



Textbook: *Psychology, A Christian Perspective, High School Edition*, by Dr. Tim Rice  
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In any career, the knowledge of psychology is beneficial. As we better understand ourselves and how to communicate with others, we grow together toward a higher level of communication. During the first part of this class, we will study psychology from a biblical perspective, using the textbook as a launchpad to study various psychologists, the brain and the nervous system, abnormal psychology, social psychology, and personality, among other topics. The main goal of this class is to familiarize with psychology basics through the filter of God's word, as He is the one who created who we are on all levels. After completing the textbook, the second semester will focus on the student's communication skills, which are needed in all home, work, and social situations. We will be drawing from additional books, such as *How to Have a Difficult Conversation*, *Rejection-Proof*, and *Love Does*.

Course content:

- Textbook readings
- Interviews with family members and friends
- Guest speakers
- Occasional baked goods
- Papers

About the Teacher: Karen Newlon has always been extremely interested in people. She received a B.A. from Psychology/Sociology from Anderson University with a minor in Marriage/Family. She went on to receive her Master's degree in Social Work from WMU. She worked in the mental health field for five years before becoming a stay-at-home mom who homeschooled her three kids for 16 years (and loved it). Two of her three children are gainfully employed in careers that they love, while the youngest just finished her freshman year at a Christian university. She has tutored at the Gospel Mission and for several local families, besides teaching at numerous co-ops. She loves to read, bake, socialize, walk on beaches, paddle board, and hang out at the pool.

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