



THEOLOGIAN

YEAR 2 | MODULE 6

- » **Vision: A church of fully alive Jesus followers who are using their gifts and sacrificing their lives for others.**
- » **Mission: Mature disciples who are equipped and confident to join a church planting team if called.**

Module 6: Theologian

The identity of a theologian might sound a bit scary and ambitious for most believers. But every day we make decisions based on core beliefs, and whether we know it or not, we are all theologians; meaning the things we believe about God inform the way we live.

Theology is the “study of the nature of God.” So if our minds better understood the truth of God’s character and power, our lives could be powerfully shaped towards more godly, kind, and sacrificial examples of Christ.

You might say that theology is the root of all Christian identities, but this module will focus on specific and core Biblical theology that all Christians must know, understand, believe and live. And the more we know the right thoughts about God, the more we have the ability to live as we were intended.

Ultimately the goal of theology is meant to drive us to a greater worship of God, and a greater delight in Jesus’s death and resurrection on the cross on our behalf. Good theology doesn’t create dogmatic, stiff minds, but full and joyful hearts.

1 Timothy 1:5-7

“The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.”

Goals:

- Study and believe the 11 foundational truths of Redemption’s doctrinal statement
- Assess your strengths and weaknesses in theological completeness and grow in one of the eleven foundational truths
- Grow in conviction that good and strong theology is a basis for godly living, bold evangelism, healthy churches and missional power

Supplemental Readings & Sermons:

- New City Catechism by Kathy Keller
- Knowing God by JI Packer
- Redemption Church Doctrinal statement

Events & Opportunities to Engage the content with Others:

All event details, sign-ups & reminders will be announced in advance and posted on Slack. Kids are welcome at all events; as well as friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

- Sermon Series > Gospel of Mark: *Mighty Humility*
 - *Read the chapter ahead of time each week and write notes and questions to consider as you join the church gathered for worship*
- Connect with our Church Family > All church community group
 - First Wednesday (Sept 8th, Oct 6th, Nov 10th, Dec 1)
 - *Read one of the 11 doctrinal truths each week with your community group*
- Fellowship & Social Events > Dates to be announced
 - Men's monthly fireside chats (September and October) Contact Alex Cobb
 - Women's brunch (Early October) Contact Jess Argetsinger

Ongoing Church discipleship programs:

- To find a local Redemption community group near you email connect@redemptioncharlotte.com
- To connect to a smaller group of men or women go to our discipleship pod webpage and send us your info: <https://redemptioncharlotte.com/discipleship-pods/>
- To join membership, email Pastor Billy or message him on slack about the upcoming Fall membership class billy@redemptioncharlotte.com