



JH212 Jesus - Lord and Saviour

Australian College of Theology name: *Christology*

Learning Outcomes

1. To enable you to study the doctrine of Christ in more depth than is required in TH210 [God and the Person and Work of Christ];
2. To assist you discern truth in the opportunities and challenges in contemporary perspectives upon these doctrines.

Content

1. The Incarnation and virginal conception of Jesus Christ
2. The humanity and deity of Christ in the New Testament: Christ's teaching, miracles and healings; major titles; earthly and cosmic work
3. The development of the doctrine of God in the light of Christ: the Logos and creation; Monarchianism; Origen; Arianism; Nicene faith in Eastern and Western perspective
4. Christological heresies: Ebionitism, Docetism, Adoptionism, Apollinarianism, Nestorianism, Eutychianism
5. The Chalcedonian Formula and its significance; the hypostatic union; the communication of properties (in Cyril, John of Damascus, Luther)
6. Modern views of the person of Christ: kenotic perspectives; the Jesus of history and the Christ of faith; the maleness of Jesus
7. Biblical metaphors undergirding the doctrine of atonement, including the concepts of justification, reconciliation, redemption, propitiation, victory and election
8. Various theories of the Atonement: the patristic period, Anselm, Abelard, the Reformers, Socinius, Aulen
9. Modern issues in the doctrine of the Atonement: the relation of the Incarnation and Atonement; representation and substitution; the insights of liberation, feminist and charismatic perspectives
10. The resurrection, ascension and session of Christ, including contemporary discussion
11. The present and future reign of Christ as Lord; the parousia; Christ as judge; the kingdom of God