

The first volume addressed the world's open disagreement with Scripture. This one is harder to write.

Seventeen chapters on the questions Christians dispute among themselves. Salvation, law, ethics, husbands, wives, manhood, womanhood, money, prayer, the tongue, faithfulness, Israel, the end times, baptism, church order, philosophy — each examined with the same question Volume 1 asked: what does Scripture actually say?

These are disputes between people who all claim to submit to Scripture and who have drawn different conclusions on questions that are not peripheral. The paedobaptist is not someone who doesn't care about the text. The Arminian has read Paul. The disagreement is over careful reading, not authority. The only way through is to go back to the text with more care than the dispute has so far required.

The harder test is not whether we will correct people outside the church. The harder test is whether we will let Scripture correct us.

Defensiveness is not faithfulness.

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