



GRACE & TRUTH
CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

2025 Academic Year
Course Descriptions

TOG Year 2 Dialectic History and Geography

Tapestry of Grace is a Christian classical humanities curriculum that includes Charlotte Mason elements and a mixture of modalities (visual, kinesthetic, and auditory) to engage all different kinds of learners. This K-12 program includes student and teacher materials for the core courses of History and English (including Writing and Literature). It also offers elective studies (at age-appropriate levels) in Geography, Fine Arts, Church History, Government, and Philosophy. All subjects are integrated around a chronological study of history.

The name of the curriculum comes from the imagery of weaving a Tapestry. As founding author Marcia Somerville described it, “All of us are in history; we are all making it in this moment. History is God’s story of our lives, and the lives of many other people, all of whom He has created and called by name over the centuries for His own purposes, to give Him glory. He is the designer of a beautiful tapestry: time is the loom, creation is the warp, and human experiences are the threads. Each of us has a section of the tapestry to weave, and none of us sees the finished project here on Earth. We work from the back of the tapestry, according to a cartoon (an outline drawing, designed by the Master Weaver, that dictates our pattern) and without seeing the front, or finished side. We all choose our cartoon, our pattern. For all biblical Christians, that pattern is seen in God’s Word and Jesus’ life. God promises Christians that they are weaving a tapestry of grace and glory according to His will.”

In this class we will study a historical textbook compiled from many great books, with the option of further enrichment through books made available on Kindle from Grace & Truth.

In Unit 1, we will study the Middle Ages, from the twilight of the Roman Empire to the early lights of the Reformation.

In Unit 2, we will study the Renaissance and Reformation, by looking at topics like the Spanish, French, American, Dutch, and German reformers in a historical context.

In Unit 3, we will study the discovery of the Western Hemisphere and the early history of America, colonization, the Puritans and so forth.

In Unit 4, we will see how the American Colonies became the United States of America, in the context of what was happening in the rest of the world.

The Dialectic class will be studying Church History and Literature written about the specific historical period studied. The main textbook will be “The Church in History” by BK Kuiper. The Literature books will be studied from a worldview perspective, and the class will be led through Socratic discussions.

Student Preparation: Students should expect to spend 4 hours a week reading and preparing for Socratic class discussion by answering Accountability Questions. They will also be required to record events on a Master Timeline and do map work. They will find the answers to all of the History Accountability Questions in the Warp Reader.



If they would prefer less of a textbook approach and want the Honors Credit for History, they can do all of the assigned reading from the TOG Dialectic History and Worldview Book Lists each week (many of the titles are available on our kindle rental or Open Library). They can also use the books from this list to supplement the Warp Reader which is the spine. The use of the wider booklist will enable them to answer not just the Accountability Questions but also all of the Thinking Questions (about 15 questions per week).

Course Credit: One Credit for Core or Honours level.

Required Textbooks Needed:

- TOG Year 2 Full Rack Student Spool
- Warp Reader
- Year 2 Dialectic Evaluations (Student Editions)

Additional Resources: If you are doing the Honours Credit, you also need all the books on the [ToG Y2 Dialectic Primary History](#). The booklist is available in the Amazon ToG Shop or from ToG after purchase of your Spools. Many of these books are available in our Kindle rental account. If you do the Kindle rental you will have fewer books to source.

Assessments: Four exams per annum, and continual assessments of weekly assignments and class participation.