



The Six Great Ends of the Church

A LEARNING MINI-SERIES

DISCUSSION OUTLINE: INTRODUCTION OF THE SIX GREAT ENDS OF THE CHURCH

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- **Series Introduction:** *Rev. Dr. Rob Erickson*
- **The Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind:**
Rev. Dr. Rob Erickson
- **The Shelter and Nurture and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God:**
Rev. Emilee Williams
- **The Maintenance of Divine Worship:** *Rev. Dr. Jacob Bolton*
- **The Preservation of the Truth:** *Rev. Becca Messman*
- **The Promotion of Social Righteousness:** *Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey*
- **The Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World:** *Rev. Dr. Raymond I. Hylton, Sr.*

Discussion Outline: Series Introduction

- I. The list of the Six Great Ends of the Church can be found in the **Book of Order**, Chapter 1, Section *F-1.0304*.

- II. Review the location of the Six Great Ends in the **Book of Order**. See the Table of Contents.

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- III. How does this section fit into the Book of Order as a whole?

- IV. What are some reasons it is included in the Book of Order and included at this location?

- V. Do you think any portion of the Six Great Ends is unique to Presbyterians or the Reformed Tradition?

- VI. Why do you think the Six Great Ends are listed in the order that they are? Do you think there is anything particularly meaningful about the order?