A lamp to my feet
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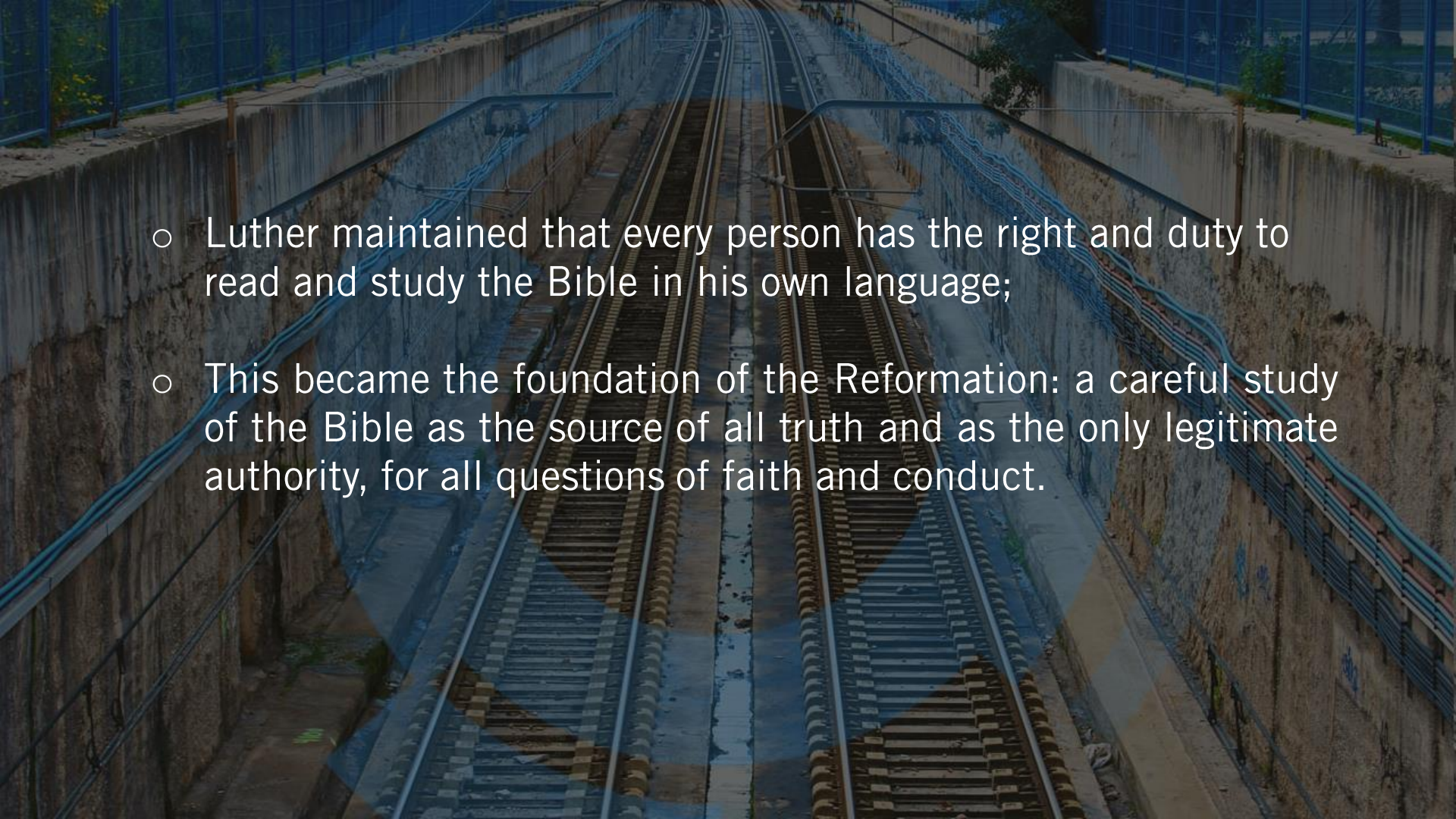
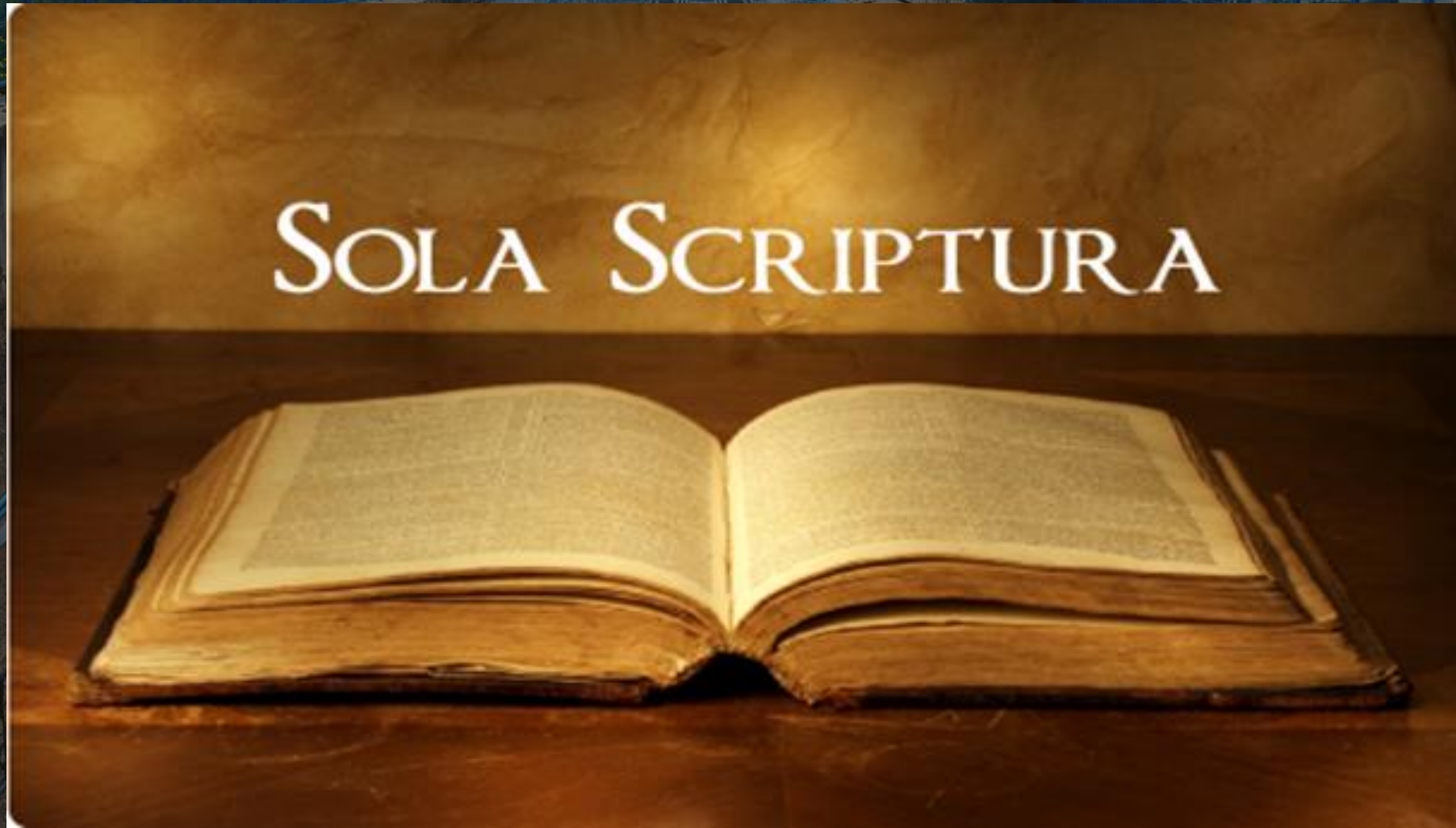
Martin about himself: “though I lived as a monk without reproach, I felt that I was a sinner before God with an extremely disturbed conscience”

But Martin Luther’s study of Scripture had convinced him that salvation came by the Grace of God alone and based upon the atonement of Christ on the Cross, received by faith alone.

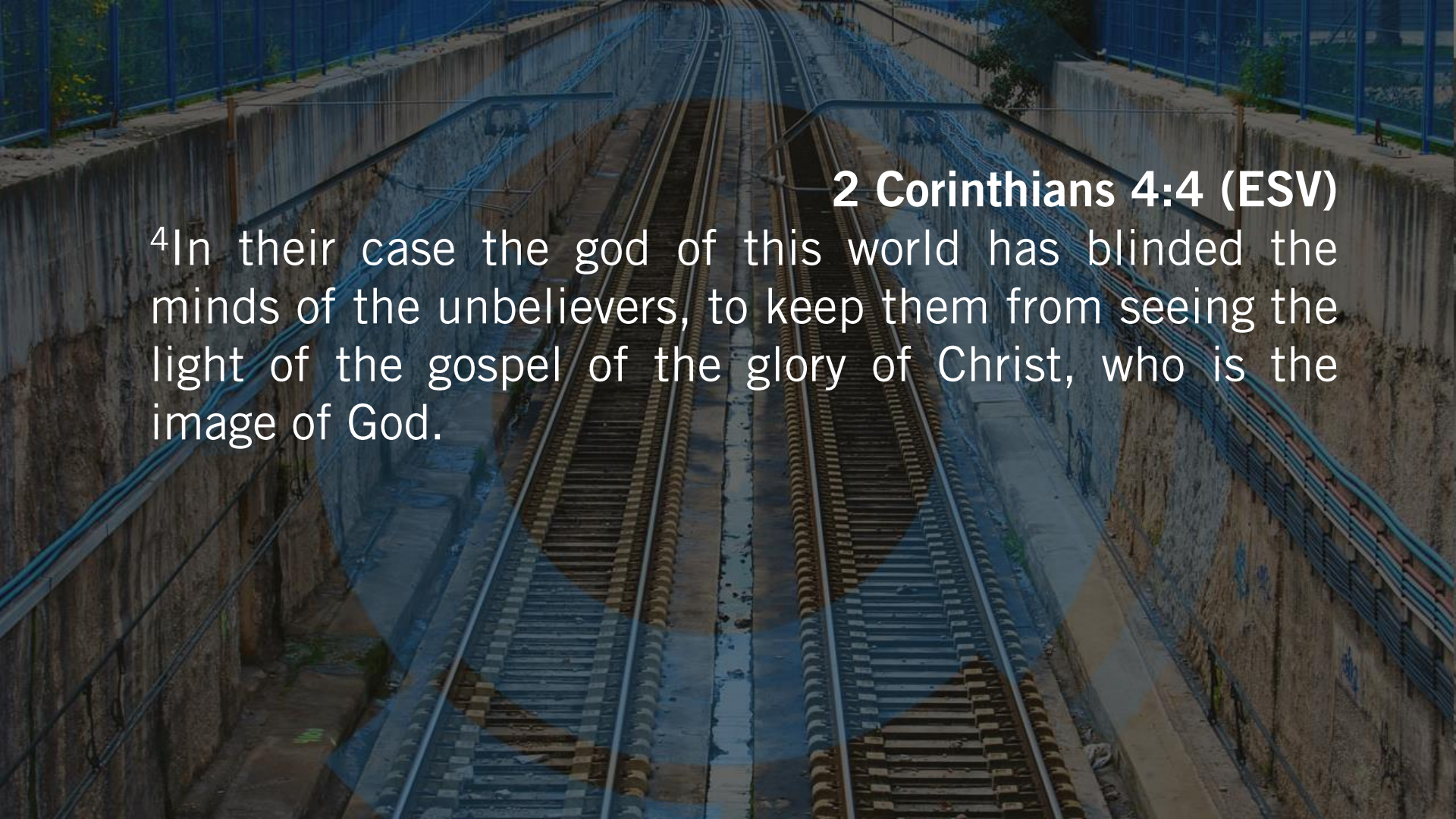


- Luther maintained that every person has the right and duty to read and study the Bible in his own language;
- This became the foundation of the Reformation: a careful study of the Bible as the source of all truth and as the only legitimate authority, for all questions of faith and conduct.


SOLA SCRIPTURA

Matthew 24:3-4 (ESV)

3 As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came
to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things
be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the
end of the age?” 4 And Jesus answered them, “See that
no one leads you astray.



2 Corinthians 4:4 (ESV)

4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

Psalm 119:103-106 (ESV)

103 How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!
104 Through your precepts I get understanding;
therefore I hate every false way.

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105 Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

Ephesians 1:16-19 (AMP)

16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my
prayers; 17 [I always pray] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of glory, may grant you a spirit of wisdom and of
revelation [that gives you a deep and personal and intimate insight]
into the true knowledge of Him [for we know the Father through
the Son]. 18 And [I pray] that the eyes of your heart [the very center
and core of your being] may be enlightened [flooded with light by
the Holy Spirit], so that you will know and cherish the [a]hope [the
divine guarantee, the confident expectation] to which He has
called you,

Hebrews 5:11-14 (ESV)

11 About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since
you have become dull of hearing. 12 For though by this time you
ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the
basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid
food, 13 for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of
righteousness, since he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the
mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by
constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

Peter 2:2-3 (AMP)

2 Like newborn babies [you should] long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may be nurtured and grow in respect to salvation [its ultimate fulfillment], 3 if in fact you have [already] tasted [a]the goodness and gracious kindness of the Lord.