

The Bible Is Sufficient

(Psalm 19:7-11)

- Introduction:
1. Is the Bible sufficient to teach a person how to be pleasing to God?
 2. Or, do we need more than the Bible?
 3. By what standard shall we measure our lives to see whether we are in the faith (2 Corinthians 13:5)?

I. Many Affirm That There Is More Than One Standard

- A. Sola Scriptura - "The Bible Only."
 1. This was the battlefield of the "Protestant Reformation Movement."
 2. Catholicism claimed that authority resided in Tradition, the Magisterium, and the Bible, while the reformers held that authority resided on the Bible alone.
- B. Several religious groups have also argued for additional authority for their beliefs and practices.
 1. Mormons - Doctrines and Covenants; Pearl of Great Price; and the book of Mormon.
 2. Christian Science - Science and Health with Keys to the Scriptures.
- C. Those who just have a disregard for the authority of Scripture.
 1. United Church of Canada and their Atheist Pastor.
 2. "Inclusive Canadian Church Debates Suitability of Atheist Pastor."
 3. "United Church of Canada Takes Bold Stance Against Liberal Agenda, Defrocks Atheist Minister"

II. What Does The Bible Say Concerning This Matter?

- A. (Psalm 19:7-11).
- B. The law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul (v. 7).
- C. The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple (v. 7)
- D. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart (v. 8)
- E. The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes (v. 8)
- F. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever (v. 9)
- G. The judgments of the Lord are true & righteous altogether (v. 9)
- H. They are to be desired (v. 10)
- I. They serve as warning & inform of us reward (v. 11)

- Conclusion:
1. This passage along with many other Scriptures (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 119:89; John 16:12-15), but this single passage should suffice to impress upon us the need to embrace Scripture and pass by the words of men.
 2. Examine your life and make sure the standard by which you are living is the standard set forth in Scripture and not the standard of men.
 3. (John 12:48).