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Course	THEOLOGY OF THE HUMAN PERSON THEO 0646 1A
Date, Time, and	JANUARY 9 – APRIL 10, 2023
Delivery Format	ASYNCHRONOUS ONLINE
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Class Information	All classes are accessible asynchronously. They will appear in Moodle ( <u>classes.tyndale.ca</u> ) at the beginning of each week (Mondays) and remain accessible throughout the duration of the course.
	Office Hours (by appointment via email): Thursdays: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Course Material	Access course material at <u>classes.tyndale.ca</u> or other services at <u>Tyndale One</u> .  Course emails will be sent to your @MyTyndale.ca e-mail account only.

# I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

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This course endeavours to acquaint students with the theology of the human person. It focuses on biblical and doctrinal issues that bear on such questions as "What does it mean to be a human being?", "What is meant by the 'image of God'?", and "How is the Person of God related to the personhood of human beings?"

Prerequisite: THEO 0531 Systematic Theology

### II. LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Recognize the wonder, dignity, and mystery of every human person (Psalm 8)
- 2. Explain the relationship between Christology and Trinity to anthropology
- 3. Analyze presuppositions about human personhood in various theologies, philosophies, ideologies, and approaches to community/sociality
- 4. Identify and discuss contemporary issues in understanding the human person in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences and assess them theologically
- 5. Articulate the implications of one's view of personhood for theology, spirituality, ethics, and ministry
- 6. Apply insights gained from the course to understand and frame their own lives, their own journey of being and becoming human, theologically
- 7. Apply implications of theological anthropology to one's disciple of study and vocation

# **III. COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

# A. REQUIRED READING

Four texts (total) are required for this course

# **A. 1.** These include the following **three**:

- Hinsdale, Mary Ann and Stephen Okey, eds. <u>T&T Clark Handbook of Theological Anthropology</u>. London: Bloomsbury T & T Clark, 2023. [This book is available as an e-book for free via Tyndale library; the subscription is unlimited.]
- Kärkkäinen, Veli-Matti. <u>Creation and Humanity</u>. Volume 3 of Constructive Christian Theology for the Pluralistic World. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015. [This book is available as an e-book for free via Tyndale library; the subscription is unlimited.]
- Smith, James K. A. <u>On the Road with Saint Augustine: A Real-World Spirituality for Restless</u>
  <u>Hearts</u>. Grand Rapids: Brazos, 2019. [The library has a single-copy subscription to this book, so likely you will want to purchase it.]

# **A. 2.** Plus, **choose one** of the following:

[Each book is recommended for students in particular disciplines or programs in order to complete assignment #3. However, you do not have to choose the recommended book. You can choose any book on the list.]

- Eastman, Susan Grove. Paul and the Person: Reframing Paul's Anthropology. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2017. [Recommended for students in biblical studies, secondarily for students in theological studies
- Fisher, Christopher L. Human Significance in Theology and the Natural Sciences: An Ecumenical <u>Perspective with Reference to Pannenberg, Rahner, and Zizioulas</u>. Eugene, Or: Pickwick Publications, 2010. [Recommended for students in practical theology or pastoral programs]
- Jeeves, Malcolm, ed. Rethinking Human Nature: A Multidisciplinary Approach. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2011. [Recommended for students in theological or interdisciplinary studies]
- Middleton, John Richard. The Liberating Image: The "Imago Dei" in Genesis 1. Grand Rapids: Brazos, 2005. [Recommended for students in biblical and theological studies]
- Smith, Christian. What is a Person? Rethinking Humanity, Social Life, and the Moral Good from the Person Up. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2010. [Recommended for students in the counselling program]
- Thompson, Curt. Anatomy of the Soul: Surprising Connections between Neuroscience and Spiritual Practices That Can Transform Your Life and Relationships. Carol Stream, IL: SaltRiver / Tyndale House, 2010. [Recommended for students in spiritual formation]
- . The Soul of Desire: Discovering the Neuroscience of Longing, Beauty, and Community. Downers Grove: IVP, 2021. [Recommended for students in spiritual formation]
- Trueman, Carl R. The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self: Cultural Amnesia, Expressive Individualism, and the Road to Sexual Revolution. Wheaton: Crossway, 2020. [Recommended for students in practical theology or pastoral programs]
- Welker, Michael. *In God's Image: An Anthropology of the Spirit*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2021. [Recommended for students in interdisciplinary studies]

Other assigned readings will be available via the course page, as per the schedule below (Section IV).

# B. SUPPLEMENTARY / RECOMMENDED READING AND TOOLS

Tyndale recommends www.stepbible.org – a free and reputable online resource developed by Tyndale House (Cambridge, England) – for word searches of original-language texts, as well as for topical searches, interlinear texts, dictionaries, etc. Refer to the library for other online resources for Biblical Studies.

### C. GUIDELINES FOR INTERACTIONS

Tyndale University prides itself in being a trans-denominational community. We anticipate our students to have varied viewpoints which will enrich the discussions in our learning community. Therefore, we ask our students to be charitable and respectful in their interactions with each other, and to remain focused on the topic of discussion, out of respect to others who have committed to being a part of this learning community. Please refer to "Guidelines for Interactions" on your course resource page at classes.tyndale.ca.

# D. ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

**1. Forum Discussions** (30%; 5 X 5% for individual posts + 5% for group conclusion)

# This assignment is related to Outcomes #1 and #5.

Educational research reveals that maximum benefits in online instructional formats result when students take personal responsibilities to complete readings, engage actively (e.g. forums), and consciously contribute to a virtual learning community through a spirit of collaboration, openness, and encouragement.

Individual Posts & Responses (5% each forum; 5 forums in total, 25% of course grade):

There will be 5 forums in total (on weeks 2, 4, 6, 8, 11; see the course schedule in Section IV), each answering a question (or set of questions) posted by the Professor. Students will post their responses to the question(s) by 11:59 PM on Thursdays, and comment on the posts of 2 other students in their group by 11:59 PM of the next day (Fridays). Each initial post is worth 3% and each of the two response comments is worth 1%.

Your initial (Thursday) post should be about 25-35 lines (250-350 words; can exceed by 10%, but marks deducted thereafter). Each post should be concise, addressing the issues in the question with reference to course readings and lectures, and demonstrate critical thinking (e.g., addressing key concepts, arguments, and ideas, identifying further questions or issues raised, or application to your context). Your comments to fellow students should be briefer (approx. 100-150 words), with both an affirmation or connection point and perhaps one thoughtful question for further reflection. (The question is not always necessary; it is one option for engaging. If you do pose a question, it is helpful to provide your own provisional answer to it, then ask, e.g., "What do you think?" or "What else comes to mind for you?")

You are not required to respond to a "late post" of any member.

# **Group Conclusion** (5% of course grade; Due by 11:59 on Saturdays)

After the individual posts and responses, one member of the group will write a group conclusion. What key issues were discussed? Where do you identify consensus and disagreement? How should the conversation move forward toward resolution of issues, deeper understanding, or practical applications? The conclusion should not merely repeat what contributors to the conversation said earlier; it should draw out implications and reflect on their significance. This conclusion is due by 11:59 PM on Saturday evening of the week in question. The conclusion should be about 30-35 lines (300-350 words; marks deducted if you exceed limit). Your group is responsible for establishing a schedule for conclusion writers. Each student will only write one conclusion during the course. You do not need to include late posts of any member.

If you prefer, you may post a video response (rather than a written response) for your conclusion. To do this, upload your video to You Tube (or another accessible platform) and provide a link in the discussion in Moodle in place of your written conclusion. The video should be no longer than 5 minutes in length (3-5 minutes is sufficient).

# Penalty for late work:

"Late posts" will be noted by the instructor, and the penalty is a reduction of 1/3 of a grade per every 3 hours late (e.g., from A to A minus or B to B minus).

If there is "no post" after 11:59 pm on Fridays, the student will receive a "zero" for that forum. If there are specific reasons for late posts (as stated in "Late Papers and Extension" Policy," Seminary Academic Calendar), the student is to email the instructor directly.

### FORUM DISCUSSION GRADING RUBRIC

	Α	В	С	D
Completeness of post	Addresses all parts of question; meets and did not exceed limit; comprehensive response adding contributing something new to the discussion; conclusion (when applicable) draws out insightful implications and reflection on their significance	Addresses all parts of question; respectable length & did not exceed limit; somewhat comprehensive; conclusion (when applicable) summarizes the conversation and hints at or points to implications	Addresses some parts of question; shorter length; incomplete post; conclusion (when applicable) summarizes but does not identify or reflect on implications	Rarely addresses question; far too short or far too long; incomplete post; conclusion (when applicable) poorly summarizes the discussion and does not identify or reflect on implications

Clarity of post	Clear and concise posts; grammatically correct with rare misspellings	Clear, but can be more concise; a few grammatical or spelling errors	Somewhat clear, but with significant number of errors in spelling and grammar	Unclear, poor spelling and grammar in most posts
Critical engagement with class material (lectures, readings)	Thoughtful; opinions and ideas are substantiated with class material and additional resources; active reflection & questioning; obvious integration with one's ministry context	Thoughtful; opinions and ideas are occasionally substantiated with class material; some reflection & questioning; some integration with one's ministry context	Less thoughtful; opinions and ideas are sometimes substantiated with class material; insufficient reflection & questioning; less integration with one's ministry context	Opinions and ideas are not substantiated with class material; no reflection & questioning; no integration with one's ministry context
Promptness & quality of responses	Posting on time; responds to all group members' postings in timely manner; thoughtful responses demonstrating charity, respect, critical thinking, and winsomeness	Posting on time; responds to most postings in timely manner; somewhat thoughtful responses demonstrating a measure of charity, respect, critical thinking, and winsomeness	Posting mostly on time; responds to postings 2-3 days after initial discussion; less thoughtful responses	Late posting; rarely responds to group members' postings; responses not thoughtful

# 2. Personal Reflection Paper (10%; Due Feb. 3 by 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcomes #5 and #6.

Write a personal reflection paper (4-5 pp.) interacting with James K. A. Smith's book On the Road with St. Augustine. Share 2-3 insights emerging from your reading of Smith about your own journey of being and becoming human. It is best to reflect on your journey in light of key ideas, concepts, and reflections discussed by Smith. You may also draw on ideas and insights gained from class materials - lectures and readings - that are relevant and applicable to the 2-3 themes/insights you discuss.

3. Theological Anthropology and Your Discipline/Vocation (20%; Due March 17 by 11:59 p.m.)

Choose **one** of the books listed in **Section A. 2.** It is recommended that you choose the book that is listed in alignment with your discipline/program, but if you wish you can choose another book on the list.

In close dialogue with your chosen book, write a thoughtful and informed paper (6 pages) on why the question "what does it mean to be a human person?" matters.

Your analysis should address three dimensions: (a) Describe theoretically/conceptually (2.5 pages) why the question matters at a basic philosophical or worldview level (to do this, identify and engage perhaps 2-3 of the book's key concepts and/or arguments); (b) Discuss <u>vocationally</u> (2.5 pages) why the question matters for your discipline/vocation/practice. For this section, aim to discuss critically and/or constructively matters related to the nature and practice of your discipline, rather than reflective personal applications (e.g., how do the key issues, concepts, and arguments of the book illuminate, inform, challenge, or encourage the way I relate my understanding of what it means to be human - theological anthropology - to my discipline/vocation/practice?); and (c) Reflect personally (1 page) on why is this question is important for me in my life, my sense of call and/or purpose, my walk with God, my loving and serving my neighbour, etc. This section is about personal reflection and integration; however, be sure to focus on germane matters of content rather than simply how the book made you feel.

4. Short Research Paper (40%; Due Monday April 10 by 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcomes #2, #3, and #4.

Write a concise (12 pp.) research paper on one of the themes treated by theological anthropology. Discuss your conclusions on the topic based on your engagement with the subject matter and in dialogue with a theologian who has written a book on that topic.

a) Select one topic that addresses a specific question that you want to sort out in your own theology of being human. Also, select one theologian who writes about this issue to be your primary dialogue partner for the paper. Engage one major work by this theologian deeply to guide your own critical and constructive reflection on the topic. Other primary and secondary sources will help inform you more broadly about the topic as it is discussed in the discipline and beyond (e.g., classical questions, the key contemporary questions and debates, alternate approaches to the topic, etc.).

There are many issues relevant to theological anthropology. The purpose of this paper is not to resolve fully or address comprehensively the issue in which you are interested.

Rather, the purpose of the paper is to identify a specific theological-anthropology issue that needs to be resolved—one that grounds, informs, guides, frames, and/or critically evaluates or regulates one's approach to the issue in an important way.

Please choose one of the following topics (or, if you wish, you may propose an alternate topic to the professor):

- Human origins (argue for a perspective, e.g., YEC; ID; evolutionary creation, etc.)
- The nature and effects of human sin
- Theological anthropology in relation to race (or racism)
- Theological anthropology in relation to human sexuality and/or gender
- Theological anthropology and the ethics of ending life (e.g., abortion, MAID, war)
- Theological anthropology and technology
- The constitution of the human being (trichotomy, dualism, monism, nonreductive physicalism, emergent dualism, etc.)
- The relationship between theological anthropology (TA) and another area of Christian doctrine (e.g., TA and eschatology; TA and soteriology; TA and Christology; TA and ecclesiology; TA and missiology; etc.)
- b) Narrow your focus to identify a key theological issue that needs to be resolved. This will probably be something that occurs at the basic theological convictions / worldview level, with ripple effects on one's overall theology, including implications for belief, teaching, and practice.

# Be sure that the focal issue of the paper is theological in nature.

c) Articulate for yourself an initial hypothesis about the topic. When you first begin the research for your paper, your hypothesis will be tentative and preliminary, to be tested by your ongoing research. When you write up the final draft of your paper, you should be able to articulate a clear thesis statement on the first page (at the end of your introduction). A thesis statement is a concise description (1-2 sentences) of a position you are taking, an argument in summary form which you will go on to demonstrate in the body of your paper.

NOTE: Your thesis/argument is not considered to be your final position or view of the matter (that's way too much pressure!). It's simply your own provisional position on the topic according to your present knowledge and understanding.

d) Research the topic in depth – at least 10 sources, including at least one theological monograph (a book on your topic written by a recognized theologian), and 6-8 peer reviewed journal articles (the ATLA database accessed via our library is the best source for full text, peer reviewed theological journal articles).

The remaining sources might include other books and articles on the topic, theological reference works (e.g., theological dictionaries, works of systematic theology, 'multiple views' books, biblical commentaries and dictionaries, etc.).

Blog posts, web sites, student papers, and online videos are not appropriate academic sources unless they have official academic or professional credentials (e.g., an online peer-reviewed journal, official government sources, reputable scientific sources such as Science, AAAS, the ASA (American Scientific Affiliation), CSCA (Canadian Scientific and Christian Affiliation), NASA, and so forth). You can use popular sources too, for illustrative or interest purposes, but they do not count as academic sources.

Be sure that your research is fitting and appropriate to the question you are asking. For example, the question "Are there more than two genders?" cannot be settled convincingly by appealing either to Scripture or to science alone. Theological reflection needs to take account of scientific facts, as well as the philosophical and theological frameworks (and their assumptions and convictions) necessary to infer significance and implications informed by the facts. As another example, brain scan evidence (e.g., the impact of brain injury on human personality, memory, identity, etc.) alone cannot settle the question of whether human beings have souls. Such information might contribute to our understanding of embodied existence, but understanding the human constitution more holistically requires us to answer philosophical and theological questions (in light of biblical and theological evidence), such as: Is conscious existence after death in a disembodied state possible (even if temporary, i.e., while awaiting the Resurrection)? If so, how and in what form? Does the concept of the 'human soul' account for this? If so, how is the 'human soul' to be properly defined and understood?

**NOTE**: Keep in mind that you don't need to read every chapter of every book, or every paragraph of every article; but you do want to read thoroughly the sections that are most relevant and be sure to understand their logic and argument. You should also grasp the book's / article's overall thesis and how it contributes to the theological discussion of the topic at hand). Sprinkling a paper with references from sources is not enough to demonstrate a thorough understanding and synthesis of those sources.

e) Write up a concise paper (12 pages, excluding title page and bibliography) in support of your thesis, demonstrating how your research informed your (provisional) answer to the question you posed. Your answer to your question (concerning the theological issue to be resolved) is your thesis. You should state your thesis succinctly and clearly in your paper's introduction.

Begin with one introductory paragraph, alerting the reader to the importance of your topic (why it matters) and identifying the specific question the paper seeks to answer. Briefly state your provisional answer to that question (your thesis) in 1-2 sentences.

Use the body of your paper to make your case theologically. Mention and address briefly 1-3 other serious options (other, alternative answers to the question) that you discovered while doing research. State briefly why you are convinced of the answer you give in your paper, rather than these alternatives.

f) Conclude the paper with a paragraph restating your own tentative thesis on the topic. In a nutshell, where do you currently stand on the question you researched and why? Your conclusion is not meant to state your final view on the matter, but your provisional view which you have come to at least tentatively given your study and reflection at this point in time. So, it might be appropriate to briefly state what further questions remain for you (if any?) that need to be addressed in future research.

# **E. EQUITY OF ACCESS**

Students with permanent or temporary disabilities who need academic accommodations must contact the Accessibility Services at the Centre for Academic Excellence to register and discuss their specific needs. New students must self-identify and register with the Accessibility Office at the beginning of the semester or as early as possible to access appropriate services. Current students must renew their plans as early as possible to have active accommodations in place.

### F. SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

Evaluation is based upon the completion of the following assignments:

Assignment	Due	Weight
Online Forum contributions	see <u>Section IV</u>	30%
Personal Reflection Paper (on Smith)	Friday, Feb. 3	10%
Discipline / Vocation Paper	Friday, Mar. 17	20%
Short Research Paper	Monday, April 10	40%
Total Grade		100 %

### G. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN WORK

# Due dates & times (and late penalties):

Assignments are to be uploaded to the assignment submission section of the course page in pdf or Microsoft Word format by 11:59 PM (Eastern Time) on the assigned due date. Papers submitted after 11:59 PM on the due date will receive a 1/3 grade deduction (i.e., B+ to B) per day (or part thereof) following the due date (to a maximum of 1.5 GP deduction per week). This late policy will apply to all assignments for which no extension has been granted. Extensions will be granted only for serious personal, family, or health situations.

Last Possible Date to Submit Assignments (no extensions possible beyond this date):

From the Registrar's Office: Professors may NOT grant an extension to a student past the last day of exams (April 17, 2023). Requests for extensions past this date may be granted only by the Registrar. Students should submit an Extension Request Form to the Registrar's Office latest by April 17, 2023.

## Formatting:

Assignments must be double-spaced, typed in 12 pt Times New Roman font (10-pt for footnotes), with 1" margins. The standard citation method for theological papers uses footnotes (not parenthetical citations or endnotes) with a complete bibliography in the Chicago style (not APA style). For proper citation style, consult the tip sheet, "Documenting Chicago Style" (Tyndale e-resource) or the full edition of the Chicago Manual of Style Online, especially ch. 14. For citing scripture texts, refer to sections 10.44 to 10.48 and 14.238 to 14.241 from the Chicago Manual of Style or reference the tip sheet, "How to Cite Sources in Theology".

# **Academic Integrity**

Integrity in academic work is required of all our students. Academic dishonesty is any breach of this integrity and includes such practices as cheating (the use of unauthorized material on tests and examinations), submitting the same work for different classes without permission of the instructors, using false information (including false references to secondary sources) in an assignment, improper or unacknowledged collaboration with other students, and plagiarism. Tyndale University takes seriously its responsibility to uphold academic integrity, and to penalize academic dishonesty. Please refer to the Academic Integrity website for further details.

Students are encouraged to consult Writing Services. Citation and other tip sheets.

Students who are not familiar with Tyndale's policies on academic integrity and plagiarism should review this brief online document.

For tips on how to conduct proper research, how to do proper citations, and how to quote and paraphrase the work of others legitimately and effectively, please see the following videos provided by Tyndale's Centre for Academic Excellence:

- Video on proper citations and referencing
- Video on use of proper quotations
- Video on <u>effective paraphrasing</u>

Students should also consult the current <u>Academic Calendar</u> for academic polices on Academic Honesty, Gender Inclusive Language in Written Assignments, Late Papers and Extensions, Return of Assignments, and Grading System.

### Research Ethics

All course-based assignments involving human participants requires ethical review and may require approval by the Tyndale Research Ethics Board (REB). Check with the Seminary Dean's Office (<u>aau@tyndale.ca</u>) before proceeding.

### H. COURSE EVALUATION

Tyndale Seminary values quality in the courses it offers its students. End-of-course evaluations provide valuable student feedback and are one of the ways that Tyndale Seminary works towards maintaining and improving the quality of courses and the student's learning experience. Student involvement in this process is critical to enhance the general quality of teaching and learning.

Before the end of the course, students will receive a MyTyndale email with a link to the online course evaluation. The link can also be found in the left column on the course page. The evaluation period is 2 weeks; after the evaluation period has ended, it cannot be reopened.

Course Evaluation results will not be disclosed to the instructor before final grades in the course have been submitted and processed. Student names will be kept confidential and the instructor will only see the aggregated results of the class.

# IV. COURSE SCHEDULE, CONTENT AND REQUIRED READINGS

Please complete all readings in preparation for the lectures. NOTE: All readings not found in Kärkkäinen or in the T&T Clark Handbook (TTCH) are posted in Moodle (classes.tyndale.ca).

Week 1	Introduction to the Course
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(Jan. 9) Sources & Methods for Theological Anthropology, Part I

Read:

Kärkkäinen, chapter 9 TTCH, chapter 1

Week 2 Sources and Methods for Theological Anthropology, Part II

(Jan. 16) Read:

TTCH, chapters 2-3

Franklin, "The Human Person in Contemporary Science and Theology"

**DUE**: Online Forum Discussion #1 (in Moodle)

Week 3 Image of God, Part I

(Jan. 23) Read:

Kärkkäinen, chapter 11

TTCH, chapter 5, chapter 27 (just pp. 338-40) Franklin handout, 'Image' Passages in the Bible

(Optional: TTCH, chapters 6 and 27)

Week 4 Image of God, Part II

(Jan. 30) Read:

> Grenz, "The Social God and the Relational Self" Middleton, "A New Heaven and a New Earth"

**DUE**: Online Forum Discussion #2 (in Moodle)

(Feb. 3) **DUE**: Personal Reflection Paper on Smith

Week 5 Human Dignity and the Sacredness of Human Life

(Feb. 6) Read:

UN Declaration on Human Rights (preamble)

Moltmann on Human Dignity Gushee, "The Sacredness of Life"

Week 6 SIN & the Tragic, Part I

(Feb. 13) Read:

Kärkkäinen, chapter 15

TTCH, chapter 9 (pp. 99-105a)

**DUE**: Online Forum Discussion #3 (in Moodle)

Feb. 20-24 Family Day & Reading Days; No Class

Week 7 SIN & the Tragic, Part II

(Feb. 27) Read:

Kärkkäinen, chapter 16

TTCH, chapter 8 (pp. 105b-110) (Optional: TTCH, chapter 28)

Week 8 **Human Ontology** 

(Mar. 6) Read:

> Kärkkäinen, chapter 12 Croasmun, "Emergence"

(Optional: Kärkkäinen, chapter 14)

**DUE**: Online Forum Discussion #4 (in Moodle)

Week 9 Human Origins, Part I: Beyond 'Creation' versus 'Evolution'

(Mar. 13) View before class lecture: Lamoureux lecture (link provided in Moodle)

Read:

Kärkkäinen, chapter 10

Brooks, "What is a human?" (humans as evolved yet unique)

Lamoureux, The Bible and Ancient Science (excerpts)

(Optional: Kärkkäinen, chapter 6)

(Mar. 17) **DUE**: Discipline / Vocation Paper

Week 10 Human Origins, Part II: Reflecting Theologically on Evolution

(Mar. 20) Read:

> Smith, "What Stands on the Fall? A Philosophical Explanation" Franklin, "Understanding the Beginning in Light of the End"

Week 11 Gender and Sexuality #1

(Mar. 27) Read:

Review: Grenz from week 4 ("Social God, Relational Self, pp. 50-57 only)

Pierce, "Biblical Equality and Same-Sex Marriage"

Smith on 'cultural liturgies'

**DUE**: Online Forum Discussion #5 (in Moodle)

Week 12 **Gender and Sexuality #2** 

View before class lecture: Tony Jelsma, PhD: "Towards a Biological (Apr. 3)

Understanding of Gender Dysphoria." (Link provided in Moodle)

Read:

Sprinkle on sensitivity re. trans and emerging gender identities Eddy and Rhodes, "Understanding Transgender Experiences & Identities" Sax on intersex conditions and whether sex is a binary or a spectrum (Optional: Stock, "A Brief History of Gender Identity") (Optional: Cheng, "Contributions from Queer Theory")

(Mon. Apr. 10) **DUE**: Research Paper

### V. SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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