



EQUIP COURSES

Fairview Baptist Church

“...to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ.” – Ephesians 4:12

DOCTRINE OF HUMANITY

Spring 2025 | Sunday | Fellowship Hall | 9:00-10:15 am

DESCRIPTION

Perhaps no doctrine is more urgent for today's Christians to study than the doctrine of humanity. Nearly every cultural debate seems to hinge upon one's theological anthropology and its significance for daily life. In our contemporary age, there has been a loss of humanity's goodness, purpose, and end. How can we renew our understanding and see humanity the way God designed? In this equip class, Pastors Mike and Joseph will consider the biblical principles, theological formulations, and practical applications for a Christian doctrine of humanity.

OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES

A participant who successfully completes this class will be better prepared to worship the Triune God, serve Christ's Church, and fulfill the Great Commission by learning to do the following:

1. Learn the doctrine of the *imago dei* and its necessity for participation in God.
2. Understand the complex human constitution as embodied souls.
3. Develop an understanding of humanity as male and female.
4. Discern humanity's relationship to the rest of the created realm.
5. Apprehend the effects of Adam's sin and Christ's righteousness on humanity.
6. Apply an understanding of the class content with a greater love of God, responsibility in this world, and longing for heaven where we'll see Him as He is.

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- John Hammet and Katie McCoy, [*Humanity*](#)
- R. C. Sproul, [*The Hunger for Significance*](#)
- Gregg Allison, [*Embodied*](#)
- John Kleinig, [*Wonderfully Made*](#)
- Abigail Favale, [*The Genesis of Gender*](#)
- Graham Cole, [*Glorification: An Introduction*](#)
- Samuel Parkison, [*To Gaze Upon God*](#)

REQUIREMENTS

- **ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION** – Commitment to punctuality and regular

attendance is encouraged to this course in order to fully benefit and wisely participate in this course.

- **PERSONAL READING AND JOURNALING** - Each student is responsible to have completed the assigned personal development reading as required in the course schedule and write a summary of the reading as a personal reflection in a journal or notebook.
- **SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION** - Each student will be encouraged to memorize the weekly verse from the annual Fairview Baptist Church scripture memory program.

SCHEDULE

| DATE | TOPIC |
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| March 2 | Theological Anthropology: An Introduction |
| March 9 | Humanity as Created Beings |
| March 16 | Humanity: Participation in the Triune God |
| March 23 | Humanity as Embodied Souls |
| March 30 | Humanity Created Male and Female, part 1 |
| April 6 | NO CLASS |
| April 13 | Humanity Created Male and Female, part 2 |
| April 20 | NO CLASS |
| April 27 | Humanity Created Male and Female, part 3 |
| May 4 | Humanity and Creation |
| May 11 | The First Adam: Fallen Humanity |
| May 18 | NO CLASS |
| May 25 | The Second Adam: Redeemed Humanity |
| June 1 | The Teleology of Humanity |