

Christian Principles Unit #1

Exam Review Guide

Week #1

Be able to explain the "hour-glass" diagram: how God narrowed down the identity of the "seed" in the Old Testament, and then how he wants the church to take the blessing of Christ's salvation to the whole world.

Gen. 12:1-3** - The Abrahamic covenant, in which God promised to provide his redemptive blessing to the world through Abraham's descendants. Key elements of the promise: land, nationhood, personal blessing, and all the nations blessed through one of Abraham's descendants.

Matt. 28:18-20* - The Great Commission, in which Jesus commands the church to both evangelize and train people from every people group.

Week #2

Be able to explain the differences between *general* and *special revelation*. Be able to explain the *Trinity*. Be able to name several attributes of God and cite at least one reason why knowing these attributes is helpful in living the Christian life.

Ex. 34:6-8** - God's character is awesome and worthy of worship. God is both just and merciful in his dealings with humans.

Gen. 1:26, 27 ** - God exists as more than one Person.

Week #3

Be able to define *federal headship*. Know the areas that have been corrupted by the fall. Be able to define and explain *total depravity*.

Rom. 5:12-19** - Federal headship of Adam and Jesus; spiritual effects of the fall (Total Depravity)

Eph. 2:1-3** - Spiritual effects of the fall (Total Depravity)

Week #4

Be able to define *true moral guilt*. Be able to define *substitutionary atonement*, and explain its progressive revelation. Be familiar with the Heb. 9 contrasts between the Old and New Covenant.

Lev. 16** - The Day of Atonement is a clear example of substitutionary atonement for the nation of Israel.

Isa. 53** - This passage makes it clear that the Old Testament sacrificial system must be fulfilled by a Person--the Servant of the Lord.

Rom. 3:23,24* - All humans fall justly under God's condemnation because of their sins, but all humans are acceptable to God if they receive Jesus' atoning death for their sins.

Week #5

Be able to define *justification, redemption, propitiation, and reconciliation*. Be able to define *eternal security* and explain why each of your memory passages (see below) teaches eternal security. Know the three unscriptural elements of Roman Catholic soteriology. Be familiar with the two different views of non-eternal security. Be familiar with "Lordship Theology" and why it is problematic. Be familiar with the section "personal importance of security in Christ." Be able to refute the statement, "I must be water baptized in order to be saved," using Acts and scripture that teaches that salvation is by "grace alone."

Rom. 8:1* - Christians will never be condemned by God.

Eph. 4:30* - Christians are sealed by God for safe passage to heaven.

Jn. 10:27-30** - Jesus will not allow anyone to snatch believers out of his hand.

Week #6

Be able to explain the main differences between *Calvinism* and *Arminianism* ("TULIP" versus "TCURP"). Be able to explain why your memory passages (see below) support the Arminian view.

1 Peter 1:1b-2* - Election is based on God's foreknowledge (evidently of who chooses to believe in Christ).

1 John 2:2* - Jesus Christ died for the sins of the whole world, not just of believers.

2 Peter 3:9* - God's will is for all people to be saved.

Week #7

Be able to explain the main difference between *Covenantal* and *Dispensational* theology. (Covenantal emphasizes *unity* in God's working through salvation history; Dispensational emphasizes *diversity* in God's working through salvation history.) Be able to explain the main differences between (Covenantal) *post-* and *amillennialism* versus (Dispensational) *pre-millennialism*. (Non-literal versus literal interpretation of Old Testament unfulfilled prophecy; Israel has been replaced by the Church versus the Church is a "parenthesis" in God's dealings with Israel.) Be familiar with the time-lines for the three millennial views.

Jer. 31:31-37** - God's promise of the New Covenant will be fulfilled for Israel (not just for the Church).

Rom. 11:29* - God's promises to national Israel are irrevocable.

Week #8

Be able to explain each kind of double-reference prophecy. Be familiar with the main content of each of Daniel's visions that were covered in class.

Dan. 2,7,8,9,11-12** - Daniel's prophetic visions concerning the future of Israel

Dan. 9:27* - The 70th "week" of God's dealings with Israel--the tribulation.

Week #9

Be able to explain the main events of the end-times and arrange them in chronological order (according to the pre-millennial view): *Church Age, Rapture, Bema-seat Judgment, Tribulation, Second Coming, Millennial Kingdom, Great White Throne Judgment, and New Heavens & New Earth*. Be familiar with the *intermediate states* and the *Antichrist*.

Matt. 24:1-31** - The Olivet Discourse; Jesus' description of the end of the age

1 Cor. 3:10-15** - Christ's judgment and reward of Christians

Rev. 19:11-21:8** - The basic chronology of end-times events beginning with Jesus' second coming. The millennial kingdom comes *after* Jesus' return and *before* the Great White Throne judgment.

Week #10

Be able to define the *hypostatic union* and the *kenosis*. Be able to provide scriptural support for Jesus' deity, and humanity. Be able to explain why his deity, sinlessness and humanity are essential. Be able to explain why Jesus' bodily resurrection is essential. Be able to explain two lines of evidence supporting the resurrection of Jesus.

Col. 2:9* - Jesus is both fully God and fully human.

Phil. 2:6,7* - The *kenosis* of Jesus

Heb. 1:8-10** - Jesus ("the Son") is YHWH.