

Christian Beliefs Wayne Grudem

Christian Beliefs Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know Zondervan Academic Zondervan's Seminary in a Box includes everything you need learn the basics of Christian theology, biblical interpretation, the Old Testament, and the New Testament from today's top theologians and biblical scholars including Wayne Grudem, D. A. Carson, Douglas J. Moo, J. Scott Duvall, J. Daniel Hays, Tremper Longman III, and more.

This splendid introductory textbook for Christian theology presents two essays by leading scholars on each of the major theological questions. William Placher provides an excellent discussion of the history and current state of each doctrine while the essays explore the key elements and contemporary issues relating to these important theological concepts.

With the central Christian doctrine of penal substitution increasingly under attack, these authors articulate a series of responses to specific theological and cultural criticisms. New from Bestselling Author Wayne Grudem The topic of divorce is a complicated one, even among Christians. The Bible provides some clear answers, but gray areas remain. In this short booklet, theologian Wayne Grudem offers a thought-provoking analysis of what the Bible says—and doesn't say—about divorce and remarriage.

A revised edition of Erickson's successful systematic theology with updated text and new pedagogical aids, such as chapter outlines, chapter objectives, and study questions.

Theologian Kevin Giles defends the historically orthodox doctrine of the eternal generation of the Son of God. He argues on biblical, historical and theological bases that, given its fundamental meaning, this doctrinal formulation is indispensable, irreplaceable and faithful to Christian revelation.

The Christian church has a long tradition of systematic theology, that is, of studying biblical teaching on centrally important doctrines such as the Word of God, redemption, and Jesus Christ. Wayne Grudem's bestselling Systematic Theology has several distinctive features: A strong emphasis on the scriptural basis for each doctrine Clear writing, with technical terms kept to a minimum A contemporary approach, treating subjects of special interest to the church today A friendly tone, appealing to the emotions and the spirit as well as the intellect Frequent application to life Resources for worship within each chapter Bibliographies in each chapter that cross-reference subjects to a wide range of other systematic theologies.

"Christians instinctively want to live in a way that pleases God. In fact, Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (Jn. 14:15). But sometimes it is unclear what "keeping God's commandments" implies when facing a specific decision. There are many times when it does not seem as if any specific teaching of Scripture can decide an issue for us. This book is intended to provide helpful guidelines whenever people wonder, "What is God's will for me in this specific situation?"--

Provides a section-by-section commentary on the New Testament book of First Peter, featuring discussion of primary themes, individual verses, and problems of interpretation, and including information on authorship, date, and historical background.

Originally featured as articles in the ESV Study Bible, these eighteen essays have been repurposed and republished in a convenient format. Covering a diverse range of essential subjects, including how to read the Bible well and why it is reliable, the essays delve into

specific topics such as world religions, canon, and archaeology. Useful as both a general overview of the Bible and as a tool for more specific reference and training, readers of this book will grow in their understanding of Scripture and their ability to apply the Bible to their lives. Pastors, lay leaders, students, and other Christians engaged in studying God's Word will benefit from this collection, written by notable contributors, including J. I. Packer, John Piper, David Powlison, and Vern Poythress.

Not every Christian should go to seminary, but there are certain teachings of the Bible that every Christian must know. Theology is important because what we believe affects how we live. Whether you're a relatively new believer in Jesus or a mature Christian looking for a better understanding of basics of the faith, *Christian Beliefs* is for you. This readable guide to twenty basic Christian beliefs is a condensation of Wayne Grudem's award-winning book *Systematic Theology*, prized by pastors and teachers everywhere. He and his son, Elliot, have boiled down the essentials of Christian theology for the layperson and made them both clear and applicable to life. You will learn about the Bible, the characteristics of God, what it means that we are created in the image of God, what God has done for us in Christ, the purpose of the church, and much more. Each chapter includes questions for personal review or group discussion. "These truly are twenty basic beliefs that every Christian should know. Wayne Grudem is a master teacher with the ability to explain profound truths in simple language. He is a man of deep conviction and theological passion--and those who read this book will be both educated and encouraged in the faith." --R. Albert Mohler Jr., President, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky "Based on *Systematic Theology*, this summary will certainly help beginners with Christ to get the hang of their faith." --J. I. Packer, Regent College, Vancouver, British Columbia "As Wayne Grudem's *Systematic Theology* contracts into a compact book, I do not lose my enthusiasm for the truth he loves and the clarity of his words." --John Piper, Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota

A Guide to Navigate Evangelical Feminism In a society where gender roles are a hot-button topic, the church is not immune to the controversy. In fact, the church has wrestled with varying degrees of evangelical feminism for decades. As evangelical feminism has crept into the church, time-trusted resources like *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood* help remind Christians of what the Bible has to say. In this new edition of the award-winning best seller, more than 20 influential men and women such as John Piper, Wayne Grudem, D. A. Carson, and Elisabeth Elliot offer thought-provoking essays responding to the challenge egalitarianism poses to life in the church and in the home. Covering topics like role distinctions in the church, how biblical manhood and womanhood should work out in practice, and women in the history of the church, this helpful resource will help readers learn to orient their beliefs with God's unchanging word in an ever-changing culture.

What does the New Testament teach about the spiritual gift of prophecy? What is it? How does it function? Can evangelical Christians use it in their churches today? This updated, comprehensive work answers such questions and points the way to a renewed understanding of the gift of prophecy--an understanding that suggests how the body of Christ may enjoy one of the Holy Spirit's most edifying gifts without compromising the supremacy of Scripture. "This conservative evangelical scholarly work gives a solid theological basis for further development of a practical theology of spiritual gifts." --John Wimber, Vineyard Christian Fellowship "Careful, thorough, wise, and to my mind, convincing." --J.I. Packer "...a fresh, biblically sound, readable contribution...its depth of scholarship, pastoral solidity, and cautions against abuses are special strengths. Highly recommended." --Vern S. Poythress, Professor of New Testament Interpretation, Westminster Theological Seminary "If Grudem's convincing thesis could be heard, a new path of dialog could perhaps be opened up in the Christian community. The research, clarity, and typical Grudem candor continue to make this the finest book on the subject to date." --L. Russ Bush, Professor of Philosophy of Religion, Southeastern Baptist

Theological Seminary "...thorough, biblical, and practical. It deserves the attention of all who are concerned about the spiritual development of the church today." --Stanley Horton, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Bible and Theology, Assemblies of God Theological Seminary

Understand what you believe! In this ground breaking DVD series, Dr. Wayne Grudem teaches the 20 main doctrines of the faith with biblical depth, spiritual passion and a freshness that makes this series unique in the Christian world. This Study Guide, written by Clear Cut Media, accompanies the DVD series. The aim of the course is to provide a good understanding of all the main doctrines of the Bible in an accessible and enjoyable format, securing and grounding Christians in the faith. Each session lasts approximately 40 minutes, with optional discussion breaks, and finishes with a questions and answers section. It is suitable for both group or individual use. Contents: 1. What is the Bible? - The authority, necessity, clarity, and sufficiency of scripture. 2. What is God like? - The attributes of God. God's holiness, love, justice, omniscience, and much more. 3. What is the Trinity? - Exploring the beauty, complexity and roles within the Godhead. 4. What is creation? - The origin and purpose of creation, and the implications for us today. 5. What is prayer? - Understanding our relationship with the Lord and how it works out in prayer. 6. What are angels and demons? - How the activities of both angels and demons affect us today. 7. What is man? - Understanding the implications of being made in God's image. 8. What is sin? - The origin and effects of sin. 9. Who is Christ? - The humanity and deity of Christ and its implications for salvation and worship. 10. What is atonement? - The cause, necessity, nature and results of Christ's atonement. 11. What is the resurrection? - Understanding the effects of the resurrection for us today. 12. What is election (or predestination)? - What election does and does not mean, and its implications for faith and worship. 13. What does it mean to become a Christian? - The process of calling, regeneration and conversion. 14. What are justification and adoption? - The central role of justification by faith and its result in adoption. 15. What are sanctification and perseverance? - Christian growth and God's preservation of the saints. 16. What is death? - The death and resurrection of Christians and non-Christians. 17. What is the church? - The power, purposes, purity, unity and consistency of the church. 18. What will happen when Christ returns? - The timing, signs, tribulation, and millennial views of Christ's return and reign. 19. What is the final judgement? - The purpose and events of the final judgement and the scriptural teaching about hell. 20. What is heaven? - The renewed heavens and earth, what we will do, and how it will glorify God. Each session is designed to be accessible from different levels. New Christians will be grounded in their faith, established believers will grow in their knowledge of God and understand the Bible much better, potential leaders will be trained, established leaders will be equipped for ministry. The study guide includes a 'Going Deeper' section suitable for those wanting to pursue a fuller understanding of these truths. Dr. Grudem, in his unique and warm style, provides essential teaching for all Christians. Having completed this course, Christians will not only be enabled to better love God and live for Him, but also gain a secure understanding of the faith, learning how to handle secondary issues with humility, and primary issues with clarity. This course is unique, a world first, in the combination of its scope, content and format. A Leader's Guide is also available.

"A scholarly analysis of biblical passages relevant to the issue of how God created the universe, making the case that he did not do so by means of evolution"--

A variety of perspectives exist within the Christian community when it comes to political issues and political involvement. This comprehensive and readable book presents a political philosophy from the perspective that the Gospel pertains to all of life so Christians should be involved in political issues. In brief, this is an analysis of conservative and liberal plans to do good for the nation, evaluated in

light of the Bible and common sense. In this ground-breaking book, recognized evangelical Bible professor Wayne Grudem rejects five mistaken views about Christian influence on politics: (1) “compel religion,” (2) “exclude religion,” (3) “all government is demonic,” (4) “do evangelism, not politics,” and (5) “do politics, not evangelism.” He proposes a better alternative: (6) “significant Christian influence on government.” Then he explains the Bible’s teachings about the purpose of civil government and the characteristics of good or bad government. Does the Bible support some form of democracy? Should judges and the courts hold the ultimate power in a nation? With respect to specific political issues, Grudem argues that most people’s political views depend on deep-seated assumptions about several basic moral and even theological questions, such as whether God exists, whether absolute moral standards can be known, whether there is good and evil in each person’s heart, whether people should be accountable for their good and bad choices, whether property should belong to individuals or to society, and whether the purpose of the earth’s resources is to bring benefit to mankind. After addressing these foundational questions, Grudem provides a thoughtful, carefully-reasoned analysis of over fifty specific issues dealing with the protection of life, marriage, the family and children, economic issues and taxation, the environment, national defense, relationships to other nations, freedom of speech and religion, quotas, and special interests. He makes frequent application to the current policies of the Democratic and Republican parties in the United States, but the principles discussed here are relevant for any nation.

This STUDY GUIDE is a companion resource to Wayne Grudem's Christian Beliefs, revised edition. Not every Christian needs to go to seminary, but there are certain teachings of the Bible that every Christian should know. Whether you're a relatively new believer in Jesus or a mature Christian looking for a better understanding of basics of the faith, the Christian Beliefs Study Guide can help you reflect on and deeply internalize the core teachings of Christianity, when used in conjunction with Christian Beliefs, revised edition (sold separately). This STUDY GUIDE will help you think through important topics like: The Bible and its authority for our lives The characteristics of God The importance of prayer Angels and the reality of spiritual warfare What it means that we are created in the image of God What God has done for us in Christ The purpose of the church What happens when Christ returns The biblical understanding of heaven And much more Chapter by chapter, this STUDY GUIDE will lead you to examine and reflect on Christian Beliefs, revised edition (sold separately), by providing:

Summary: A short summary of the chapter to help remind readers what they read. Key terms: Definitions of important terminology introduced in the chapter. Key quotes: Selection of one or two key quotes from the chapter. Central Scripture Passage: An important biblical passage related to the chapter for reflection or memorization. Content Questions: Questions that reflect on the theological content of the chapter. Practical Application Questions: Questions

that help tie the theological content of the chapter to real-life situations. For Further Reading: Lists where to find more information on theological topics in Systematic Theology, second edition, by Wayne Grudem so readers know where to go for a deeper dive into specific subjects they want to know more about. The Christian Beliefs Study Guide is the ideal resource for every Christian who wants a solid foundation for understanding the most basic and essential teachings of the Bible.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER The “paradigm-influencing” book (Christianity Today) that is fundamentally transforming our understanding of white evangelicalism in America. *Jesus and John Wayne* is a sweeping, revisionist history of the last seventy-five years of white evangelicalism, revealing how evangelicals have worked to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism—or in the words of one modern chaplain, with “a spiritual badass.” As acclaimed scholar Kristin Du Mez explains, the key to understanding this transformation is to recognize the centrality of popular culture in contemporary American evangelicalism. Many of today’s evangelicals might not be theologically astute, but they know their VeggieTales, they’ve read John Eldredge’s *Wild at Heart*, and they learned about purity before they learned about sex—and they have a silver ring to prove it. Evangelical books, films, music, clothing, and merchandise shape the beliefs of millions. And evangelical culture is teeming with muscular heroes—mythical warriors and rugged soldiers, men like Oliver North, Ronald Reagan, Mel Gibson, and the Duck Dynasty clan, who assert white masculine power in defense of “Christian America.” Chief among these evangelical legends is John Wayne, an icon of a lost time when men were uncowed by political correctness, unafraid to tell it like it was, and did what needed to be done. Challenging the commonly held assumption that the “moral majority” backed Donald Trump in 2016 and 2020 for purely pragmatic reasons, Du Mez reveals that Trump in fact represented the fulfillment, rather than the betrayal, of white evangelicals’ most deeply held values: patriarchy, authoritarian rule, aggressive foreign policy, fear of Islam, ambivalence toward #MeToo, and opposition to Black Lives Matter and the LGBTQ community. A much-needed reexamination of perhaps the most influential subculture in this country, *Jesus and John Wayne* shows that, far from adhering to biblical principles, modern white evangelicals have remade their faith, with enduring consequences for all Americans.

With a strong emphasis on the scriptural basis for each doctrine—what the whole Bible teaches us today about a particular topic; clear writing, with technical terms kept to a minimum; and a contemporary approach, emphasizing how each doctrine should be understood and applied by present-day Christians, *Making Sense of the Bible* is required reading for understanding the relevant passages of Scripture. Topics include Canon of Scripture: the list of all books that belong in the Bible; Authority of Scripture: all words in Scripture are God’s words because that is what the Bible claims for itself; Clarity of Scripture: the Bible is written so that

its teachings are able to be understood by all who read it; Necessity of Scripture: the Bible is necessary for knowledge of the gospel; and Sufficiency of Scripture: Scripture contains all the words of God he intended his people to have. Written in a friendly tone, appealing to the emotions and the spirit as well as the intellect, Making Sense of the Bible helps readers overcome wrong ideas, make better decisions on new questions, and grow as Christians.

Robert G. Clouse brings together four scholars to debate various views on the millennium: George Eldon Ladd, Herman A. Hoyt, Loraine Boettner and Anthony A. Hoekema.

Twenty Great Truths, originally published as Theological Clarity and Application, is an interactive leadership development workbook based on Wayne Grudem's book, Christian Beliefs: Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2005) with reference to Grudem's Systematic Theology (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994).

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This workbook accompanies Wayne Grudem's bestselling Systematic Theology and features student-friendly review material and exercises.

We can win the fight against global poverty. Combining penetrating economic analysis with insightful theological reflection, this book sketches a comprehensive plan for increasing wealth and protecting stability at a national level.

What does the Bible teach about how to live in today's world? Best-selling author and professor Wayne Grudem distills over forty years of teaching experience into a single volume aimed at helping readers apply a biblical worldview to difficult ethical issues, including wealth and poverty, marriage and divorce, birth control, abortion, euthanasia, homosexuality, business practices, environmental stewardship, telling the truth, knowing God's will, understanding Old Testament laws, and more.

Theology matters! At last it can be understood easily, thanks to this "layman's language" approach to biblical belief. Authored by J. I. Packer, one of the premier theologians of Christianity, this summary of Christian teaching covers nearly 100 major Christian beliefs from a Reformed perspective. Brief, easy-to-understand chapters offer precise descriptions without sacrificing depth.

Thoughtfully arranged and refreshingly readable, this is a book that belongs on the shelf of every Christian.

This readable guide to twenty basic Christian beliefs is a condensation of Wayne Grudem's award-winning book Systematic Theology. Christian Beliefs boils down the essentials of Christian theology for everyday Christians and makes them both clear and applicable to life.

This new edition of Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem may be the most important resource you can own for helping you understand Scripture and grow as a Christian. The most widely used resource of the last 25 years in its area, Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem has been thoroughly revised and

expanded (all 57 chapters) for the first time while retaining the features that have made it the standard in its field: clear explanations, an emphasis on each doctrine's scriptural basis, and practical applications to daily life. Praise for the second edition: "After a quarter century of remarkable usefulness globally . . . it remains remarkable. I thank God for this precious gift to Christ's people worldwide." - John Piper "Stands out for its clarity and accessibility." - Thomas R. Schreiner "One of those rare works that can challenge the scholar and instruct the beginner . . . It is simply indispensable." - Jack Deere With nearly 200 pages of new content and revisions that took several years, this new edition now includes the following distinctive features, making it even better: Updated, fuller analysis of several recent controversies within evangelicalism, including the eternal relationship between the Father and the Son in the Trinity, the question of God's atemporal eternity, the role of women in the church, "seeker-sensitive" churches, miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit, and contemporary worship music. New, thoughtful critiques of open theism, the "new perspective on Paul," Molinism (or "middle knowledge"), "Free Grace" theology, and the preterist view of Christ's second coming Completely revised, stronger chapter on the clarity of Scripture Completely revised, stronger chapter on creation and evolution, including a longer critique of theistic evolution and an extensive discussion on the age of the earth New discussion of how biblical inerrancy applies to some specific "problem verses" in the Gospels Additional material respectfully explaining evangelical Protestant differences with Roman Catholicism (with extensive interaction with the Catechism of the Roman Catholic Church), Protestant liberalism, and Mormonism Completely updated bibliographies All Scripture quotations updated from RSV to ESV An explanation of why monogenes in John 3:16 and elsewhere should be translated as "only begotten" rather than merely "only" (this is a change from the first edition) A contemporary worship song added at the end of each chapter (while retaining the traditional hymns as well) New discussion on the impassibility of God An extensive discussion on the eternal submission of the Son to the Father, taking into account controversies in recent years Updated section on contemporary worship music A discussion of recent criticisms of the penal substitutionary view of the atonement Numerous other updates and corrections that have been prompted by letters and emails from people around the world and by interaction with the students Wayne has taught over the last 26 years both at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and at Phoenix Seminary Part of the brilliance of Systematic Theology over the years has been its simplicity and ease of use. Each chapter follows the same structure. First, there is discussion of the doctrine being considered, such as justification or the Trinity or the deity of Christ. An explanation of that doctrine's biblical support and possible objections follow. Personal application and key terms to know for personal growth are then provided. Chapters also include a Scripture memory passage, references to other literature on the topic, and suggested hymns and worship songs. If you are someone who thinks theology is hard to understand or

boring, then this new edition of Systematic Theology will likely change your mind. A comprehensive historical and theological overview of five principal figures from the Reformation: Martin Luther, Huldrych Zwingli, John Calvin, Menno Simons, and, in this revised and expanded edition, William Tyndale.

“This is the most thorough, balanced, and biblically accurate treatment of feminism and the Bible I have seen.” —Stu Weber Evangelical feminists boldly assert that male and female roles in the church are interchangeable. Society reflects the argument. But what does the Bible have to say? Wayne Grudem offers more than forty biblical responses to the most crucial questions on this topic, showing God’s equal value in men and women and why their roles in the church are complementary, not interchangeable. This to-the-point handbook is a valuable resource enabling every Christian to grasp the issues, including: • What the Bible says about the roles of men and women in marriage • Women in the church and in church leadership • Theology and the concepts of equality, fairness, and justice • Claims that a complementarian view is harmful “No one will be able to deny the cumulative strength of the case this author makes.” —J. I. Packer “After the Bible, I cannot imagine a more useful book for finding reliable help in understanding God’s will for manhood and womanhood in the church and the home.” —John Piper

In this balanced volume, Gregg Allison—an evangelical theologian and church historian—helps readers understand the nuances of Roman Catholic teaching. Walking through the official Catechism of the Catholic Church, Allison summarizes and assesses Catholic doctrine from the perspective of both Scripture and evangelical theology. Noting prominent similarities without glossing over key differences, this book will equip Christians on both sides of the ecclesiastical divide to fruitfully engage in honest dialogue with one another. This modern-day catechism sets forth fifty-two questions and answers designed to build a framework to help adults and children alike understand core Christian beliefs.

For years a debate has raged over how to define true masculinity and true femininity. While there is agreement that men and women share equally in the privilege of being made in God’s image, some views of manhood and womanhood blur God-given gender distinctions. Wayne Grudem assembled a team of distinguished writers to show how egalitarian views destroy God’s ideal for your relationships, marriage, and life purposes. The contributors to this book include: John Piper, Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota Bruce A. Ware, Senior Associate Dean of the School of Theology and Professor of Christian Theology at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Richard W. Hove, Director of Campus Crusade for Christ at Duke University Daniel Doriani, Dean of the Faculty and Professor of New Testament at Covenant Theological Seminary Daniel R. Heimbach, Professor of Christian Ethics at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary Peter Jones, Professor of New Testament at Westminster Theological Seminary in California These writers explore key issues, including the interchangeability of male-female roles, the meaning of submission, and the historical novelty of egalitarian interpretations of Scripture. This book will demonstrate how some views of manhood and womanhood tamper with our understanding of God’s character and why the extremes of male domination and feminism destroy the beauty of our sexual differences-differences that celebrate the excellence of men and women as God created us. Most historical theology texts follow Christian beliefs chronologically, discussing notable

