

## Christ's Call TO REFORM the Church – Part 2

INTRODUCTION – The need for a New Reformation

What would it mean to have a new reformation today?

- 1 Peter 1:16, 2 Cor 2:11, 2 Cor 10:4

SOLA SCRIPTURA (Scripture Alone)

*"I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book:*

*if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book."* Rev 22:18-19

- Nehemiah 8, 2 Tim 3:16-17, 1 Cor 4:6

SOLA FIDE (Faith Alone)

*"And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:*

*Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."* Romans 4:5-8

- Isaiah 1:11, Gen 15:6, Gal 1:9, Romans 11:6, 2 Cor 6:14-16, Eph 2:8-10, Mat 7:23, James 2:19, 20, 26

SOLA GRATIA (Grace Alone)

*"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."* Ephesians 2:8-9

- Rom 3:23, Gal 3:10, Rom 9:16, Titus 3:5, 2 Cor 5:21, Rom 3:11, John 6:44,

#### SOLI DEO GLORIA (Gloria to God Alone)

- *“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.”* 1 Cor. 10:31.
- *“I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other”*  
Isaiah. 42:8
- *“For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen* Romans 11:36

#### SOLUS CHRISTUS (Christ Alone)

- *“one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus”*  
1 Tim. 2:5
- *“there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”* Acts 4:12
- John 14:6, 1 Peter 7-9

#### WE LOVE CHRIST (John MacArthur)

- We love Christ who is the eternal Son, one in nature with the eternal Father and the eternal Spirit; the triune God.
- We love Christ who is the Creator and life-giver, as well as the sustainer of the universe and all who live in it.
- We love Christ who is the virgin-born Son of God and Son of Man, fully divine and fully human.
- We love Christ who is the one whose life on earth perfectly pleased God, and whose righteousness is given to all who by grace through faith become one with Him.
- We love Christ who is the only acceptable sacrifice for sin that pleases God, and whose death under divine judgment, paid in full the penalty for the sins of His people, providing for them forgiveness and eternal life.
- We love Christ who is alive, having been raised from the dead by the Father, validating His work of atonement, and providing resurrection for the sanctification and glorification of the elect to bring them safely into His heavenly presence.
- We love Christ who is at the Father’s throne interceding for all believers.
- We love Christ who is God’s chosen Prophet, Priest, and King, proclaiming truth, mediating for His church, and reigning over His kingdom forever.
- We love Christ who will certainly and suddenly return from heaven to rapture His church, unleash judgment on the wicked, bring promised salvation to the Jews and the nations, and establish His millennial reign on earth.
- We love Christ who will, after that earthly reign, destroy the universe, finally judge all sinners and send them to hell, then create the new heavens and the new earth where He will dwell forever with His saints in glory, joy, and love.
- This is the Christ we love; this is the Christ we preach.
- AND WE LOVE HIM BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US.