

WHEN THE BIBLE IS WRONG

THE NECESSITY OF DISPENSATIONAL INTERPRETATION

"...But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully..."

~ 2 Corinthians 4:2

1. Being Biblical

- a. Biblical *def.* ~ pertaining to the Bible, of or in the Bible, Bible times. Should we be?
- b. Is the Bible just a source for ~~bookmarks~~ facebook quotes, baby names, proverbs?
- c. People in the Bible were sinners! Bible times span millennia! Everyone is biblical.
- d. When the Bible prophecies about you, are you being biblical? Rom 1:18, Mark 7:6
- e. Is being biblical better? Which is worse, not using the Bible or using it wrongly? 2Co 2:17
- f. Live biblically for a year; *"It's in the Bible"*; *"I use the Bible"*; *"I obey the entire Bible"*
- g. Biblical is not always = right, true, appropriate, binding, for you to obey or participate

2. When the Bible is Wrong

- a. Denial has always been there, but damage can be done by those that receive it -2Co 4:2
- b. If it must always record what is right ... it doesn't Gen 3:1, Job 2:9, John 18:38 (context)
- c. If it must always speak about America in 2018 ... it doesn't. (respecting time/history)
 - i. Ps 33:12 (135:4, 147:19-20), Isa 9:10, Jer 29:11, Mt 24:6-13, Acts 2:20, Rev 12
- d. If every promise of the Bible is to you ... they are not. (audience)
 - i. Gen 12:3, Lev 22:3-6, 2Chr 7:14, Ps 37:4, Pro 22:4, Mt 6:11, Jn 14:13, 1Jo 5:14
 - ii. Take what on our missionary journey? Luke 9:1-6? (22:35-36)
- e. If God must always do the same thing ... he doesn't. (God's will)
 - i. Judgement/Peace - Nah 1:3-4 & Isa 19:5 & 35:6-7, Ro 4:5 - Lk 2:14 v. 12:51
 - ii. Miracles - John 1:50 v. 2Co 5:7; 1 Cor 1:22
 - iii. How many times do governors pray for rain? Jam 5:17-18
- f. If every instruction is for everyone to follow ... then it will fail. (application)
 - i. Heb 7:4-6,12 & Mal 3:8-9,10, Matt 19:17-21, Luk 12:33, Acts 1:8-9, Ja 4:13, 5:14
 - ii. Is your life biblical? Deu 32:46-47 & 1 Tim 1:5-7
 - iii. The devil himself quoted Bible - Matt 4:3-11 - Ps 91:11 was speaking of Christ
- g. If it must always speak the same thing ... which it doesn't. (contradictions)
 - i. Who do you obey: God or devils? Lev 11:8 v 1 Tim 4:1-4
- h. If there was never any further revelation ... which there was. (progressive revelation)
 - i. Before faith came... afterwards revealed... Gal 3:23, Heb 1:1, Gal 1:12
 - ii. Something ended - Rom 10:4, Matt 5:17, 24:34 - Acts 2:17 v 1 Cor 13:8
- i. If it does not mean what it says ... which it does. (non-literal reading)
 - i. Mark 12:31-32, 16:17-18 (Rev 8:10-11, 9:1-4), Jam 2:24

3. Not Enough to Be Biblical

- a. Not enough to be Biblical for God's word to stay true and work - 1Th 2:13
- b. We must be dispensational → God does not operate the same way throughout; His instructions change; there is progressive revelation; all profitable but not all prescribed
- c. God is not wrong, people are. People can teach any wrong thing from the Bible.
- d. When you fail to rightly divide, you make the Bible wrong.
- e. When you fail to recognize dispensational change, you make the Bible wrong.