

## **BUZZ WORDS**

Words matter to everybody, but words matter, especially to Christians. Therefore, we have a duty to know what words mean. If we know what words mean, we can communicate more clearly and less divisively.

The goal of the course is to define and assess some often used, poorly defined, usually divisive words

During each class, a presenter will do the following:

- Define a buzz word or words
- Suggest what people hear when the word is used
- Assess the word from the perspective of the Christian faith.

## Class Syllabus

May 8	David Zahl	Cultural isms
		• Woke-ism
		Virtue Signaling
May 15	Julia Shaw	Economic ism
		<ul> <li>Socialism</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Marxism</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Communism</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Capitalism</li> </ul>
May 22	Chris Stirewalt	Political isms
		<ul> <li>Populism</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Nationalism</li> </ul>
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		<ul> <li>Liberalism</li> </ul>
		• Etc.
May 29	Albert Thompson	Racial isms
		Institutional Racism?
		Critical Race Theory?
		• Etc.
June 5		Religious isms
	Tremper Longman	Evangelical ism