

Exclusively. . . Jesus Christ

Is Christ Alone Sufficient?

Is He?

Is Christ (really) all that we need?

Unfortunately, often we do not realize that *Christ is all that we need* until He becomes *all we have!*

Christ is our adequacy and He is never less than adequate!

Would we be complete and content with *only Him?*

Recently, Christ tested my own heart with this thought: "would I be satisfied and fulfilled with *just Him?*"

- If I never preached another sermon; never taught another Bible study or Bible class; never spoke at another Bible conference; never wrote another booklet:

- would I find my total sufficiency in my relationship with the Savior (our Lord Jesus Christ)?

Could I honestly say with the Psalmist: "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not (be in) want..." - all I need is Him!

Christ is not only my Savior, He is also my Satisfier because Christ is fully sufficient to meet every need.

Nothing else will satisfy by Him because He is the Living Water (see John 4:13,14; 7:37) and the Bread of Life (see John 6:35).

When I endeavor to find my satisfaction in any other person or thing, it is like trying to drink from a broken cistern that can hold no water (see Jeremiah 2:13).

Perhaps God's greatest desire for us is to recognize our need of Him and find our satisfaction and sufficiency in Him.
If there is a "formula" for living the Christian Life it is simply this that Jesus Christ + nothing = everything!

(A few searching statements):

- ◆ We peruse books about the Bible rather than reading the Bible.
- ◆ We learn from "how-to" books to live the Christian Life rather than Christ being our Life.
- ◆ We focus on the work of the Church rather than the work of Christ.
- ◆ We concentrate on **religion** and (its) **works** rather than **relationship with Christ**.

We turn to:

- ◆ ***Substitutes*** to be our *sufficiency* in place of the ***Savior*** (Himself).
- ◆ ***Methods*** to *mold* us instead of ***Christ***.
- ◆ ***Principles*** to *perfect* us instead of ***Christ***.
- ◆ ***Spiritual gifts*** to *fulfill* us instead of ***Christ***.
- ◆ ***Others*** to *affirm* us instead of ***Christ***.

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