
Design a Teaching Program on "Justification by Faith"

All Christians, and evangelists especially, must know what salvation means and how God accomplishes this work of reconciling us to Himself. Natural religion relies on works, while revealed religion is of faith in a just and merciful God.

Exercise

Design a Teaching Program on 'Justification by Faith', to be used as a teaching series in a Bible study group, ministry team or conference.

Aims

1. To understand the biblical doctrines of 'justification' and 'faith'
2. To grasp the alternative means of salvation appealed to in the major Christian heresies

Apprentices

1. Do some Bible study on the doctrines of 'justification' and 'faith'.
2. Study some relevant books and articles. (See Resources for suggestions)
3. Develop a teaching series for a Bible study group, ministry team or conference. This could be in the form of discussions, seminars or talks.

Trainers

- Point your Apprentice toward key passages, and discuss them if necessary. Direct their attention to relevant books and articles.
- Listen to one of the talks or Bible studies and give feedback.

Resources

- New Bible Dictionary (IVP)
- Evangelical Dictionary of Theology, W. Elwell, ed. (Baker)
- The Blueprint, (Matthias Media)
- Institutes of the Christian Religion, John Calvin (J. McNeill, ed., Westminster), Vol 1, Book 3, chps I-XX
- Saving the Heart, Mark Thompson (Matthias Media)
- In Understanding be Men, T.C. Hammond (IVP: 1968)
- Two Ways To Live - 6 talks (Matthias Tapes)
- "Justification in the New Perspective on Paul", Robert Smith (RTR, April 1999)
- "A Critique of the New Perspective on Justification", Robert Smith (RTR, August 1999)
- Classics of the Reformation, Kirsten Birkett (ed) (Matthias Media: 2000)
- Here We Stand: Justification by Faith Today, J.I. Packer (ed) (Hodder and Stoughton: 1986)

- "Justification and Christian Assurance", R.J. Gibson (ed) (Explorations 10, Openbook)