



SempRef

A Reformed Results Publication

- ✓ **Confessional.**
- ✓ **Constitutional.**
- ✓ **Controlled.**

What We Believe

The theological home of SempRef.

Our Theological Home

SempRef stands within the historic Reformed tradition of the Christian Church. Our doctrinal foundation is the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, which we receive as the inspired, inerrant, and sufficient Word of God - the only infallible rule of faith and practice. We confess the system of doctrine summarized in the Westminster Standards:

- Westminster Confession of Faith
- Westminster Larger Catechism
- Westminster Shorter Catechism

These documents articulate the theological framework that shapes SempRef's reasoning and interpretive commitments.

Our Confessional Commitments

Within this tradition, we affirm:

- The Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- The full deity and humanity of Jesus Christ
- Salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone
- The covenantal unfolding of redemptive history
- The ordinary means of grace: Word, Sacraments, and Prayer
- The visible Church under Christ, her only King and Head

We embrace the classic doctrines of the Reformed faith as historically confessed.

Our Ecclesial Posture

SempRef emerged from leaders shaped within confessional Presbyterianism, particularly within the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). That heritage informs our constitutional instincts and vocabulary. SempRef serves confessional Reformed denominations such as the PCA but is independently developed and is not created by, endorsed by, supported by, or officially affiliated with any denomination.

The tool is intended to serve:

- Confessional Presbyterians

- Reformed Baptists
- Continental Reformed traditions
- Church leaders from related evangelical traditions
- Students and inquirers seeking to understand the Gospel and Reformed theology

We do not function as a denominational organ or church court.

Our Commitment to Clarity

SempRef exists to make doctrinal and constitutional standards clear, examinable, and transparent. Our aim is not innovation, but illumination. Not revision, but clarification. Not expansion of authority, but service to those who bear it.

Primary Standards

For those who wish to examine the doctrinal foundations directly, we encourage consultation of:

- The Westminster Confession of Faith
- The Westminster Larger Catechism
- The Westminster Shorter Catechism
- The Book of Church Order (where applicable within Presbyterian contexts)

The authority rests in the Scriptures themselves and in the lawful confessional and constitutional standards of Christ's Church.