Whole Bible Christianity 2 Timothy 3:14-17

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1. It is a basic tenet of the Christian faith that \_\_\_\_\_\_ Scripture, Old Testament and New Testament, is the inspired Word of God.

"We are to think of the Bible as the ultimate standard of , the reference point by which every other claim to truthfulness is to be measured. Those assertions that conform with Scripture are true while those that do not conform with Scripture are not true." - Wayne Grudem

- a. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ Testament is characterized by promises made and the New Testament speaks of those promises fulfilled in regard to the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- b. The Scriptures are \_\_\_\_\_\_ for understanding, applying, and living out the Christian faith in all circumstances.

## 2. A clear understanding of the relationship of the Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the modern world is important for Christian thinking and living.

- a. God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ is a reflection of His character and is indispensable in His purpose for the world and especially for His people.

c. People are saved by the grace of God through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. No one can be \_\_\_\_\_\_ by keeping God's moral law but those laws are important in living out the Christian life.

"The moral law ever \_\_\_\_\_\_ to obedience everyone, justified people as well as others ..."

- The Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689
- d. The \_\_\_\_\_ laws of the Old Testament were specifically given to the nation of Israel but *"their general equity continue to be applicable in modern times." (1689 Baptist Confession)* 
  - 1) Many would see little or \_\_\_\_\_ application of the civil law to modern civil governments.
  - 2) However, the civil law of Israel was intended to be an to the governments of the world of proper political order.
  - The civil laws given in the book of Deuteronomy were actually applications of God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ law in the context of civil government.

"The Bible is one \_\_\_\_\_\_book. The Old Testament was Christ's and the Apostle's Bible. By precept and by practice they taught the ongoing authority of the Old Testament. Consequently, everyone must continue to obey the Old Testament teaching except where the New Testament has abrogated it or modified its application." - Robert Fugate

e. If Christians are going to be adequately equipped to rightly understand and live in this world they need \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture at their disposal.