**TENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADULT BIBLE SCHOOL**

**FALL QUARTER 2021**

***“Worldviews in Collision and Free Will”***

**DESCRIPTION**: The Bible teaches that God has made foolish the wisdom of this world (1 Corinthians 1:20). The Bible also teaches that not just some but *all* treasures of wisdom and knowledge are deposited in Christ (Colossians 2:3). Accordingly, Jesus is not just the way back to the Father; he’s also the way back to understanding the Father’s *world*. In other words, men and women, boys and girls, don’t just need to be saved from future judgement. All people need their entire world and life view redeemed. Apart from union with Christ, one is reduced to arbitrariness and inconsistency (foolishness, the Bible calls it) in every intellectual pursuit. Mankind cannot *justify* the things he does know apart from submitting to the self-attesting word of God, the Bible. The last few weeks of the semester will be dedicated to the compatibility of free will and God’s determination of creaturely choices. That choices are caused and, therefore, cannot be otherwise than what God has determined does not undermine moral accountability but rather establishes it!

**Teacher:** Ron DiGiacomo

**DATE TOPIC**

September 12, 2021 What is a worldview? Everybody has one.

September 19, 2021 Only the Christian worldview makes sense of things.

September 26, 2021 Unbelieving worldviews are inconsistent arbitrary, and cannot account for intelligible experience (science, logic, morality, truth, knowledge etc.)

October 3, 2021 Proof vs Persuasion

October 10, 2021 Transcendental arguments

October 17, 2021 How we can know we have the canon?

October 24, 2021 Review and how to refute religious and non-religious worldviews

October 31, 2021 Free will (nature compatibilism - four states of man, WCF chapter 9)

November 7, 2021 Libertarian freedom vs compatibilist freedom / If God determines our choices, how can they be free, and how can we be morally accountable?

November 14, 2021 God’s natural knowledge, free knowledge, and the “Arminian” use of middle knowledge

November 21, 2021 Review of free will

November 28, 2021 Preview of Winter Semester

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