanding of who he is and what he has done and is doing for us.

## Textbooks

### Required for Credit:

1. Wayne Grudem, *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine* [pages 529-633].  
- This book is used for all of the Aletheia theology courses.
2. Stephen J. Nichols, *For Us and For Our Salvation: The Doctrine of Christ in the Early Church*.

### Recommended:

1. Robert A. Peterson, *Salvation Accomplished by the Son: The Work of Christ*.
2. J. I. Packer & Mark Dever, *In My Place Condemned He Stood*. [Contains extensive reading recommendations.]

## Course Requirements for credit [Recommended for audit students as well!]

### A. Attendance & Participation — 5%

### B. Reading [approx. 250 pages] —20%

1. Read *Systematic Theology* [pages 529-633], by Grudem.— 10%
2. Read *For Us and For Our Salvation*, by Nichols.— 10%

### C. Written Assignments—75%

1. Summarize the chapters in *Systematic Theology* [pages 529-633].—45%
  - a) Using Grudem’s outline summarize the essential points being made. Make sure to include a definition of important terms and key verse references [not the whole verse].
  - b) 16-20 pages [Max.] double spaced.
  - c) At the end of your paper include and complete the following sentence:  
“I read \_\_\_\_\_ % of *Systematic Theology* [pages 529-633].”
2. Write a **reflection paper** on *For Us and For Our Salvation*.—30%
  - a) Discuss any breakthroughs in understanding that Nichols helped you with.
  - b) Discuss any elements you struggled with or had difficulty understanding.
  - c) Discuss the elements that had the greatest impact on you personally.
  - d) 4-6 pages [Max.] double spaced.
  - e) At the end of your paper include and complete the following sentence:  
“I read \_\_\_\_\_ % of *For Us and For Our Salvation*.”

\* All assignments due **Saturday January 19, 2013**

### **ABI** exists to glorify God by ...

- 🕒 Setting our hearts to the study and observance of the Word of the LORD, and to teaching it's precepts to his people
- 🕒 Equipping God's people with a biblical, theological and historical foundation for life, service and leadership in the church and in the world
- 🕒 Seeking to give a solid platform and inspiration for further theological training
- 🕒 Striving to provide instruction that informs the mind with the truth of God, inflames the affections with the beauty of God and impels the will with the grace of God

### **Our Prayer is**

that believers would turn to the Bible and develop sound doctrine and that God would inflame passion for his glory and a renewal of godliness and evangelistic zeal to the praise of his glorious grace.

