Maranatha Bible Church Theology Class Summer 2018 Theology for the rest of us

Class Schedule:

- June 17th Introduction, overview of Schedule, suggested reading pg. 21-39 (3 pages per day).

 Required reading for next class, Class Notes on Theology and Bibliology
- **June 24th** Discuss and go over reading (Theology and Bibliology). Reading for next class, Class notes, pages 6-13.
- July 1st No Class, 4th of July Weekend.
- July 8th Discuss and go over reading (Theology proper and Christology). Reading for next class, Class notes, pages 14-19.
- July 15th No Class, Joe preaching and doing sermon discussion class.
- July 22nd Discuss and go over reading (Pneumatology, Angelology, and Anthropology). Reading for next class, Class notes, pages 20-24.
- August 5th Discuss and go over reading (Hamartiology and Soteriology). Reading for next class, Class notes, pages 25-30.
- August 12th Discuss and go over reading (Ecclesiology and Eschatology).

 Reading for next class, Class notes, pages 31-38.
- August 19th Discuss and go over reading (Eschatology cont.). Final Class.

<u>Objective</u>: To grow closer to God through systematically learning more about what the Bible says concerning him and his attributes.

<u>Goal</u>: To equip the saints to learn more about God and in-turn put what they learn into practice, setting an example for the body of Christ to follow.

<u>Structure</u>: This class is interactive and not a monologue. We want there to be dialogue and discussion between all those attending. The more we discuss the topics the more we may all learn. Look for things in the readings that you want to expand on or dive into.

Questions to consider before starting:

- 1.) What have I learned about theology in the past?
- 2.) What do most people think about when they hear the word theology?
- 3.) What steps will I have to take to truly gain a better understanding of theology?

- 4.) Is theology profitable if I just learn it and do not apply it to my life?
- 5.) Do I see my relationship with Christ as my highest priority in life?
- 6.) How will the study of Theology strengthen my relationship with Christ?

In preparation for the weekly theology meetings:

- 1.) Pray for understanding, clarity and wisdom.
- 2.) Read your Bible daily.
- 3.) Listen to sermons or lectures on the topics and talk to others within the group during the week.
- 4.) Be diligent to read assigned class notes and be consistent in attendance.
- 5.) Do not get discouraged with hard or abstract concepts.
- 6.) Remember that the power to pursue and maintain a Godly lifestyle comes from God alone. He will grant you understanding and sanctify you as you grow in understanding.

2 Timothy 2:15

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth."

Suggested Resources:

Biblical Doctrines by John MacArathur
Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem
He will Reign Forever by Michael Vlach
The Moody Handbook of Theology
Understanding End Times Prophecy by Paul Benware
Audio CD = Drive by Theology by Todd Friel and Steve Lawson
Dispensationalism (Essential Beliefs and Common Myths) by Michael Vlach

For suggested resource on any particular doctrine, please see me.