

### **The Catholicity of John Calvin's Theology**

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Calvin aims to be fully Biblical (so 'catholic' is being used in the sense of the whole counsel of God, rather than the Roman denomination, which Calvin left and did frequent battle with). This seminar will demonstrate that Calvin's theology is not the philosophical development of one idea (as many 19<sup>th</sup> century German scholars thought). It is not a mere thinking out of sovereignty or predestination; rather, it is wholly catholic – fully Biblical in its intent.