
Dogmatic Theology II



Course Name

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Course Description

The course is designed to the tangible need to identify and understand the doctrine of the church. As Dogmatic Theology I presented us with the true faith concerning the Triune God, Dogmatic Theology II presents us with the works of God in the church. The purpose of this discipline is not only to be able to defend Orthodox dogmas (as the mysteries, intercession and etc ...) against objection and criticism, but also to facilitate the understanding of the mystical dynamicity of the Holy Spirit within the church.

Curriculum

The Holy Mysteries (Sacraments)

<p><u>BAPTISM:</u> The Origin The Absolute Necessity of Baptism The Establishment of the Mystery of Baptism The Meaning of the Mystery The effect of Baptism Administration of the Sacrament The Means of the Performance of the Mystery The immersion in Water On Infant Baptism One Baptism</p>	<p><u>REPENTANCE AND CONFESSION</u> Components of the Sacrament of Repentance & Confession <u>BIBLICALLY:</u> The Old Testament The period between the Old and New Testament The New Testament To whom should we confess? Historically Patristically Practically and Psychologically The Benefit of Confession How should I confess? Notes on Confession</p>
<p><u>CHRISMATION, CONFIRMATION</u> The Seal of the Lord. The Established of this Sacrament The Means of the Performance of this Sacrament</p>	<p><u>UNCTION OF THE SICK</u> Testimonies of the Fathers Elements of the Sacrament</p>
<p><u>EUCCHARIST</u> Names of the Sacrament The Savior's Words before Establishing the Sacraments The Manna The Institution of the Eucharist Anamnesis The Eucharist in the Apostolic Time Reverence and Preparatory The writing of the Early Church Fathers The Nature of the Divine Transformation Epiclesis Transubstantiation The Eucharist as a Sacrifice The Cross's Sacrifice & the Eucharistic Sacrifice Leavened, Not Unleavened, Bread of the Eucharist The Right to Officiate at the Eucharist The Expression and Manifestation of Belief Redemptive Fruits of the Eucharist</p>	<p><u>MATRIMONY</u> Marriage as a Sacrament Its Characteristics In the early centuries <u>MANICHAEISM and GNOSTICISM</u> The Marriage Ceremony</p> <hr/> <p><u>PRIESTHOOD</u> The Priesthood of Christ The Structure of the Priesthood Ranks of the Church The Early Fathers</p>

Course References:

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Course Evaluation

ATTENDANCE 10% For attending all lectures.

WEBINARS 10% For attending the four webinars, each one out of the four webinar comprises 2.5.

RESEARCH: 20% For the research paper.

EXAM: 60% For a comprehensive exam that includes multiple choice, true / false, fill in the blanks and short essays questions.