



THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION

RETRIEVING THE FIVE SOLAS

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GLORY TO GOD ALONE

Where have we been.....

SCRIPTURE ALONE

GRACE ALONE

CHRIST ALONE

FAITH ALONE

Simply Stated...

- *We are submitted to the **Scripture Alone** as our chief authority.
- *We are justified by **Grace** through **Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.**

To what end....?

- *Why have we been saved?

To what end....?

- *For the purpose of escaping death and going to heaven?
- *So we can have our “best life now?”
- *So we can live our lives however we choose.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD ALONE

“All glory is due to God alone. He created all things, sustains all things, and is the goal of all things. This means that He alone is also due all glory for our salvation as it was appointed by Him, accomplished by Him and ultimately has His glory as its goal.”

What are the Implications...

- ✱The doctrine “To the Glory of God Alone” is not merely something to know or believe, but has direct implications on how you and I live our lives.

What are the implications...

- * In Martin Luther's day the holiest life you could lead was one as a monk or a nun.
- * That life was lived in seclusion, away from the temptations of the world.

What are the implications...

- *In today's world, the temptation for the Christian is to live life in a compartmentalized manner.
- *Meanwhile, the secular world finds family, work, and society increasingly drained of meaning.

What are the implications...

- * However, the Bible is clear that the life we live has meaning.
- * And that a life well-lived is a means by which glory is given to God.

EPHESIANS 2:8-10

MATTHEW 5:13-16

I PETER 2:9-12

JAMES 2:14-26

James 2:14-17

- * What good is it to have faith and not have works?
- * Ultimately, no good at all.
- * Faith without works is dead.
- * “You are saved by faith alone, but not by faith that is alone.”

James 2:18-19

- * Faith and Works cannot be separated.
- * To claim faith and not have good works is on par with the belief demonstrated by demons.
- * “Unless thy faith brings forth fruits, I deny that thou hast any faith.” -Calvin

James 2:20-23

- * Abraham, who was justified by faith, demonstrated that faith by “offering up Isaac”.

James 2:24-26

- * In the same way, Rahab, who was justified by faith, demonstrated that faith by giving “friendly welcome to the spies.”
- * Faith and Works should be likened to the Body and Spirit.
- * When you take the Spirit out of the Body, the Body Dies.
- * So too, should faith be viewed apart from works!

In Conclusion...

- * As protestants we are indebted to the work of the Reformation.
- * However, the work of reformation is never over.
- * The threat of being taken captive, both corporately and individually by “every wind of doctrine,” is ever present.

In Conclusion...

- * Submission to the Word of God is a daily exercise.
- * For it is from the **Scripture** that we can know that we are justified by **Grace** through **Faith** in **Christ** to the **Glory of God Alone!**



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