

# Review of: "Sola Scriptura to Improve the Quality of Christian Students in Thinking Characteristics"

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The authors of this paper are clearly passionate about Christianity, Scripture and the Christian life. They present a dense justification for their method of Bible engagement and certainly make a good case for the influence of this on character, behaviour and morality. In respect of it being published as an academic article, I suggest that there are a number of aspects that must be addressed first, therefore I recommend that further review and some re-writing is undertaken in respect of the following:

1. This article presents quite a dogmatic perspective which is critical of positions other than its own. In some respects, it seems to work more effectively as a presentation rather than academic piece of work which should be more balanced, containing different perspectives and with an appreciation of the limitations of the current argument. There are too many generalisations and some inaccuracies.
2. There is no method as such. It is not clear what material is derived from the literature search and how this applies to the proposition of the effectiveness of the Sola approach.
3. The referencing is inconsistent and it is not clear which method is being used.
4. There is a high degree of repetition and the writing should be more streamlined.
5. Please avoid presenting dualisms. There is much more nuance than bad/good when it comes to writing about morality. Some reference to moral philosophy would address this.

I would be happy to review a future revision of this as there is some merit in the subject matter but the academic aspect must be sharpened somewhat.