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A few weeks ago a friend of mine said, "I used to work for a railroad. Among other duties I helped prepare bills covering the shipment of freight. Every tariff book would have from one to half a dozen supplements. One was always wondering if he had all the supplements to a particular tariff. There were also supplements to the table of express rates and to the telegraph company's tariff book. Nearly every set of instructions by any company is soon obsolete and replaced by a new set, or supplements must be issued to the original instructions. As I contemplated this situation one day, the question came to mind, 'Why not a supplement for the Bible?'"

The question asked by this railroad man is also asked by a number of people throughout the land today. The question is understandable because all man-made things change. Last year's telephone directory is out of date. Our school texts of ten years ago have to be replaced or supplemented as new knowledge is gained. Scientific theories are being revised or discarded and new theories take their place. We are in a constant whirl trying to keep pace with the ever-changing conditions about us. In view of this situation we can understand why men who are not acquainted with God's word may ask, "Why not a supplement for the Bible?"

Though we admit that man-made things change because of their imperfections, we deny that the Bible needs any supplement. It was not man-made and it does not have humanity's imperfections stamped upon it. It is perfect; hence complete. It contains the complete will of God to man. All that God wants us to know about righteousness, He has revealed in the Bible.

Christ selected the apostles through whom to reveal His will and to have it written in the New Testament. He said to them, "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of Truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth" (John 16: 12, 13). Did the Holy Spirit guide the apostles into all truth? Jesus said He would. Did he? If Jesus spoke the truth, verily he did. That being the case, the will of God was completely revealed to men in the days of the apostles, the inspired ambassadors of the Lord Jesus Christ. James recognized that the Lord kept His promise to reveal all truth to the apostles, and he calls the gospel they preached "the perfect law of liberty." The word translated "perfect" means "brought to its end, finished; wanting nothing necessary to completeness." Thayer gives James 1:25 as a reference following these definitions.

Since Christ said the Holy Spirit would guide the apostles into all truth, we can say confidently that all spiritual truth was revealed in the first century for there have been no true apostles since that time. To be an apostle of Christ one had to be a witness of the resurrected Lord (Acts 1:22). When Jesus selected Saul to become an apostle, He said to him, "I have appeared unto thee . . . to make thee a minister and a witness" (Acts 26:16).

An apostle had to be a witness, and witnesses do not have successors. To illustrate: Suppose you see an accident and you are called into court to testify as a witness, but before you are called you die? Do you suppose any judge in the land would permit a friend of yours to give your testimony on the grounds that he was your successor? No, because witnesses cannot have successors. The apostles of Christ were witnesses of the Lord, and it was to these men that the Holy Spirit gave "all truth." This is why Paul could say, "I declared unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27).

That all the truth was delivered to the apostles is further verified by Jude who said, "Beloved, while I was giving all diligence to write unto you of our common salvation, I was constrained to write unto you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3). This inspired writer was pleading for that which had already been revealed and which was then in common possession of all saints. He declared that the faith had been delivered once for all. It was delivered one time for all time. This is an indictment of those who come to us with new revelations or visions or dreams. The Lord did not intend that His will should be made in installments, or supplements as the centuries roll by. He delivered the faith once for all and it was complete when He gave it.

In reading the New Testament we learn that the faith and the gospel are the same thing. In the first chapter of Galatians Paul said, "I preached the gospel," and in speaking of this work he said, "I preached the faith" (Gal. 1:11, 23). The gospel was delivered in the first century once and for all, and at that time it was the power of God unto salvation (Rom. 1:16). In referring to this gospel Paul said: "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed." Since the first century the perfect will of God has been revealed through His perfect law of liberty.

We have further proof that the Bible is all-sufficient in an inspired statement of the Apostle Paul. He said, "Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness; that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work" (II Tim. 3:16, 17). Paul said the scripture is profitable for four things. Note how comprehensive they are: (1) for doctrine and teaching; (2) for reproof; (3) for correction; (4) for instruction in righteousness. You cannot imagine any condition or need of mankind but that one or the other of these statements will meet it. The Bible will com-



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## ALABAMA—

Albertville	WAVU	630	4:30 p.m.
Anniston	WHMA	1450	1:00 p.m.
Auburn	WAUD	1230	1:00 p.m.
Birmingham	WSGN	610	8:00 a.m.
Florence	WJOI	1340	8:00 p.m.
Fl. Payne	WFPA	1400	8:00 a.m.
Gadsden	WGAD	1350	1:00 p.m.
Greenville	WGYV	1400	4:00 p.m.
Hamilton	WERH	970	1:00 p.m.
Huntsville	WHBS	1490	7:30 a.m.
Marion	WJAM	1310	9:30 a.m.
Mobile	WALA	1410	9:30 a.m.
Montgomery	WAPX	1600	1:00 p.m.
Scottsboro	WCRI	1050	4:30 p.m.
Selma	WGWC	1340	1:30 p.m.
Talladega	WHTB	1240	1:30 p.m.
Troy	WTBT	1490	1:00 p.m.
Tuscaloosa	WTRD	1150	9:00 p.m.

## ARIZONA—

Bisbee	KSUN	1230	1:00 p.m.
Clifton	KCLF	1400	3:00 p.m.
Flagstaff	KCLS	1340	7:30 a.m.
Kingman	KGAN	920	1:00 p.m.
Phoenix	KOY	550	7:00 a.m.
Tucson	KCNZ	580	3:00 p.m.

## ARKANSAS—

Eldorado	KDMS	1290	1:00 p.m.
Forrest City	KXJK	950	9:00 a.m.
Fl. Smith	KFSA	950	1:00 p.m.
Hot Springs	KWFC	1340	8:30 p.m.
Little Rock	KGHI	1250	1:00 p.m.
McGehee	KVSA	1220	9:00 a.m.
Springdale	KBRB	1340	6:00 p.m.

## CALIFORNIA—

Bakersfield	KPMC	1560	10:00 a.m.
Blythe	KYOR	1450	3:30 p.m.
Brawley	KROP	1300	12:30 p.m.
Eureka	KIEM	1480	8:00 a.m.
Fresno	KARM	1430	3:30 p.m.
Indio	KREO	1400	3:30 p.m.
Los Angeles	KECA	790	8:30 p.m.
Porterville	KTIP	1450	8:30 p.m.
San Francisco	KGO	810	3:30 p.m.
San Luis Obispo	KATY	1340	3:30 p.m.

## COLORADO—

Craig	KRIA	1230	5:30 p.m.
Denver	KVOD	630	3:00 p.m.

## CONNECTICUT—

Bridgeport	WNAB	1450	5:30 p.m.
Hartford	WHTT	1230	1:00 p.m.

## DELAWARE—

Wilmington	WILM	1450	1:00 p.m.
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## FLORIDA—

Gainesville	WGGG	1230	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville	WPDQ	600	5:30 p.m.
Leesburg	WLBE	790	1:00 p.m.
Miami	WQAM	560	1:00 p.m.
Panama City	WPCF	1400	1:00 p.m.
Pensacola	WEAR	1230	3:00 p.m.
Sanford	WTRR	1400	6:30 p.m.
Tallahassee	WTNT	1450	5:00 p.m.
Tampa-St. Pete	WSUN	620	1:00 p.m.

## GEORGIA—

Atlanta	WGST	920	1:00 p.m.
Augusta	WGAC	580	2:00 p.m.
Brunswick	WGIG	1440	1:00 p.m.
Calro	WGRA	1300	3:00 p.m.
Cartersville	WBHF	1450	10:00 a.m.
Columbus	WGBA	1460	7:30 a.m.
Dawson	WDWD	990	2:00 a.m.
Macon	WNEK	1400	1:00 p.m.
Rome	WLAQ	670	1:00 p.m.
Savannah	WDAR	1400	1:00 p.m.
Valdosta	WGAF	910	1:00 p.m.

## IDAHO—

Boise	KGEM	1140	3:00 p.m.
Pocatello	KWIK	1440	9:20 a.m.

## ILLINOIS—

Chicago	WENR-WLS	890	2:30 p.m.
Moline	WQUA	1230	7:00 a.m.
Quincy	WGEM	1440	8:00 a.m.

## INDIANA—

Anderson	WHBU	1240	1:30 p.m.
Bloomington	WTTS	1370	1:00 p.m.
Evansville	WJPS	1330	1:30 p.m.
Fl. Wayne	WGL	1250	1:00 p.m.

## IOWA—

Cedar Rapids	WMT	600	7:30 a.m.
Des Moines	KSO	1460	6:00 p.m.
Sioux City	KSCJ	1360	10:30 p.m.
Waterloo	KXEL	1540	8:30 p.m.

## KANSAS—

Coffeyville	KGGF	690	2:00 p.m.
Dodge City	KGNO	1370	1:30 p.m.
Great Bend	KGVB	1590	1:00 p.m.
Topeka	WREN	1250	1:00 p.m.
Wichita	KWBB	1410	3:30 p.m.

## KENTUCKY—

Bowling Green	KWCT	930	1:00 p.m.
Louisville	WKLO	1080	1:00 p.m.
Mayfield	WKTM	1050	4:15 p.m.
Paducah	WKYB	570	1:30 p.m.

## LOUISIANA—

Baton Rouge	WLCS	910	1:00 p.m.
Monroe	KMLB	1440	2:00 p.m.
New Iberia	KANE	1240	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans	WDSU	1280	1:00 p.m.
Shreveport	KRMD	1340	1:00 p.m.

## MAINE—

Bangor	WABI	910	1:00 p.m.
Portland	WPOR	1450	9:00 a.m.

## MARYLAND—

Baltimore	WERR	1200	3:00 p.m.
Cumberland	WDYK	1230	8:00 a.m.

## MASSACHUSETTS—

Boston	WVAB	1260	1:00 p.m.
Boston	WHOB	1490	1:00 p.m.
Lawrence	WLAW	680	1:00 p.m.
Springfield	WSPR	1270	2:00 p.m.
Worcester	WAAB	1440	1:00 p.m.

## MICHIGAN—

Battle Creek	WELL	1400	1:00 p.m.
Bay City	WBCM	1440	1:00 p.m.
Detroit	WXYZ	1270	1:00 p.m.
Flint	WTAC	600	10:30 p.m.
Lansing	WILS	1320	1:00 p.m.
Ludington	WKLA	1450	1:00 p.m.
Mt. Pleasant	WCEN	1150	2:00 p.m.
Muskegon	WKBZ	850	2:00 p.m.

## MINNESOTA—

Mankato	KTOE	1420	2:00 p.m.
Minn.-St. Paul	WTCN	1280	7:30 a.m.

## MISSISSIPPI—

Booneville	WPIP	1400	1:00 p.m.
Centerville	WGLC	1580	8:00 a.m.
Columbus	WCBI	1340	6:00 p.m.
Greenwood	WABG	960	1:00 p.m.
Jackson	WSLI	930	2:00 p.m.
Kosciusko	WKOZ	1340	1:00 p.m.
Laurel	WLAU	1490	8:30 p.m.
McComb	WSKB	1250	1:00 p.m.
Meridian	WTKO	1450	1:00 p.m.
Natchez	WNAT	1240	1:00 p.m.

## MISSOURI—

Cape Girardeau	KFVS	960	8:30 p.m.
Kansas City	KCMO	910	12:30 p.m.
Poplar Bluff	KWOC	930	check sta.
Rolla	KTTR	1400	8:45 a.m.
St. Louis	KXOK	630	9:15 p.m.
Springfield	KWTO	560	1:00 p.m.

## MONTANA—

Bozeman	KXLQ	1450	8:00 a.m.
Great Falls	KXLK	1400	8:00 a.m.
Helena	KXLJ	1240	8:00 a.m.
Missoula	KXLL	1450	8:00 a.m.

## NEBRASKA—

Lincoln	KFOR	1240	10:30 a.m.
N. Platt	KNBR	970	9:00 a.m.
Omaha	KOIL	1290	5:30 p.m.
Sidney	KSID	1240	9:30 a.m.

## NEVADA—

Las Vegas	KENO	1460	9:30 a.m.
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## NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Claremont	WTSV	1230	1:00 p.m.
Lebanon	WTSL	1400	1:00 p.m.
Manchester	WMUR	610	3:00 p.m.

## NEW MEXICO—

Albuquerque	KOAT	1450	3:00 p.m.
Carlsbad	KPBM	740	1:30 p.m.
Clovis	KCLV	1240	1:00 p.m.
Los Alamos	KRSN	1490	3:00 p.m.
Santa Fe	KTRC	1400	3:00 p.m.

## NEW YORK—

Albany	WROW	850	2:00 p.m.
New York	WABC	770	12:30 p.m.
Olean	WHDL	1450	1:00 p.m.
Poughkeepsie	WKIP	1450	1:00 p.m.
Rochester	WARC	950	9:30 a.m.
Saranac Lake	WEAV	960	2:00 p.m.
Syracuse	WAGE	620	12:00 p.m.

## NORTH CAROLINA—

Asheville	WLOS	1380	1:00 p.m.
Charlotte	WAYS	610	1:00 p.m.
Durham	WTIK	1310	2:00 p.m.
Fayetteville (Sat)			

Salisbury	WSAT	1250	1:00 p.m.
Wilmington	WGNI	1340	8:30 a.m.
Winston-Salem	WAIR	1340	1:00 p.m.

## NORTH DAKOTA—

Fargo	KFGO	790	1:00 p.m.
Grand Forks	KILO	1060	1:00 p.m.

## OHIO—

Cleveland	WJW	850	1:00 p.m.
Columbus	WHKC	610	1:00 p.m.
East Liverpool	WOHI	1490	1:00 p.m.
Lima	WIMA	1150	9:00 a.m.
Toledo	WTOL	1230	12:30 p.m.
Youngstown	WBBW	1240	8:30 a.m.

## OKLAHOMA—

Ada	KADA	1250	1:00 p.m.
Enid	KCRC	1390	1:00 p.m.
McAlester	KTMK	1400	1:00 p.m.
Muskogee	KBIX	1490	2:00 p.m.
Oklahoma City	KTKO	1000	9:30 a.m.
Tulsa	KRMG	740	2:00 p.m.

## OREGON—

Eugene	KASH	1600	1:00 p.m.
Medford	KMED	1440	7:30 a.m.
Portland	KEX	1190	3:30 p.m.
Redmond	KJTN	1240	3:30 p.m.
The Dalles	KODL	1250	1:30 p.m.

## PENNSYLVANIA—

Johnstown	WCRO	1280	1:00 p.m.
Lemoyne	WCMB	1460	7:30 a.m.
Philadelphia	WFIL	560	2:00 p.m.
Pittsburg	WCAE	1250	3:00 p.m.
State College	WMAJ	1450	9:00 a.m.
Wilkes-Barre	WILK	980	5:00 p.m.

## RHODE ISLAND—

Providence	WPJB	1420	1:00 p.m.
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## SOUTH CAROLINA—

Columbia	WCOS	1460	1:00 p.m.
Florence	WJMX	970	10:30 a.m.
Orangeburg	WDIX	1450	7:00 a.m.
Sumter	WSSC	1240	1:00 p.m.

## SOUTH DAKOTA—

Aberdeen	KSDN	930	10:30 a.m.
Huron	KIJV	1340	9:00 a.m.

## TENNESSEE—

Chattanooga	WAPA	1150	1:00 p.m.
Jackson	WTJS	1390	1:00 p.m.

Johnson City	WETB	790	6:15 p.m.
Knoxville	WBIR	1240	1:30 p.m.
Memphis	WHBQ	560	9:30 p.m.
Morristown	WCRK	1450	9:00 p.m.
Nashville	WSIX	990	4:00 p.m.

## TEXAS—

Abilene	KRBC	1470	1:00 p.m.
Amarillo	KFDA	1410	1:00 p.m.
Austin	KNOW	1490	2:00 p.m.
Beaumont	KFDM	560	1:00 p.m.
Big Spring	KBST	1490	1:00 p.m.
Brownfield	KTFY	1300	4:30 p.m.
Brownwood	KBWJ	1380	6:30 p.m.
Corpus Christi	KFVS	1410	9:00 a.m.
El Paso	KEPO	690	3:00 p.m.
El Worth	WBAP	570	1:00 p.m.
Graham	KSWA	1330	4:30 p.m.
Houston	KXYZ	1320	8:00 a.m.
Longview	KFRY	1370	1:00 p.m.
Lubbock	KFYO	790	4:30 p.m.
Midland	KCRS	550	1:30 p.m.
Nacogdoches	KOSF	1230	1:00 p.m.
Paris	KPLT	1490	4:00 p.m.
Quanah	KOLJ	1150	12:45 p.m.
San Angelo	KGKL	960	1:00 p.m.
Texarkana	KCMC	1230	1:00 p.m.
Wichita Falls	KFDX	990	2:00 p.m.

## UTAH—

Provo	KCSU	1490	3:00 p.m.
Salt Lake City	KUTV	570	7:30 a.m.

## VERMONT—

Brattleboro	WTSA	1450	1:00 p.m.
Burlington	WJOY	1230	1:00 p.m.
Montpelier-Barre	WSKI	1240	1:00 p.m.

## VIRGINIA—



pletely furnish a man unto every good work. Abraham Lincoln truly said, "All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated through this Book; but for this Book we could not know right from wrong. All the things desirable to man are contained in it" (3000 Illustrations for Christian Service, by Walter B. Knight, p. 57).

A Bible scholar has said, "The more the Scriptures are studied, the more one is convinced that they are self-contained and absolutely complete—revealing a perfect plan throughout and having neither superfluity nor lack" (All About the Bible, by Sidney Collett, p. 51).

I think that we will all agree the best way to show whether the Bible is sufficient or not is to put it to various tests. If it meets the requirements of these tests it is sufficient; if it does not, it is insufficient.

To begin with, is the Bible a sufficient guide as to how to become a Christian—to be saved from past sins? Before we find the answer, let us put forth a few simple questions. If you wanted to know what to do to become a member of the Lion's Club where would you go to find the answer? Or if you wished to know the procedure to follow in applying for a patent for some new invention, where would you go? Naturally, you would go to the rules regulating these things. The Bible is the only book that tells the only God-approved way of how the first Christians were made. It is the only book that tells the God-approved way for making Christians for all time. What did the first who became Christians do in becoming such? In the second chapter of Acts we have the fulfillment of many promises made by God. All of these might be summed up in one—the opening of the Kingdom of God among men. On hearing the words that Peter spoke as the Spirit gave him utterance, the Israelites were convinced that the Jesus whom they had crucified was now the ascended Lord of Glory. Desiring the forgiveness of their sins, they implored the mercy of God, saying unto Peter and the rest of the apostles, "men and brethren, what shall we do? Peter, being guided into "all truth" answered, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). A vast company of three thousand gladly received the word, were baptized, and were added by the Lord to the church when they were saved, verses 41-47. We know these people were saved for the Lord says they were. People can become Christians today by doing the same things that these Jews did. The Bible is sufficient in telling us what to do to become Christians. We become Christians by doing just what it says. Any substitute for or change of the Lord's plan is but to question the sufficiency of His word.

Having become a Christian according to the Lord's plan, we will want to know that we are worshipping him correctly. Let us see if the Bible can sufficiently inform us as to the worship that God will accept. We are to look for the worship that

will please God. God is the one we want to adore and we want our worship to be what he has commanded, knowing that it will please Him. Jesus said to those of us who want to be true worshipers of God that we "must worship him in Spirit and in truth." (John 4:24.) Worship "in spirit"—in sincerity, and "in truth" — as the truth or word of God directs. Following this principle, let us notice what the apostles and the early Christians did as worship. Their worship was pleasing to God and will be an all-sufficient guide for us to follow for Christ said the Spirit would guide them into "all truth."

All who are genuinely converted to the Lord know the need for constant communion with Him by prayer. Therefore we are told to "pray without ceasing;" the Jerusalem Christians "continued stedfastly in . . . prayer." Then we can be sure that prayer to God in the name of Christ will be acceptable.

The early Christians were thankful that they were liberated from the bondage of sin, and they wanted to help in carrying the gospel to others. When the Lord gave them instructions about giving of their means to his work, they were ready to obey. Through the apostles, the Lord said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." (I Cor. 16:2.) From the divine instructions given in the New Testament we learn that Christians should give as they are prospered, and this should be done upon the Lord's day when they assemble to worship. When we follow the Lord's word the church will have sufficient funds to carry on its work, and our giving will be an acceptable act of worship to God.

In reading the will of Christ we learn that early Christians praised God through singing. This they did because the Lord said, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). When we come into the Lord's house to praise Him we should "offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name." (Heb. 13:15.) We are prompted by faith when we offer to God vocal music for this is the kind he directs us to offer Him. The Bible is sufficient then, to direct us in this part of our worship.

But let us see if the Bible is sufficient to direct us in partaking of the Lord's supper. Paul said, "the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood; this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me." (I Cor. 11:23-25.) The Son of God instructs us to partake of the Lord's supper in his memory, and Luke tells us when this was done. He said, "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them." (Acts 20:7.) The Bible is sufficient to guide us in partaking of the Lord's supper.

In studying the question of acceptable worship we learn that the early Christians "continued stedfastly in the apostles doctrine." (Acts 2:42.) This statement is significant for it dem-



onstrates that they knew the apostles were guided into "all truth." When they came to worship upon the first day of the week they listened to, and studied the apostles' teaching. That was sufficient then, and it is sufficient today. Let us remember that we have the apostles' doctrine in the Bible.

But let us put the Bible to another test. Is it sufficient to guide us in Christian living? The apostle Peter said that God "hath given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue." (2 Pet. 1:3.) Since the Lord has given us everything that pertains to life and godliness in the Bible, it needs no supplement! It is as up-to-date as the morning newspaper, because it establishes broad principles of conduct. For example, it does not in so many words condemn shooting dice, but it establishes the principle against gambling, whether the gambling is done by delinquent boys in the alley or in the finest house in town with dice or cards, or at a race track controlled by a movie star. The Bible does not specifically command observance of traffic laws, but it does teach, "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities." (Rom. 13:1.)

The changing patterns of life fall into place with the principles taught in the Bible. Jesus said, "whatever ye wish that men would unto you, do so to them; for this is the law and the prophets." (Matt. 7:12.) Again, "For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, 'you shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Gal. 5:14.) These principles fit into any social order in any century and any country.

But let us test the all-sufficiency of the Bible in another respect. Is it sufficient in time of tribulation and calamity? Once a Sultan of Turkey bade his Grand Vizier to compile the briefest possible history of the human race. The Vizier's history history read, "They were born; they suffered; they died." In the Old Testament Job said, "Man that is born of woman is of few days, and full of trouble." (Job 14:1.) But in the midst of our troubles, David reassures the righteous man when he says, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea." (Psa. 46:1-2.) In the New Testament Paul said, "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if ye believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus shall God bring with him... Wherefore comfort one another with these words." (1 Thess. 4:13,14,18.)

The Bible is sufficient to meet every problem of life, and we might well say with Sir Walter Scott of this Book,

"Within this awful volume lies  
The mystery of mysteries:  
Happiest he of human race  
To whom God has given grace.

To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,  
To lift the latch, and learn the way;  
And better had he ne'er been born  
Who reads to doubt, or reads to scorn."