

Sola Scriptura: The Authority of Scripture Alone

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Once a man prized his Bible as his most precious possession. He read it every day.

But one day, a worldly scientist told the man all the current scientific evidence. The man decided the evidence sounded good so he ripped out most of Genesis and anything that talked about God creating the world.

The next day, a professor told him some of the books of the Bible did not fit with current historical findings. The man decided the evidence sounded good, and he ripped out most of the Old Testament.

After that, the man met a scholar who told him that it was up to people to decide what parts of the Bible were God's Word and what parts they felt they wanted to follow. The man thought that sounded good. He ripped out the rest of the Old Testament and a chunk of the New Testament.

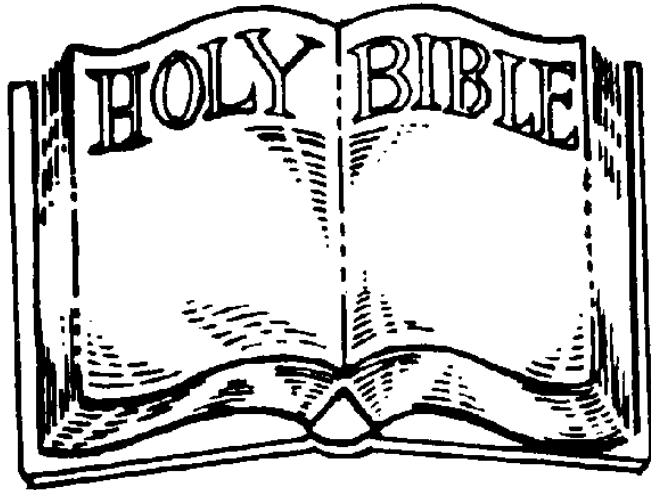
Since he'd already ripped out so much, he ripped out Revelation, since it was too hard to understand. He did the same for a few other bits that were also too difficult.

He looked down at the book in his hands. All that was left of his Bible was the empty leather cover and a few scraps of verses.

It looked worthless, so he tossed his Bible away.



Our source of truth is the scripture and only the scripture. Anything else we feel or hear should be held up to the light of the word of God. If we place anything else above the Bible, we tear the Bible apart until we have nothing left but tatters. Reformers like Martin Luther fought for this truth that scripture alone holds the authority of truth for our lives.



Unscramble each of the clue words. Copy the letters of the numbered cells to reveal the hidden phrase.

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Answers:

HUTRT = Truth

IOTAHTYUR = Authority

LBBEI = Bible

RODW FO DOG = Word of God

AIROTPSNIIN = Inspiration

Hidden Phrase: Scripture Alone