



**EQUIP COURSES**  
Fairview Baptist Church

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

## **SURVEY OF THE SAINTS**

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

### **DESCRIPTION**

Why should we consider and reflect on the lives of those who have gone before us? By studying our Christian past and heritage, we can not only learn how to better follow Jesus, but also revel in God's faithfulness over centuries of preserving the church. Perhaps looking backward to those flawed and faithful will allow us to see and savor Jesus more affectionately in our lives today. In this class, we will consider a few important figures in church history, theological developments and formulations, and practical applications for the Christian practice of prayer.

### **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 important figures in church history.
2. Understand the development of doctrine in history.
3. Develop an appreciation for those who have gone before us.
4. Discern ways to follow Jesus better by learning from those before us.
5. 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**

- Nick Needham, [\*Shapers of Christianity\*](#)
- Timothy George & David Dockery, [\*Theologians of the Baptist Tradition\*](#)
- John Piper, [\*27 Servants of Sovereign Joy\*](#)
- [\*Theologians on the Christian Life Series\*](#)
- Gregg Allison, [\*Historical Theology\*](#)

### **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.

## SCHEDULE

DATE	TOPIC
August 10	Athanasius
August 17	Augustine
August 24	Martin Luther
August 31	John Calvin
September 7	Andrew Fuller
September 14	John Newton
September 21	Charles Spurgeon