

Do You Believe the Scriptures?

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Introduction

1. John 5:46-47
2. The Jews had a hard time believe that Jesus was the Christ
 - a. There was ample proof John 3:2; 11:47; 12:37
 - b. There was testimony from others. John 1:29,36; 5:31-40
 - c. The purpose of John's writing was to proof that Jesus was the Son of God John 20:30-31
3. How many of us are like the Jews, we do not believe the scriptures

II Discussion

1. One of our problems is that many do not know the scriptures
 - a. John 5:39
 - b. Mark 12:42; Matthew 22:29
 - i. But they could quote the scriptures Matthew 2:5-6
 - ii. Even the devil quoted the scriptures Matthew 4:6
 - iii. So it is more than just quotation 2 Peter 3:15-16
 - c. The way to correct this problem is to study Psalm 1:2; 119:11, 105, 130; 2 Timothy 2:15; 3:15
2. The Scriptures have been completely delivered Jude 3
 - a. The scriptures have been confirmed Hebrews 2:3-4
 - b. We have all we need 2 Peter 1:3; 2 Timothy 3:16-17
 - c. We cannot have our own interpretation of Scriptures 2 Peter 1:20-21
3. The Scriptures will make us wise unto salvation 2 Timothy 3:15
 - a. The Scriptures will convert the soul Psalm 19:7
 - b. The Gospel is the power of God Romans 1:16
 - c. The Word will save the soul James 1:21; 1 Peter 1:22-23
4. The Scriptures give us all we need 2 Peter :3
 - a. If we have all we need – what can we have that will enhance Christianity?
 - b. We have all we need for life John 5:40; 10:10; Romans 6:23; Galatians 6:8
 - c. We have all we need for godliness (to be devout; to show piety) 2 Peter 3:11; Titus 2:11-12; 1 Timothy 6:11; 2:2

III Conclusion

1. We must study to know the Scriptures
2. The Scriptures are complete
3. The Scriptures will make us wise unto salvation, are you saved?
4. The Scriptures tell us exactly what to do to be saved
5. Will you come and be saved today?!

Sources: Sermon preached by Joe Smith 10/16/94; PC Study Bible Matthew Henry commentary; Gospel Advocate commentary on 1 & 2 Peter