

# A Journey Through Christian Theology

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*this introduction to christian theology explores the whole christian tradition in a simple and straightforward way leading wesleyan theologian don thorsen surveys the theological views represented within historic christianity and discusses the variety of positions held without favoring one over another the book includes helpful end of chapter questions for further reflection and discussion a convenient glossary of theological terms and sidebars the second edition is marked by a thorough updating of the text and the addition of two new chapters on apologetics and the future of the unevangelized*

*christian theology the genius of alister e mcgrath is his remarkable ability to write in a clear concise and lucid manner that draws both teachers and students to participate with the great thinkers of the christian tradition past and present education and illumination are the abundant fruits of this massive well organized text which is sure to appeal to a wide range of protestant catholic and orthodox audiences for this we are indebted to the author dennis ngien professor of systematic theology tyndale university college and seminary toronto canada for sheer comprehensiveness clarity and coherence alister mcgrath has produced the definitive textbook always accurate and engaging students are gently introduced to the gift of theology in a memorable way ian s markham dean and president of virginia theological seminary praise for the fifth edition alister mcgrath has proven himself a master at engagingly and simply introducing christian theology in all of its contested complexity all who work at the critical appropriation of the theological tradition stand in debt to mcgrath m douglas meeks cal turner chancellor professor of theology and wesleyan studies vanderbilt university divinity school now celebrating its 25th year of publication christian theology is one of the most internationally acclaimed textbooks in this area today completely rewritten for the sixth edition it remains the ideal introduction to the beliefs and interpretation of christianity it is specifically designed for students with no prior knowledge presenting the primary themes and debates of christian theology with clarity and historical context this new edition retains all the elements that have made it so successful while also including significant additions and developments there is an increased discussion of contemporary theology to complement the excellent coverage of historical material important new information has also been added in areas such as the holy spirit contemporary non western theologies and feminist voices in christian theology the text is rich in pedagogy to encourage student learning featuring a two colour design glossary end of chapter discussion questions and much more written by renowned theologian alister e mcgrath this classic text is a clear lively and concise introduction that provides instructors with the tools they need to engage with their students on christian theology*

the word theology is often construed by many as referring to a very dry and academic discipline only reserved for the professional clergy and seminary professors many lay christians in the church are intimidated by the subject and feel it to be a tedious intellectual exercise that is of no use for their spiritual growth and mission of the church in an attempt to address this concern mark kim presents here an introductory systematic theology that deals with the core doctrinal topics of christianity that is accessible for the average layperson the work will engage heavily with scripture and the voices of the past and present who have contributed to the total theological voice of the church at large in this second edition of the work there is included an extra chapter on the doctrine of the christian life as pointed out in the first edition of the work theology should foremost be practical in its results and application the author addresses this concern by including a new chapter discussing the nature of the christian life and how christians should live in the world

the history of christian theology can be a daunting even forbidding field for the novice who sees neither the need for nor pertinence of rummaging around dusty old texts this people friendly volume a full scale reader in the history of christian theology offers an easy non threatening occasionally humorous yet quite thorough entry into christianity's central texts from the apostolic fathers to mary daly it is also enlivened by dozens of cartoons by rich diesslin highly accessible introductions to five periods precede brief introductions to and texts from more than fifty key thinkers the texts highlight perennial themes and questions in christian tradition especially the meaning and importance of jesus challenges to the institutional church tensions of faith and reason spirituality and the christian quest for social justice the new edition half again as large as the original adds significant work from the cappadocian fathers and the christological controversialists the franciscan tradition the radical and english reforms and deeper coverage of twentieth century theologians with learning aids research paper suggestions and guide and glossary publisher description

*a journey in christian theology through biblical historical and thematic perspectives with special attention to the context of today's world*

*this text poses the question what is theology and goes on to discuss issues of methodology the relation of theology to other disciplines and different theological perspectives it also investigates topics in the fields of philosophical theology human existence revelation the language of theology and christianity and other religions symbolic theology triune god doctrines of creation the problem of evil and suffering the person of jesus christ and eschatology and applied theology the church ministry and mission word and the sacraments worship and prayer and ethics*

*students often find introductions to systematic theology too daunting or boring to wade through here author and teacher bradley hanson offers an attractive accessible alternative for undergraduates hanson draws on 16 years of successful teaching to create exciting and pertinent presentations of major topics illuminate options on key issues and nudge students to formulate a personal stance*

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development before giving a systematic evaluation of each theme the third part provides an overview of christian theology from the early church to the present

dallas seminary professors make basic theology accessible for all theology doesn't have to be complicated in this book trusted dallas seminary professors present a concise systematic theology that distills the essential spiritual truths in a way that makes sense to readers students lay people and pastors here are introductions overviews and reviews of key tenets of orthodox protestant evangelical doctrines the book also includes an annotated list of key applicable bible texts a quick paced story of doctrine throughout church history heresies or distortions to be aware of and more exploring christian theology is useful for discipleship catechism membership training preview or review of doctrine or quick personal reference it can also be used by ministry training programs bible colleges or seminaries as an introductory primer to orient students in preparation for a more in depth study of theology

this book helps beginning theological students grasp the basics of christian theology consciously avoiding the perspective of one school of thought or confessional tradition the authors provide the reader with a brief broad overview of the questions and contents of theological study their accessible use of language clear organization and careful explanation will prove of invaluable aid to those who are getting their theological feet wet for the first time in the words of its authors this book offers an introduction to the fuller spectrum of christian theology as it has developed through the centuries few writers address the historical development of the classic doctrines and the contemporary resonance as adroitly as gonzalez and perez the chapter on jesus christ for example presents concise summaries of the treatments of christ's person leading up to chalcedon while suggesting a need for a multiplicity of images in understanding the work of christ that liberates the whole person and restores all creation beginning students as a result are invited into a living theological conversation where the contested claims of the past have continued relevance in a contemporary era beset by its undervaluing of the body and creation broadly ecumenical in tenor with reference to theologians from nearly every century the work should appeal to both a popular readership and introductory students in college and seminary one disappointing aspect of the book is an absence of latino a feminist and liberation perspectives for a work that argues for the contextuality of all theology and from authors whose previous work has been monumental in hispanic theological education this lack is surprising david h jensen austin presbyterian theological seminary in religious studies review volume 29 number 3 july 2003

this book gets at the heart of the christian life by considering some of the great truths of god's existence christopher holmes an expert in contemporary theology engages with the church fathers along with augustine and aquinas to offer a rich accessible account of the triune god and the divine perfections holmes shows how we share in the life of god through imitation and participation and how the doctrines of the triune god and the divine attributes shape our understanding of the christian life throughout holmes demonstrates the importance of theology for christian faith and practice

foundational theology made accessible and practical offers concise and neutral explanations of the essentials of christian theology for students lay people and pastors goes beyond merely explaining the what of theological teachings to the why of how they impact everyday life combines three volumes into one convenient collection cutting through the controversies and doctrinal debates two trusted dallas theological seminary professors offer a practical foundational handbook on the basics of christian theology and why it matters to everyday life from humanity and sin to the trinity to the end times swig and holsteen show why these topics matter and how you can apply them to your life every day with a winsome tone fast paced style and everyday language each chapter of this highly readable book covers one key doctrine and features a brief overview with points of unity and diversity explanations of key scriptures foundational truths to know false teachings to avoid practical application for your faith and life whether you're a student of the bible a pastor or someone who simply wants to know god better this simple and accessible resource will not only help you to know theology but to live it

the foundations of theology in everyday language dallas seminary professors nathan holsteen and michael swig are passionate about the key doctrines of christianity they want readers to know why they're important and why they matter this volume includes two parts from dust to dust creation humanity and the fall wise unto salvation gospel atonement and saving grace the authors explore these important topics in a concise and highly readable style that makes sense whether you're a student of the bible a pastor or someone who simply wants to know god better for each topic you'll find an introduction overview and review of the key points several applicable bible texts including verses to memorize a quick paced history of the doctrine distortions to be aware of and avoid reading lists for further study a glossary of theological terms exploring christian theology is a wonderful

doctrinal primer that teaches theology in a way that will engage you and cause you to reflect a great way to get acquainted with key biblical theological themes darrell bock senior research professor dallas theological seminary

a non threatening entrance into texts from the apostolic fathers to mary daly

this volume focuses on a central question what does a person need to know for developing a theology in other words this book will not only answer objections lodged against the study of theology but will explain to students pastors and laypersons alike what a theologian actually does it will also present different approaches to the study of theology and review the present status of theological reflection in various protestant orthodox and roman catholic traditions in the first section of the book evangelical protestant scholars describe the contributions various disciplines make to the study of theology in the next section evangelical protestant scholars explain the distinctives of their approaches to doing theology in the third part theologians who do not identify with evangelical protestant convictions seek to explain the distinctives of their approaches to doing theology in the final section dr kantzer provides a summary analysis of how he does theology and interacts critically with a number of essays in this volume

christian theology the basics is a concise introduction to the nature tasks and central concerns of theology the study of god within the christian tradition providing a broad overview of the story that christianity tells us about our human situation before god this book will also seek to provide encouragement and a solid foundation for the reader s further explorations within the subject with debates surrounding the relation between faith and reason in theology the book opens with a consideration of the basis of theology and goes on to explore key topics including the identity of jesus and debates in christology the role of the bible in shaping theological inquiry the centrality of the trinity for all forms of christian thinking the promise of salvation and how it is achieved with suggestions for further reading at the end of each chapter along with a glossary christian theology the basics is the ideal starting point for those new to study of theology

a new edition of leading theologian millard erickson s classic text

this highly acclaimed and widely used volume now in its third edition is a collaborative presentation of the chief christian doctrines in light of their traditional theological formulations their historical development and contemporary challenges joined by david tracy langdon gilkey edward farley sallie mcague and many others hodgson and king explore the task of theology method scripture and traditions god revelation creation human being sin and evil christ and salvation church sacraments the spirit and christian life the reign of god other religions and the christian paradigm each chapter sets forth the primary shape and substance of a doctrine its historical development how that tradition has been challenged and transformed under the pressures of modern thought and new and persistent issues that set the agenda for future theological work written with intelligence and verve and newly updated christian theology has proven a superlative introduction to christianity s classical heritage and its future theological horizons companion volumes include readings in christian theology and reconstructing christian theology

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