

SCRIPTURE ALONE.

Q: What are the five *solas*?

A: The commitments that drove the Reformation forward (the rediscovery of the Gospel in the 16th century).

Sola Scriptura: _____ alone. "The other four *solas*...flow from *sola Scriptura*."¹

Sola Fide: _____ alone.

Sola Gratia: _____ alone.

Solus Christus: _____ alone.

Soli Deo Gloria: To the _____ of God alone.

Q: Why do the *solas* matter?

A: Because authority matters in our lives.

Q: What is Scripture?

A: The 66 books of the Old Testament (39) and New Testament (27).²

2 Timothy 3:16-17

*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.*

Proverbs 30:5

Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him.

Psalms 119:160

Your word is true from the beginning: and every one of your righteous judgments endures forever.

Romans 15:4

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Q: Why do the *solas* still matter today?

A: Because we still have a need for Truth.

Next steps

- Who or what is the authority in your life today?
- To what degree is Scripture authoritative in your life?
- If Scripture is true, how are you leveraging its potential?

Key: Scripture/Faith/Grace/Christ/glory

¹ Steven Lawson, "The Reformation and the Men Behind It," *Ligonier Ministries*, October 1, 2018, <https://www.ligonier.org/blog/reformation-and-men-behind-it/>.

² What does Grace Fellowship believe about the Scriptures? "The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is God's revelation of Himself to man. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter. Therefore, all Scripture is totally true and trustworthy. It reveals the principles by which God judges us, and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. All Scripture is a testimony to Christ, who is Himself the focus of divine revelation." Exodus 24:4; Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 17:19; Joshua 8:34; Psalms 19:7-10; 119:11,89,105,140; Isaiah 40:8; Jeremiah 15:16; 36:1-32; Matthew 5:17-18; 22:29; Luke 21:33; 24:44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16ff.; 17:11; Romans 15:4; 16:25-26; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Hebrews 1:1-2; 4:12; 1 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.