# Reformed by Being Built Upon God's Word

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#### What is a Reformed Christian?

"A reformed believer is one who wants to make the Bible the foundation of his life. His goal is to make sure he understands it and with Christ's help seeks to obey it and apply it."

"We call our view 'reformed' because we want to re-shape or re-form what we believe so that it takes the shape of what God makes known to us in His written Word"

We must work to discover sinful ideas in our thinking from the Word of God:

Rom 3:10-11; Psa 119:38

Biblical Reformers: Each was radical for God's Word

Noah 2 Pt 2:5 Abraham Moses King David

The Prophets Jesus

Apostle Peter Apostle Paul YOU?

Church Reformers:

John Wycliff John Huss

Martin Luther

Why does God allow Conflicts?..... 1 Cor 11:18-19

Foundational Principle of Protestant Reformation: <u>Sola Scriptura</u>. . . . . . . . . . Scripture Alone

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- Not Individualism Word understood in community (Church) by discussion Acts 17:11; 1 Cor 11:18-19; 2 Cor 11:2-4
- Believers must KNOW & STUDY Word. Psa 119:11
- Interpretation NOT left to the Elite all have Holy Spirit. Rom 15:14; Jn 16:13-14; 1 Cor 2:12; 2 Cor 4:3-4;
- Holy Spirit guides in Word not new ideas outside Word of God 1 Cor 2:12; 2 Cor 4:3-4
- Word of God is Sufficient we don't need to add philosophy, psychology, science, etc. to reinterpret Word of God 2 Peter 1:3-11; 2 Tim 3:16-17

# BE A REFORMER EVERY DAY!

# For Thought & Discussion:

- Explain what this means, what would that look like? "A reformed believer is one who wants to make the Bible the foundation of his life. His goal is to make sure he understands it and with Christ's help seeks to obey it and apply it."
- How can we keep sinful ideas (Rom 3:10-11) from creeping into our lives?
- Consider the list of Biblical Reformers what things can you learn from each of them?

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- Study the Reformers and think about the challenges they faced as they stood on the truth of God's Word alone. How does that shape your life?
- Read 1 Cor 11:18-19. Are controversies and discussions of theology good and helpful? How? How are they dangerous?

Look up these passages & discuss if you agree/disagree with these principles:

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