

Analogy of Scripture

Rule #3: Scripture Alone is the Analogy of Scripture (Scripture interpreting scripture)

The analogy of scripture is a safety measure that can prevent one from reading more into a bible verse something that is not really there. This is what is called *Isogesis*, meaning “to lead in” or “read into” the sentence; in reference to Scripture, it is introducing an opinion, personal or otherwise, that is not written in the verse. Many bible teachers and students tend to explain a bible verse based upon their presupposition or ideology; often times contradicting themselves.

The bible is not contradicting. There should always be cohesion of scripture. If we find what seems to be a contradiction, then it is our responsibility to search and study the scripture to see where we have misunderstood... If there is a contradiction in the scriptures, it does not make the bible fallible. It demonstrates our need to correct ourselves. The ultimate authority for believing what is right or wrong will lie within the scriptures alone...

It is important that the correct interpretation of scripture is communicated, because the knowledge we gain from it will give us wisdom to reveal the salvation of God to others.

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*; **15** And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

2 Tim 3:14-15 (KJV)

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