

The Big Idea: The heart cry of the Reformation was justification by faith alone, in Christ alone, by grace alone, for God’s glory alone. All of this revealed by Scripture alone.

I. The Great Reformation

A. Five things to know about the Great Reformation

1. It was the biggest UPHEAVAL in western church history
2. It brought the LAITY back into the life of the church
3. It IMPACTED life beyond the church
4. Not all events during the reformation are PRAISEWORTHY
5. It brought into focus what were later called the FIVE SOLAS

B. Five key reformers of the Great Reformation

1. John WYCLIFFE / John HUS
2. Martin LUTHER / Philip MELANCTHON
3. Ulrich ZWINGLI
4. John CALVIN
5. John KNOX

C. Five Solas of the Great Reformation

1. Sola SCRIPTURA

2. Solus CHRISTUS

3. Sola GRATIA

4. Sola FIDE

5. Soli DEO GLORIA

II. What we take away...

The solas are the essence of the gospel. When we embrace them, we embrace the gospel. When we proclaim them, we proclaim the gospel. When we live them, we live the power of the gospel.

We must know the answer to the question – How can I know for certain I'm in a right relationship with God?