

B. The ground to be covered in this study:

1. On Saturday:
  - a. Session # 1: The Basic Materials for the Church: The Lord, the Bible, the Body Politic
  - b. Session # 2: The "Fathers" and development of doctrine: Christian Truth
  - c. Session # 3: Divisiveness and Sectarianism: the ways of the flesh, in most cases.
  
2. On Sunday:
  - a. Morning: The Lord's Use of History: Psalm 107
  - b. Evening: The Church's Need of History: 2 Peter 1
  
3. The following evenings:
  - a. The Ages of the Church
  - b. The Development and Growth of Ecclesiastical Systems
  - c. The Search for Doctrinal Purity
  - d. The Church in Society
  - e. A "short history" of Testimony
  
4. Here are some recommended readings:

Broadbent: The Pilgrim Church  
Cole: The Evangelical Churches  
Johnson: History of the Christian Church  
LaTourette: The Expansion of Christianity  
Walker: History of the Christian Church

*There are many, many others. If you wish to know of more or want my opinion on any, opinions are given freely but be prepared for a long and tedious monologue to which I will expect your to listen carefully.*
  
5. And a word on my credentials...I served for many years at Faith Seminary in the Old Testament and Practical Theology field and for 23 years at Biblical Seminary as Associate Professor of Church History and Old Testament. There is a lot of material that I do not know but I have enjoyed the field, found it very relevant and, as noted before, I will be glad for questions in the areas of our study and related things. You will quickly see how we repeat past errors and forget the Head of the Church.