

What does scripture say about God's Supreme Authority?

Isaiah 40:28: "Have you never heard? Have you never understood? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth. He never grows weak or weary. No one can measure the depths of His understanding."

Isaiah 46:9-10: "Remember the former things of old, for I *am* God, and *there is* no other; I *am* God, and *there is* none like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *things* that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure.'"

Isaiah 45:19: "I have not spoken in secret, from somewhere in a land of darkness; I have not said to Jacob's descendants, 'Seek me in vain.' I, the LORD, speak the truth; I declare what is right."

As such:

John 1:11-13: "He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

Therefore:

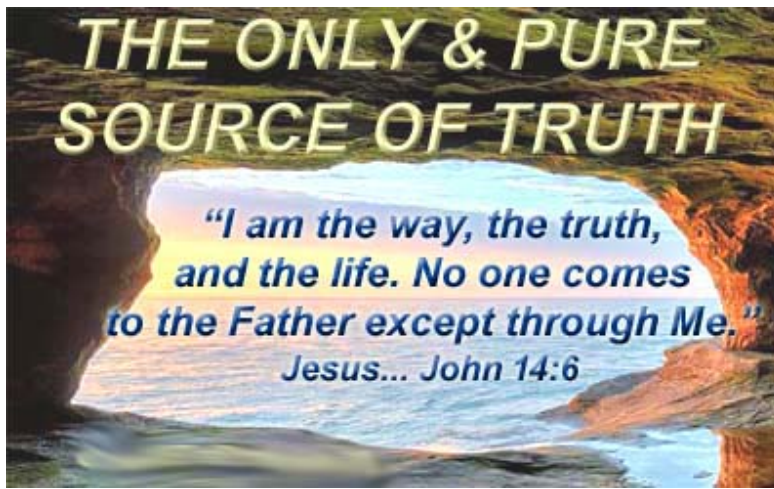
Proverbs 30:6 says, "Do not add to His words, lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar."

Why?

Psalms 33:4: "For the Word of the LORD *is* right, and all His work *is done* in truth."

Do I submit to God's Supreme Authority?

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What does scripture say about the Word of God as the only secure source of truth?

Proverbs 30:5: "Every word of God *is* pure; He *is* a shield to those who put their trust in Him."

Isaiah 40:8: "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever."

As such:

Isaiah 55:11: "So shall My Word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it."

Psalms 19:7: "The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple."

1 Thessalonians 2:13: "For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the Word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed *it* not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the Word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe."

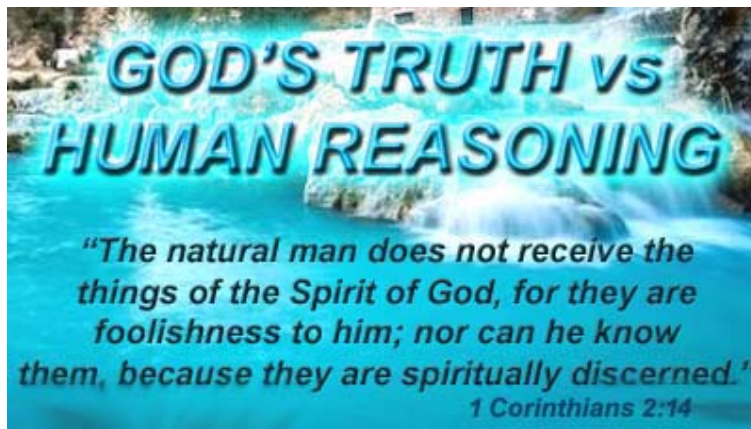
Matthew 4:4: "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

What's more?

John 1:14: "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

Do I believe in and trust Christ Jesus, the Word of God, the only secure and reliable source of truth?

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What does scripture tell us about the human reasoning of the world as compared to the Wisdom of God?

Proverbs 1:7: "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Psalms 33:10-11: "The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations."

Why?

Isaiah 55:8-9: "For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, nor *are* your ways My ways," says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."

1 Corinthians 1:25: "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men."

As such:

Psalms 118:8: "*It is* better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man."

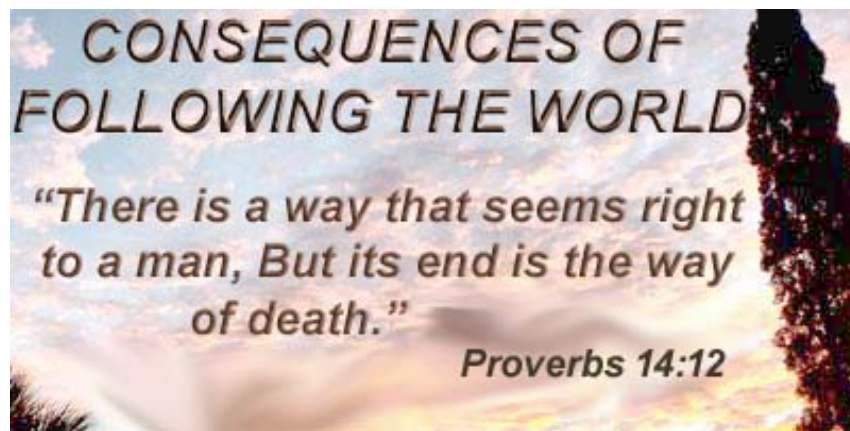
1 Corinthians 2:13: "These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual."

The reason Jesus said:

John 6:63, "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and *they* are life."

Am I anchored to the Word of God, or do I rather allow the madness of the sinful world to control my heart?

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Are there consequences for following the deceptions of the world's so-called wisdom, rather than trusting and abiding in Christ, the Word of God?

John 12:48: "He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him, the Word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day."

Revelations 22:18-19: "For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book."

As such:

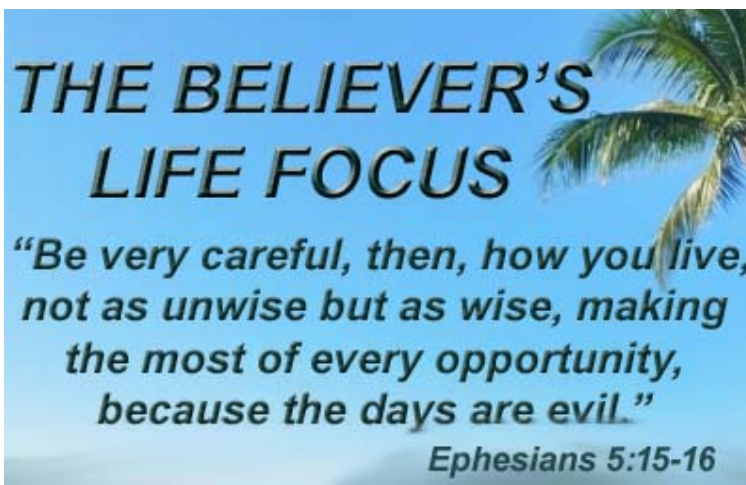
2 Peter 2:1: "There were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, *and* bring on themselves swift destruction."

1 Corinthians 3:19: "The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their *own* craftiness."

Proverbs 10:8: The wise are glad to be instructed, but babbling fools fall flat on their faces."

Do I understand the consequences for flirting with the world's opinions and cunning deceptions?

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What does scripture teach us, on how to focus our lives to honor God and follow Christ the Lord?

Colossians 3:16: “Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another.”

2 Timothy 2:15: “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.”

Romans 12:2: “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”

Isaiah 55:6-7: “Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.”

Why?

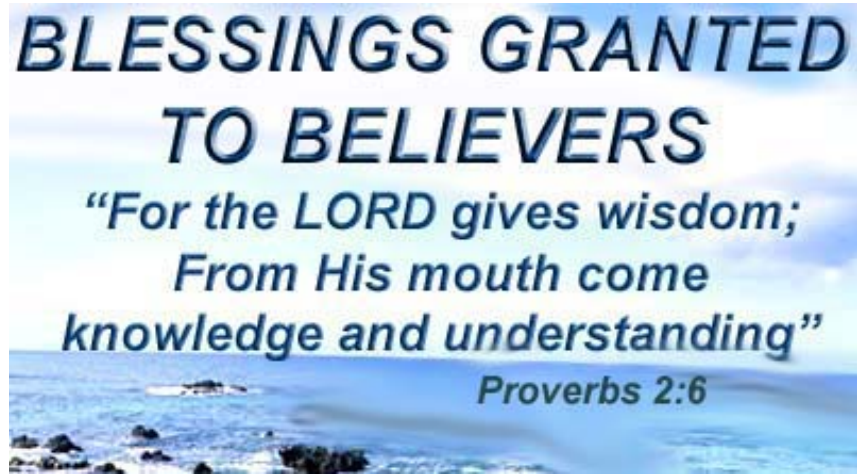
Ephesians 4:15: “Speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head, that is, Christ.”

1 John 5:3: “For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.”

John 4:24: “God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Am I steadfast in seeking God through His Word, so as to live to abide in Christ through my thoughts, my words and my actions?

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What can we expect as believers, if we commit and apply ourselves to seek God and live to follow Christ as Lord?

John 8:31-32: “If you abide in My Word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

Psalms 18:30: “As for God, His way is perfect; the Word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.”

Proverbs 9:10: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”

Proverbs 3:5-6: “Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.”

Ephesians 1:13: “In Him you also trusted, after you heard the Word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.”

How is that accomplished?

Romans 8:16-17: “The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.”

Is my heart focused on Christ, and my mind committed to follow Him, so as Philippians 4:7 states, “I have the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding”?

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GOD'S WORD ABIDES FOR ETERNITY

*"The entirety of Your Word is truth,
and every one of Your righteous
judgments endures forever."*

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Psalm 119:160

Does God change from time to time to adapt to the world's humanistic tendencies, or will His Word prevail forever?

Here's what His Word says on this:

Psalm 119:142: "Your righteousness *is* an everlasting righteousness, and Your law *is* truth."

James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning."

Psalm 119:189: "Forever, O LORD, Your Word is settled in heaven."

Isaiah 40:8: "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever."

Romans 3:3-4: "For what if some did not believe? Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect? Certainly not! Indeed, let God be true but every man a liar."

Psalm 145:13: "Your kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion *endures* throughout all generations."

As such:

Hebrews 13:8: "Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday, today, and forever."

And as Jesus clearly said:

Matthew 5:18: "I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not even the smallest detail of God's law will disappear until its purpose is achieved."

If my time in this life was up right now, am I ready to meet the Lord knowing His Word endures forever?

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“Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.”

Psalm 90:2

Who is God?

Isaiah 46:9: “*I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me.*”

Colossians 1:16: “By Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.”

Psalm 33:6: “By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.”

As such:

Psalm 19:1: “The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.”

Romans 11:33-36: “Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out! For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor? Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to him? For of Him and through Him and to Him *are* all things, to whom *be* glory forever.”

John 10:27-29: “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of My Father’s hand.”

Do I hear and abide by the voice of the Lord in my spirit?

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