## **NT for Ministry**

1 John

- I Intro to 1 John
  - A. Very practical book
  - B. Errors addressed
    - 1. Theological
    - 2. Ethical
- II Understanding Sin in 1 John
  - A. Problem
  - B. Answers
    - 1. John's dualistic language
    - 2. Response to false teaching
    - 3. Structure of the letter
    - 4. The Atonement
    - 5. Atonement & Christology
- III Assurance in 1 John
  - A. Purpose of the Letter (5.13)
  - B. Two ways:
    - 1. Christ
    - 2. Our lives
  - C. Eternal life and the Son (5.11–13)
  - D. New Birth
  - E. Promises
    - 1. Forgiveness (1.9)
    - 2. Propitiation (2.2)
    - 3. Jesus Keeps Us (5.18)
  - F. Tests of Salvation
    - 1. Theological ("Belief")
    - 2. Moral ("Righteousness")
    - 3. Social ("Love")
  - G. Summary: cf. WCF 18
  - H. How Do We Apply 1 John?
    - 1. Look to Christ
    - 2. Corroboration by lifestyle