

# The Gospel of John Syllabus

The information in this course syllabus provides all the details need to complete this course. Questions beyond what is provided here should be addressed to your academic adviser.

### I. Goal

The Gospel of John is designed to provide a rich understanding of the fourth gospel.

## II. Required Reading

The following texts may be purchased at most online booksellers. Read pp. 657-1207 in Systematic Theology, and read the blog article below in its entirety.

D. A. Carson, *The Pillar New Testament Commentary: The Gospel According to John*, (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1991).

Daniel B. Wallace, "The Gospel of John: Introduction, Argument, Outline," Bible.org.

### III. Lectures

Listen the five Spirituality of the Gospel of John lectures by D. A. Carson

## IV. Assignments

Using essay style writing, please respond thoroughly to each of the questions below. Compose your answers clearly and precisely, defining all terms. Do not introduce your answer; just answer the question. If the questions consist of several parts, write a paragraph or two on each part and identify each part. Cite all sources properly. Answer each question in two to three double-spaced pages.

- A. There are numerous of Jesus' conversations recorded in the fourth gospel. Provide an interpretation and reflection on one of these conversations.
- B. What role does the motif of water have within the gospel of John. Describe the motif of water as it appears in the gospel and its theological significance.
- C. Using the gospel of John, defend the doctrine of the preexistence of Christ.
- D. Provide an analysis of Jesus' use of the phrase "I am."