

Emphasis 5: Rediscovering & Restoring the Bible as the Word of God

Emphasis 5A2: Intro to Rediscovering & Restoring All the Scriptures as the Word of God

(Isaiah 58:12) “Those from among you will rebuild the ancient ruins; You will raise up the age-old foundations; And you will be called the repairer of the breach, The restorer of the streets in which to dwelt. (NASB)

(See Also: Acts 3:19-21; Isaiah 2:1-4; Micah 4:1-5; Psalm 110; Isaiah 11:9; Hab. 2:14; Etc.)

(Acts 17:11-12) ¹¹ Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so. ¹² Therefore many of them believed, along with a number of prominent Greek women and men. (Cf. Romans 10:14-17; 1 Thess. 2:13)

I. Emphasis 0: Introduction to the Series: Rediscovering & Restoring the Pattern

- A. Recovering Biblical Perspective: (Acts 17:1-7) (Matt. 5: 13-15; 16:18) (John 16:13; 14:26) (2 Tim. 3:16)
- B. Rediscovering & Restoring the Pattern: (Ex. 25:8-9, 40; 40:34-35) (Heb. 8:5) (Acts 7:44) (Eph. 2:19-22) (1 Chron. 13:1-10; 15:13) (John 13: 13-15; 14:12; 20:21) (1 Pet. 2:21) (Matt. 28:18-20)

II. Fifteen (15) Biblical Emphasis for Rediscovery and Restoration to Biblical Patterns (See List Elsewhere)

III. Past Year at GCF: Emphasis 1, 2, 3 & 4: See those Outlines and Podcast. (<http://gcfd Dayton.org/podcasts/>)

IV. Tonight: Emphasis 5A: Introduction to Rediscovering & Restoring All the Scriptures as the Word of God
(Psalm 119:160) The sum of your word is truth, and every one of your righteous rules (ordinances, judgments) endures forever. (NASB & NKJV alternate words in "()" Parenthesis.) (See Isaiah 40:8)

"Sum" a quantity obtained by the addition of every number in a group or every point in a series of ideas.

(When you "sum" up something you focus on and take into account every one of its points. Only when including every number in the equation do we get the one sole # that is the sum. Missing any #s yields a different sum.)

(2 Timothy 2:15) Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately (ὀρθοτομέω / orthotoméō) handling the word of truth. (Discuss: “Divide” historically.)

(2 Timothy 3:14-17) ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed (become convinced of), knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings (Holy Scriptures), which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ **All** Scripture is breathed out (inspired) 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. (ESV) (NASB & NKJV alternate words in "()" Parenthesis.) (**Note:** "All" means "**all**." **Discuss.**)

"All" in Greek is: πᾶς (pās), which is defined as: each, every, any, all, the whole, everyone, all things, everything.

Plenary Inspiration of Scripture: Inspired & Inerrant (See: <https://carm.org/inerrancy-and-inspiration-bible>)

“Plenary means that all parts of the Bible are equally authoritative. This includes such things as the genealogies of the Old Testament. All parts of the Bible are of divine origin.” “Inspiration Means God Guided The Process The idea behind the word inspiration is that God supernaturally guided the biblical authors to write the exact things that He wanted expressed. The result is Holy Scripture.” (Quoted from Don Stewart)

V. Preview 5B: Approach of Our Lord Jesus to Scripture: “Jesus said...”

(Luke 16:17) But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one stroke of a letter of the Law to fail.

(Matthew 5:17-19) “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill (πληρῶω / plērōō), ¹⁸ For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until **all** is accomplished. ¹⁹ Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. (Antinomianism vs. Theonomy.)

(John 5:39-40) ³⁹ You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness (testify) about **Me**, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse (are unwilling) to come to Me that you may have **life**.

(John 17:3) “This is eternal life, that they know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. (ESV) (NASB alternate words in "()" Parenthesis.)

(John 10:35b) (and the Scripture cannot be broken)

"Broken" in Greek is the Primary Verb: λύω (lýō): to loosen or untie any person (or thing) tied or fastened. Used of bandages and bondages; Used of a husband and wife joined together by the bond of matrimony; to loose one bound, i.e. to unbind, release from bonds, set free; to be bound with chains (a prisoner), let go: to loosen, undo, dissolve, anything bound, tied, or compacted together; Used of assemblies (disperse), i.e. to dismiss, break up; to annul, subvert; to do away with; to deprive of authority, whether by precept or act; to declare null and void; to loose what is compacted or built together; to break up, demolish, something coherent into parts, to destroy.

Note 1: to study or relate to Scripture piecemeal (in parts) only is a futile attempt to λύω (lýō) it.

Note 2: "Individuals, groups, societies & movements cannot break God's Law/Word. God's Law/Word breaks ...!"

Historical Examples: (a) Modernist or "liberal" churches. (b) Evangelicalism. (c) Humanist Nations.

(Luke 24: 27, 32, 44) ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted (explained) to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. They said to one another, “Were not our hearts burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road, while He was **explaining** the Scriptures to us?” ⁴⁴ Then He said to them, “These are My words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” **(John 1:18)**

(ESV) (NASB alternate words in "()" Parenthesis.) (**Explain:** Ezekiel to Rabbis)

(Explanation of “TaNaKH:” An acronym using the initial letters of the three divisions of the Hebrew Scriptures: Torah (Law or Teaching), Nevi'im (Former, Latter & Minor), and Ketuvim (Writings). (Not our modern divisions.) (For more information start at: <http://www.hebrew-streams.org/works/hebrew/3-tanakh.html>)

(Matthew 7:28) ²⁸ And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished (amazed) at His teaching, ²⁹ for He was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes. **(Matt. 13:10-36)**

(Mark 4:33-34) ³³ With many such parables He was speaking the word to them, so far as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ and He did not speak to them without a parable; but He was explaining everything privately to His own disciples. (Matthew 15:15) **(John 1:18)** (**Explain:** Ezekiel to Rabbis) (**Clarity** for Disciples of Scripture)

(John 8:31-32) ³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide (continue, remain) in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” (“iff” **Biconditional**)

Note 3: (“Reverse Negative”) If you do not abide in His word you are a false disciple & also you will not be free.

"Abide": in Greek is: μένω (ménō) defined as: to dwell or live in, remain or abide in a place; to sojourn, tarry; not to depart; to continue to be present, to be held or kept, continually in reference to time; to continue, last, endure, survive, live in and within reference to persons; to remain, wait for, await in reference to condition.

(Isaiah 40:31) Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up *with* wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary. **(Luke 10:38-42)** **(Joshua 1:6-9)**

(Matthew 4:4) But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’” (Quoted from Deuteronomy 8:3 / Jesus on Deuteronomy) (Luke 4:4) (See: "Search the Scriptures Series: Chapter One: The Bible on the Importance of Bible Study.")

VI. Next Week: Continue an Introduction to: ‘How & Why to Study “All” Scripture.’

(Hebrews 4:12) For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Where NASB & NET says “able to judge;” ESV translates as “discerning;” NKJV says “is a discerner.”)

VII. Upcoming: Overview of Major Sections of Scripture & Some Practical Keys to Studying the Bible.



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