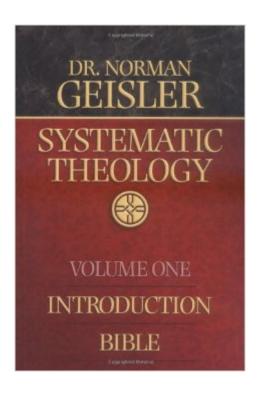
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As the first systematic theology book I've read, I didn't really know what to expect going into it; and being the first volume of Dr. Geisler's nearly 3,000 page, four volume masterpiece in Systematic Theology, the task seemed daunting to say the least. However, having read a few of Dr. Geisler's other works before this, I knew it would be a wealth of knowledge that would be well worth the time and effort invested in reading it, and would no doubt exceed my expectations in the process. So far, it appears I was right. Not only is this first volume extremely thorough, but it is clearly written, heavily referenced, and incredibly organized. It is structured in a logical fashion in which there are little "a priori" assumptions. Instead, it starts at the most foundational level and builds from there, brick by brick, justifying every step of the way. In the first half, the Prolegomena (preconditions), Dr. Geisler lays out all the preconditions necessary for Christianity. I found this half to be delightfully philosophically rich in that it introduced and expanded upon, in great detail, every philosophical

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