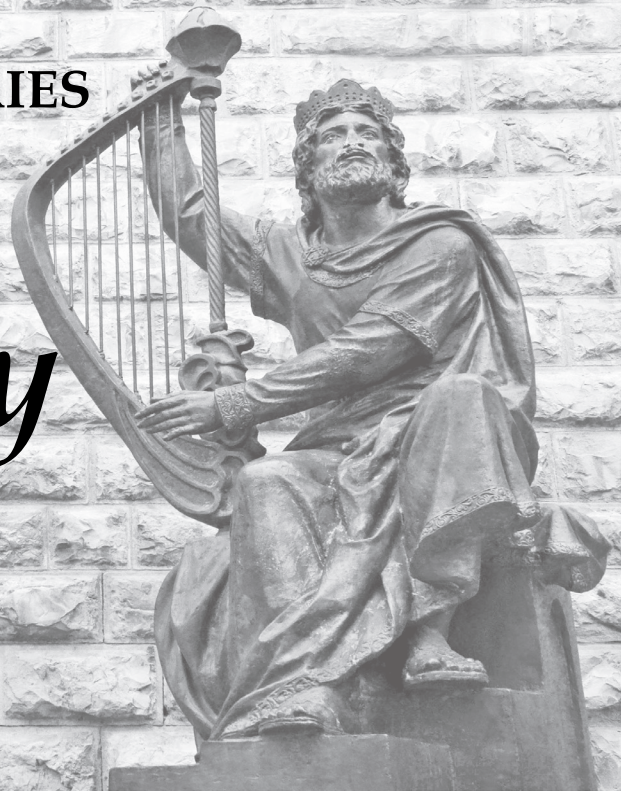


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Lecture Theme:

The *whole* Bible reveals the Lord Jesus Christ and the message of salvation in the gospel of his grace. We trace the unfolding of this revelation of God in Christ throughout the stages of the history of redemption found in the Old and New Testaments.

Memory Text: *(It is good to memorize the key text.)*

“And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself...And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me”

—Luke 24, verses 27 and 44

Structure: *(To help understand and follow the lecture more easily.)*

1. Introduction—the story in 1 Kings chapter 10.
2. The definition of “theology.”
 - a. God-exalting and God-centered religion.
 - b. The chief end of man, and biblical examples.
 - c. Knowledge of God as revealed to us in Christ.
3. Definition of “biblical.”
 - a. Divine authority of the Bible.
 - b. Relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament.
 - c. Relationship between the Old Testament and Jesus Christ.
 - d. Biblical history of redemption.
4. Conclusion—the Spiritual realities of 1 Kings 10.

Review Questions:

1. What main questions are answered by studying biblical theology?

2. What is the basic definition of “theology”?

3. What should be the greatest longing of a true believer? Try to find some biblical examples.

4. Why is it true that to be God-centered is also to be Christ-centered?

5. How is it that the Bible has divine authority?

6. Why is understanding the Old Testament so important for understanding the gospel of Jesus Christ?

7. What is the right view of the relationship between the Old Testament and New Testament?

8. What is the grand message of the Old Testament? How do we know that through the Scriptures?

9. What does “gradual unfolding” mean in regard to the gospel, and what does that mean for us?

10. How does the confession of the Queen of Sheba in 1 Kings chapter 10 relate to other texts in the Bible and to the glorious gospel of Christ?

Further Application: For your personal meditation, write an essay, or for further study.

1. Considering this lecture, what are the right ways for us to read the Bible?

2. Meditate on the spiritual reality and spiritual application of 1 Kings chapter 10. How does this story help you learn about the richness of our King, Jesus Christ?
