

Theology and Biblical Counseling

I. Introduction: Why do you need theology to counsel?

II. Key areas of doctrine. (Answer with Scripture references)

- A. Epistemology.**
1. How can we know God's truth?
 2. What place does natural revelation have in Biblical Counseling?
 3. Why is the Bible necessary?
- B. Bibliology.**
1. Explain the terms inspiration, authority, infallibility, inerrancy, and sufficiency.
 2. Is there continuing revelation?
 3. How does your view of Scripture affect your approach to counseling?
 4. How would belief in continuing revelation affect your counseling?
- C. Theology proper.**
1. Explain and state the biblical basis for the doctrine of the Trinity.
 2. How is each person of the Trinity involved in your counseling?
 3. List ten attributes of God and explain how they relate to your counseling.
 4. How does the truth that God is Creator and Lord impact your counseling?
- D. Christology.**
1. Who is Jesus Christ?
 2. How does Jesus' endurance of temptation affect your counseling?
 3. What is the nature of His work on the cross?
 4. How can the work of Jesus be applied in counseling?
- E. Anthropology.**
1. What is man's essential nature?
 2. What does it mean to be in the image of God?
- F. Hamartology.**
1. Why is mankind sinful?
 2. In what ways and to what extent has sin affected mankind?
 3. How will this affect your counseling?
- G. Soteriology.**
1. What is justification and how does the counselee's view of justification affect counseling?
 2. What is your view of sanctification, and how does your view affect counseling?
 3. How does the doctrine of the perseverance of the saints affect your counseling?
- H. Pneumatology.**
1. Who is the Holy Spirit?
 2. What role does the Holy Spirit play in salvation?
 3. What role does the Holy Spirit play in counseling?
- I. Ecclesiology.**
1. What is the church?
 2. What role should the church play in the counseling process?
- J. Eschatology.**
1. How does eschatology affect counseling?
 2. How could faulty eschatology affect a counselee?