Traditional Categories of Systematic Theology

I. Prolegomena
    1. Epistemology – How we know things
    2. Theological method – How to do Theology
    3. Bibliology – The Bible, inspiration and revelation

II. Theology proper- the doctrine of God
    1. The existence of God
    2. His nature and attributes
    3. Immanence and Transcendence
    4. His Triunity
    5. His works and providence
    6. Creation

III. Anthropology- the doctrine of mankind
    1. Our nature and attributes
    2. Our works

IV. Hamartiology- the doctrine of sin
    1. Its nature
    2. Its origin- the fall
    3. Its transmission- original sin
    4. Its effects
    5. Its extent- total depravity

V. (angelology- the doctrine of angels, the devil, and demons)

VI. Christology- The doctrine of Christ
    1. His nature
        1) His Divinity
        2) His Humanity
        3) His Unity
    2. His Virgin Birth
    3. His work
        1) His offices – prophet, priest, king
        2) His States – Preincarnate, humiliation, exaltation

VII. Pneumatology,- the doctrine of the Holy Spirit
    1. His person and nature
    2. His work
VIII. Soteriology- the doctrine of salvation
    1. Subjective and Objective aspects
        a. The Provision of salvation
            1) Atonement
            2) Theories of atonement
            3) Purpose and Extent of atonement
        b. The application of salvation
            1) The Process of Salvation
            2) The Experience of Salvation
    2. The extent of salvation
    3. The means of salvation
IX. Ecclesiology- the doctrine of the church
    1. Nature of the church
    2. The role of the church
    3. The function(s) of the church
X. Eschatology- the doctrine of last things
    1. Personal eschatology
        1) Heaven and Hell
    2. Corporate eschatology
        1) Second coming, millennium, rapture