

“World History Through the Lens of Scripture”

Associate Minister’s Class

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Dispensation Defined:

A distinguishable era or period in history during which God assigns certain duties or responsibilities to humanity, especially as these relate to man's relationship with God. In the progress of the dispensations there is a gradual unfolding of truth about God (progressive revelation), and man learns about God's expectations for him.

- I. Dispensations
 - a. Innocence (Genesis 1:27-Genesis 3:5)
 - b. Conscience (Genesis 3:6–8:22)
 - c. Human Government (Genesis 9:1-11:32)
 - d. Promise (Genesis 12:1-Exodus 18:27)
 - e. Law (Exodus 19:1-Luke 22:20)
 - f. Grace (Luke 22:21-Revelation 3:22)
 - g. Tribulation (Revelation 4:1-Revelation 19)
 - h. Kingdom (Revelation 20)

- II. Creation, Eden, Noah, Abraham, The Patriarchs
 - a. History:
 1. Genesis

- III. Bondage, Moses, Deliverance, Wandering
 - a. History:
 1. Exodus
 2. Leviticus
 3. Numbers
 4. Deuteronomy

- IV. The Promise Land, Conquering of Canaan
 - a. History
 1. Joshua

- V. Sin, Bondage, Deliverance
 - a. History:
 1. Judges
 2. Ruth
 3. I Samuel 1:1-I Samuel 9:27

VI. United Kingdom

a. History:

1. I Samuel 10:1-I Samuel 31:13
2. II Samuel
3. I Kings 1:1-I Kings 12:15
4. I Chronicles
5. II Chronicles 1:1-11-Chronicles 11:16

b. Poetry:

1. Psalms
2. Proverbs
3. Ecclesiastes
4. Song of Solomon
5. Job

VII. Divided Kingdom

a. History:

1. I Kings 12:16-I Kings 22:53
2. II Kings
3. II Chronicles 1:1-II Chronicles 36:9

b. Prophecy:

1. Isaiah (Israel and Judah)
2. Jeremiah (Judah)
3. Hosea (Israel)
4. Joel (Judah)
5. Amos (Israel)
6. Obadiah (Edom and Judah)
7. Jonah (Israel)
8. Micah (Israel and Judah)
9. Nahum (Ninevah and Judah)
10. Habakkuk (Judah)
11. Zephaniah (Judah)

VIII. Captivity (Exile)

a. History:

1. Daniel (1-6)
2. Esther

b. Prophecy:

1. Jeremiah
2. Lamentations
3. Ezekiel
4. Daniel (7-12)

- IX. Return (Post-Exilic)
 - a. History:
 - 1. Ezra
 - 2. Nehemiah
 - b. Prophecy:
 - 1. Haggai
 - 2. Zechariah
 - 3. Malachi

- X. New Covenant (The Gospels are not written for the purpose of detailing commands for
 - 1. Christian living. Rather, each book presents a portrait of Jesus' life from
 - 2. different perspective, in order that the readers would come to saving faith)
 - b. Matthew (presents Jesus as a king)
 - c. Mark (presents Jesus as a servant)
 - d. Luke (presents Jesus as the ideal man)
 - e. John (presents Jesus as the Son of God)

- XI. The Church (Grace)
 - a. History:
 - 1. Acts (a selective history of the Spread of the Gospel, through the Holy Spirit's working primarily through two Apostles, Peter and Paul)
 - b. Ecclesiastical Epistles:
 - 1. Romans
 - 2. I Corinthians, II Corinthians
 - 3. Galatians
 - 4. Ephesians
 - 5. Philippians
 - 6. Colossians
 - 7. I Thessalonians, II Thessalonians
 - c. Personal Epistle:
 - 1. Philemon
 - d. Pastoral Epistles:
 - 1. I Timothy, II Timothy
 - 2. Titus
 - e. General Epistles:
 - 1. Hebrews
 - 2. James
 - 3. I Peter, II Peter
 - 4. I John, II John, III John
 - 5. Jude

XII. The Tribulation
a. Revelation

XIII. The Kingdom
a. Revelation