

Roots of Reformation
2 Kings 22:13
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What is our greatest need? For ourselves and for our culture?

Luther began to reform where he was, he did what he could do.

Josiah sought after God when he was 16, and he found him as Luther had.

What are the elements of a true reformation or of a godly revival? What

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| I. | Seeking the Lord | “Inquire of the Lord” |
| II. | Searching the Scriptures | “Concerning the Words of this Book” |
| III. | Saving Conviction | “Great is the Wrath of the Lord” |
| IV. | Serious Obedience | “Our Fathers Have not Hearkened” |

I. Seeking the Lord. “Inquire of the Lord”

Josiah began to do what he could, where he was.

Reformation starts when individuals seek the Lord

Those that begin a good work for God can expect help from him.

Inquire of the Lord. Ask God what to do, and begin doing it.

II. Searching the Scriptures “Concerning the words of this book”

Josiah was handed a copy of the book of Deuteronomy. (Most likely)

Josiah’s reform was a return to the Word of God, the Covenant of God.

What did Josiah see in the law of God that made him tear his clothes in repentance?
Deuteronomy 29:14-20

Times change, compare yourselves not to the world, and its standard of holiness, look to the Word of God, look to Christ himself for the standard.

We never really understand anything with true spiritual conviction until we see it through the eyes of the Scriptures.

Sin, Salvation, Service

III. Saving Conviction “For great is the wrath of the Lord”

Who is God? What is he like?

But, We will never truly understand God, until we listen to him.

Sin will be punished.

God defines what sin is; not you and not the culture.

IV. Serious Obedience “Our Fathers Have not Obeyed”

Tradition had failed.

How has the Word of God corrected you lately?

In your sphere of influence do you change things for the glory of God?

Trusting Christ and take this faith out into the world.

Amen