Sola Scriptura

Scripture: Psalm 19:7-14

Series: The Five Solas

Sunday, January 24, 2016

Overview

The Bible alone is God's perfect, life-changing word.

Corraborating Texts

Romans 12:2; Hebrews 4:12

Discussion Questions

- 1. What are the five solas? What do they represent?
- 2. Joe said that ultimately, the discussion of sola scriptura is one of authority—protestants hold to the Bible as the ultimate authority, Catholics hold to the Bible, Church tradition, and the Pope as three equal and ultimate authorities. How do we properly relate to other authorities that the Bible itself authorizes (e.g., the elders of a church (Hebrews 13:17), the secular government (Romans 13:1), etc.? What other authorities, that are not authorized by scripture, vie for your submission? How do we recognize and fight those tendencies?
- 3. Joe said that scripture gives us—amongst other things—wisdom, joy, and enlightenment. Which of these do you derive from scripture most easily and naturally? Which do you have to work for the most?
- 4. How do we define "wisdom"? How does scripture impart wisdom?
- 5. What does it mean to be "transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:2)? What role does scripture play in that process?
- 6. What is the relationship between the Bible as the word of God and Jesus as the Word?
- 7. What is the relationship between **God speaking and leading someone through scripture** and **the Holy Spirit speaking and leading someone**?

