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The Four Characteristics of Scripture: (1) authority

All the words of Scripture are <u>God's</u> words and are <u>completely</u> truthful.

To disbelieve or <u>disobey</u> the words of Scripture is to disbelieve or disobey God; Scripture is our <u>authority</u>.

The Four Characteristics of Scripture: (2) Clarity

The Bible can be <u>understood</u> by those who read it seeking God's help and being <u>willing</u> to follow it.

A failure to understand the text of Scripture lies in the <u>reader</u> not in <u>Scripture</u> itself.

The Four Characteristics of Scripture: (3) Necessity

The Bible is necessary for knowing the <u>Gospel</u>, for maintaining <u>spiritual life</u>, and for knowing God's <u>will</u>.

The Four Characteristics of Scripture: (4) Sufficiency

The Bible contains everything we need to know for <u>salvation</u> and for <u>trusting</u> and <u>obeying</u> God perfectly.

Scripture must be our <u>sole</u> source of authority as we seek God's will and <u>moral</u> expectations.