

HOT TOPICS "THE SHACK" DISCUSSION  
Syllabus  
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January 25 – A Theologian in the Shack

- ~ Does the Trinity Matter?
- ~ The Trinity in *The Shack*
- ~ Issues in *The Shack*

February 8 – Meeting God Again for the First Time

- ~ God the Biggest Idea of Them All
- ~ The God Who Accommodates Himself
- ~ God's Accommodation in Scripture
- ~ When an Icon Becomes an Idol
- ~ God Meets You Where You Are
- ~ Is There Room for a Mother God?

February 15 – The Mystery of Three in One

- ~ The Paradoxical Trinity in Scripture
- ~ Is *The Shack* Modalistic?
- ~ Is *The Shack* just confused?
- ~ Meeting the Mystery of Sarayu
- ~ Jesus Christ, Man and Mediator

March 8 – God with Nobody in Charge

- ~ Thinking about the Giggling God
- ~ Rejecting Hierarchy in god...and Beyond
- ~ Rethinking Hierarchy in the World
- ~ The Son Will Be Made Subject to Him

March 22 – The Biggest Problem in the Universe

- ~ How could God be Especially Fond of Missy?
- ~ Rethinking God's Love
- ~ Rethinking God's Power
- ~ God in Search of Greater Goods
- ~ Are We Mere Means to God's Ends?
- ~ The Charge of the Protest Atheist
- ~ Why Is God Silent?

April 12 – Finding Hope in God's Pain

- ~ Jesus Suffered with Us
- ~ Jesus the Great Physician...and So Much More
- ~ The Wrathful God
- ~ Did Jesus Save Us from God's Wrath?
- ~ Charting the Limits of Salvation

April 26 – When All Will be Made New

- ~ On the Very Idea of Saving Creation
- ~ Redeeming the Shack
- ~ Rediscovering the World's Hope

Necessary Tools:

- ~ “The Shack” – The Book
- ~ Bible
- ~ Paper and Pen