

God, Creation & Providence

Course Guide

Dr. Gene Haas

WELCOME!

By taking this course you will not only be learning new information and skills. You will be equipping and empowering yourself with the proper tools to expand the Kingdom of God.

At mosaiXmultiply we believe that creating intercultural church communities in & through God's children, people of all nationalities can be saved. We are committed to create every single course with this goal in mind.

We aim to:

- Raise up, train, and mobilize men and women to plant mosaic gospel communities.
- Encourage monocultural churches to become mosaics of nations and cultures in intercultural reconciliation.
- Help local church members realize their church's vision by starting intercultural discipleship groups within their church, thereby creating the dynamic of mission and multiplication.

It is a joy and an honor to partner with you as you seek His guidance to grow in the confidence to expand His Kingdom.

Have a blessed Journey!

Joel Lutz & the mosaiXmultiply Team

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Introduction

We continue our journey as theologians. Some people back up when confronted with theology. In fact, theology is what every Christian do when studying the Bible.

In this course we deal also with some of the most difficult questions we can ask ourselves as human beings in general, and as believers in the God of the Bible in particular.

This 4-session course focuses on the Decrees of God and how He uses these to bring greater glory to Himself. The professor approaches this material by looking at Creation, Creation & Science, and how they are linked in Gods Providence for the world.

Your teacher



Dr. Gene Haas grew up in Canada in a religious home but did not know the grace of salvation in Christ, after university, travelling in Europe for 8 months, Gene was converted to Christ at the age of twenty-two in the mountains of Switzerland. After returning to Canada, God led him to attend Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, USA, where he earned the M.Div. and Th. M. degrees.

Returning to Canada, he was involved in a church plant, and taught at a Bible college for 4 years. During this time, he was ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church in America. He moved to Toronto where he completed a doctorate in theology at the Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto. After that, he was a Church Planting pastor for 5 years. He then accepted a position as Professor of Religion and Theology at Redeemer University, Ontario, Canada, where he taught for 28 years. He has been married for 39 years, and has two sons, and grandchildren.

Since his retirement from teaching at Redeemer University, he has been busy with research and writing, as well as frequent preaching at a variety of churches. He is also Chairman of the committee of the Eastern Canada Presbytery which guides and examines all candidates for the pastoral ministry. He has a deep passion for instructing candidates in the Bible and in theology, and for relating the Christian faith to contemporary issues of North American culture, especially in ethics.

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We asked Dr. Gene Haas: "Why do you think Theology is important, and for who"?

Here is his answer:

"I think that theology is vitally important for every Christian and for all church leaders, especially pastors. Theology grounds Christians in the truths of God's word so that we are not "blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming," but are able to "grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ" (Eph. 4:14-15). I am deeply committed to teaching theology to all Christians -- lay people and church leaders -- to enable them, by prayer and the Holy Spirit as they are rooted in God's Word, to understand and experience a greater measure of the fullness of life that Christ has for them, and to have the knowledge and wisdom to faithfully embody and proclaim the good news of salvation in Christ."

Sessions Overview

- 15. The Decrees of God
- 16. Creation
- 17. Creation & Science
- 18. Providence