



Doctrine—The Bible Reveals God
From sermon 8.18.19

Read *Luke 24:27 & 44-45*

Questions, Answers, and Review from Sunday's sermon: Because our God is a God of relationship, He has chosen to reveal Himself to man. [In two ways we'll discuss below]. He does so in far more than just a profile, snapshot, or glimpse. He reveals Himself in greater ways than we can even fully understand. It is our calling and responsibility to discover, study, and glorify Him through the revelation He's given.

What are the two ways (revelations) God has revealed Himself?

1. Natural or General Revelation = nature, Creation. Through the telescope, visual observation, and the microscope. See *Romans 1:18-20 & Psalm 19:1-4*

2. Divine or Special Revelation = The Bible/the written Word of God.

[Note on "Special" Revelation. Great theological term, but the Charismatics highjacked it in the 20th century to mean God gives some a "new word", vision, or prophecy. Again, we teach that God is done speaking. The Bible is the final and complete Word of God.]

What *can* we know about God—just through Natural/General Revelation? Various Answers. He is. He is immeasurably powerful, intelligent, creative, sovereign, glorious, timeless....

What are Natural/General Revelation's limitations? What can we *not know* about God from this alone? Various answers. His nature. His holiness (our sinfulness) or wrath. His expectation on man. His Law. His love, mercy, and grace. How to be saved.

What was proposed, on Sunday, as the ultimate and final Purpose of God's written Word? To bring Him glory.

What is the Central Theme and Core Subject of the Bible? Jesus Christ

Just the New Testament? No. Jesus is displayed, showed, and manifest throughout the Bible and redemptive History. Give some examples. See also *Colossians 1:13-18, 1 Corinthians 10:4, John 6:51.*

1. Everyone turn to Hebrews chapter 1.
2. Have the assigned person read verses 5-13
3. Using a Reference/study Bible, list the various Psalms the writer used to show Christ in the Old Testament.
 - Verse 5—Psalm 2:7 (also 2 Samuel 7:14)
 - Verse 6—Psalm 97:7
 - Verse 7—Psalm 104:4
 - Verses 8-9—Psalm 45:6-7
 - Verse 10-12—Psalm 102:25-27
 - Verse 13—Psalm 110:1

What portion of the Bible, in particular, reveals the one and only way someone gets saved? The Gospel(s). See also *1 Corinthians 15:1-4*

Is it enough just to hear the Word of God? Is it enough to just believe it? No. we are expected to obey the Word and follow it.