

Theology Matters

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 - a. Are you a theologian?
 - b. What is theology?
 - c. How do we study God? (Who he is and what he has done)
 - d. Doctrine DOES divide us.... It's supposed to!
 - e. **WHAT** we believe determines **HOW** we live.
2. JESUS TURNS THE TABLES – Mark 12:35-37
 - a. Jesus is the “Son of David”
 - b. Jesus is not merely the son of David
 - c. LORD vs Lord (Psalm 110:1)
 - d. No just David’s words (2 Peter 1:19-21)
3. A GOD WHO SEES – Mark 12:38-40
 - a. The Scribes in public
 - b. The Scribes in secret
 - c. “Religion that is pure” (James 1:27)
4. A GOD WHO PROVIDES – Mark 12:41-44
 - a. Giving out of abundance (Matthew 6:1-2)
 - b. Sacrificial giving
 - c. Trusting in God’s provision (Matthew 6:25-33)
5. THE PERISHING WORLD
 - a. Jesus is not a “good teacher”
 - b. Jesus is not an “example”
 - c. Only a redeemer who is truly God and truly man can save you from you sin.
 - d. What you believe about Jesus matters. (Nothing matters more!)
6. THOSE WHO KNOW (BETTER)
 - a. Do we believe that God sees our every action?
 - b. How might our behavior change as we believe that more?
 - c. What do we rely on for our daily provision? (What do we worship?)
 - d. How would our relationship with those things change if we trusted in Christ alone for our provision?

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