Course: Foundational Theology- Continuation

Teacher: Les Bennett

What is Foundational Theology? Our word "theology" is derived from two Greek words, *theos*, which means "God," and *logos*, which means "word" or "message." In foundational theology we will study what the "Word of God" says in its entirety regarding the foundational beliefs of the Christian faith. For example, what does the Bible say about creation? In Foundational Theology we will gather all the texts that deal with creation, interpret them within the broad storyline of Scripture, and then summarize them in a faithful and coherent manner.

Why study Foundational Theology? (1) God is glorified when we seek to know Him (Philippians 1:9-11). So the objective of studying theology is to come to know God better and to increasingly learn how to please Him (1 John 2:3). (2) As the body of Christ, we study theology so that the church can be an accurate reflection of God to the world. In a time when the very concept of truth is called into question, the church needs to be ready to "give a reason for the hope that it has" (Eph. 3:10). (3) Individually, we must study theology so that we may be sanctified and grow in knowledge and faith. We don't just want to know about God, as though he can only be known at a distance. No, we actually want to know God personally and to have a relationship with Him (Prov. 1:7

Course: Worship Matters

Teachers: Tim Birkel and Jerry Pearson

"Praise the Lord" Sing to the Lord a new song, and His praise in the congregation of the goldy ones." Ps 149:1

In 2008 Bob Kauflin, a pastor with Sovereign Grace Churches and Director of Sovereign Grace Music, wrote "Worship Matters: Leading Others to Encounter the Greatness of God", in which he sought to connect a biblical theology of worship with what worship leaders actually do on Sundays. Through the book, Bob builds congregational worship on biblical principles that transcend cultures, generations, and ethnic groups.

Given the encouragement that's come in response to the book, Bob has recorded a 12-session training course as a supplement to Worship Matters. In this **video series** he teaches through a broad range of topics, from practical guidance on putting songs together, growing in spontaneity, and planning a service to spiritual topics like humility, comparison, and idolatry. You'll be hard pressed to find a more practical, engaging, and pastoral tool for worship leaders, pastors, and anyone involved in music ministry in their local church.

Although the book and the **video series** are directed towards pastors and worship leaders, everyone can benefit from a better understanding of the importance of why we sing the songs that we do during worship services. Musical worship is a unique way of communicating biblical truths, is in the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and is something that believers will do for eternity!

Course: Discovering the Character of God

Teacher: Matt Stoeckle

The familiar narrative of Moses and the burning bush evokes wonder and awe, but do you know God's motives for revealing Himself in this manner to Moses? In this video series, R. C. Sproul will lead us in examining the biblical account of Moses' life-altering encounter with the Holy God. Dr. Sproul explains the meaning behind God's appearance in the burning bush as well as the importance of His words to Moses. Furthermore we will see how the coming of Jesus is foreshadowed in this meeting between God and Moses on holy ground. Join us as we see the remarkable way in which God reveals Himself, and how His revelation in the burning bush continues to have relevance for Christians today.

A printed PDF of the official Study Guide for the entire 10-part series which includes an outline for each lesson, scripture readings, lesson objectives and study questions will be provided for a \$2.00/copy licensing fee.