

THE SCANDAL OF BIBLICAL ILLITERACY IS OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM.

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE THE THEOLOGICAL DISSECTION THAT THE BIBLE IS OUR FOUNDATION FOR EVERYTHING?

THE BIBLE & OUR FOUNDATION

Lesson #1

IT IS UPON THE RIGHT GRASP OF BIBLICAL AUTHORITY AS OUR FOUNDATION THAT EVERYTHING ELSE IS BUILT.

#1: THE DEFINITION OF BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. Our definition is distinct because of your testimony
 - Baptists believe that the Bible is the <u>only</u> authority for the church in matters of faith and practice.



All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

#1: THE DEFINITION OF BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. Our definition is distinct because of our testimony
- B. Our definition is distinct because of our view of the testaments
 - 1. On matters of faith & practice in the local church we go to the New Testament
 - 2. On matters of doctrine & origins as the people of God we go to the Old Testament

Ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery.

-Ephesians 3:2-3

But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

- 1 Timothy 3:15

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#2: THE OPPOSITION TO BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. Ecclesiastical opposition to biblical authority
 - The Baptist church is not a creedal or confessional church.



#2: THE OPPOSITION TO BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. Ecclesiastical opposition to biblical authority
- B. Theological opposition to biblical authority
 - 1. Elevating processes & writings is an opposition
 - 2. Elevating experiences is an opposition



#2: THE OPPOSITION TO BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. Ecclesiastical opposition to biblical authority
- B. Theological opposition to biblical authority
- C. Liberal opposition to biblical authority



#3: THE RAMIFICATIONS OF BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

➤ We commit to doing God's work, God's way, according to God's Word, in order to expect God's blessing.



According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.

- 2 Peter 1:3

#3: THE RAMIFICATIONS OF BIBLICAL AUTHORITY

- A. It gives us urgency in preaching the Gospel
- B. It gives us duty in our gatherings
- C. It gives us activity in our study
- D. It gives us centrality to our doctrinal statements



