

How to Think Biblically About Computer Science – and Every Other Academic Discipline as Well

Scripture provides us with the most immediate access to the mind of God available to us. As such, the personal reading and meditation of the Word of the one who is the Creator and Sustainer of everything falls into a different category than the words and ideas found in other abstracting disciplines such as theology, biblical exegesis, and philosophy. In this session we will think about our exposure to God's Word which does not come to us through theological or philosophical categories, but nevertheless has a deep formative influence on how we approach our discipline - listening to God's Word feeds us on every level.

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I. Two Caricatures

- A. The Primacy of Theology
- B. The Primacy of Philosophy
- C. The Helpfulness of Theology and Philosophy
- D. ... and Their Restrictions

II. The Start of Biblical Thinking: Reading

- A. A Book like Any Other?
- B. The Hermeneutic of Israel at the Foot of the Mountain
- C. The Hermeneutic of You Listening to Your Father – Mark 10:15
- D. The Father's Story – History of Salvation

III. Listening as God's Child: Three Biblical Categories

- A. Example 1: What are Humans?

1. The Father's Story: Creation – Fall – Christ

2. What are Humans for?

B. Example 2: Communities

1. From Love to Family

2. Family Relations – 1 Thessalonians 2

3. Family Relations – John 12:49-50

C. Example 3: Category of Knowledge and Knowing

1. Knowledge of Good and Evil? – Romans 16

2. Knowing What is Revealed – Daniel 2

3. Knowing God's Order – 1 Corinthians 14