

BASIC DISPENSATIONAL LESSONS

MAKING ALL MEN SEE

*“Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given...
to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery...”*

~ Ephesians 3:8-9

1. What Are You?

- a. You are strange - mid-acts Pauline dispensational right division, hyper-what?
- b. Where did the literacy gap come from? A brief history in Bible literacy.
- c. You are a giant purple people eater - an alien; you are unfamiliar.
 - i. Don't make yourself unnecessarily weird. 1 Cor 9:19-23
 - ii. Don't forget who Christ made you. 2 Tim 1:12; 2 Cor 5:20

2. When Did You See?

- a. There is a progression to understanding: e.g math, reading, running, cooking
- b. Don't require people to learn advanced calculus to talk to you; everyone learns to add
- c. All Bible for us → God operates differently → Israel/church are different → Pauline RD
- d. 120 years ago Scofield wrote a booklet; the road has been traveled before
- e. Basic dispensational lessons: literal reading, Israel/church, law/grace, standing/state, judgments: salvation/service/rewards

3. Step 1: Literal = You Can Understand

- a. Literal means → according to the letter, limit your interpretation to the text.
- b. People have been conditioned that “taking it literally” causes problems
- c. You will be laughed at because Psalms mentions singing corn – Ps 65:13
- d. The advantage of literal reading: the text means what it says, you can understand
- e. The opposite of literal? Unknown, spiritualized, requires experts to interpret
- f. Every man is important – Rom 14:5, Eph 4:25, Col 1:28, 1 Cor 3:5
- g. Give people the power to understand God's words on their own – Eph 3:9

4. Literal Examples

- a. *“I will give it to thy seed for ever”* - Gen 13:5, “stars” – Gen 15:5 / Deu 1:10
- b. Prophetic fulfillment occurs literally – Isaiah 53, Psalm 22
- c. The mountain, Jerusalem, Zion, etc. - Isaiah 2:2
- d. “daily bread” in Matthew 6:11
- e. What part of this is fulfilled? - Revelation 20
- f. The Bible is written to be understood.
- g. Basic lessons can help make all men see.