THE FIVE SOLAS...

- Sola Scriptura
- Solus Christus
- Sola Gratia
- Sola Fide
- · Soli Deo Gloria

SOLA FIDE Romans 3:27-31

Three logical conclusions of the gospel message of 'faith alone'...

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1 Cor 1:31 - ... as it is written, "LET HIM WHO BOASTS, BOAST IN THE LORD."

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law = 'principle'

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➤ the PAST — **Rom 5:1** - Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...

➤ the PRESENT – *Rom 3:24* - being justified as a gift by His grace...

➤ the FUTURE – **Rom 3:20** - ...by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight...

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Phil 3:6 – as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

Prov 8:13 - ... Pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverted mouth, I hate.

Prov 16:18 - Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before stumbling.

Mark 7:21-22 – 21 ...out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, 22 deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness.

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Eph 2:8-9 - For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may <u>boast</u>.

SCHLATTER – For the individual to relinquish his boasting, a powerful act of God is required.

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shema – 'to hear' or 'to listen'

Deut 6:4 - Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!

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Psa 96:1 - ... Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Psa 96:7 - ... O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

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Matt 5:17 - Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.

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Rom 8:3-4 - For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

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Psa 19:7–11 - 7 The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. 8 The precepts 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; they are righteous altogether. 10 They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb. 11 Moreover, by them Your servant is warned; In keeping them there is great reward.

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DORIANI – Justification liberates us from the quest for perfection and yet permits us to love the law as God's good guide for life.

1 Cor 15:3 - For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures...

Gal 1:4 - who gave Himself for our sins so that He might rescue us from this present evil age...

Jer 9:23-24 – 23 Thus says the Lord, "Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; 24 but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the Lord.