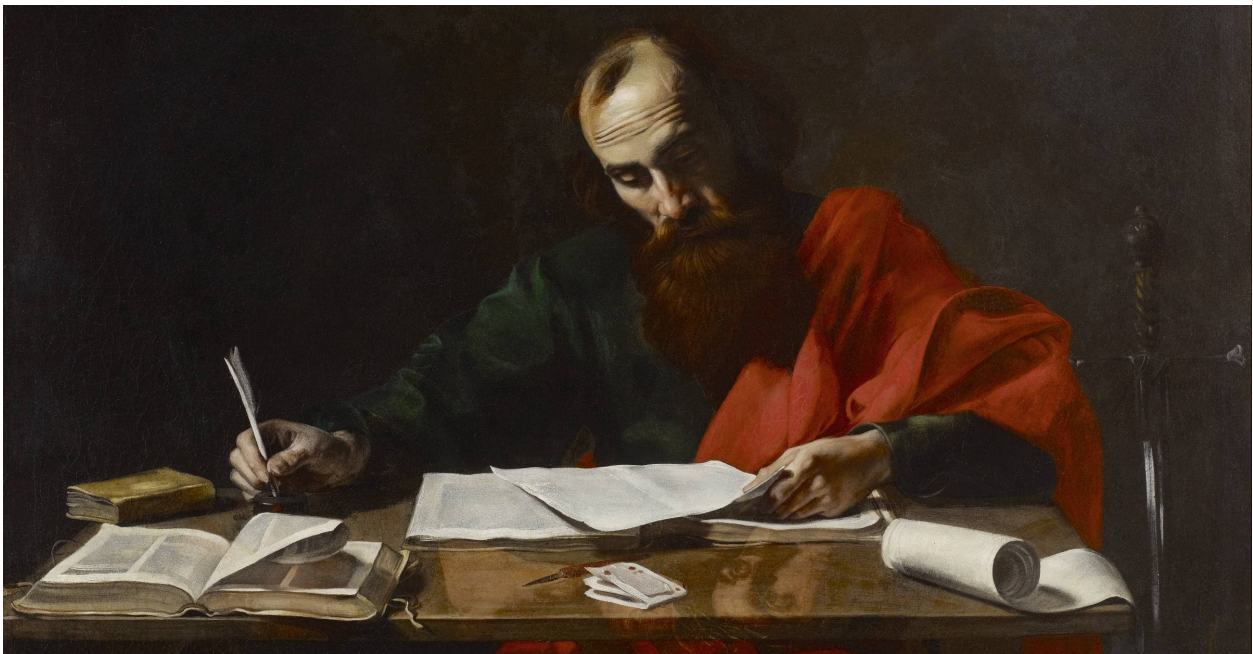




## **Title: Definition of Theology**



**The word “theology” comes from two Greek words that combined mean “the study of God.”**

Christian theology is simply an attempt to understand God as He is revealed in the Bible.

No theology will ever fully explain God and His ways because God is infinitely and eternally higher than we are.

Therefore, any attempt to describe Him will fall short -

**Romans 11:33-36 NIV:**

## **Doxology**

33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

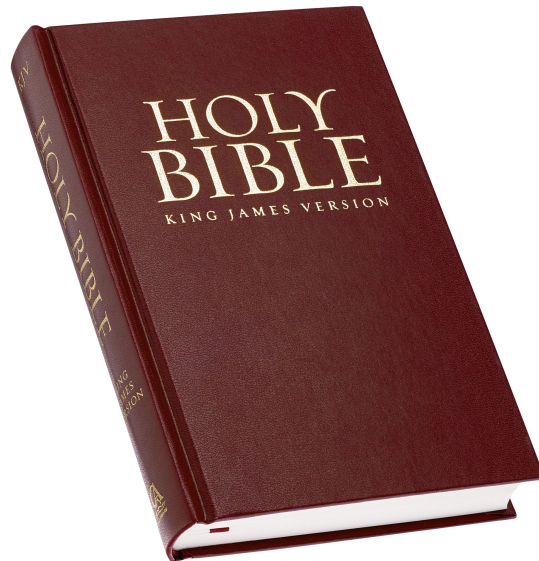
34 "Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?"

35 "Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?"

36 For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen



However, God does want us to know Him insofar as we are able, and theology is the art and science of knowing what we can know and understand about God in an organized and understandable manner.



Some people try to avoid theology because they believe it is divisive.

Properly understood, though, theology is uniting.

Proper, biblical theology is a good thing; it is the teaching of God's Word: **2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV:**

**16**All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

**17**so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

The study of theology, then, is nothing more than digging into God's Word to discover what He has revealed about Himself.

When we do this, we come to know Him as Creator of all things, Sustainer of all things, and Judge of all things.

He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and end of all things.



When Moses asked who was sending him to Pharaoh, God replied **"I AM WHO I AM"**:

**Exodus 3:14NIV:**

14God said to Moses, **"I AM WHO I AM.** This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

**The name I AM indicates personality.**

God has a name, even as He has given names to others.

**The name I AM** stands for a free, purposeful, self-sufficient personality.

God is not an ethereal force or a cosmic energy.

He is the almighty, self-existing, self-determining Being with a mind and a will—the “personal” God who has revealed Himself to humanity through His Word, and through His Son, Jesus Christ.

To study theology is to get to know God in order that we may glorify Him through our love and obedience.



## **Notice the progression here:**

We must get to know Him before we can love Him, and we must love Him before we can desire to obey Him.

As a byproduct, our lives are immeasurably enriched by the comfort and hope He imparts to those who know, love, and obey Him.

**Poor theology and a superficial, inaccurate understanding of God will only make our lives worse instead of bringing the comfort and hope we long for.**

**This is also known as “Feel Good Theology,” which is employed by myriad of “ Feel Good False Teachers, in order to maintain church growth and \$\$\$ , by not teaching Doctrines such as Hell, The Son, The Church, .....**



**Knowing about God is crucially important.**

**Jesus is Love, But He's an all consuming Fire!**



We are cruel to ourselves if we try to live in this world without knowing about God.

The world is a painful place, and life in it is disappointing and unpleasant.

Reject theology and you doom yourself to life with no sense of direction.

Without theology, we waste our lives and lose our souls.

All Christians should be consumed with theology—the intense, personal study of God—in order to know, love, and obey the One with whom we will joyfully spend eternity.

## Your Choice:



How do we obtain the Forgiveness of our Sins?



How do we get right with God, regardless of our individual sins?

Just say this Prayer and all of your sins will be forgotten, and you will have Eternal life, with Christ Jesus, in Heaven:

**Lord Jesus, I repent of all my sins, and I ask you to come into my life, and I believe, that God raised You from the dead, this day, I ask you to be my Lord and Savior.**

## **Romans 10:9 New Living Translation Reads:**

**9 If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.**

Friends, if you prayed that prayer, I believe that you are born again, and you have ever lasting life, get in a good bible teaching church, and may you keep growing, in the Lord, and may HE use you to help save many souls for His Kingdom !

In, Jesus Mighty Name!

Rev. Jesus Del Rio, Ed

