



## Syllabus

### THE 295: CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

#### Genesis Bible Institute

#### *COURSE DESCRIPTION*

Mention the word *doctrine* in Christian circles and you will receive mixed reactions. Some might cringe, thinking doctrine is either too complicated to understand or simply irrelevant to their lives. Others might feel that doctrine is uninteresting or downright boring.

In this course you will discover that doctrine is fascinating, relevant, and the foundation for a joy-filled life in Christ. You will examine the core beliefs of the Bible and how these foundational truths inform our Christian faith.

#### *LEARNING OUTCOMES*

Upon completion of this course you will:

- Demonstrate mastery of 13 essential doctrinal teachings of the Bible;
- Apply these doctrinal teachings to real-life situations;
- Describe how doctrine provides the foundation of your faith from creation to the cross to Christ's reign;
- Explain the reason you exist and your purpose in God's Kingdom;
- Recite from memory two verses related to the doctrine of *Imago Dei*: Genesis 1:26-27.

#### *REQUIRED READING*

- Study Guide: *13 Doctrinal Truths of the Bible*.
- Driscoll, Mark, and Breshears, Gerry. *Doctrine: What Christians Should Believe*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2010. Print.

#### *ASSIGNMENTS and GRADING*

- *Study Guide Answers* (worth 60 points / 60% of grade). The study guide consists of 6 units. You will study 13 major doctrinal truths of the Bible and answer 60 short answer questions (answer each question in approximately 25 words). Each answer is worth 1 point.
- *Coram Deo Essay* (worth 10 points / 10% of grade). In the essay, you will explain how you intend to live *Coram Deo* (in the face of God) before your family, friends and others whom God has strategically placed in your life. The essay must be a minimum of 600 words.
- *Imago Dei Essay* (worth 10 points / 10% of grade). Students will write a 5-paragraph essay/600 word minimum on the doctrine of *Imago Dei*, explaining how their lives reflect the image of God.

- *Final Exam* (worth 20 points / 20% of grade). Final Exam consists of True/False and Multiple Choice questions and will measure your knowledge of course concepts.

<b>SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING</b>		
<i>Study Guide Answers</i>	60 points	60%
<i>Coram Deo Essay</i>	10 points	10%
<i>Imago Dei Essay</i>	10 points	10%
<i>Final Exam</i>	20 points	20%
Total	100 points	100%