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THE SCRIPTURES

Christ Centered

Last time we look at the The Character of the Scriptures. We found they were **Unique, Powerful, and Divine.**

This week we want to see how Centered the Scriptures are upon Christ. Next time we hope to start on The Content of the Scriptures.

Each book of the Bible reveal some truths about our beautiful Lord Jesus. And, there is one that has as its theme and central purpose to unveil and reveal JESUS CHRIST THE LORD. To see the central theme of Christ in all the Scriptures look at these verses: Revelation 19:10, John 5:39 and Luke 24:27.

Because the Bible is Divine, and speaks of Christ in every book, He is our Source of:

- I. **SANCTIFYING TRUTH**: John 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. (KJV)
- II. **PERSONAL HAPPINESS**: Jeremiah 15:16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts. (KJV)
- III. **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**: 1 Peter 2:2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: (KJV)
- IV. **DIVINE POWER**: Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God [is] quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and [is] a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. (KJV)
- V. **SUPERNATURAL GUIDANCE**: Psalm 119:105 NUN. Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. (KJV)
- VI. **ABSOLUTE COMFORT**: Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. (KJV)
- VII. **BIBLICAL MATURITY** (Completeness): 2 Timothy 3:16-17 All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works. (KJV)
- VIII. **DAILY VICTORY**: Ephesians 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: (KJV)

**A SURVEY OF CHRIST
IN ALL THE SCRIPTURES**

1. In **GENESIS** He is Creating the Universe. The Scriptures are the only reliable source of information on the origin and purpose of: universe, man, sin, nations, covenant and curse. Key Word = GENERATIONS [used 10x in book as outline].
2. In **EXODUS** He is Delivering His People. He is the Way out: of Egypt, of sin, of Earth. Key Word = DELIVERANCE.
3. In **LEVITICUS** He opens the Approach to a Holy God, Who is present with His people [1:3 before the Lord 60x in book]; Who demands holiness in His people [11:44; 19:2; 20:7]. Key Word = HOLINESS occurs 93x in the book.
4. In **NUMBERS** He is the Faithful One Dealing with His Unfaithful People. Key Word = CHASTENING
5. In **DEUTERONOMY** He is Seeking Loyalty from His chosen people as their PROMISE KEEPER. Key Word = COVENANT which occurs 27x.
6. In **JOSHUA** He is Commander of the Lord's Army, Leading His People in Conquest. Key Idea = OBEDIENCE.
7. In **JUDGES** He is Chastening His wayward people who follow seven specific sin-salvation cycles though this book. Key Idea = DISOBEDIENCE
8. In **RUTH** He is Kinsman to His needy people. Key Word = LOYALTY
9. In **I SAMUEL - II CHRONICLES** He is the Perfect King. IN Samuel God Seeks for a Man; In Kings God Sees All; in Chronicles God Saves, Preserves, Rewards His Own. Key Words = EYES OF THE LORD used 13x.
10. In **EZRA** He is our Peg in the Holy Place. Key Word = RETURNING
11. In **NEHEMIAH** He is our Sure Foundation. Key Word = RESTORING.
12. In **ESTHER** He is our Unseen Defender. Key Word = PROTECTING.
13. In **JOB** He is our Sure Redeemer. This book of the five Wisdom books gives a Theology of SUFFERING.
14. In **PSALMS** He is our Shepherd. This book of the five Wisdom books gives a Theology of WORSHIP.
15. In **PROVERBS** He is Wisdom Incarnate. This book of the five Wisdom books gives a Theology of LIVING (principles not promises).
16. In **ECCLESIASTES** He is the only hope of contentment. This book of the five Wisdom books gives a Theology of LIFE.
17. In **SONG OF SOLOMON** He is our Beloved. This book of the five Wisdom books gives a Theology of LOVING.
18. In **ISAIAH** He is the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God and Prince of Peace. Key Word = HOPE.
19. In **JEREMIAH** He weeps over His wayward people Key Word = JUDGMENT.
20. In **LAMENTATIONS** He offers Mercies new every morning, even in hopeless situations Key Word = FAITHFUL.
21. In **EZEKIEL** He is the Holiness to our God. Key Word = GLORY occurs 21x in this book. God's Glory departs in 11:23 and returns in 43:2.
22. In **DANIEL** He is the Most High [12x in book] Who Reigns. Key Word = RULE, see 4:17, 25-26, 32; 5:21.
23. In **HOSEA** He is our Pure and Patient Husband. Key Word = FORGIVING
24. In **JOEL** He restores our locust years. Key Idea = DAY OF THE LORD
25. In **AMOS** He turns the darkness to morning. Key Idea = INESCAPABLE JUDGMENT
26. In **OBADIAH** He is our confidence. Key Idea = FOOLISH PRIDE

27. In **JONAH** He is the loving God who prepares our way [1:4, 17; 2:10; 4:6-8] and gives second chances Key Idea = APPOINTMENTS OF GOD.
28. In **MICAH** He is the one from Everlasting who demands we walk humbly [6:8], and pardons us [7:18-19]. Key Idea = DIVINE REQUIREMENTS
29. In **NAHUM** He judges those who forget Him [3:5]. Key Word = DISASTER
30. In **HABAKKUK** He is the One we cling to [3:16-19], by faith [2:4]. Key Word = HOPE
31. In **ZEPHANIAH** He is calling for National repentance [2:2-3]. Key Word = REVIVAL
32. In **HAGGAI** He is calling for personal rededication [1:5,7]. Key Word = PRIORITIES
33. In **ZECHARIAH** He is Reminding of His Future Plans [12:10] Key Word = RETURN
34. In **MALACHI** He is calling for Personal Repentance [1:2,6,7,13] Key Word = EXAMINATION