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## Sufficiency of scripture 05

What is lacking in the modern-day Christians?

- Reading the Word,
- Obeying the Word,
- Living it out,
- Teaching the Word, and
- Proclaiming the Word.

The reason for this is that they don't understand the truth about the sufficiency of the Scriptures.

### **Psalms 19 and 119**

**God's World** – Verses 1-6

**God's Word** – Verses 7-11

**God's Way** – Verses 12-14

Let us look at God's Word from **Verses 7 to 11**.

*7 The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul;*

*The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;*

*8 The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;*

*The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;*

*9 The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;*

*The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.*

*10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
 Yea, than much fine gold;  
 Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.  
 11 Moreover by them Your servant is warned,  
 And in keeping them there is great reward.*

**Verses 7-9**

Six parameters for the Word of God

<b>Title</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Benefit</b>
Law	Perfect	Converts the Soul
Testimony	Sure	Makes wise
Statue	Right	Rejoice the heart
Commandment	Clear	Enlighten eyes
Fear	Clean	Endures forever
Judgement	True	Altogether righteous

Six times in these three verses we read “of the Lord.”

1. The law of the Lord,
2. The testimony of the Lord,
3. The statutes of the Lord,
4. The commandment of the Lord,
5. The fear of the Lord, and
6. The judgments of the Lord.

We can see clearly that the source of these words is from the Lord God only! Six times the covenant name of God, Yahweh, is used to identify the source of the sufficient Word.

This Psalm is nothing but God's own testimony to the sufficiency of Scripture for all spiritual needs.

- 1. The Law of the Lord**
- 2. The testimony of the Lord**
- 3. The Statute of the Lord**
- 4. The commandment of the Lord**

## **5. Fear of the Lord**

***V9, The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;***

Word of God called here as "fear" as a synonym for Holy Scripture.

Why does David do that?

The Word of God meant to convey fear or the awesomeness of God!

When we come to know the amazing and marvellous things about God it brings a reverential awe/ fear, to draw us to worship.

The Scripture intends to produce fear or awe or respect or worship to God. So, it is said to be the fear of the Lord.

The habit of the human soul is to worship, the Scripture then instructs us who we are to worship and how we are to worship. We have done detailed study on the worship.

Fear of the Lord, “is clean.”

The Greek word is ‘**taher**’ word means

- ✓ the absence of impurity,
- ✓ the absence of filthiness,
- ✓ the absence of defilement,
- ✓ the absence of imperfection.
- ✓ unblemished with sin,
- ✓ without evil,
- ✓ without corruption, and
- ✓ without error.

This is so contrast to the evil imaginations of men.

The Word of God is so clean that this does not even contain one small taint or inch or evil in it.

**Psalm 12:6**, *The words of the Lord are pure words, Like silver tried in a furnace of earth, Purified seven times.*

The Word is so pure, hallowed, holy, and separate from sin.

Now for a moment just contrast this with the words of men!

- ✓ You can’t always trust the word of man.
- ✓ You can always trust the Word of God.

It endures forever!

You can follow it always.

It's trustworthy all the time.

It is the living Word and the eternal Word.

**1 Peter 1:23**, *having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,*

**Psalms 119:89**, *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."*

Many people claim that the Word of God is outdated, and it needs to be updated like our phone or computer software.

But the Word of God is pure,

- ✓ without flaw,
- ✓ without error, and
- ✓ without sin.

Therefore, it does not need any updates.

It is perfect.

Do we have to believe the lie which is been spread these days?

Do we need to believe that it needs to be reinforced by people who are more sophisticated than the Holy Spirit who wrote it?

Can you not believe that it cannot purify a heart and a soul and a life?

Do you need to believe that people must go someplace to learn a formula to get rid of their sin? or to have an inner healing? or to have a soul cleansing by some practitioner?

All these are happening since people believe that the Word of God is not sufficient to deliver people from their sin.

The Word is adequate and sufficient as a clean Word, to clean the heart, to purge the heart.

**Psalms 119:2-3**, *<sup>2</sup>Blessed are those who keep His testimonies, Who seek Him with the whole heart! <sup>3</sup>They also do no iniquity; They walk in His ways.*

**Psalms 119:9-11**, *How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word. <sup>10</sup>With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! <sup>11</sup>Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.*

**Psalms 119:38**, *Establish Your word to Your servant, Who is devoted to fearing You.*

**Psalms 119:67**, *Before I was afflicted, I went astray, But now I keep Your word.*

**Psalms 119:101**, *I have restrained my feet from every evil way,  
That I may keep Your word.*

**Psalms 119:172**, *My tongue shall speak of Your word, For all  
Your commandments are righteousness.*

- The Word is sufficient for cleansing.
- It's sufficient for purifying the life.
- It is eternally relevant.
- It is all that is necessary for the cleansing of the soul.

## **6. Judgement of the Lord**

*V9, The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.*

The Word of God called as “the judgments” or “the ordinances” means divine verdicts.

So we have

Divine instruction	law of the Lord
Divine witness	testimony of the Lord
Divine principles	statutes of the Lord
Divine decrees	Commandments of the Lord
Divine worship	fear of the Lord
Divine verdict	Judgement of the Lord

Divine verdicts from the bench of the judge of all the earth.

The Bible is God's judicial determination for the life of man and eternal destiny from the eternally supreme judge.

"His Word is true."

How hard it is for people in our society or in any part of the planet earth to find truth?

Do you know what a battle it is to discover truth?

God has given us His Word that is true.

It's always true.

Hence, the Word of God is always

- ✓ dependable,
- ✓ relevant, and
- ✓ applicable.
  
- ✓ If the Word of God is sufficient for salvation,
- ✓ If it is sufficient to perfectly transform the soul of a person,
- ✓ If it is sufficient for all the skills of spiritual living,
- ✓ If it is sufficient to bring full joy to overcome the sorrows and struggles of life,
- ✓ If it is sufficient to bring understanding to the dark things hard to see,
- ✓ If it is sufficient to purify all sin, and

Then it's always true!

Then the Word of God got to be the source of everything in spiritual living.



Result of the truthfulness of Scripture: it is altogether righteous!  
It is a complete comprehensive sufficient source of truth.

**Deuteronomy 4:2**, *You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you.*

You better not add anything, or you better not take anything away.

Why?

This is altogether comprehensive and complete.

**Revelation 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; <sup>19</sup>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.*

When God gives instructions to the king how he ought to live to receive the blessings from the Lord

**Deuteronomy 17:19-20**, *And it shall be with him, and he shall read it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the Lord his God and be careful to observe all the words of this law and these statutes, <sup>20</sup>that his heart may not be lifted above*

*his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left, and that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children in the midst of Israel.*

Do you need to believe that we need more revelation?  
The Word of God is sufficient.

**Psalms 119:89**, *Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven.*

**Psalms 119:128**,  
*Therefore all Your precepts concerning all things I consider to be right; I hate every false way.*

**Psalms 119:137- 138**, *Righteous are You, O Lord, And upright are Your judgments. <sup>138</sup>Your testimonies, which You have commanded, Are righteous and very faithful.*

**Psalms 119:142**, *Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, And Your law is truth.*

**Psalms 119:151**, *You are near, O Lord, And all Your commandments are truth.*

**Psalms 119:160**, *The entirety of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.*

**Conclusion:**

**Psalms 19:10-13**, *More to be desired are they than gold,  
Yea, than much fine gold;*

*Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.*

*11 Moreover by them Your servant is warned,  
And in keeping them there is great reward.*

*12 Who can understand his errors?*

*Cleanse me from secret faults.*

*13 Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins;*

*Let them not have dominion over me.*

*Then I shall be blameless,*

*And I shall be innocent of [g]great transgression.*

## **1. Precious**

To have the Word of God is more valuable than all the precious metal.

The Word of God is the greatest possession one can have in his life. It is supremely valuable for it leads to the path of joy.

## **2. Pleasure**

Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Nothing is as sweet, nothing is as pleasurable, nothing is as enriching, nothing is as personally meaningful. It brings the sweetest things of earth.

There's no pleasure in life like the pleasure and the joy hours spent in the Word of God.

Scripture is the greatest possession and the source of the greatest pleasure.

### **3. Protection**

Moreover, by them is Your servant warned.

It's a source of protection. In the face of temptation and sin and ignorance, we need the Word. It protects us. We hide it that we might not sin.

### **4. Profit**

It's the source of the greatest profit, for in keeping of its truths there is great reward. The true reward is not here and now!

The true reward is the obedience to Scripture that brings about the glory to come. Instead of living for what we can amass here and now, we need to know the blessedness of living for the eternal reward.

### **5. Purification.**

The word of is a purifier. The psalmist even as he is going through all of this, he says, "Who can understand his errors."

Why would you ever violate that which can transform you?

Why would you ever leave which make you wise?

Why would you not fill your heart with joy?

Why would you not read which enlighten your eyes?  
Why would you not purify your heart with this Word?  
Why would you approach the who supplies will things  
comprehensively?  
Why would you ever violate such truth?

How can I understand that?  
Let us finish with this prayer

***V14, Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.***