The King Has Spoken: How to Establish bible Authority

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INTRODUCTION

- You have wearied the Lord with your words. But you say, How have we wearied him? By saying, Everyone who does evil is good in the sight of the Lord.
- Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness.
- The only standard that man has ever had is from God. Any other standard is on sinking sand.

1 It Starts First With the King

Romans 2:1–24; Acts 20:28; Ephesians 1:22–23

- When you think about how to establish Bible authority, it starts first with the king.
- You then who teach others, do you not teach yourself?
- We need to know as Christians that the King, Jesus the Christ, has spoken.
- Jesus purchased the church. He bought it with his blood.

2 There Is Objective Truth

Matthew 7:21; 2 Corinthians 5:10

- Not everyone who says to me, Lord will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.
- We will all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.
- How do we know that there's objective truth? Because we're going to be judged based upon the objective standard.
- If I believe that Jesus is high priest, king, Lord, and Savior, and purchased the church with his blood, I will submit to his will if I want to please him.

3 Command, Example, Necessary Inference: Tell, Show, Imply

Acts 15:1–17; Acts 10:20–29; Amos 9:11–12

- You might read commands in the scripture. You might read of apostolic example in the scripture, and you might read of necessary inferences.
- Not only is it basic communication, but that's how God has communicated to us. He's left us his revealed word.
- There were those teaching that unless the Gentile converts were circumcised according to the law of Moses, they could not be saved.
- When God gives us direct commands, we need to obey without hesitation. And not needing to stop to ask why.

- What was the purpose of miracles in the New Testament? To confirm the word. To show the source was not from men, but from God.
- James, by virtue of an inference drawn from the very scripture of the Jews, is able to conclude profoundly and certainly no.

4 The Lord's Supper: Do This in Remembrance of Me

Luke 22:19; Acts 20:7; Exodus 20:8

- He broke it and gave it to them, saying, This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.
- On the first day of the week when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul talked with them.
- Just like the first day of the week, as long as the Lord wills, will continually come at the beginning of each week.

5 Singing and Making Melody With Your Heart

Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; Acts 16

- Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart.
- Where is the authority for the piano? If it's lacking, have we acted on a direct command? No. Have we acted on an example? No. Is there a necessary inference? No.
- We are nothing if not a group of Christians gathered together to worship God.

6 Baptism: They Went Down Into the Water

Acts 2:38; Acts 8:35–39; Romans 6

- Repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins.
- He commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.
- Do you think that's the picture of sprinkling? No. Acts chapter 8 makes it clear that they went down into the water.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Don't reject God any longer. Submit to His will, whether we like it or not. Let's do it without hesitation. Know the will of God, obey.**

MY NOTES