

God Is There And He Is Not Silent

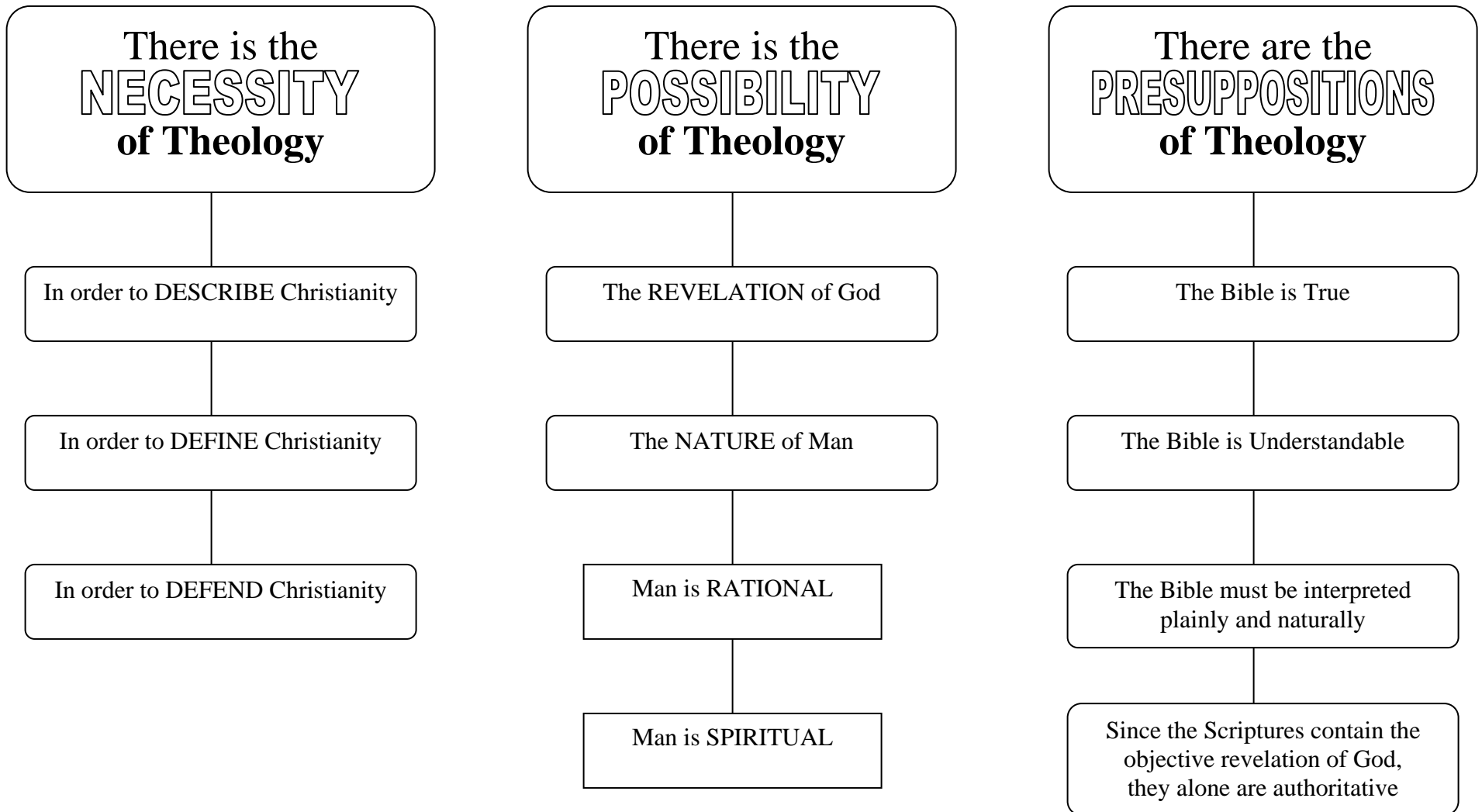
Psalm 19:1-14

- I. Listen to God speak through nature 19:1-6
 - 1) The heavens speak of His glory 19:1
 - 2) Time speaks of His glory 19:2-4
 - 3) The sun speaks of His glory 19:4-6

- II. Listen to God speak through Scripture 19:7-14
 - 1) It is perfect and strengthens 19:7
 - 2) It is sure and gives wisdom 19:7
 - 3) It is right and brings joy 19:8
 - 4) It is pure and provides direction 19:8
 - 5) It is clean and endures forever 19:9
 - 6) It is true and righteous altogether 19:9
 - 7) It is valuable and priceless 19:10
 - 8) It is delicious and sweet 19:10
 - 9) It is helpful and rewarding 19:11
 - 10) It is instructive and cleansing 19:12
 - 11) It is protective and liberating 19:13
 - 12) It is transforming and saving 19:14

PROLEGOMENA

(Foundational Principles)



THEOLOGY

DEFINITION

Theology comes from “theos” (God) and “logos” (speech/discourse, word, or message) –
“A discourse on one specific subject, namely, God.”
“Thinking about God and expressing those thoughts.”

Historical

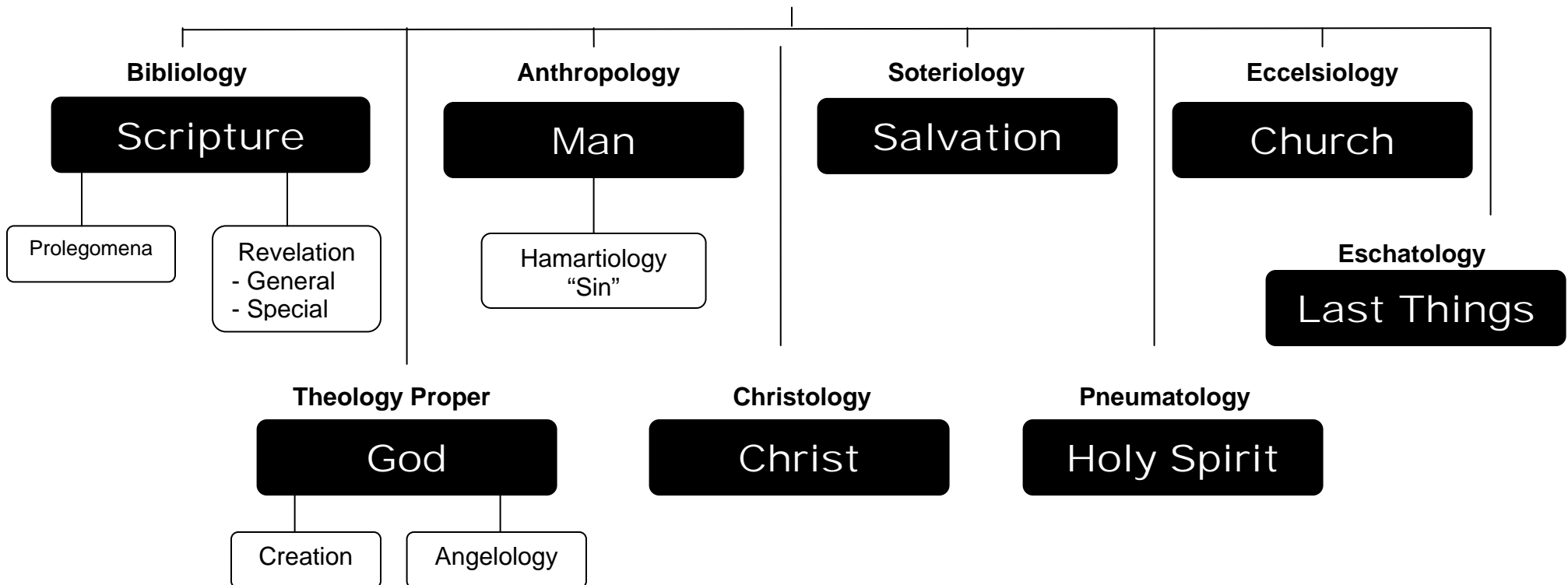
“Discipline which traces the historical development of doctrine as recorded in the writings of individuals and church councils.”

Systematic

“Discipline which follows a scheme of doctrinal development which incorporates into its system all the truth about God from any and every source.”

Biblical

“Discipline which investigates the truth about God and the universe as set forth in the unfolding revelation of the Bible.”



How Has God Revealed Himself

The Two Categories of Divine Revelation			
TYPE	MANIFESTATION	SCRIPTURE	SIGNIFICANCE
1) General/Natural Revelation	In Nature	Ps. 19:1-6	Reveals God exists. Reveals God's glory.
		Rom. 1:18-21	Reveals God is omnipotent. Reveals God is judge.
	In Conscience	Rom. 2:14-15	Reveals God has placed his law within the hearts of all people.
	In Providence	Matt. 5:45	Reveals God is benevolent to all people.
		Acts 14:15-17	Reveals God provides food for all people.
		Dan. 2:21	Reveals God raises up and removes rulers.
2) Special Revelation	In Christ (The Living Word)	John 1:18	Reveals what the Father is like.
		John 5:36-37	Reveals the Father's compassion.
		John 6:63; 14-10	Reveals that the Father gives life to those who believe in the Son.
	In Scripture (The Written Word)	II Tim. 3:16-17	Reveals all the doctrine, reproof, correction, and guidance that the Christian needs for godly living.
		II Peter 1:20-21	Reveals all that God has chosen to disclose through human authors directed and protected by the Holy Spirit.