

# God and the Person and Work of Christ (TH020-508)

**Australian College of Theology name:** *The Doctrine of God and the Person and Work of Christ*

## Unit Description

Gain an understanding of some of the major doctrines of the Christian faith. Understand how God has revealed himself, and gain an insight into our humanity and the work of Christ.

## Exclusions

Prior to 2020, this unit content was delivered under the unit code TH210.

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## Learning Outcomes

On completion of this unit, you will:

### A. **Know and understand:**

Demonstrate foundational knowledge and understanding of the doctrine of God and the person and work of Christ

### B. **Be able to:**

1. Outline the doctrine of God and of the person and work of Christ
2. Recognise issues arising from the doctrine of God and the person and work of Christ
3. Present organised evidence-based perspectives on the doctrine of God and the person and work of Christ

### C. **Be in a position to:**

Relate perspectives and skills from this unit to contemporary Christian living and ministry contexts

## Content

You need to study each topic in the light of major contemporary theological approaches, but not in precise detail, since this is a survey unit.

1. Our knowledge of God: the nature and sources of theology; general and special revelation; inspiration
2. The doctrine of God: divine being, names and attributes; the doctrine of the Trinity, its development from the New Testament period; trinitarian religion
3. The doctrines of creation and fall: alternative worldviews; human nature; the image of

God; theories of personal and social sin; providence; evil and suffering

4. The person of Christ: major titles; Christ's deity and true humanity; major developments to Chalcedon and beyond
5. The work of Christ: New Testament metaphors; the three-fold office; theories of atonement; resurrection and ascension