

## A Glossary to supplement *Law, Life, and the Living God* by Scott R. Murray

Page	Word or Phrase	Definition
13	<i>coram Deo</i>	standing or status before God; religious relation with God
13	<i>tertius usus legis</i>	third use of the Law
15	legalism	in this case legalism means finding a way of salvation dependent upon the law and the performance of its requirements
15	antinomianism	lit. "against the law;" means rejection of the use of the law in Christian teaching
15	Dialectic	any systematic reasoning, exposition, or argument that juxtaposes opposing or contradictory ideas and usually seeks to resolve their conflict; in the case of the Law-Gospel Dialectic, we do not attempt to resolve the conflict, but let it remain as a paradox
19	<i>qua</i>	as, by which
19	<i>simul justus et peccator</i>	simultaneously just and sinner (a.k.a. "saint and sinner at the same time")
21	<i>rabies theologorum</i>	the madness of the theologians
21	<i>causa sine qua non</i>	an indispensable cause
22	<i>bona opera necessaria esse ad salutem</i>	good works are necessary to salvation
22	<i>obedientia haec nova spiritualis necessaria esse ad salutem</i>	this new spiritual obedience is necessary to salvation
22	<i>ad salutem</i>	to or for salvation
24	<i>per se</i>	in itself; for its own sake
27	<i>simul peccatores</i>	at the same time sinners
27	<i>Loci Communes</i>	literally, "principal points."; a systematic presentation of Christian doctrine; in this case, the doctrinal work written by Philip Melanchthon in 1520 and revised a number of times during his career

29	<i>Gesetz</i>	Law
29	<i>Evangelium</i>	Gospel
42	Existentialism	A philosophy that emphasizes experience and relationship over essence and substance. Persons and their relations are paramount rather than essences, which are just “things.” Existential ethics rejects the need for an external code.
48	Natural Law	A body of law or a specific principle held to be derived from nature and binding upon human society in the absence of or in addition to positive law; a Lutheran might understand this to mean "the Law written on the hearts of all men."
51	<i>Telos</i>	Goal, purpose or End
51	teleological	relating to design or purpose, especially in nature; teleology is the doctrine of the final causes of things
53	<i>semper accusat</i>	always accusing
56	<i>Lex semper accusat</i>	the Law is always accuses
57	<i>tertium quid</i>	A third something; a third factor of something
60	<i>usus theologicus</i>	theological use; second use of the law
60	<i>usus politicus</i>	the political or civil use of the Law; the Law as curb; first use of the Law
61	<i>usus didacticus</i>	the instructive use of the Law; the Law as a Rule
61	<i>usus legis</i>	uses of the Law
66	Regel	a rule or norm
70	<i>datum</i>	an objective fact; a given
70	<i>usus normativus legis</i>	the normative use of the Law
70	<i>usus praecipuus</i>	main use
70	<i>usus elenchticus legis</i>	the accusing use of the Law
93	<i>principium cognoscendi</i>	the source(s) of knowledge in religion or philosophy; the ultimate available authority
94	<i>reductio ad absurdum</i>	reduction to the absurd
96	<i>lex</i>	Law
96	<i>praecepta</i>	precept; teaching
99	<i>dicta</i>	statements

102	<i>fait accompli</i>	a thing accomplished and presumably irreversible
104	<i>quia</i>	because; used to describe a subscription to the Lutheran Confessions "because" they are a correct exposition of the Bible
105	<i>Stricte dictu</i>	strictly speaking
107	<i>Gesetz und Gebot</i>	Law and Command
109	<i>ama et fac quod vis</i>	"love and do what you will"
111	<i>usus practicus evangelii</i>	the practical use of the Gospel
111	<i>paraklesis</i>	exhortation, admonition, encouragement
113	<i>deus ex machina</i>	a person or event that provides a sudden and unexpected solution to a difficulty
115	<i>lex aeterna</i>	Eternal Law
123	<i>Heilsgeschichte</i>	A German word literally translated "salvation history". William Temple wrote that in heilsgeschichte "... there is event and appreciation, and in the coincidence of these the revelation consists." In the "events-revelation" model of Heilsgeschichte, the Bible loses its divine inspiration and becomes instead a memoir of God's activities in the world. Its many different writers are those who have observed events as "salvation history" and recorded them in writing. Christian teachings are, in this view, not infallible but human attempts to understand God-initiated events.
133	<i>a posteriori</i>	with examination; pertaining to concepts which are tested by experience
134	<i>concretum</i>	something solid
134	<i>ex legibus</i>	without the Law
134	<i>semper</i>	always
134	<i>promissio</i>	God's promise - the Gospel

135	<i>theologia viatorum</i>	"theology of pilgrims," or "theology of sojourners"; the idea that theology is always expanding and new insights are discovered and new frontiers are discovered
136	<i>solum evangelium</i>	the Gospel alone
138	<i>kerygma</i>	the apostolic proclamation of salvation through Jesus Christ
139	<i>viva voce</i>	Living voice
139	<i>pro me</i>	for me; or in my place
139	<i>ipso facto</i>	by that very fact or act: as an inevitable result
139	<i>lex naturalis</i>	Natural Law
140	<i>norma normans</i>	the guide which governs theology; the ultimate authority
170	<i>in concreto</i>	concretely
170	<i>quatenus renati sunt</i>	in so far as they are reborn
170	<i>soviel, quatenus</i>	inasmuch as, insofar as
171	<i>den alten Adam</i>	the Old Adam
171	<i>neugeboren Mensch</i>	reborn person
171	<i>post hoc ergo propter hoc</i>	The <i>post hoc ergo propter hoc</i> (after this therefore because of this) fallacy is based upon the mistaken notion that simply because one thing happens after another, the first event was a cause of the second event. For example, you have a cold, so you drink fluids and two weeks later your cold goes away. Or you perform some task exceptionally well after forgetting to bathe, so the next time you have to perform the same task you don't bathe.
171	<i>via media</i>	the middle way
172	<i>praeceptum</i>	precept; teaching
177	<i>qua iustum</i>	as one who is just
180	<i>solum accusat</i>	only accuses
184	<i>Gestalt</i>	pattern, structure
185	<i>duplex usus</i>	twofold use
185	<i>simplicitas</i>	simplicity
189	<i>Schwärmer</i>	Enthusiast; Pentecostal