

CHAFER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

CURRICULUM FOR DEVELOPING THEOLOGY

At CTS we practice exegesis at the book level, which then fuels biblical theology based on the subject matter inherent in each book. Such theology is biblical both in its content and emphasis. Biblical theology, while dealing with the whole counsel of God, organizes major and minor biblical subjects into a coherent system. We address everyday issues that men and women face.

This is not, however, the end of the process. We believe that God is the self-consistent fount of all knowledge. On that basis, we conclude that Truth must begin with God's Word. Accordingly, we seek to constitute our knowledge of the world on the unchanging foundation of God's revelation. Only in this way can we bring true order to our understanding of the world and bring cross-disciplinary coherence to fields as diverse as philosophy, science, history, language, psychology, politics, education, economics, and social life. The resulting unified field of knowledge would take lifetimes to explore; naturally, we do not hope to train students in it exhaustively. We do, however, train our students to derive a Christian framework from the Scriptures and help them begin to apply that framework in these various fields, so they will be equipped for a lifetime of exploration after they leave CTS.

The following chart demonstrates the CTS four-year theological curriculum.

4th YEAR	THE CHRISTIAN FRAMEWORK <i>Greek/Hebrew Exegesis</i>
3rd YEAR	BIBLICAL THEOLOGY / INTRODUCTION TO THE CHRISTIAN FRAMEWORK <i>Greek/Hebrew Exegesis</i>
2nd YEAR	GREEK AND HEBREW EXEGESIS <i>Basics of Systematic Theology</i>
1st YEAR	GREEK (AND HEBREW) EXEGESIS <i>Basics of Systematic Theology</i>