

Great Christian Literature Course Schedule

Woodlawn Christian Church - Fellowship in Christ Class

| Week | Date | Theme | Description | Texts | | |
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| 1 | July 13 | The Foundation of Faith | Explore how the Reformation's call back to Scripture laid the groundwork for returning to biblical simplicity. | <i>Luther's 95 Theses</i> | <i>Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion</i> | <i>Campbell's The Christian System</i> |
| 2 | July 20 | Knowing the Character of God | Discover God's attributes through three different eras showing He is both knowable and beyond full comprehension. | <i>Tozer's The Knowledge of the Holy</i> | <i>Packer's Knowing God</i> | <i>Aquinas' Summa Theologica (selections)</i> |
| 3 | July 27 | The Journey of Conversion and Confession | Examine authentic spiritual experience from autobiography's father to America's greatest theologian. | <i>Augustine's Confessions</i> | <i>Edwards' Religious Affections</i> | |
| 4 | Aug. 3 | The Cost of True Discipleship | Challenge comfortable Christianity through voices that demand everything in following Christ. | <i>Bonhoeffer's The Cost of Discipleship</i> | <i>Platt's Radical</i> | <i>Chan's Crazy Love</i> |
| 5 | Aug. 10 | The Pursuit of God's Presence | Discover that God desires intimate fellowship with ordinary believers across three centuries of seeking. | <i>Tozer's The Pursuit of God</i> | <i>Brother Lawrence's The Practice of the Presence of God</i> | <i>Thomas à Kempis' The Imitation of Christ</i> |
| 6 | Aug. 17 | The Reality of Spiritual Warfare | Explore the spiritual battle for human souls through wit and fire-and-brimstone warnings. | <i>Lewis' The Screwtape Letters</i> | <i>Edwards' Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God</i> | |
| 7 | Aug. 24 | Defending the Faith | Witness the golden age of Christian apologetics demonstrating Christianity's intellectual credibility. | <i>Chesterton's Orthodoxy</i> | <i>Chesterton's The Everlasting Man</i> | <i>Lewis' Mere Christianity</i> |
| 8 | Aug. 31 | The Christian Worldview and Society | Understand how Christians should engage the world through voices from Rome's fall to modernity's rise. | <i>Augustine's The City of God</i> | <i>Chesterton's Orthodoxy (selections)</i> | <i>Colson's How Now Shall We Live</i> |
| 9 | Sept. 7 | The Pilgrim's Journey | Experience the Christian life as a journey toward God through cosmic vision, everyman allegory, and practical action. | <i>Bunyan's The Pilgrim's Progress</i> | <i>Dante's Divine Comedy (selections)</i> | <i>Sheldon's In His Steps</i> |
| 10 | Sept. 14 | Faith, Reason, and Wonder | See how Christianity engages both mind and imagination through rational foundation and imaginative power. | <i>Lewis' Chronicles of Narnia (selections)</i> | <i>Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings (selections)</i> | <i>Aquinas' Summa Theologica (selections)</i> |
| 11 | Sept. 21 | Purpose and Meaning in Life | Compare contemporary approaches to purpose with insights from earlier authors on life's fundamental question. | <i>Warren's The Purpose Driven Life</i> | <i>Selections from various authors</i> | |
| 12 | Sept. 28 | The Unity of Christian Truth | Demonstrate the remarkable unity of Christian truth across 1,600 years of faithful witnesses. | <i>Synthesis of major themes</i> | <i>Brief readings from multiple authors</i> | |