DESCRIPTION
Recent Christian thinking concerning the important issues facing the Church in the modern world is explored. Emphasis is placed on the 20th century, and our Western, "post-Christian" culture.

This course meets the core requirements in God’s Word and Christian Response. It also meets Doctrine and Upper-division General Studies requirements for General Education. Prerequisites for this course include: Foundations of Ministry (CMin 108), Philosophy 220, and 100 and 200 level Bible courses, or their equivalent. Junior or Senior standing is assumed.

READING
Required Texts
- Gutierrez, Gustavo. *We Drink from Our Own Wells*, 2nd edition (Orbis, 1994)
- Moltmann, Jürgen. *Jesus Christ for Today’s World* (Fortress, 1994)
- Pokrifka, Todd. *Theology 363 Reading Packet*
- Various Web-based articles and materials, which are accessible a list of web (hyper-) links at the end of this syllabus. In the course schedule below such readings will be listed in the following format: “E-Doc: Author’s last name.” Many (but not all) of these electronic documents are PDF files accessible through the webpage for this class on the Theology and Philosophy Department website: ([http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm](http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm))

Recommended or Optional Texts
  [Note: I strongly recommend this dictionary, especially if this is your 1st Theology class.]
  [Note: A 3rd Edition of this book came out in 2005, but the page numbers of optional reading in the syllabus are for the 2nd Edition, not this one.]
- Reserve Materials: portions of books on reserve for this course at the circulation desk of Stamps Theology Library
- Further Web-based articles and materials (again, see the list of links at the end of this syllabus)

*Note: Further recommended sources are available in the course “Bibliography” (being developed on the "course home" on the course website) and course “Webliography”*
STUDENT LEARNING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

General Learning Goals and Outcomes

- To grow in appreciation of the significance of Theology within the Christian life.
- Students will demonstrate an ability to give thoughtful consideration to current and historical issues in the light of the church's Scriptures and traditions.
- Students will grow into a greater awareness of the personal and social relevance and spiritual richness that informed, disciplined theological reflection can bring to their Christian existence and their own impact upon the world in which they live.
- To learn key theological terms, concepts and skills that will maximize course learning and facilitate lifelong theological learning.
- To understand the historical and theological background of contemporary Christian thought in Modernity, with particular respect to the challenges posed by the Enlightenment.
- To identify and understand the main personalities, movements and issues in contemporary theology (especially since the end of World War I in 1918).
- To engage critically and constructively with the main personalities and issues of contemporary theology.
- To grow in capacity to communicate clearly and effectively in both oral and written forms.

Specific Objectives, Learning Outcomes and Evaluation Methods

- By careful reading, listening and study, the student will be able to define important theological terms, and be able to identify and compare the main features of significant theologies and theological movements (tested by objective quizzes and exams).
- The student will learn critical thinking, reading and writing skills thorough the guidance of the instructor and practice in discussion and written assignments (essay question and written assignments).
- The student will learn to relate the contributions of various theologians to various theological questions or issues in a constructive fashion (through discussion and papers).
- The student will be challenged to relate to other students respectively and constructively (through engagement threaded discussion and through small group discussion and projects).

ORIENTATION TO THE ONLINE VERSION OF THIS COURSE

While most of what you need to know will be apparent when you log onto the online website of this course through Online APU (and E-College), it may be helpful to keep the following points in mind:

- Use the directions at the following link to log onto the course website at http://online.apu.edu: http://groups.apu.edu/dlce/Student/Student.HTM. If you have any trouble following these directions after working through them carefully, then contact Andrew Jittu (from the Office of Distance Learning) at ajittu@apu.edu or (626)815-5038.
- When you enroll and enter the course website though http://online.apu.edu, you will find further information about how to access other course sources, materials and features.
- This course is divided up into a Course Home, 13 Instructional Units (numbered as Units 1-13; these are sketched in the Course Schedule below), and two Evaluation Units (numbered as units 14-15 and containing Assignments and Exams respectively). These units and their contents are all easily accessible by using the navigation bars on the left-hand side of the computer screen.
ASSIGNMENTS AND EVALUATION RATIONALE

- **Three Threaded Discussions or “Threads”** [**15% or 150/1000 points; 5% or 50 points per discussion**]:
  
  o It is expected that students will do the required readings listed for each unit by the assigned date and participate adequately in the **four** threaded discussions that are listed below (these are explained in more detail on the e-college site under “unit 14, Threads”).
  o Students must post their comments by 12 midnight on the three dates listed on the course schedule below.
  o Except for the first discussion (in which you introduce yourself to the class), some point in your discussion of each of the three discussion questions, your comments should include the following **three elements**: (a) what the relevant theologians or thinkers we are reading believe about the issue and (b) what you think about the issue, and (c) how you respond to the comments that other students have made on the subject (if no one has made any comments at the time you do your one required posting, then you should do this in second or third posting). **Failure to do any of these three tasks will result in a reduction of your grade**.
  o Except for the first discussion, each of the questions has a number of sub-questions (which are listed online under the assignments). You do not need to cover all the sub-questions (in fact, doing so would normally take up too much space and time); you can choose the ones you are most interested in. In fact, I want you to be brief, so it is probably better not to try to answer all the sub-questions.
  o The three threaded discussion topics are as follows (these are explained in detail under the threaded discussion assignments under the tab labeled "Assignments"): a. Introducing Yourself (Who are you?) b. Theology and the Quest for Human Liberation from Social Evils c. Other Controversial Issues in Contemporary Theology [choose 1 of 2]

- **Reading Assignment** (Outline of Reading and Discussion Questions) [**7% or 100/1000 points**]:
  o After the add/drop period is over, students will be assigned to a certain portion of required reading according to the alphabetical order of the student’s names. The readings are separated by the numbers listed in the required readings column in the course schedule below. You need to cover all the readings listed after your number and before the next number; for example, reading 1 includes both the reading by Gonzalez and the reading by McGrath (see the course schedule). [Optional readings are listed with an X following the number: 1X, 5X, 27X; these readings are among those available for extra credit; see below].
  o The document for this assignment should be 2-3 pages and must be submitted **by 11pm on Friday of the week in which their set of readings is due** (again, which Friday this is will vary for each student according to which reading they are assigned). If it is submitted after 11pm, it will show up as being submitted the following day, and will thus be marked late.
  o Students must accomplish the following **two tasks** in their document: (1) a comprehensive (complete) and properly-formatted (no 1 without 2, no a without b., etc.) outline of a designated portion of the reading (**4%**); and (2) a set of **at least three discussion questions** on the reading (**3%**).
  o Unlike other assignments, this assignment must be submitted through **Doc Sharing** (not the dropbox). You must select "share with the entire class" when they submit (upload) their document, which will allow your classmates to view your assignment. By sharing the reading assignments in this way, you will be able to benefit other students and benefit from their papers as a study aid for the exams.
• **One "Dialogue Paper" [8% or 80/1000 points]:**
  o First, you will need to have a required online group discussion (different than the threaded discussions with the whole class) based upon the first of the two “dialogues” written by Daniel Migliore (available through in the link online listed with the other web readings at the end of this syllabus). Basically, after you have read the dialogue (try to do this at least a week before the paper is due!), you can begin discussing it with your group members online (the instructor will form the class into groups after the add/drop period is over on the third week of the class).
  o Then, following the group e-mail discussion, students need to turn in an individually-composed paper that reflects on these readings and the discussion. It is due on the date listed on the course schedule below. Note that this paper must be entirely the work of the individual student (even though it involves reporting on group discussion—see section iii below), and it will be considered plagiarism if this is not the case. Your paper should include clarifying the nature of the four views on the resurrection, as well as their strengths and weaknesses (see below). The paper should be submitted using the dropboxes under the “Dropbox” tab at the top of the screen.
  o The paper should be 3-4 pages (12 pt font) and should follow the following format:
    i. At the top of the page, put your name, the class name/number, the dialogue title, and a list of which group members beside yourself participated in the online reading/discussion session (this helps to keep everyone accountable).
    ii. Summarize the view (one paragraph each) of each of the four theologians whose views are represented in the dialogue in question. That is, you will write four paragraphs summarizing the views of resurrection of Barth, Bultmann, “Pannenbergian” (a follower of Pannenberg), and “Moltmannian” (a follower of Moltmann). This will form the main body of the report.
    iii. Write a paragraph summarizing what happened in your group online discussion. Some questions you could ask here are the following two, although you are not limited to these: “Were the ideas discussed in the dialogue hard for people to understand or not?” “Which theologian did people tend to agree with the most and why?”
    iv. Conclude with a paragraph explaining which of the four views you agree with the most and why. This is your opportunity to think critically about what you believe about a controversial issue.

• **Exams [40% or 400/1000 points]:** A cumulative Midterm [17% or 170/1000 points] and a cumulative final [23% or 230/1000 points] will be given. The exams will involve a combination of objective questions (multiple choice, true/false, etc.) and essay questions. They will be taken online sometime over a period of three to five days (see the dates on the schedule below). Once you start an exam, you will have a certain stated time limit (normally between one-and-a-half and two hours) to finish it. These exams are open book and open note (although the time limit means that students should not rely on this provision excessively).

• **Research Project, including topic, preview, and an 8-10 page paper [30% or 300/1000 points total; 1% for the paper topic, 2% for the preview and 27% for the paper itself]:** The paper will relate a selected theologian to a selected theological issue (these will usually be related to one of the discussion topics above). Students can write on any theologian who we read in the class. There are three main steps in the research and writing process:
  1. Students must submit their choice of research topic though the dropbox for the preview assignment [see the Dropbox tab at the top of the screen] by the date listed on the course schedule below. A document posted under the link for this assignment (in the Assignments Unit) explains a number of topics to choose from. Try to focus on one main issue or question
that the theologian wrote about; do not try to cover everything the theologian believed! If necessary, the topic can be narrowed, changed or refined later in the semester.

2. A one-page preview of the research paper (due on the date listed on the course schedule below), should include: (1) a statement of the main question to be asked in the paper (for ex: What is Barth’s view of election?), (2) your reasons for choosing the topic and theologian, (3) an brief outline of the intended structure of the paper, and (4) a list of at least 5 sources, including at least one “primary source” written by the theologian you have chosen. These sources must be listed with the full bibliographic information (if you are not sure what that means, use the MLA style website noted below as a guide; be sure to include page numbers for all citations, even if you are only paraphrasing). Note: these sources do not include course textbooks or the Bible. [All that you include in the preview is subject to revision in the paper.] The preview is to be submitted through the online drop box for the preview under the dropbox tab at the top of the screen.

3. Lastly, the paper itself must be submitted (due on the date listed on the course schedule below), again by using the online dropbox for the paper under the dropbox tab at the top of the screen. This research paper should be 8-10 pages (be concise!) and will be graded based on the following criteria:

   **Format and Style (30%)**
   ___ (5%) Appropriate length & format (8-10 pp., 12 pt. New Times Roman font)
   ___ (10%) Consistent, clear citations (a rule of thumb: use at least one citation including specific page numbers per paragraph in the paper; no plagiarism!)
   ___ (10%) Good organization/structure, with intro., body & conclusion
   ___ (5%) Paper free of spelling, punctuation, grammatical errors

   **Presentation of the Theologian’s Viewpoint (50%)**
   ___ (20%) Demonstrates accurate understanding of the person’s views (comprehension)
   ___ (10%) Demonstrates clarity in thinking and writing (clarity)
   ___ (10%) Demonstrates adequate use of primary and secondary sources
   ___ (10%) Covers the main elements of the question at hand (comprehensiveness)

   **The Student’s Viewpoint (20%)**
   ___ (10%) Effective critical evaluation of the theologian’s viewpoint (critical thinking)
   ___ (5%) The student’s own view
   ___ (5%) Explanation of the significance of the topic and/or viewpoint
   ___ TOTAL out of 100%

**Note:** The Department of Theology and Philosophy is involved in assessing student learning, and your paper may be chosen for this. If your paper is one of those randomly selected for evaluation, your name will be removed so that the process is completely anonymous and does not affect your grade.

**COURSE POLICIES**

**General Policies**

- I am usually available to meet with you in person. Simply e-mail me if you want to arrange a time to meet. You can also e-mail me any questions you have.
- My expectations for you in this course are consistent with those outlined in this academic integrity policy in the Student Handbook (a complete copy of APU’s policy on academic integrity is available online). Cheating and any form of plagiarism are not acceptable and will have severe penalties, including failure of the course or worse. You may not in any case try to pass off someone else’s work as your own. (Hint: I am very good at detecting when you are doing this!) You must give complete citations of the sources used for every non-original quote or idea.
• Student responsibility: If you find yourself falling behind or failing in this course for any reason, it is your responsibility to contact me for assistance. If you wait to the end of the course, it will be too late for me to help. I do not plan on giving opportunities for extra-credit work.

• Any student in this course who has a disability that might prevent him or her from fully demonstrating his or her abilities should meet with an advisor in the Learning Enrichment Center (LEC) as soon as possible to initiate disability verification and discuss accommodations that may be necessary to ensure your full participation in the successful completion of course requirements. In addition, such students ought to speak with me during the first week of class and make me aware of any special needs you have.

**Written Assignments**

• All written assignments (papers, threaded discussion postings) are due at midnight on the day they are due (it will be recorded as an hour later on the course website, because e-College is based in Mountain time, but you don’t need to worry about that). If there is a repeated problem with the course website or dropbox, then students may submit the paper through e-mail attachment (to tpokrifka@apu.edu) to make sure it is on time, but even then the paper will need to be submitted later through the dropbox.

• The grade for late assignments or papers (which are turned in electronically) will be reduced 5% for each calendar day (including weekends) after the due date.

• Papers must be typed in 12-point font and double-spaced.

• Papers must be submitted in either MS Word, PDF (Adobe) or Rich Text Format. Word Perfect and other word processing programs are NOT acceptable.

• Although I will grade papers primarily on the basis of their content, I will take into consideration how well the papers are written. Therefore, I encourage you to use the writing center (or at least a friend who is a good writer) before you turn in your papers.

**Exams**

• Exams must be taken online and are only available after the due date by special arrangement. Therefore, exams not taken during the allotted dates (unless prearranged) will be marked with a severe grade penalty.

• Students that will not be able to take the exam within the allotted dates must simply let me know that they need to take the exam earlier.
**COURSE SCHEDULE**

**Note:** Threaded Discussion postings are due on **Thursdays**, and other assignments are due on **Fridays**.

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<td><strong>Unit 1 (1/8-1/12): Introduction to the Course and to the Discipline of Theology</strong></td>
<td>Student info sheet to be downloaded from the course home, filled out and sent to me by email attachment (at <a href="mailto:tpokrifka@apu.edu">tpokrifka@apu.edu</a>) By 1/11</td>
<td>Bratten/Jenson [hereafter B/J], ix-x; E-Doc: Ford, 1-15</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 2 (1/13-1/19): Historical Background: The Enlightenment and Modern Theology</strong></td>
<td><strong>Thread 1 due by 1/17</strong></td>
<td>(1) E-Doc: Gonzalez, 282-293 and E-Doc: McGrath, 87-110 (covers material relevant to Units 2-6 of this course)</td>
<td>(1X) B/J, 1-12; Reserve: Barth, <em>Humanity of God</em>, 11-33</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 4 (1/27-2/2): Existential Theology: Bultmann and Tillich</strong></td>
<td>No written assignments are due this week/unit [except for Reading Assignments, if yours falls at this time].</td>
<td>(6) <em>Bultmann</em>: M/G: Ch. 3; Bultmann, <em>Jesus Christ and Mythology</em>, 11-21 (7) <em>Tillich</em>: M/G: Ch. 4; E-Doc: Tillich, 1-4 and McGrath, 52-57 and 310-312 (Tillich); B/J, 80-93</td>
<td>(6X) E-Doc: Bultmann, “The Mythological Element in the NT” (2 parts); E-Doc: Wright</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 6 (2/10-2/23): Jürgen Moltmann: Theologian of Hope</strong> [<strong>Note:</strong> This unit is unique, since it lasts for 2 weeks (not one) and culminates in the midterm.]</td>
<td><strong>-Dialogue Paper on Resurrection due by 2/15</strong> <strong>-Submit Midterm Exam between 2/21-2/23 (by 11pm)</strong></td>
<td>-E-Doc: Migliore, 370-383 (for dialogue paper; should be done early in the first week of this unit) (11) M/G, Ch. 8; B/J, 160-168 (12) Moltmann, <em>Jesus Christ</em>, 1-70</td>
<td>(13) Moltmann, <em>Jesus Christ</em>, 71-107. (14) Moltmann, <em>Jesus Christ</em>, 108-147</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 7 (2/24-3/1): Gutierrez: Latin-American Liberation Theology</strong></td>
<td>No written assignments are due this week/unit [except for Reading</td>
<td>(15) M/G: Ch. 10; Gutierrez, <em>We Drink</em>, vii-32; E-Doc: Gutierrez</td>
<td>(15X) Reserve [Film]: Romero (at the Media Center at Marshburn);</td>
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| Assignments, if yours falls at this time.                                                                                                                                                                        | (16) Gutierrez, *We Drink*, 33-90; E-Doc: Sider  
(17) Gutierrez, *We Drink*, 91-137  
(16X) Bauckham (PDF file under Course home); -E-Doc: McGrath, 110-134                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 8 (3/2-3/8)**: Black Theology: Afro-American Liberation Theology  
Research Paper Preview Due by 3/7                                                                                                                                                                           | (16) Gutierrez, *We Drink*, 33-90; E-Doc: Sider  
(17) Gutierrez, *We Drink*, 91-137  
(16X) Bauckham (PDF file under Course home); -E-Doc: McGrath, 110-134                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 9 (3/9-3/14 [Friday]): Feminist Theologies: Liberal, Moderate and Conservative/Evangelical**  
Thread 2 due by 3/13                                                                                                                                                                                              | E-Doc: Migliore, 384-401(for dialogue paper, so read early)  
(20) *Liberal/Moderate*: M/G: Ch. 11; Packet: Ruether, 12-46, 267-269; E-Doc: McGrath, 149-154 (Trible)  
(21) *Evangelical*: E-Doc: Storkey; E-Doc: May & Pokrifka-Joe (my wife)  
(19) Reserve: Ford, 389-404; 575-584                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Easter Vacation (3/15-24)**  
Have a great break!                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Have a great break!                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 10 (3/25 [Tuesday]-3/29): Global Theology and Mission: Responses to Religious Pluralism**  
No written assignments are due this week/unit [except for Reading Assignments, if yours falls at this time].                                                                                                         | (22) *Western Theologians*: M/G: Ch. 12; E-Doc: Ford: 626-644; E-Doc: McGrath, 579-583 (Rahner); E-Doc: McGrath, 591-595 (Hick).  
(24) *Asian*: E-Doc: McGrath: 595-600 (Song); E-Doc: Ferm  
(22X) Reserve: Okholm & Phillips, 7-59; E-Doc: Fackre  
(23X): Reserve: Ford, 426-454; Reserve: Jenkins, 1-14  
(24X): Reserve: Ford, 455-476; E-Doc: Song [Christian Theology]                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 11 (3/30-4/5): Process & Openness Theologies**  
Thread 3 due on 4/3                                                                                                                                                                                                 | (25) *Process*: M/G: Ch. 7  
(26) *Openness*: Packet: Pinnock  
(25X) E-Doc: Cobb; B/J, 328-351  
(26X) E-Doc: Boyd                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 12 (4/6-4/12): Two Non-Liberal Theologies: (Conservative) Postmodern Theology and Post-Liberalism**  
No written assignments are due this week/unit [except for Reading Assignments, if yours falls at this time].                                                                                                         | (27) *Postmodern*: Packet: Sire, 211-241; E-Doc: Benson; E-Doc: McNight  
(28) *Post-liberal*: M/G: Ch 13; E-Doc: McGrath, 66-69 (Lindbeck)  
(27X) Reserve: Ford, 585-601  
(28X) E-Doc: Placher; E-Doc: Hauerwas, “Theologian as Ethicist”                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 13 (4/13-4/19): Another Non-Liberal Theological School: American Evangelicalism**  
No written assignments are due this week/unit [except for Reading Assignments, if yours falls at this time].                                                                                                         | (29) *Evangelical*: B/J: 377-382 (Henry); E-Doc: Stackhouse (and related notes by instructor on course website)  
(29X) E-Doc: McGrath, *Evangelicalism*                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Unit 14: (4/20-4/26) “Study Week”**  
Research Paper Due on 4/25                                                                                                                                                                                            | No new reading; work on paper and study for Final; meet with instructor if needed                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                           |
| **Finals Week (Mon-Fri, 4/28-5/2)**  
Submit Final anytime between M-F, 4/28-5/2 (by 11pm on the 4th)                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                           |
Electronic Documents for Theo 363, Contemporary Christian Thought

Note: Use this list for all items marked "E-Doc" in the course schedule above. Optional readings are marked with OPT, while all other readings are required.

Unit 1
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McGrath, Alister, E. The Christian Theology Reader, 2nd Ed. (Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 1995), 446-450 (Barth and Brunner)
http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

Pokrifka, Todd: “Appropriating Karl Barth’s Theological Use of Scripture in Contemporary Theology”:
http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm [OR
http://www.luthersem.edu/ctrf/Papers/2001_Pokrifka-Joe.htm (WARNING: There are formatting problems on this version.)]

Unit 4
http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

http://www.religion-online.org/showchapter.asp?title=431&C=292

http://www.religion-online.org/showchapter.asp?title=431&C=293

Read the Tillich section for this unit:
McGrath, Alister, E. *The Christian Theology Reader*, 2nd Ed. (Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 1995), 310-312 (Tillich [for unit 4]) and 312-315 (Pannenberg [for unit 5]).

http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

OPT Wright, N.T. (interview): “Resurrection Faith: N.T. Wright Talks about History and Belief.”
http://www.religion-online.org/showarticle.asp?title=2636

Unit 5
The following item is repeated from the last unit (now read the Pannenberg section)
McGrath, Alister, E. *The Christian Theology Reader*, 2nd Ed. (Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 1995), 310-312 (Tillich [for unit 4]) and 312-315 (Pannenberg [for unit 5]).

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http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

Pannenberg, Wolfhart: “God’s Presence in History”
http://www.religion-online.org/showarticle.asp?title=1710

Karl Rahner Society: http://www.krs.stjohnsem.edu/KarlRahner.htm (This site provides a biography of Karl Rahner.)


http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

Unit 7


http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm


Sider, Ron: “An Evangelical Theology of Liberation”
http://www.religion-online.org/showarticle.asp?title=1757


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Unit 8

http://groups.apu.edu/theophil/theo_363(z1)_contemporary_christian_thought.htm

Muzorewa, Gwinyai H., “African liberation theology”
http://disa.nu.ac.za/articledisplaypage.asp?filename=BtNov89&articletitle=African+liberation+theology&searchtype=article (see related outline by instructor)

Pokrifka, Todd. Outline of Muzorewa’s article, with reflection questions (available on the course website under this unit).

Rhodes, Ron: “Black Theology, Black Power and the Black Experience” (a moderately critical article about Black Theology by a Conservative Evangelical):
http://home.earthlink.net/~ronrhodes/BlackTheology.html

Unit 9
May, Grace and H. J. Pokrifka-Joe:
http://www.cbeinternational.org/new/free_articles/may.shtml
[This article, co-written by my wife (Hyunhye Junia Pokrifka-Joe) and her friend Grace May, defends an evangelical egalitarian view of women in ministry from scripture (written by Junia) and theology/history (written by Grace).]

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Unit 10

OPT Fackre, Gabriel: “Claiming Jesus as Savior in a Religiously Pluralistic World” (Pdf file)
http://www.luthersem.edu/ctrf/JCTR/Vol08/Fackre.pdf

Ferm, Deane William: “Outlining Rice-Roots Theology”
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