



Course Series Syllabus: *Attributes of the Author*

Institution: Charles Stanley Institute

Course Series Length: 12 Courses

Format: Video-based instruction with guided theological reflection

Level: Foundational–Intermediate Theology

Prerequisites: None

Course Series Description

Attributes of the Author is a twelve-part theological course series designed to guide students through twelve distinct attributes of God as revealed in Scripture. The course series aims to cultivate a deeper knowledge of who God is—not merely as a subject of study, but as the living Author of Scripture who reveals Himself faithfully and graciously to His people.

Rather than treating God's attributes as isolated doctrines, this course series presents them as interrelated perfections that together form a coherent vision of God's character, purposes, and redemptive work. For this reason, the course series has been intentionally designed to be completed in the order presented. Each course builds upon the previous one, allowing theological understanding and spiritual formation to develop progressively and cohesively. Students are encouraged to engage each course in its full sequence, as the course series is most effective when experienced as a unified whole rather than a collection of standalone lessons.

Students are also encouraged to take their time and enjoy the study. The goal of this course series is not speed or completion alone, but thoughtful engagement, prayerful reflection, and steady formation as knowledge of God deepens over time.

Course Series Objectives

By the end of this course series, students will be able to:

- Articulate biblically grounded understandings of key attributes of God.
- Recognize how God's character shapes the reading of Scripture.
- Reflect theologically on the relationship between God's attributes and the gospel.
- Apply doctrinal truths about God to prayer, discipleship, and daily obedience.
- Grow in confidence when speaking about God with clarity and reverence.

Course Series Structure and Learning Components

Each course follows a consistent four-part framework designed to integrate theological depth with spiritual formation:

1). Prep and Prayer:

Each session opens with a brief theological introduction, selected Scripture readings for meditation, and a prayer prompt. This component prepares students to approach the study of God with humility, attentiveness, and reverence.

2). Roundtable Discussion:

The core instructional segment features a two-part roundtable discussion led by vetted instructors.

- **Part 1 – Attribute Defined:** This portion focuses on clearly defining the attribute under consideration, grounding it firmly in Scripture and classical Christian theology.
- **Part 2 – Practical Application:** This portion explores how the attribute shapes Christian belief, worship, discipleship, and daily life, drawing out pastoral and lived implications.

Students do not need to watch these segments back-to-back. Time and space are intentionally built into the course design to allow for pondering, reflection, prayer, and thoughtful absorption of the material before moving forward.

3). Knowledge Review:

Students then engage a comprehensive knowledge review that reinforces key concepts, biblical texts, and doctrinal insights, supporting retention and theological integration.

4). Closing and Call to Action:

Each session concludes with a closing reflection and call to action, inviting students to consider how the attribute studied should shape their worship, trust, obedience, and daily Christian life.

5). Course Series Sequence:

- Merciful
- Holy
- Inerrant
- Immutable
- Omniscient
- Omnipresent
- Omnipotent
- Just
- Love
- Craftsman
- Patient
- Sovereign

Theological Emphasis and Learning Approach

This course series is grounded in a high view of Scripture and a classical Christian understanding of God's attributes. Theology is approached as faithful reflection on God's self-revelation, with the conviction that true knowledge of God leads to worship, humility, and transformed living.

Throughout the course series, students are encouraged to hold together doctrinal clarity and spiritual formation, recognizing that knowing God rightly shapes how we live before Him.

Suggested Readings

The following readings are optional and not required for course series completion. They are provided for students who wish to deepen their theological reflection and spiritual formation alongside the core course material.

These resources support the aims of *Attributes of the Author* by encouraging disciplined engagement with Scripture, attentiveness to God's voice, dependence on the Holy Spirit, and growth in prayer.

Suggested readings include:

- **Practicing Basic Spiritual Disciplines**
- **Listening to God**
- **Deepening Your Prayer Life**
- **Relying on the Holy Spirit**

All of these study guides can be found on the In Touch Store [HERE](#).

Intended Audience

Attributes of the Author is designed for believers seeking deeper theological foundations, ministry leaders desiring renewed doctrinal clarity, and students who wish to grow in their knowledge of God while being formed spiritually. No prior theological training is required.