



Learning For Life: Reformation 500

Overview: In 1517, the great reformer Martin Luther produced his 95 theses, which articulated his objections to perceived corruptions in the Roman Catholic church. This year Christians around the world celebrate the 500th anniversary of that seminal occasion that forever altered the next six centuries of church history. Join us as we examine the celebrated, intriguing life of Martin Luther, and discuss the defining moments of the Reformation, including the political and social realities that allowed Luther to succeed when so many other would-be reformers paid with their lives. Most importantly, perhaps, we will contemplate together the relevance--if any--of the Reformation to the contemporary Christian church (including First Baptist, Regina), and will ask ourselves the critical question: Is Christianity in need of another Reformation?

Schedule:

September 10:	Introduction and Overview: What is Reformation 500 ? Why does it matter?
September 17:	The Political Context preceding October, 1517
September 24:	The Social and Cultural Context preceding October, 1517
October 1:	Selected Reformers preceding October, 1517
October 15:	The Life of Martin Luther
October 22:	The Life of Martin Luther (the controversies)
October 29:	Luther's Impact: the 95 Theses
November 5:	Luther's Impact: Theology and the Church
November 12:	Relevance to the Contemporary Church , First Baptist
November 19:	Concluding Thoughts: Is the church in need of another reformation?

Additional Resources:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w4H4trDJTuI> (Introduction to Reformation 500)

<http://www.reformation2017.ca/>

<https://lutheranreformation.org/history/>

<https://thereformation500.com/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xvgk-85X2CY> (Dr. Lutzer (Martin Luther: Wild Boar)

Martin Luther: Hero of Faith (Frederick Nohl)

Martin Luther: A Late Medieval Life (Volker Leppin)
