



Notes for TH 201 Hamartiology and Soteriology

Textbooks: King James Bible; Systematic Theology, Lewis Sperry Chafer (Outline of Study from Textbook)

Hamartiology (αμαρτιολογος)

I. Introduction to Hamartiology

A. The Essential Nature of Sin

B. The Derivation of Sin

C. The Divine Permission of Sin

1. The Divine Recognition of the Creature's Free Choice
2. The Specific Value of Redeemed Beings
3. The Acquisition of Divine Knowledge
4. The Instruction of Angels
5. The Demonstration of the Divine Hatred of Evil
6. The Righteous Judgments of All Evil
7. The Manifestation and Exercise of Divine Grace

II. Preparatory Remarks

III. Personal Sin

A. The Origin of Sin

1. The Eternal Anticipation of Sin in the Foreknowledge of God
2. The First Concrete Enactment of Sin in Heaven by an Unfallen Angel
 - a. The Person Who First Sinned
 - b. The Nature of the First Sin

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3. The First Concrete Enactment of Sin by a Human Being on Earth

B. The Sinful Nature of Sin

C. Three Major Proofs of the Exceeding Sinfulness of Sin

1. The Angelic Proof

2. The Human Proof

3. The Divine Proof

D. General Definitions

1. Sin against God's Holy Person

a. The Theory that Sin is Selfishness

2. Sin against the Law

a. Early Communications Preserved by Tradition

b. Human Conscience

c. Direct Scriptural Guidance

d. The Written Word of God with its Various Age Applications

E. General Terms and Classifications

F. The Divine Remedy for Personal Sin

1. Forgiveness

2. Justification

G. Original Sin

H. Guilt

I. Universality

IV. The Transmission of Sin

A. The Fact of the Sin Nature

B. The Remedy for the Sin Nature

V. Imputed Sin

A. The Scope of the Doctrine of Imputation

B. Theories of Imputation

C. The Divine Remedy for Imputed Sin

1. The Death of Christ

2. The Keys of Death

3. Death and the Unsaved

4. Death and the Christian

5. Death in the Millennium

D. Conclusion

VI. Man's Estate Under Sin and His Relationship to Satan

A. The Fact

B. The Remedy

C. The Relation of the Unsaved to Satan

VII. The Christian's Sin and Its Remedy

A. The World

B. The Flesh

C. The Devil

D. The Threefold Provision

1. The Word of God

2. The Interceding Christ

3. The Indwelling Spirit

E. The Twofold Effect of the Christian's Sin

1. The Effect of the Christian's Sin upon Himself

2. The Effect of the Christian's Sin upon God

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F. The Christian's Sin Nature

1. "Flesh"
2. "Old Man"
3. "Sin"
 - a. The Divine Provision
 - b. The Believer's Responsibility

G. The Christian's Relation to Imputed Sin

H. The Christian's Relation to Man's Estate Under Sin

VIII. Punishment for Sin

A. Chastisement

B. Scourging

C. Retribution

IX. The Final Triumph Over All Sin

Soteriology (σοτηριολογος)

I. Introduction to Soteriology

II. The Savior

A. Christ's Seven Positions

1. The Preincarnate Christ
2. The Incarnate Christ
3. Christ in His Death
4. The Resurrected Christ
5. Christ Ascended and Seated in Heaven
6. Christ Returning

7. Christ Reigning Forever

B. Christ's Offices

1. Prophet

a. The Preincarnate Ministry

b. The Incarnate Ministry

(1.) Six Features of Christ's Preincarnate Ministry

(a.) "God was manifest in the flesh"

(b.) "Justified In The Spirit"

(c.) "Seen Of Angels"

(d.) "Preached Unto The Gentiles"

(e.) "Believed On In The World"

(f.) "Received Up Into Glory"

(2.) Christ Forthtelling and Foretelling

(a.) Christ Forthtelling

(b.) Christ Foretelling

b. The Ministry from Heaven

2. Priest

a. In His Person

b. By Appointment

c. Eternal Duration

3. King

C. The Sonships of Christ

1. The Son of God

2. The Son of Man

3. The Son of David

4. The Son of Abraham

D. The Hypostatic Union

E. The Sufferings of Christ

1. Introduction to the Sufferings of Christ

a. Sufferings in Life

1. Sufferings Due to His Holy Character
2. Sufferings Due to Christ's Compassion
3. Sufferings Due to Anticipation

b. Sufferings in Death

1. Contrast between the Crucifixion and the Cross
2. Who Put Christ to Death?
3. What Christ Suffered at the Hands of Men and What He Suffered at the Hands of His Father
4. The Value of Christ's Sufferings to the Father
5. The Wisdom, Power, and Sacrifice of God
6. The Unified Action of the Three Persons
7. Two Major Features of Soteriology

2. The Things Accomplished by Christ in His Sufferings and Death

a. A Substitution for Sinners

- (1.) The Words Which Imply Substitution
- (2.) Vicarious Suffering in General
- (3.) Mediation
- (4.) Substitution with Regard to the Judgment of Sin
- (5.) Substitution in the Realms of Divine Perfection

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- b. Christ the Ending of the Law Principle in Behalf of Those Who are Saved
 - c. A Redemption Toward Sin
 - d. A Reconciliation Toward Man
 - e. A Propitiation Toward God
 - f. The Judgment of the Sin Nature
 - g. The Ground of the Believer's Forgiveness and Cleansing
 - h. The Ground of the Deferring of Righteous Divine Judgments
 - l. The Taking Away of the Precross Sin Once Covered by Sacrifice
 - j. The National Salvation of Israel
 - k. Millennial and Eternal Blessings on the Gentiles
 - l. The Spoiling of Principalities and Powers
 - m. The Ground of Peace
 - n. The Purification of Things in Heaven
3. The Sufferings and Death of Christ in Types
- a. The General Sacrifices of the Old Testament
 - (1.) Abel's Offering
 - (2.) Noah's Altar and Sacrifice
 - b. The Prescribed Sacrifices of the Old Testament
 - (1.) The Paschal Lamb
 - (2.) The Five Offerings (Leviticus 1:1-7:38)
 - (3.) The Two Birds (Leviticus 4:1-7)
 - (4.) The Day of Atonement

(5.) The Red Heifer (Numbers 19:1-22)

c. Miscellaneous Types of Christ's Death

(1.) The Coats of Skin (Genesis 3:21)

(2.) Noah's Ark (Genesis 6:14-8:19)

(3.) Bread and Wine at the Hand of Melchizedek
(Genesis 14:17-24)

(4.) The Offering of Isaac (Genesis 22:1-14)

(5.) Joseph (Genesis 37:2-50:26)

(6.) Manna in the Wilderness (Exodus 16:14-22)

(7.) The Smitten Rock (Exodus 17:5-7; Number
20:7-13)

(8.) The Tabernacle (Exodus 25:1-40:38)

d. The Death of Christ According to Various Scriptures

(1.) The Death of Christ according to Genesis

(2.) The Death of Christ according to Old Testament
Prophecy

(3.) The Death of Christ according to the Gospels

(4.) The Death of Christ according to Romans, I and
II Corinthians, and Galatians

(5.) The Death of Christ according to Ephesians,
Philippians and Colossians

(6.) The Death of Christ according to the Epistle to
the Hebrews

(7.) The Death of Christ according to the other
Books of the New Testament

4. Biblical Terminology Related to Christ's Sufferings and Death

- a. Atonement
- b. Expiration
- c. Forgiveness and Remission
- d. Guilt
- e. Justice
- f. Justification
- g. Penalty
- h. Propitiation
- i. Reconciliation
- j. Redemption and Ransom
- k. Sacrifice
- l. Satisfaction
- m. Vicarious and Substitutionary

5. Theories False and True of the Value of Christ's Death

- a. Preliminary Considerations
 - (1.) General Facts Revealed
 - (2.) The Death of Christ is Unique
 - (3.) Its Extent
 - (4.) Its Three Directions
 - (5.) Divine Satisfaction through Christ's Death is not Personal Satisfaction
 - (6.) Type and Antitype
 - (7.) Theories May Be Questioned
- b. Historical Record

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(1.) From the Beginning to Anselm

(2.) From Anselm to Grotius

(3.) From Grotius to the Present Time

c. Theories in General

(1.) Martorial Theory

(2.) Moral Influence Theory

(3.) Identification Theory

(4.) Rectoral or Governmental Theory

(5.) The Doctrine of Satisfaction

d. Conclusion

III. Divine Election

A. The Fact of Divine Election

1. The Terms Used

a. Biblical Usage

b. Chosen

c. Drawing

d. Calling

e. Divine Purpose

f. Foreknowledge

g. Foreordination and Predestination

2. A Clear Revelation

3. Essential Truths Embraced

a. God has by Election Chosen Some to Salvation, But Not All

b. Divine Election was Accomplished in Eternity Past

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- c. Election does Not Rest Merely on Foreknowledge
- d. Divine Election is Immutable
- e. Election in Relation to Christ's Mediation

4. Objections to the Doctrine of Election

B. The Order of Elective Decrees

1. The Order Set Forth by the Supralapsarians
2. The Order Set Forth by the Infralapsarians
3. The Order Set Forth by the Sublapsarians
4. The Order Set Forth by the Arminians
5. Conclusion

C. For Whom Did Christ Die?

1. Classification of Views

- a. The Extreme Limited Redemptionists
- b. The Moderate Calvinists who are Limited Redemptionists
- c. The Moderate Calvinists who are Unlimited Redemptionists
- d. The Arminians

2. Points of Agreement and Disagreement between the Two Schools of Moderate Calvinists

3. Dispensational Aspects of the Problem

4. Three Doctrinal Words

5. The Cross is Not the Only Saving Instrumentality

6. Universal Gospel Preaching

7. is God Defeated If Men Are Lost For Whom Christ Died?

8. The Nature of Substitution

9. The Testimony of the Scriptures

- a. Passages Which Declare Christ's Death to be for the Whole World (John 3:16; 2 Corinthians 5:9; Hebrews 2:9; I John 2:2)
- b. Passages Which Are All-Inclusive in Their Scope (2 Corinthians 5:14; I Timothy 2:6; 4:10; Titus 2:11; Romans 5:6)
- c. Passage Which Offer a Universal Gospel to Men (John 3:16; Acts 10:43; Revelation 22:17)
- d. A Special Passage: 2 Peter 2:1
- e. Conclusion

IV. The Saving Work of the Triune God

A. The Finished Work of Christ

B. The Convicting Work of the Spirit

1. The Need of the Spirit's Work

2. The Fact of the Spirit's Work

- a. "Of Sin"
- b. "Of Righteousness"
- c. "Of Judgment"

3. The Results of the Spirit's Work

C. The Riches of Divine Grace

1. The Estate Of the Lost

2. The Essential Character of God's Undertaking

- a. They are Not Experienced
- b. They are Not Progressive
- c. They are Not Related to Human Merit

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- d. They are Eternal in their Character
- e. They are Known Only by Revelation
- f. They are Wrought by God Alone
- g. They are Not Wrought by Man

3. The Riches of Divine Grace

- a. In the Eternal Plan of God
- b. Redeemed
- c. Reconciled
- d. Related to God through Propitiation
- e. Forgiven All Trespass
- f. Vitally Conjoined to Christ for the Judgment of the Old Man “unto a new walk.”
- g. Free from the Law
- h. Children of God
- i. Adopted
- j. Acceptable to God by Jesus Christ
 - (1.) Made Righteous
 - (2.) Sanctified Positionally
 - (3.) Perfected Forever
 - (4.) Made Accepted in the Beloved
 - (5.) Made Meet
- k. Justified
- l. Made Nigh
- m. Delivered from the Power of Darkness
- n. Translated into the Kingdom of the Son of His Love

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- o. On the Rock, Christ Jesus
- p. A Gift from God the Father to Christ
- q. Circumcised in Christ
- r. Partakers of the Holy and Royal Priesthood
- s. A Chosen Generation, A Holy Nation, A Peculiar People
- t. Heavenly Citizens
- u. Of the Family and Household of God
- v. In the Fellowship of the Saints
- w. A Heavenly Association
 - (1.) Partners with Christ in Life
 - (2.) Partnership in Position
 - (3.) Partners with Christ in Service
 - (4.) Partners with Christ in Suffering
 - (5.) Partners with Christ in Prayer
 - (6.) Partners with Christ in Betrothal
 - (7.) Partners in Expectation
- x. Having Access to God
 - (1.) Access in His Grace
 - (2.) Access Unto the Father
 - (3.) Access is Reassuring
- y. Within the Much More of Care of God
 - (1.) Objects of His Love
 - (2.) Objects of His Grace
 - (a.) Salvation

(b.) Safekeeping

(c.) Service

(d.) Instruction

(3.) Objects of His Power

(4.) Objects of His Faithfulness

(5.) Objects of His Peace

(6.) Objects of His Consolation

(7.) Objects of His Intercession

z. His Inheritance

aa. The Inheritance of the Saints

bb. Light in the Lord

cc. Vitally United to Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit

dd. Blessed with the Earnest or First-Fruits of the Spirit

ee. Glorified

ff. Complete in Him

gg. Possessing Every Spiritual Blessing

hh. Conclusion

V. The Eternal Security of the Believer

A. The Introduction to the Doctrine of Security

B. The Arminian View of Security

1. The Arminian View of the Major Soteriological Doctrines

a. The Arminian View of Original Sin

b. The Arminian View of Universal and Efficacious Calling

c. The Arminian View of Divine Decrees

d. The Arminian View of the Fall

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- e. The Arminian View of Omniscience
- f. The Arminian View of Divine Sovereignty
- g. The Arminian View of Sovereign Grace
- 2. The Arminian Emphasis Upon Human Experience and Reason
- 3. The Arminian Appeal to the Scriptures
 - a. Scriptures Dispensationally Misapplied
 - b. Passage Related to the False Teachers of the Last Days
 - c. A Mere Reformation or Outward Profession
 - d. A True Salvation is Proved by Its Fruits
 - e. Warnings to the Jews
 - f. Warnings to all Men
 - g. Gentiles May Be Broken Off Corporately
 - h. Believers May Lose Their Rewards and Be Disapproved
 - i. Believers May Experience Loss of Fellowship
 - j. Christians May Fall From Grace
 - k. Miscellaneous Passages
- 4. Conclusion
- C. The Calvinist Doctrine of Security
 - 1. The Reasons Which Depend on God the Father
 - a. The Sovereign Purpose of God
 - b. The Father's Infinite Power Set Free
 - c. The Infinite Love of God
 - d. The Influence on the Father of the Prayer of His Son

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2. The Reasons Which Depend on God the Son

- a. Christ has Died
- b. Christ has Risen
- c. Christ Advocates
- d. Christ Intercedes

3. Responsibilities Belonging to God the Holy Spirit

- a. The Holy Spirit Regenerates
- b. The Holy Spirit Indwells
- c. The Holy Spirit Baptizes
- d. The Holy Spirit Seals

D. The Consummating Scripture

1. Delivered from the Law
2. The Fact of the Presence of the Divine Nature
3. The Christian A Son and Heir of God
4. The Divine Purpose
5. The Execution of the Divine Purpose
6. Christ's Own Achievement
7. The Incompetency of Celestial and Mundane Things

E. Conclusion

F. Deliverance from the Reigning Power of Sin and Human Limitations

1. Deliverance from the Power of Sin
 - a. The World
 - b. The Flesh
 - c. The Devil

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2. Conclusion

3. Salvation from Human Limitations

a. The Spirit Produces Christian Character

b. The Spirit Empowers Unto Christian Service

4. Conclusion

G. The Believer Presented Faultless

1. Heavenly Citizenship

2. A New Fraternity

3. A Standing Perfected Forever

4. A Renewed Body

5. Freedom from the Sin Nature

6. To Be Like Christ

7. To Share Christ's Glory

8. Conclusion

VI. The Terms of Salvation

A. Repent and Believe

1. The Meaning of the Word

2. The Relation of Repentance to Believing

3. The Relation of Repentance to Covenant People

4. The Absence of the Demand for Repentance from Salvation Scriptures

5. The Significance of Repentance in Specific Passages

6. Conclusion

B. Believe and Confess Christ

1. Scripture Bearing on Confession of Christ

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2. Two Conclusion Reasons

3. Conclusion

C. Believe and Be Baptized

1. Conclusion

D. Believe and Surrender to God

1. The Incapacity of the Unsaved

2. What is Involved

3. The Preacher's Responsibility

4. Conclusion

E. Believe and Confess Sin or Make Restitution

F. Believe and Implore God to Save

1. "Seek Ye the LORD"

2. Believe and Pray

VII. Epilogue