

God's All-Sufficient Plan

Introduction:

- A. No man or group of men have the wisdom to devise a plan that is all-sufficient for all time. - e.g., U.S. Constitution
- B. But God does have the wisdom to do so and has done so. - Isaiah 55:8-9; 1 Corinthians 1:25
- C. The purpose of this lesson is to demonstrate and apply the all-sufficiency of God's plan for men.
- I. "All-sufficiency" in relationship to God's plans means that the divine plans are completely able to accomplish what they are designed to do without human alteration. - Isaiah 55:8-11
- II. The All-Sufficiency of God's plans is manifested in:
 - A. God: All-Sufficient Creator - Genesis 1:31; Acts 14:15-17; 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (no evolution needed)
 - B. Christ: All-Sufficient Savior - Colossians 2:6-10; Hebrews 7:25; 2 Corinthians 11:4 (no other savior needed)
 - C. The Holy Spirit: All-Sufficient Revelator - John 16:13; 2 Corinthians 11:4 (no new revelations needed)
 - D. The Bible: All-Sufficient Revelation - 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Revelation 22:18-19 ("It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction." - **Broadman Church Manual**. 39; no human creeds needed)
 - E. The Gospel: All-Sufficient Means of Salvation - Romans 1:16; Galatians 1:6-9 (no social gospel gimmicks needed)
 - F. The Church of Christ: All-Sufficient Relationship - Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:4; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13 (no denomination needed)
 - G. The Local Congregation: All-Sufficient Organization - 1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1; 1 Peter 5:1-4 (no church supported organizations needed)
 - 1. All-sufficient to evangelize. - Philippians 4:15-16; Mark 16:15-16; Colossians 1:6,23
 - 2. All-sufficient to edify. - Ephesians 4:12-16
 - 3. All-sufficient to relieve its own needy. - Acts 6:1-6

Conclusion:

- A. I cannot believe in the all-sufficiency of the U.S. Constitution and at the same time demand it be altered or abolished.
- B. Likewise, I cannot both believe in the all-sufficiency of God and things divine and at the same time substitute things of human origin for them.
- C. Will you let Christ the all-sufficient Savior save you?