

MODERN CHURCH HISTORY
PMP Course Requirements

2020-2021

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Covering the period from the end of the Reformation era (ca. the Thirty Years War, 1618-1648) to the present day, this course will cover

1. The impact of significant trends upon theology and the church, such as
 - a. the Enlightenment and Age of Reason
 - b. the Great Awakening leading to the modern missionary movement
 - c. challenges from Darwinism, higher criticism, and the ecumenical movement
2. The key leaders and events of this period which made a mark on the modern church.

COURSE OUTCOMES

1. The student will be able to relate the historical framework out of which emerged friends and foes of today's church;
2. The student will master the major dynamics that have shaped the modern western church;
3. The student will be able to distinguish the traits of modern churches within the stream of historical Christianity as opposed to traits of modernist or faddish churches.

EXAMINATIONS: Mid-term — February 28, 2021 Final — June 30, 2021

READINGS

BY THE MID-TERM

--Cairns, *Christianity Through the Centuries*, chpts. 29-33

--Bettenson, *Documents of the Christian Church*, Sct X:4-12; Sct XI: All; Sct XII: 1-2; Sct XII: All

--Keep a log of 8 hours reading in works BY one or more of the following:

F. Turretin	R. Baxter	J. Bunyon		
J. Owen	J. Locke	J. Milton		
D. Brainerd	J. Edwards	C. Mather	G. Whitefield	J. Wesley

--Keep a log of 8 hours ABOUT one or more of the following:

Jansenism	Huguenots	Synod of Dordt	
English Bible Translations	Cromwell	Puritans/Pilgrims	
Westminster Assembly	Glorious Revolution	Covenanters/Killing Times	
Moravians/Pietism	Quakers	Great Awakening	
J. Edwards	D. Brainerd	Whitefield	Wesleys

BY FINAL EXAM

--Cairns, chpts. 34-39f.

--Bettenson: Sct XIII: All; Sct XIV: 2,4,7; Sct XVI: 5-6

--READ EITHER #1 or #2:

1. Historical Theology reading: Choose Either *The History of Christian Theology*, (Vol. 1), Paul Avis, ed., pp. 150-352, OR *Historical Theology*, G. Bromiley, Part III, OR

2. Elective readings A & B:

A. Keep a log of 8 hours reading in works BY one or more of the following:

C. Finney	T. Chalmers	T. Boston	A. Bonar
J. Wellhausen	C. Darwin	S. Kierkegaard	J.C. Ryle
C.H. Spurgeon	R. Ingersoll	K. Barth	Bonhoeffer

B. Keep a log of 8 hours ABOUT one or more of the following:

F. Asbury	Log College/Princeton	Wm. Carey	J.H. Newman
Chs. Finney	1800s Missions		
C.H. Spurgeon	Student Miss. Mvt	Social Gospel	Modernism/Fundamentalism
WCC/ICCC	Vatican II	Billy Graham	Emerging Church

PAPERS

1. January 31, 2021 -- A five page Book Review on the non-biographical, modern church era book of your choice. This book may not be counted as fulfilling the requirements for outside reading due at exam time.

2. April 30, 2021 -- A five page Biography on the character of your choice.

GRADING Exams: 50% Reading: 25% 2 Papers: 20% Oral Exam: 5%