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that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

“Theology unpacks the core themes of faith. It tells us how these were developed, illustrates how they may be explained and preached and shows us the difference they make to real life.

Above all, theology sets out the Christian understanding of how we can achieve wisdom, enjoy wellbeing and nurture a sense of wonder.”

McGrath, A. (2022) *What's the Point of Theology?* SPCK Publishing

“Christian theology is a conversation about Scripture: about how to read and interpret it better, about how to understand the Bible as a whole and imagine a way of life that is faithful to the God whose Word it is.”

Felker Jones, B. (2023) *Practicing Christian Doctrine*
2nd edn. Baker Academic

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How do we know someone's identity?

List some of the ways you know someone's identity.

When it comes to the question ‘Who is God?’
what story would you tell?

How would you summarise God's story

How would you summarise God's story
in a single sentence?



Jon Roxborough

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