

**Vocabulary Exercise 9**

*Study and learn the following theological terms. Write original sentences correctly using five of the vocabulary words.*

1. Prolegomena: a detailed introduction to a book
  
2. -logy: *-logy* (sometimes *-ology*, we use either form based on what would be easier to pronounce) is a suffix that means "study of" or "science of." It is a **combining form**, that is, it combines with other roots to form longer words.
 

In high school, many students study *biology* and *geology*. The word *biology* comes from two Greek words: (1) *bios*, which means 'life,' and (2) *logos*, which means 'word' or 'study of.'

The word *geology* comes from two Greek words: (1) *ge*, means 'earth,' and (2) *logos*, which means 'study of.'

The suffix *-logy* comes from the Greek word *logos*; and this Greek word simply means 'word.' So *biology* is the "word" about life; that is, it is the science of studying life forms. *Geology* is the "word" about the earth; that is, it is the science of studying the physical structure of the earth.
  
3. Theology The study of the nature of God and of religious beliefs. In its broadest sense, this term includes almost any formal study of God or the Bible. But sometimes the term is used in its narrowest sense, meaning a study of God (i.e., the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit).
 

The word *theology* is based on two Greek words: 1) *theos* means 'God.' and 2) *-logy*
  
4. Biblical Theology: The science of studying and understanding the meaning of the Bible.
  
5. Natural Theology: The science of studying what we know of God by how He is revealed in nature.
  
6. Dogmatic Theology: The science of studying theological truths that are held to be true without controversy (as opposed to some topics where varying opinions are held, even among people who believe the Bible is literally true).
  
7. Pauline Theology: Theology that is based on the writings of the Apostle Paul.
  
8. Johannine Theology: Theology that is based on the writings of the Apostle John.
  
9. Petrine Theology: Theology that is based on the writings of the Apostle Peter.
  
10. Practical Theology: Theology that is concerned with applying the truths of the Bible to the hearts of men.

11. Systematic Theology:	Theology that attempts to organize all the doctrinal truth we know about God. Systematic theology may be derived from all sources, including biblical theology and natural theology.
12. Bibliology:	Theology that studies our beliefs about the Bible. The word <i>bibliology</i> is based on two Greek words: 1) <i>biblios</i> means 'book' and 2) <i>-logy</i>
13. Christology:	Theology that studies the doctrine of Christ.
14. Ecclesiology:	Theology that studies the doctrine of the church. The word <i>ecclesiology</i> is based on two Greek words: 1) <i>ekklesia</i> means 'church.' and 2) <i>-logy</i>
15. Eschatology:	Theology that studies the doctrine of prophecy. The word <i>eschatology</i> is based on two Greek words: 1) <i>eskhatos</i> means 'last' and 2) <i>-logy</i>
16. Pneumatology:	Theology that studies the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. The word <i>pneumatology</i> is based on two Greek words: 1) <i>pneumon</i> means 'lung.' Our lungs, of course, help us breathe air; and the Holy Spirit is often referred to as the breath of God. and 2) <i>-logy</i>
17. Soteriology:	The doctrine of salvation. The word <i>soteriology</i> is based on two Greek words: 1) <i>soteria</i> means 'salvation.' and 2) <i>-logy</i>
18. Canon:	The official list of books in the Bible. Ex: In earlier centuries, there was much discussion about which books should be included in the sacred canon.
19. Canonical:	<i>adjective</i> Included in the official list of books in the Bible. Ex: The Gospel of Matthew is one of the four canonical Gospels.
20. Canonicity:	<i>noun</i> The status of being canonical. Fundamentalists do not question the canonicity of the Gospel of Matthew.
21. Incarnation:	When Christ took on the form of a man.
22. Propitiate:	To gain or regain the favor of
23. Propitiation:	The Atonement, the atoning sacrifice of Christ.
24. Trinitarianism:	Belief in the doctrine of the Trinity.
25. Trinitarian:	A person who believes in the Trinity.