

## Sola

### Intro:

this month marks the 500th year of the Reformation (1517) - that brought the church back to  
the authority of Scripture alone  
to salvation by grace alone  
through faith alone  
in Christ alone  
to the glory of God alone

what does this have to do with the call of Abraham? (video)

### Problem: Hebrews 11:1-10

faith is being sure of God's promise, and being certain He will fulfill it. (1:1)  
It has been the measure of true spirituality since Genesis (1:2)  
It is the starting point for our understanding of the world and the authority of His Word (1:3)  
It is what separates Abel from Cain (1:4)  
It is what separates Enoch from the dead (1:5)  
It is what separates those close to God from those separated from Him (1:6)  
It brought Noah to the ark (1:7)  
and Abraham to our attention (1:8-10)

only one grace saves (Gal 1:6-9)  
only one means of grace (Gal 2:16, 20)  
the true father of the reformation is not Martin Luther - it is Abraham (Gal 3:1-9)

Genesis 11:10-12:9 shows us that...

### Main Idea:

Salvation hinges upon  
grace alone  
working through faith alone  
for the glory of God alone

### Implication:

the arithmetic of faith, works, and salvation is solved by Ephesians 2:8-10

### Application:

Jn 15:4-7 glory of God

### ARTICLES FOR FURTHER STUDY:

<http://www.christianity.com/church/church-history/the-five-solas-of-the-protestant-reformation.html>

<http://reasonabletheology.org/ch-spurgeon-and-the-five-solas-of-the-reformation/>

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## Salvation hinges upon

Gen. 11:10 ¶ These are the generations of **Shem**. When Shem was 100 years old, he fathered Arpachshad two years after the flood.  
Gen. 11:11 And Shem lived after he fathered Arpachshad 500 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:12 ¶ When Arpachshad had lived 35 years, he fathered Shelah.  
Gen. 11:13 And Arpachshad lived after he fathered Shelah 403 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:14 ¶ When Shelah had lived 30 years, he fathered Eber.  
Gen. 11:15 And Shelah lived after he fathered Eber 403 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:16 ¶ When Eber had lived 34 years, he fathered Peleg.  
Gen. 11:17 And Eber lived after he fathered Peleg 430 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:18 ¶ When Peleg had lived 30 years, he fathered Reu.  
Gen. 11:19 And Peleg lived after he fathered Reu 209 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:20 ¶ When Reu had lived 32 years, he fathered Serug.  
Gen. 11:21 And Reu lived after he fathered Serug 207 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:22 ¶ When Serug had lived 30 years, he fathered Nahor.  
Gen. 11:23 And Serug lived after he fathered Nahor 200 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:24 ¶ When Nahor had lived 29 years, he fathered Terah.  
Gen. 11:25 And Nahor lived after he fathered Terah 119 years and had other sons and daughters.  
Gen. 11:26 ¶ When Terah had lived 70 years, he fathered **Abram (exalted father)**, Nahor, and Haran.

### Abram

- Lk 3:23-38 (biblical history is His story)(Adam to 2nd Adam)
- Matt 1:1-17 (the heartbeat of His story is Abraham)

## Grace alone

Gen. 11:27 ¶ Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot.  
Gen. 11:28 **Haran died** in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans.  
Gen. 11:29 And **Abram** and Nahor took wives. The name of Abram's wife was **Sarai**, and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah.  
Gen. 11:30 Now **Sarai was barren**; she had no child.  
Gen. 11:31 ¶ **Terah took Abram** his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, **and Sarai** his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they **went forth together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there.**  
Gen. 11:32 The days of Terah were 205 years, and **Terah died** in Haran.

### Abram

- gen 18:19; neh 9:7 (abraham chosen)
  - whats so special about abraham?
- josh 24:2 (grew up pagan)
- deut 7:1-8 (grace)
- Rom 9:10-23 (free unmerited grace)
- 1 cor 1:26-31 (Grace alone)

## working through faith alone

Gen. 12:1 ¶ Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from **your** country and **your** kindred and **your** father's house to the land that I will show **you**.  
Gen. 12:2 And I will make of **you** a great nation, and I will **bless you** and make **your** name great, so that **you** will be a **blessing**.  
Gen. 12:3 I will **bless** those who **bless you**, and him who dishonors **you** I will **curse**, and in **you** all the families of the earth shall be **blessed**."  
**you** (12x's in 1-9) narrow from mankind to Abraham)  
- Rom 4:9-25 (father of faith alone)

## For the glory of God alone

Gen. 12:4 ¶ **So Abram went**, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.  
Gen. 12:5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan,  
Gen. 12:6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land.  
Gen. 12:7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To **your** offspring I will give this land." So **he built there an altar** to the Lord, who had appeared to him.  
Gen. 12:8 From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord.  
Gen. 12:9 And **Abram journeyed on, still going** toward the Negeb.  
**still going**  
- James 2:14-23 (faith is justified by works)  
- eph 2:8-10 (this is the arithmetic of salvation)  
- John 15:4-9 (for the glory of God alone)