

Basic Christianity

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Course Objectives

- To clearly understand the essential truths of Christianity
 - To sort out common questions and misconceptions about Christianity
 - To cultivate an appetite for the Christian life
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Requirements

- Readings from selected chapters of Scot McCallum, *The Christian Life: An Owner's Manual* (Grand Rapids: Kregel Publications, 1995).
- Weekly attendance. Your questions are welcome!
- Completion of the "Basic Christianity" worksheet (handout on fourth week)

Bring a Bible to class--you'll want to read the main points for yourself.

Course Outline

Week One:

- Who am I? Christian view of human nature
- The human dilemma and God's solution

Assignment: Read *The Christian Life*, chapter 5.

Week Two:

- Who is God?
- Who is Jesus?

Assignment: Read *The Christian Life*, chapter 8.

Week Three:

- Holy Spirit: God's active presence in the world
- How do we grow spiritually?

Assignment: Read *The Christian Life*, chapter 11.

Week Four:

- Ancient writings, timeless truths: Understanding the Bible

Assignment: Read *The Christian Life*, chapter 9.

Week Five:

- What is the church really all about?
- If it's spiritual, its got to be good . . . right?