**Systematic Theology I**

**Inspiration and Interpretation**

**III MILLENIUM**

**Accredited Curriculum Track**

3 credits

* **Course Description**: This course will discuss the different approaches to interpreting the Bible. This course will also discuss systematic theology, which is the reliable method for understanding and teaching Biblical truth.
* **Course Goals:** 
  + Introduce the basic concepts of interpretation.
  + Provide a philosophy of interpretation focused on discerning the original meaning of Scripture.
  + Provide a philosophy of interpretation that leads to responsible, practical,, and modern application.
  + Explain the history and justification of systematic theology.
  + Describe the method and uses of systematic theology.
* Lecture 1: Introduction to Biblical Hermeneutics (60 min)
  + This lecture introduces a basic framework for sound and scholarly biblical interpretation.
* Lecture 2: Preparation for Interpretation (46 min)
  + This lecture focuses on helpful things to do before reading and interpreting the Scriptures.
* Lecture 3: Investigating Scripture (49 min)
  + This lecture focuses on concepts important to exploring and discovering the meaning of Scripture.
* Lecture 4: Approaches and Meaning (50 min)
  + This lecture looks at some of the major ways interpreters have identified and described the meaning of Scripture.
* Lecture 5: The Complexity of Meaning (56 min)
  + This lecture explores the ways in which Christians throughout the ages have attributed different types and numbers of meaning to Biblical passages.
* Lecture 6: Discovering Meaning (60 min)
  + This lecture focuses on hermeneutical strategies that help reveal the original meaning of Scripture.
* Lecture 7: Applying Scripture (47 min)
  + This lecture suggests approaches to application that make the original meaning of Scripture relevant for modern audiences.
* Lecture 8: Modern Application and Old Testament Epochs (61 min)
  + This lecture explores the ways Old Testament faith developed through the great epochs of history, and explains how these developments impact our application of Scripture.
* Lecture 9: Modern Application and the New Covenant (56 min)
  + This lecture explores how the new covenant in Christ should guide the ways we apply all of Scripture to our own day.
* Lecture 10: Biblical Culture and Modern Application (61 min)
  + This lecture looks at how the cultural dimensions of Scripture affects our application of the Bible to the modern world.
* Lecture 11: Modern Application for Individuals (63 min)
  + This lecture looks at how we should apply Scripture to others and to ourselves as individual people.
* Lecture 12: What is Systematic Theology? (97 min)
  + This lecture compares New Testament theology with Systematic Theology, surveys historical developments, and explores the values and dangers of Systematic Theology.
* Lecture 13: Technical Terms in Systematic Theology (88 min)
  + This lecture begins with a general orientation toward technical terms, explores the formation of technical terms as well as the values and dangers of technical terms.
* Lecture 14: Propositions in Systematic Theology (86 min)
  + This lecture begins with a general orientation, explains the formation of propositions as well as the values and dangers of propositions.
* Lecture 15: Doctrines in Systematic Theology (104 min)
  + This lecture begins with a general orientation, explains the formation of doctrines as well as the values and dangers of doctrines.