

Perspicuity of Scripture Maintaining Unity

Ironically enough—given that it’s not very clear—perspicuity is a word that means “clarity” or “clearness” or “understandability.” So, when we talk about the “perspicuity” of Scripture, we’re talking about the idea that God’s Word is clear about things that are necessary to be understood and obeyed in order for a person to be saved. The Bible’s teaching on salvation can be understood by anyone and everyone.

¹²⁹ Thy testimonies *are* wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them. ¹³⁰ The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding [H995](#) unto the simple. [H6612](#)

Psalms 119:129-130

BDB Definition (H995)

1) to discern, understand, consider

1a) (Qal)

1a1) to perceive, discern

1a2) to understand, know (with the mind)

1a3) to observe, mark, give heed to, distinguish, consider

1a4) to have discernment, insight, understanding

1b) (Niphal) to be discerning, intelligent, discreet, have understanding

1c) (Hiphil)

1c1) to understand

1c2) to cause to understand, give understanding, teach

1d) (Hithpolel) to show oneself discerning or attentive, consider diligently

1e) (Polel) to teach, instruct

2) prudent, regard

BDB Definition (H6612):

- 1) simplicity, naivete (noun feminine)
- 2) simple, foolish, open-minded (adjective)

³ How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, ⁴ Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand G3539 my knowledge in the-mystery of Christ)

Ephesians 3:3-4

G3539 (Strong)

νοιέω

noieō

noy-eh'-o

From G3563; to *exercise the mind (observe)*, that is, (figuratively) to *comprehend, heed*: - consider, perceive, think, understand.

As also in all *his* [Paul's] epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, [G1425](#) which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

II Peter 3:16

G1425 (Strong)

From G1418 and a derivation of G3539; *difficult of perception*: - hard to be understood.

Total KJV occurrences: 1

Maintaining Unity when
Differences of Conviction Arise
Within a Single Congregation

Within a congregation
(collective activity)

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graph TD; A[Within a congregation (collective activity)] --- B[We must individually divide the single loaf and cup with which we begin (required), following the example of Jesus, Luke 22:17-20]; A --- C[We can use pre-divided juice/pieces of bread or begin with a single cup/loaf (allowed) when we observe the supper (required)];
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