

IF THE FOUNDATIONS BE DESTROYED—4
“Just How Do We CONDUCT Ourselves?” — Part 1
Selected Passages

Introduction. _____

I. FIRST, WE PROMISE TO SUBMIT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE SCRIPTURES AS THE FINAL AUTHORITY IN ALL MATTERS OF FAITH AND PRACTICE (Psalm 119:2; 2 Timothy 3:14-17); 2 Peter 1:19-21; Acts 17:11).

A. First, notice the uniqueness of the Scripture (2 Timothy 3:14-17).

- “. . . and is profitable for doctrine . . .”
—it tells us what is right.
- “. . . for reproof . . .”
—it tells me what is wrong.
- “. . . for correction . . .”
—it tells me how to get right.
- “. . . for instruction in righteousness . . .”
—it tells us how to stay right.

B. Secondly, consider the unlikeness of the Scripture (2 Peter 1:19-21).

Three miracles distinguish it from all the books of the world and defend its UNLIKENESS:

1. First, the miracle of inspiration
It is divine in its initiation

2. Secondly, the miracle of preservation
It is divine in its continuation

3. Thirdly, the miracle of illumination
It is divine in its communication

II. SECONDLY, WE PROMISE TO SEEK HOLINESS IN ALL ASPECT OF LIFE—home, work, community, personal life AS AN ACT OF WORSHIP TO THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Peter 1:13-16; 4:1-3).

III. THIRDLY, WE PROMISE TO _____ EVIL HABITS AND SINFUL ENTANGLEMENTS—such as illicit drug use, liquor, AND ALL OTHER SINFUL BEHAVIORS AS TAUGHT IN THE SCRIPTURES (Romans 1:28-32; Galatians 5:19-21; Ephesians 5:18; James 3:3-18).

CONCLUSION:

- _____ to the authority of the Scriptures as the sole and final authority in ALL matters of faith and practice.
- _____ holiness in ALL aspects of life as an act of worship to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- _____ evil habits and entanglements and ALL sinful behavior as taught in the Scriptures.