Christian Worldview

First order doctrines – Creation

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**First order doctrines**

First-order doctrines include: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The fear of the Lord

In the CWV the fear of the Lord is the beginning of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The word ‘fear’ here carries more of the idea of reverent \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with an aspect of trust because of just how big and powerful God is and how small and powerless we are.

The fear of the Lord is an idea that should connect us to both \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God and

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God.

**Creation**

Attributes of God (as seen in creation): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Father in creation – His role appears when He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everything into existence by His divine word.

Jesus in creation – Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is and always has been God.

Holy Spirit in creation – the Spirit is the sustainer, creator and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of life.

Trinity summation

1) God the Father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the creation of all things.

2) All things were made through and for Jesus who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everything together.

3) The Holy Spirit was present so He’s not only the creator but also the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-giving Spirt of the living God.

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HOMEWORK

1. Beyond what was described in class as first order doctrines (The Trinity, The deity of Jesus, The resurrection from the dead by Jesus), what other doctrines do you consider to be ‘first order’? Why?

2. How would you describe ‘the fear of the Lord’ to a new believer? To a non-believer?

3. We looked at some of the attributes of God that are observed in the creation story. Describe some of your attributes.

4. The first 2 chapters of Genesis present God as the sole creator of everything which then makes Him sovereign over everything. Why is that important? What are the implications?