

Scripture - Luke 24:13-35 The Emmaus Road Part 6 - Sufficiency: Is the Bible Enough? (Christ-centeredness)

This fall our Bible study is asking, "What is the Bible?" The question today is: Is the Bible enough?

Is the Bible enough to tell us about how to do life? Is the point of the Bible to tell us how to live? What is the point of the Bible?

[Emmaus Road] Let's jump in and read about Jesus explaining the whole Bible himself in Luke 24:13-35.¹

So what is the Bible about?
It's about Jesus.

After his death and resurrection Jesus meets two of his disciples on a road and he doesn't let them recognize him at first. They're sad because they think Jesus is dead and they thought Jesus would be their king and deliver them. But they still didn't understand what that meant. So Jesus walks them through the OT explaining how it all pointed to him. V.27 Luke says that "beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself."

Jesus all the Old Testament is all about him.

[Christ Centered Hermeneutic] This gives us another very important way we're supposed to read our Bibles. Just like we got to read the Bible like it's all true; just like we got to read a passage in the Bible like it's part of the one big story of the Bible - another crucial hermeneutic is to read all the Bible like it's all about Jesus. This is to read the Bible like it's **Christ-centered**.

There are 66 books in the Bible. 39 OT books and 27 NT books, written over a thousand

years, in three different languages, by more than 40 authors, on three different continents. And it all points to Jesus.

[Sufficiency] So is the Bible enough?

Yes the Bible is enough to tell us about Jesus and his salvation and how he is the only Savior and the only way for anyone who has ever lived to get to heaven.

So do we NEED any other source of special revelation to know about God or heaven or what's good or evil or how to get to heaven?

Problem: *I need more than the Bible. I need to hear God's voice myself. I need God to part the skies and show himself to me to really believe he's real. I need to see a miracle. To know heaven is real I need to hear about a little boy dying and going to heaven and then coming back and telling me about how he saw his grandfather.*

Answer: To say the Bible is **sufficient** means the Bible tells us everything we need to believe to be saved and how to live grateful lives to God for his salvation.

To say the Bible is **sufficient** DOES NOT mean the Bible tells you how to do laundry or how to tie your shoes or how to do math.

What is God's will for your life?

Love God with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself - Mark 12:30-31

What must you do to be saved?

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - Acts 16:31

The **sufficiency** of Scripture tells us that we need no other kind of "special revelation" in order to live.

¹ Sally Michael, *More Than a Story New Testament*, Chapter 129, Impostor or the Son of God, 200-201.