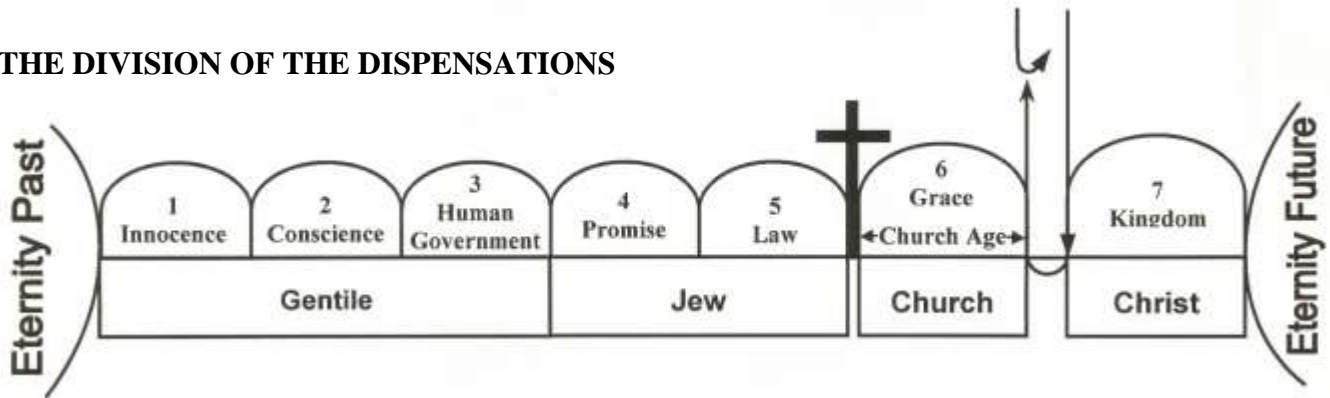


"BASICS OF DISPENSATIONAL TRUTH Pt 2"

THE DIVISION OF THE DISPENSATIONS



THE DEFINITE CREDITS OF A DISPENSATIONAL APPROACH TO THE BIBLE

A. Dispensationalism recognizes the need for _____.

For example:

- * Israel and the Church. (1 Cor. 10:32; Eph. 2:11-18)
- * Law and Grace. (Rom. 6:14; 8:2-6)
- * The Rapture and the Second Coming of Christ. (1 Thess. 4:13-5:11)

B. Dispensationalism recognizes the fact of _____ Biblical _____.

- * Hebrews 1:1-2
- * John 16:12-15
- * _____% of the Bible deals with 3 dispensations - Law, Grace, & Kingdom.

C. Dispensationalism recognizes the inspiration of the Scriptures and is based on the _____, _____, and _____ interpretation of the Bible.

- * 2 Timothy 3:15-17
- * "When the _____ sense of Scripture makes _____ sense, seek no _____ sense. When the _____ sense of Scripture makes _____ sense, it must be figurative or symbolic."
- * Matthew 4:18-20; Psalm 91:4; John 10:9

D. Dispensationalism recognizes the flow of human history pointing to the _____ of _____, with an optimistic view of the future.

- * Contrasted with Covenant Theology:
- * 1 Timothy 1:17

E. Dispensationalism reminds believers that they live today in a time of unparalleled

_____.

* Ephesians 1:3

III. THE DIRECT CRITICISMS OF A DISPENSATIONAL APPROACH TO THE BIBLE

A. Charge: "Dispensationalism is a recent development."

Answer: A dispensational approach in the understanding of the Bible has been present with various Bible teachers _____ the centuries.

Paul (Gal 4:4-5)	Isaac Watts (1674-1748)
Augustine (400's)	John Darby (1800-1882)
John Edwards (1639-1716)	James Brookes (1830-1897)
Pierre Poiret (1646-1719)	C.I. Scofield (1843-1921)

* What is true of Covenant Theology as a system?

B. Charge: "Dispensationalism teaches various ways of salvation."

Answer: The true dispensationalist believes that salvation is always by _____ alone through _____ alone apart from works, law, and ritual in every dispensation.

Hebrews 11:4... "By faith Abel... righteous." (dispensation of conscience)

Romans 4:1-5... "Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness." (dispensation of promise)

Romans 4:6-8... "Just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works..." (dispensation of the law)

Acts 16:30-31... Paul to Jailer... "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved." (dispensation of grace)

C. Charge: "Dispensationalism dismembers the Bible."

Answer: The true dispensationalist always maintains the _____ of the Bible while recognizing its distinctions.

1. "Introduction" to the Scofield Bible regard the unity of the Scriptures.
2. A trans-dispensational principle would be "Without faith it is impossible to please God." (Heb. 11)

D. Charge: "Dispensationalism is divisive."

Answer: Though seeking to be non-divisive, the true dispensationalist cannot treat as _____ or _____ Biblical truth which they find clearly revealed in Scripture.

1. Jude 3.
2. 2 Timothy 2:14-21