

## Sin and Sins

Romans 1:16,17 – not ashamed of the gospel  
 What is the “gospel?”  
 v. 17 – righteousness by faith


The Just
By Faith
Shall Live

John 14:6 – “I am...”

The Way
The Truth
The Life

Can we *really* trust the scriptural account of reality?


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### Liberal Theology

1. Arose as a result of the rationalism and experimentalism of the philosophers and scientists during the enlightenment.
2. It basically states that whatever does not agree with reason and science is to be rejected. (*reason over revelation*)
3. As a result, liberalism has rejected the historicity of the Special Revelation.
  - The orthodox view of scripture is that it is a Special revelation of the way things really are (*revelation over reason*)
  - It doesn't mean it is unreasonable, but that there are absolutes that man cannot know in and of himself.
  - It is *Total Truth*

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### Liberal Theology


The Bible reveals Truth in *many* areas (but is not exhaustive):

1. Soteriology – salvation through Jesus
2. History – Man in and through time
3. Science – the creation, or natural world

<i>Orthodox Perspective on Scripture:</i>	<i>Liberal view on Scripture:</i>
Soteriology (or Theology) was verifiable by Biblical History and Scientific Revelation	Soteriology (or Theology) Secular History and Naturalistic Science

The crucial flaw in *Liberal Theology* is that it adopts the two-layer concept of truth: It accepts a naturalistic account of science and history (lower story) while trying to find meaning and value in theology (upper story)

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### Why the discussion of Liberal Theology?

- The Bible is all Truth and must be accurate when it touches on historic events and scientific insights *otherwise it is no longer verifiable. (Luke 3:1,2)*
- If the fall is not an historical fact and universal in scope, then we can't explain the reality of evil and pain satisfactorily.
- The fall reveals Truth concerning two important questions:
  1. What is the source of evil and suffering?
  2. What went wrong?