

CHART LESSON

EVERYONE DIVIDES, NOT EVERYONE DOES IT RIGHTLY

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

~ 2 Timothy 2:15

1. Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth

- a. 2Tim 2:15-18 – Rightly dividing the word of truth means it does not all apply
 - i. While all scripture is profitable, it is not all to/about you, going on now
 - ii. Everyone divides – (sacrifices, mixed fabric, pork), not everyone rightly
 1. “That was for then, this is for now”
 - iii. Rightly dividing can solve the contradictions and confusions. How?
- b. Rom 3:21-25 – The gospel is a good starting point.
 - i. Salvation is w/o Israel (3:19), w/o the law (3:21), w/o covenants (3:22)
 - ii. Salvation by grace, through faith, in Christ’s finished work alone

2. What was Known Since the Beginning

- a. Creation was “very good” b/c no death, no sin – Adam didn’t need a Saviour
 - i. Garden - Sin entered – they were kicked out, cursed, sacrificed animals
 - ii. Noah’s flood - Death by sin – Rom 5:12
 - iii. Abraham – Gen 12:1-3 - land, nation, blessing, circumcision – a “Seed”
 - iv. Moses – Ex 18:15 – Law, “a Prophet like unto me”
 - v. David – Samuel anointed him King – covenant – “Judge me” Ps 7:8
 - vi. Babylon – Trouble comes before the promise – Jer 29:11
- b. All of these are a shadow of things to come (not the present, but future) – Col 2:17

3. A Hard Division

- a. This is where most people divide their Bible – but it is wrong –
- b. The good news! A Saviour! Time is fulfilled. How? → Israel, law, covenants
- c. Jesus came under the law, to bring salvation through Israel - Luke 1:68-75
- d. Matt 5:17-18 the law; 6:10-14; – The prayer is a law kingdom prayer!
- e. Matt 10:5 – Matt 15:22-24; Sent to Israel - Mat 16:21; Luke 18:34; John 20:9

4. Harder Still – Luke 24:44-45- After he explained the scriptures...

- a. Acts 1:6 – They are still looking for Israel’s kingdom. Ignorant – Acts 1:21-22
- b. Acts 2:16-17 – This is that ... Joel 2 – The last days! Not the first days!
- c. Acts 3:15, 18-21 – the mouth of all his prophets since the world began.
- d. Peter spoke of Moses, David, Abraham – Israel, covenants, law.

5. A Mystery Revealed

- a. Romans 16:25 – The reason we didn’t find Rom 3 – is cuz it was a mystery!
- b. Eph 3:1-6 – The revelation of the mystery concerns a body in Christ – the gospel of the grace of God! Eph 6:19, A new creature - 2 Cor 5:16-17
- c. Prophecy was left unfulfilled; and that is now the good news!
- d. The message of salvation for today, the description of who you are, and God’s will are all found in what Christ revealed to Paul!