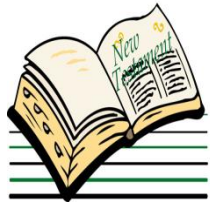


# Sermon Notes



Title: "Is Reformation Needed in the Church Today?"

Text: 2 Chronicles 34:1-33

Theme: The Church even today needs reformation. The question is: How? And that is where "The Five Solas" come in. They lead and guide us in the task of *semper reformanda*.

I. Josiah's \_\_\_\_\_ - 2 Chronicles 34

II. The \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_  
in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century

III. "The Five Solas" of the Reformation

(1) *Sola* \_\_\_\_\_

(2) *Sola* \_\_\_\_\_

(3) *Solus* \_\_\_\_\_

(4) *Sola* \_\_\_\_\_

(5) *Soli* \_\_\_\_\_

IV. Does the Church Need Reformation Today?

V. Application: Some Things in the Church that Need Reformation Today

#### Questions to Answer from the Text of 2 Chronicles 34:1-33

1. How old was Josiah when he became king of Judah (v. 1)?
2. What kind of a king was Josiah (v. 2)?
3. What did Josiah do that earned him this reputation (vv. 3-7)?
4. What was the important discovery during the reign of Josiah (v. 15)?
5. When was this discovered (v. 8)?
6. What were the circumstances that led to this discovery (vv. 9-14)?
7. How did Josiah react to the discovery (vv. 19-21)?
8. Whom did God use to deliver a message to Josiah (v. 22)?
9. What was God's message to Josiah (vv. 23-28)?
10. What did the king do after hearing from the LORD (vv. 29-33)?

#### Questions to Discuss on the Need for Reformation in the Church Today

1. What were some conditions in the Church that led to reformation in the sixteenth century?
2. Why did a split occur in the sixteenth-century Western Church?
3. What are "The Five *Solas*" that were identified in the reformation of the sixteenth-century Church?
4. Do you think the Church needs reforming today? Why or why not?
5. What does *semper reformanda* mean?
6. What does the Bible say about preaching?
7. How important is it for God's people to publicly worship Him? How is this to be done? How does worship degenerate from what it should be?
8. What is your assessment of how effective preaching is in the Church today?
9. In what ways do you see the Church in need of reforming with respect to the roles of men and women?
10. Is it fair to indict the Church for what is taking place in the arena of marriage today? Why or why not?