

## Sufficiency of Scripture

### I. D \_\_\_\_\_

Grudem says, "The sufficiency of Scripture means that Scripture contained all the words of God He intended his people to have at each stage of redemptive history, and that it now contains all the words of God we need for salvation, for trusting Him perfectly, and for obeying him perfectly." (127)

WCF 1/6 "VI. The whole counsel of God concerning all things necessary for His own glory, man's salvation, faith and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture, or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture: unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the Spirit, or traditions of men. Nevertheless, we acknowledge the inward illumination of the Spirit of God to be necessary for the saving understanding of such things as are revealed in the Word: and that there are some circumstances concerning the worship of God, and government of the Church, common to human actions and societies, which are to be ordered by the light of nature, and Christian prudence, according to the general rules of the Word, which are always to be observed."

2 Timothy 3:15-17

2 Peter 1:2-4

Deuteronomy 4:2

Deuteronomy 12:32

Proverbs 30:5-6

Revelation 22:18-19

Psalm 19:7-10

### II. D \_\_\_\_\_

Attacks on the Sufficiency of Scripture:

#### 1. R \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_

81 "Sacred Scripture is the speech of God as it is put down in writing under the breath of the Holy Spirit. "and [Holy] Tradition transmits in its entirety the Word of God which has been entrusted to the apostles by Christ the Lord and the Holy Spirit. It transmits it to the successors

of the apostles so that, enlightened by the Spirit of truth, they may faithfully preserve, expound and spread it abroad by their preaching."

82 As a result the Church, to whom the transmission and interpretation of Revelation is entrusted, "does not derive her certainty about all revealed truths from the holy Scriptures alone. Both Scripture and Tradition must be accepted and honoured with equal sentiments of devotion and reverence."

2. C \_\_\_\_\_—**JW's, LDS, Christian Science**

3. **Christian P** \_\_\_\_\_

For example, *Christianity Today* says,

"Myth: A pastor is competent to counsel his parishioners. Fact: Most pastors are armed with only a meager knowledge of behavioral therapies. A pastor's calling is, primarily, a spiritual one, helping people to find strength in God's presence and a sense of divine direction in the midst of difficulty. Psychological adjustment is a different matter, and when it requires serious attention, pastors should find ways of partnering with professional counselors or psychiatrists" (2/10/92, p. 28).

4. C \_\_\_\_\_ **Movement/G** \_\_\_\_\_

Deuteronomy 29:29

5. **L** \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 4:6

