

## Theme:

The Bible is clear (perspicuous) in matters relating to salvation and godliness.

## What the Clarity of Scripture is Not

- 1. Not that anyone and everyone can understand it [Acts 2 Cor. 4:3]
- 2. Not that there are no difficulties or obscurities [2 Peter 3:15–16]
- 3. Not that every part of Scripture is equally clear [compare John 3:16 with Revelation 9:1–11]

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"...those things which are necessary to be known, believed, and observed for salvation are so clearly propounded, and opened in some place of Scripture or other, that not only the learned, but the unlearned, in a due use of the ordinary means, may attain unto a sufficient understanding of them."—Westminster Confession 1.7

Conclusion: Using the Means to Understand Scripture's Basics