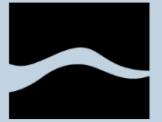


SERMON NOTES

No Common Book: The Clarity of Scripture Various Texts



BIG IDEA: The doctrine of the clarity of Scripture teaches us three ways to keep our Bibles open when we are tempted to close them.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

Why did the Roman Catholic Church oppose the translation and interpretation of the Bible by laypeople during Tyndale's time?

The Doctrine of the clarity of Scripture is one of precious facets of God's Word. What aspect of this doctrine encouraged you? What aspect convicted you?

Why does God's gracious sovereignty over communication give great comfort as we approach the task of interpreting God's Word?

Why is the illumination of the Holy Spirit so important for the interpretive process? What are some ways we can rely upon the Spirit for Understanding?

Why is intentional careful thought necessary for the task of interpreting Scripture?

APPLY

What steps can you take to guard against discouragement in reading and interpreting Scripture?

How can you rely more on the Holy Spirit for illumination when reading Scripture?

What did you find most challenging from this doctrine? What did you find most encouraging?

COMMIT

Commit to trusting in God's gracious sovereignty, relying on the Holy Spirit for understanding, and humbling myself under God's Word. I will open my Bible regularly and seek to grow in my knowledge and application of the Scriptures, allowing God's wisdom to guide my life.