

2 Peter Series

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THE SUFFICIENCY OF SCRIPTURE

WHAT IS TRUTH?

2 PETER 1:2–4

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2 Pet. 1:3, “I can pray this because his divine power has bestowed on us everything necessary for life and godliness through the rich knowledge of the one who called us by his own glory and excellence.”
~NET

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What the Bible Teaches About

The Sufficiency of Scripture



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nom masc sing
fully qualified**

**ἐξαρτίζω *exartizō*
pass part masc
sing nom to be
completed, equip**

1. Sufficient means enough, adequate; it meets the needs.

Theologically, this means that the Scripture informs us of all that we need to know to face and handle whatever circumstances we find ourselves in.

**Psa. 1:1, “Blessed is the man
Who walks not in the counsel of the
ungodly,
Nor stands in the path of sinners,
Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;**

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person]”**

Isa. 53:10, “Yet it pleased [delighted?] the LORD to bruise Him;

He has put Him to grief.

When You make His soul an offering for sin,

He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days,

And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.”

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הִגָּה (hāgâ) I, *utter, mutter, moan (mourn, KJV), meditate, devise, plot.*

**Psa. 1:3, “He shall be like a tree
Planted by the rivers of water,
That brings forth its fruit in its season,
Whose leaf also shall not wither;
And whatever he does shall prosper.”**

**Psa. 1:4, “The ungodly are not so,
But are like the chaff which the wind
drives away.**

**Psa. 1:5, “Therefore the ungodly shall not
stand in the judgment,
Nor sinners in the congregation of the
righteous.**

**Psa. 1:6, “For the LORD knows the way of
the righteous,
But the way of the ungodly shall perish.”**

**Jeremiah 17:5, “Thus says the Lord:
‘Cursed is the man who trusts in man and
makes flesh his strength, whose heart
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Curse

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‘Cursed is the man who trusts [relies,
depends on] in man and makes flesh his
strength, whose heart turns away
[abandons, ignores, withdraws from] from
the Lord.’”**

אָרַר (*ʿārar*) *to bind with a curse.*

**בָּטַח (*bāṭaḥ*) *trust in, feel safe, be
confident, to rely on, firm or reliable.***

**סָוַר (*sûr*) *turn aside, to defect, to abandon,
defect, depart, withdraw from.***

Illustration

Jeremiah 17:6, “He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.”

Blessing

Jeremiah 17:7, “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord.”

מִבְּטָח (mibṭaḥ) trust, “hope” in NKJV

Illustration

Jeremiah 17:8, “He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

Warning

Jeremiah 17:9, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?”

John 10:10, “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.”

John 17:3, “And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.”

3. The personal challenge for each of us is that we face problems in life.