



**Nipawin Bible College**  
**TH1012 Theology I: God and the Bible - Deacon's Track**  
**Winter 2024**  
**2 Credit Hours**  
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### ***COURSE DESCRIPTION***

This course provides the foundation for further theological thinking by introducing and delighting in God and his revelation to humanity, especially through the Bible.

### ***COURSE TEXTBOOKS***

Grudem, Wayne. *Bible Doctrine: The Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith Second Edition*. Ed. Alexander Grudem. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2022.

Reeves, Michael. *Delighting in the Trinity: An Introduction to the Christian Faith*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2012.

### ***LEARNING OUTCOMES***

By the end of the course students will be able to...

1. Enter into a deeper love and worship of the one true God.
2. Cherish the Bible as God's special revelation to them.
3. Identify some of the key elements of an orthodox understanding of God and the Bible and explain their significance.
4. Defend the significance of the Trinity to their life and the life of the Church.

### ***COURSE ASSIGNMENTS***

#### **Grudem Quizzes - 30%**

- Student will answer the review questions at the end of each assigned chapter at the beginning of the class. *Quizzes measure how well the student meets Course Objective 3.*

***Due: See Course Schedule***

#### **Reeves Report - 30%**

- Students will read *Delighting in the Trinity* and write a review. The review will be a one-page summary of the book. Reeves Report will help assess how well the student meets Course Objectives 1, 3-4.

***Due: March 5, 2024***

## Statement of Faith - 40%

- The student will develop a statement of faith paper on the Trinity, including individual sections on the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. There are two distinct parts to the paper: 1) a Statement and 2) a Practical Implications Reflection.
  1. **The Statement** (One full page)
    - The student will summarize their doctrine of God using non-technical, but accurate, language that can be understood by non-Christians and new Christians.
    - Students must cite a minimum of 25 biblical texts. Biblical citations should not be quoted anywhere.
  2. **The Practical Implications Reflection:**
    - Students will give five personal, concrete applications from the course material to their current or planned future life.
    - *These reports measure how well the students meet Course Objectives 3 & 4.*

***Due: March 28, 2024***

Assignments will be due **at the beginning of class** on the day that they are assigned.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Refer to the NBC Handbook 2023-2024.

**LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY:** Refer to the NBC Handbook 2023-2024.

**Reading: 209 pages**

**Writing: 3 pages**

**COURSE LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Session Topic</b>	<b>Assignment Due</b>
January 16	Introduction to Theology	
January 18	Bible and Revelation	
January 23	Bible and Revelation	
January 25	God	
February 1	The Character of God (1)	
February 6	The Character of God (2)	
February 8	The Trinity (1)	Grudem Quiz #1 - Chapter 4
February 13	The Trinity (2)	
February 15	Creation (1)	Grudem Quiz #2 - Chapter 5
February 27	Creation (2)	
February 29	God's Providence (1)	Grudem Quiz #3 – Chapter 6
March 5	God's Providence (2)	Reeves Report
March 12	Prayer (1)	
March 14	Prayer (2)	
March 19	The Person of Christ	
March 21	The Atonement	Grudem Quiz #4 - Chapter 14
March 26	Resurrection & Ascension (1)	
March 28	Resurrection & Ascension (2)	Statement of Faith Assignment
April 2	Summary	
April 4	Summary	

## **SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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