

Loris First Baptist Church
“52 Vital Doctrines of The Bible”

Doctrine # 20: “The Dispensations” (part II)

1. Read Pages 12-23 from the Doctrine#20 Study Guide by next Wednesday.
2. Answer the following Questions about “The Dispensations” as you read:

f. Dispensation of Promise: Covenant with Abraham (cont’d)

- 11) True or False. During the God’s Covenant with Abraham, it is evident that Abraham was not perfect, but he grew in “faith” and in “grace” until he was willing to immediately do whatever God asked him to do...even if it was very difficult.
(page 12, middle; see Genesis 22:11-12)

- 12) True or False. Isaac and Jacob learned the importance of “faith” from their father/grandfather, so they lived a more godly life than Abraham and did not “fail” to be obedient to God in everything they did. (page 12, bottom; see Genesis 26:6-16 and Genesis 28:13-15)

- 13) What are at least three ways that the nation of Israel “failed” God early in their relationship?
(page 12, bottom –page 13, top; see also Exodus 14:10-12, 15:24, 16:2, Numbers 14:2)

- 14) What was the failure of Israel at Kadesh-barnea (Numbers 14)? (page 13, middle)

- 15) Israel’s failure under the Dispensation of the Abrahamic Promises resulted in what problems for them?
(page 13, middle)

- 16) True or False. Once the Dispensation of the Law was introduced to Israel by God, the Dispensation of Promise was canceled and no longer applied to Israel. (page 13, bottom)

- 17) When will ultimately all of the promises associated with the Dispensation of Promise (The Abrahamic Covenant) be fulfilled by God to Abraham's descendants? (page 13, bottom)

- 18) What are some of the things that the Scriptures reveal during the Dispensation of Promise? (page 14, top)

g. The Dispensation of the Law

- 1) What is the block of Scripture that is revealed as the "Dispensation of the Law"? (page 14, middle)

- 2) True or False. Under the Dispensation of the Law, God expected the Gentiles to obey the same laws that He revealed only to the Jews at Mount Sinai. (page 14, middle)

- 3) What are the three major divisions of the Mosaic Laws? (page 14, bottom)

- 4) What type of government did the Mosaic law set up to rule over the nation of Israel? (page 14, bottom)

- 5) True or False. The Mosaic Covenant, under the Dispensation of the Law, was only a "temporary" covenant and was only to be in force until Jesus Christ, the Messiah, should come and introduce the Dispensation of Grace. (page 14, bottom; see Galatians 3:24-25)

- 6) What were the promises of God given during the Dispensation of the Law period based upon?
(page 14, bottom)

- 7) For the first time in history, the Dispensation of the Law revealed what through the Scriptures?
(page 15, top)

- 8) True or False. During the Dispensation of the Law, there were many long periods of time in which the nation of Israel completely disobeyed the law and participated in rebellious idolatry!
(page 15, top; see also the book of Judges!)

- 9) During the Dispensation of the Law, because of Israel's disobedience, they experienced major judgments by God through significant captivities under what nations? (page 15, middle)

- 10) What was the "crowning blessing" of the Dispensation of the Law? (page 15, bottom)

- 11) In one sense, the Dispensation of the Law ended when? (page 16, top; Romans 10:4; 2Cor 3:11-14)

- 12) True or False. Believers today should study carefully the Mosaic law and because we are "Jews" by faith (not by the "flesh"), God expects that we observe these laws today and has given us the Holy Spirit to help us obey them all. (page 16, middle)

- 13) According to Romans 3:20, what is something "the law" could NOT do and what is something "the law" could do?

- 14) According to Hebrews 7:18-19, the law could NOT make anyone (or thing) what?
- 15) According to Galatians 3:19, the law was given to identify and limit sin “until” when?
- 16) According to Romans 8:3, why was the law “powerless” to make people righteous in God’s sight?
- 17) The Dispensation of the Law made it possible for God to “demonstrate” what?
(page 17, bottom; see also Romans 3:19, 7:7-25; Gal 3:21-27)

h. Dispensation of Grace

- 1) What is the block of Scripture that is revealed as the “Dispensation of Grace”? (page 17, bottom)
- 2) True or False. The Dispensation of Grace is directed at all mankind and all other dispensations are canceled out by it. (page 17, bottom)
- 3) True or False. In the Dispensation of Grace, God revealed a change in the way He planned on saving mankind. He switched to saving people based on “grace” from “works”.
(page 18, top; see also Romans 1:16, 3:22-24, 4:16)
- 4) True or False. The high standards of grace elevate the Dispensation of Grace above all other previous rules of life that God had introduced to mankind throughout history. (page 18, middle)

- 5) In what ways has the “failure” of mankind continued during this current Dispensation of Grace?
(page 18, bottom; see also 1Tim 4:1-3; 2Tim 3:1-13; 2Peter 2-3; Jude)

- 6) When will the “true church” (i.e. ‘real believers in Christ’) be judged by God?
(page 19, top; see also 2Corinthians 5:10-11)

- 7) The age of grace is a different dispensation in that it concerns the “church” which is comprised of who?
(page 19, bottom)

- 8) True or False. During the Dispensation of Grace, the Mosaic Law is completely canceled as to its immediate “application”, but continues to testify to the holiness of God and provides many spiritual “lessons”. (page 19, bottom; see Galatians 5:3-5, 23)

i. Dispensation of the Kingdom

- 1) When does the Dispensation of the Kingdom begin? (page 20, top; see also Matthew 24; Revelation 19)

- 2) What “7 year period” of judgment on this earth immediately precedes the Millennial Kingdom of Christ?
(page 20, top)

- 3) According to Daniel 2:44-45, how is the Kingdom of Christ described?

- 4) According to Zechariah 14:9, what will the Lord be king over during the Dispensation of the Kingdom?

- 5) During the Dispensation of the Kingdom, what will the human responsibility be? (page 20, bottom)
- 6) True or False. During the Dispensation of the Kingdom, theocratic rule, as well as the sacrificial-system and priesthood, will be reinstated. (page 21, top; Isa 66:21-23; Ezek 40-48)
- 7) What will happen to Satan during the Dispensation of the Kingdom? (page 21, top; see Rev 20:1-3, 7)
- 8) True or False. Only true “believers” participate in the 1000 year rule of Christ on the earth. Therefore, man does not fail during the Dispensation of the Kingdom because it is impossible for man to sin during this time period. (page 21, middle; Isa 65:20; Revelation 20:7-9)
- 9) At the end of the Dispensation of the Kingdom, by what are rebels and the entire earth judged? (page 21, bottom; see Revelation 20:9; 2Peter 3:7, 10-12)
- 10) True or False. During the millennial kingdom, a “new covenant” is established between God and His people which include salvation, physical prosperity, abundance of revelation, forgiveness of sin, and a regathering of Israel back to the promised land. (page 22; Jer 31:31-34)
- 11) How does the Dispensation of the Kingdom differ from all preceding ones? (page 23, top)

j. Summary of the Dispensations

- 1) What is demonstrated by “every” dispensation presented in the Scriptures? (page 23, middle)
- 2) Because of the lessons of the Dispensations, what can no one question throughout eternity? (pg. 23, bttm)