

Matthew 4.3 Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

* To understand where we are today, we must understand the influence of ... and a hybrid it helped produce called ...

* The Protestant Reformation represented a return to ...

* It also led to ... which led to the explosion of ...

* Satan's answer to the Reformation was ...

* The American colonies were historically very ...

* This tradition was further stoked by ...

* Rationalism was explicitly rejected by the ..., but among the ... it had an influence.

* One of the most influential theologians and educators of the day, who was himself a Founding Father and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was ...

* He used ... as the ultimate authority in matters of religious truth, but elsewhere he used ...

* He did not see a problem, because he really believed ...

* It can seem that way to one who is ...

* But as time would tell ...

* As we can see, eventually autonomous reason can lead ...

* The result was that many of the Founders became They were neither ... nor ... They believed ..., and yet they rejected ...

* When this found its way into their political views, they believed in some good things, including ...

* This why Benjamin Franklin supported ...

* In the Founding documents, we see ...

* Lessons for us.

(1) We are thankful for ...

(2) But we must also realize that when you remove ...

(3) It all goes back to ...

- We now know that you cannot even have a basis for ... or ... apart from God speaking a true word to us.

- Postmodern philosopher Richard Rorty said ...

- When we look carefully at Scripture, we see that God never intended man to live without ...

- This is not because man was inherently flawed, but because ...

- When you have a close personal relationship with someone, you ... talk with them.

- God speaking in his word to us is not some ...; it is ...