

# APPROVED UNTO GOD

## INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGY

### DEFINITIONS

#### A. Theology:

*The study of God*

*ology = study of*

*Theo = Greek word for God*

#### B. Systematic Theology:

*It is "Systematic" because we approach theology using a deliberate method - It is the study of God by **topics**.*

*Anything that answers the question, "What does God say to me about a given topic."*

i.e. "What does God say to me about Christ" is Christology (and we will study that in A.U.G.).

For Next Session's Quiz: Know these two definitions and be able to write out the books of the Old Testament (the first letter of each will be given in the same manner as below). And know the following verse:

*"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15*

#### **Historical books**

Genesis  
Exodus  
Leviticus  
Numbers  
Deuteronomy  
Joshua  
Judges  
Ruth  
I Samuel  
II Samuel  
I Kings  
II Kings  
I Chronicles  
II Chronicles  
Ezra  
Nehemiah  
Esther

#### **5 Poetical**

Job  
Psalms  
Proverbs  
Ecclesiastes  
Song of Songs

#### **17 Prophetic**

Isaiah  
Jeremiah  
Lamentations  
Ezekiel  
Daniel  
Hosea  
Joel  
Amos  
Obadiah  
Jonah  
Micah  
Nahum  
Habakkuk  
Zephaniah  
Haggai  
Zechariah  
Malachi

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## MEMORY VERSE #1

*“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.”*

### 2 Timothy 2:15

#### Commentary

Can we earn God’s approval? No. But we can do our best to allow God’s work to show in our lives. Though we are approved by grace, not works, we demonstrate that we have been approved when the results of his grace in us can be seen. What we are on the inside is recognized by the evidence we produce on the outside (see Matthew 7:16).

#### Easy memorization breakdown

- ⇒ 2 Timothy 2:15
- ⇒ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved,
- ⇒ a worker who does not need to be ashamed
- ⇒ and who correctly handles the work of truth.
- ⇒ 2 Timothy 2:15

#### Practice writing the verse

(Remember to write the reference, too!)