

# The Formation of Christian Doctrine

by Malcolm B. Yarnell III

## ABOUT THE BOOK

*The Formation of Christian Doctrine* is a high-level academic study of the history of Christian doctrinal development. The book distinguishes at length between the scholarly term “inventio” (making explicit what is implicit in the biblical revelation) and the idea of “invention” (presenting a novelty as Christian teaching that conflicts with the biblical revelation).

Theological method is a growing concern for church leaders and academics alike. Interacting with established Christian conversations regarding theological foundations and the development of doctrine, Malcolm Yarnell proposes a distinctive believers’ church theological method. This method, including that of Baptists, is neither Catholic, nor Calvinist, nor Liberal. Instead, Dr. Yarnell argues for consistent discipleship to Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit-led congregational interpretation of the all-sufficient Word of God, and a deep respect for the contributions of historical theology.

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- *The Formation of Christian Doctrine* is an advanced academic study of how Christian doctrine develops, distinguishing in particular between the scholarly term “inventio” and less revelatory process of “invention.”
- Author Malcolm B. Yarnell III is a rising leader in the Conservative Resurgence. Dr. Yarnell holds graduate degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Duke University, and Oxford University (D.Phil.). He is also a contributor to *A Theology for the Church*, a new systematic theology release from B&H Academic.

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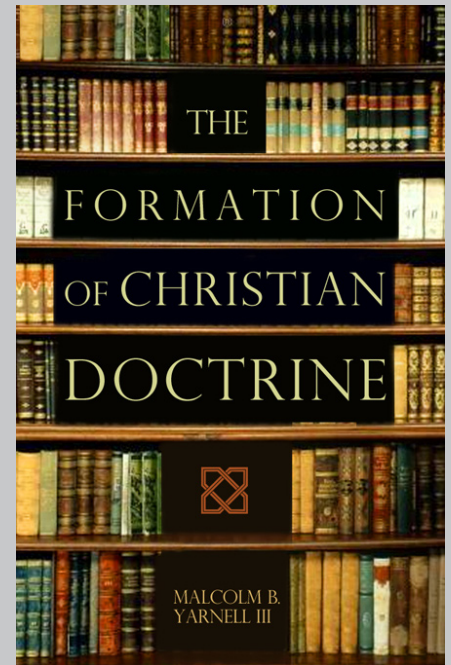
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