Outline for Liberation Theology: Theory and Critique

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1. What is Liberation Theology?
2. Many types
3. Why is Latin America Catholic and poor?
4. Critique of capitalism
5. Origins of Liberation Theology

a. 1968 Latin American Bishops Conference in Medellin

b. Girardi, Gutierrez and Boff

c. Critique of development

d. Vatican II

1. Novelties of Liberation Theology
2. Not limited to the nature of God
3. Emphasis on orthopraxy over orthodoxy
4. Historically conditioned
5. The problem of centers of power
6. Western development models
7. Dependency theory
8. Church hierarchy
9. Corrections of Liberation Theology
10. Official, theological
11. Unofficial, socio-economic
12. Rediscovering Political Theology
13. Capitalism and liberal democracy
14. Regime of separation
15. Thinking about the whole once again