

"THE WORLD FEELS ESPECIALLY BROKEN
WITH NO WAY BACK." —PATRICIA HEATON

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"THIS BOOK OF THE LAW SHALL NOT DEPART FROM YOUR MOUTH,
BUT YOU SHALL MEDITATE ON IT DAY AND NIGHT, SO THAT YOU
MAY BE CAREFUL TO DO ACCORDING TO ALL THAT IS WRITTEN IN IT.

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FOR THEN YOU WILL MAKE YOUR WAY PROSPEROUS,
AND THEN YOU WILL HAVE GOOD SUCCESS. "HAVE I NOT
COMMANDED YOU? BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.

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DO NOT BE FRIGHTENED, AND DO NOT BE DISMAYED,
FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD IS WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO."
—JOSHUA 1:8-9

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I. THE AUTHORITY OF GOD'S WORD

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"THEN MOSES WROTE THIS LAW AND GAVE IT TO THE PRIESTS,
THE SONS OF LEVI, WHO CARRIED THE ARK OF THE COVENANT
OF THE LORD, AND TO ALL THE ELDERS OF ISRAEL. "AND MOSES
COMMANDED THEM, "AT THE END OF EVERY SEVEN YEARS, AT THE SET
TIME IN THE YEAR OF RELEASE, AT THE FEAST OF BOOTHS, "WHEN ALL
ISRAEL COMES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LORD YOUR GOD AT THE PLACE
THAT HE WILL CHOOSE, YOU SHALL READ THIS LAW BEFORE ALL ISRAEL
IN THEIR HEARING. "ASSEMBLE THE PEOPLE, MEN, WOMEN,
AND LITTLE ONES, AND THE SOJOURNER WITHIN YOUR TOWNS,
THAT THEY MAY HEAR AND LEARN TO FEAR THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND
BE CAREFUL TO DO ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LAW, "AND THAT THEIR
CHILDREN, WHO HAVE NOT KNOWN IT, MAY HEAR AND LEARN TO FEAR
THE LORD YOUR GOD, AS LONG AS YOU LIVE IN THE LAND THAT YOU
ARE GOING OVER THE JORDAN TO POSSESS." —DEUTERONOMY 31:9-13

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"THE LORD JESUS BELIEVED IN THE AUTHORITY OF HIS BIBLE, THE OLD TESTAMENT. HE QUOTED IT AS THE ONLY REAL BASIS FOR THE MARRIAGE TIE: HE QUOTED THE STORY OF JONAH TO PROVE HIS RESURRECTION.

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HE USED HIS BIBLE IN TEMPTATION AND MANY TIMES OVER, WHEN CONFRONTED BY THE DEVIL, HE SAID, 'IT IS WRITTEN.' YES, HIS POWER CAME FROM STEEPING HIS LIFE IN THE WORD OF GOD." —ALAN REDPATH

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"MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD THAT COMES FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD. —MATTHEW 4:4
¹⁶"ALL SCRIPTURE IS BREATHED OUT BY GOD AND PROFITABLE FOR TEACHING, FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION, AND FOR TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, ¹⁷"THAT THE MAN OF GOD MAY BE COMPLETE, EQUIPPED FOR EVERY GOOD WORK. —2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17
¹"I CHARGE YOU IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND OF CHRIST JESUS, WHO IS TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD, AND BY HIS APPEARING AND HIS KINGDOM: ²"PREACH THE WORD; BE READY IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON; REPROVE, REBUKE, AND EXHORT, WITH COMPLETE PATIENCE AND TEACHING, ³"FOR THE TIME IS COMING WHEN PEOPLE WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND TEACHING, BUT HAVING ITCHING EARS THEY WILL ACCUMULATE FOR THEMSELVES TEACHERS TO SUIT THEIR OWN PASSIONS, ⁴"AND WILL TURN AWAY FROM LISTENING TO THE TRUTH AND WANDER OFF INTO MYTHS. —2 TIM. 4:1-4

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FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS LIVING AND ACTIVE, SHARPER THAN ANY TWO-EDGED SWORD, PIERCING TO THE DIVISION OF SOUL AND OF SPIRIT, OF JOINTS AND OF MARROW, AND DISCERNING THE THOUGHTS AND INTENTIONS OF THE HEART. —HEBREWS 4:12
 ... ²³SINCE YOU HAVE BEEN BORN AGAIN, NOT OF PERISHABLE SEED BUT OF IMPERISHABLE, THROUGH THE LIVING AND ABIDING WORD OF GOD: ²⁴"FOR "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS, THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS, ²⁵"BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD REMAINS FOREVER." AND THIS WORD IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT WAS PREACHED TO YOU. —1 PET. 1:23-25
 ... ²⁶KNOWING THIS FIRST OF ALL, THAT NO PROPHECY OF SCRIPTURE COMES FROM SOMEONE'S OWN INTERPRETATION, ²⁷"FOR NO PROPHECY WAS EVER PRODUCED BY THE WILL OF MAN, BUT MEN SPOKE FROM GOD AS THEY WERE CARRIED ALONG BY THE HOLY SPIRIT. —2 PETER 1:20-21

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I. THE AUTHORITY OF GOD'S WORD

- DOCUMENTATION AND TEXTUAL CRITICISM
- UNITY AND HONESTY
- HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ACCURACY
- PROPHETIC RELIABILITY
- EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS

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"THE EXISTENCE OF THE BIBLE MEANS THAT GOD SPEAKS. IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO STUDY THE BIBLE, TO UNDERSTAND ITS SPECTACULAR UNFOLDING OF GOD'S PLAN,

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TO REVEL IN THE UNFOLDING STORY OF GOD'S REDEMPTION,
TO APPLY THE SCRIPTURE'S WORLDVIEW TO OUR LIVES
AND TO OBEY IT'S IMPERATIVES." —ALBERT MOHLER

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2. THE SUFFICIENCY OF GOD'S WORD

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TO MEDITATE = TO MARINATE = TO ASSIMILATE

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BUT BE DOERS OF THE WORD, AND NOT HEARERS ONLY,
DECEIVING YOURSELVES. —JAMES 1:22

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⁷THE LAW OF THE LORD IS PERFECT, REVIVING THE SOUL;
THE TESTIMONY OF THE LORD IS SURE, MAKING WISE THE
SIMPLE; ⁸THE PRECEPTS OF THE LORD ARE RIGHT, REJOICING
THE HEART; THE COMMANDMENT OF THE LORD IS PURE,
ENLIGHTENING THE EYES; ⁹THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS CLEAN,
ENDURING FOREVER; THE RULES OF THE LORD ARE TRUE,
AND RIGHTEOUS ALTOGETHER. ¹⁰MORE TO BE DESIRED ARE
THEY THAN GOLD, EVEN MUCH FINE GOLD; SWEETER
ALSO THAN HONEY AND DRIPPINGS OF THE HONEYCOMB.
¹¹MOREOVER, BY THEM IS YOUR SERVANT WARNED;
IN KEEPING THEM THERE IS GREAT REWARD. —PSALM 19:7-11

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"SAYING, 'I WORSHIP JESUS, BUT DON'T BELIEVE THE BIBLE'... IS REALLY
SAYING, 'I WORSHIP A JESUS I AM COMFORTABLE WITH BECAUSE I
CREATED HIM BY MY OWN OPINIONS, BIASES, AND PREFERENCES.'"

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THAT'S A FAKE JESUS. ANYTHING WE KNOW ABOUT THE
REAL JESUS COMES FROM THE SCRIPTURES."
—SHANE PRUITT

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"PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY IS A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT RELIGION
FROM BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY. ONE IS THE RELIGION OF THE BIBLE.
THE OTHER IS THE RELIGION OF SECULARISM.

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CLOAKED WITH THE LANGUAGE OF THE BIBLE.
BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, THEY ARE TWO DIFFERENT RELIGIONS
AND WORLDVIEWS." —GRANT CASTLEBERRY

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"THE GREATEST WAY TO SEE AND EXPERIENCE LIFE-CHANGE IS NOT
THROUGH YOUR RESOLUTIONS, BUT THROUGH MEMORIZATION
AND MEDITATION ON THE REVEALED WORD OF GOD."

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3. THE SECURITY OF GOD'S WORD

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FOR THE WORD OF THE CROSS IS FOLLY TO THOSE WHO ARE
PERISHING, BUT TO US WHO ARE BEING SAVED
IT IS THE POWER OF GOD. —1 CORINTHIANS 1:18

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