

CHART: IMPORTANT BIBLE DISTINCTIONS

A CHART LESSON ABOUT LETTING THE BIBLE SPEAK FOR ITSELF

1. The Bible Has Important Distinctions

- a. Many have preconceptions about the Bible that are not true (one book, rules, etc)
- b. The most popular distinction is OT/NT - OT is Israel; NT is Jesus (& Peter/Paul)

2. Audience:

- a. Jesus: Israel - John 1:11, Matt 15:24, Rom 15:8
- b. Peter: Israel - Matt 10:5-6, Luke 24:47, Acts 2:22, Acts 11:19
- c. Paul: Gentiles - Acts 22:21, 2 Tim 1:11, Rom 11:13, Rom 15:16
- d. *"At least they had the same content, right?"* Actually...

3. Prophecy:

- a. Jesus: Prophecy - Luke 1:68-70, Luke 24:44-47, John 5:39
- b. Peter: Prophecy - Acts 3:18-24, 1 Pet 1:10
- c. Paul: Mystery - Rom 16:25, Col 1:25-26, Eph 3:4-9
- d. *"OT was the law, but Jesus came to replace the law, right?"* Actually...

4. Law:

- a. The OT started in Exodus, 65 chapters into the Bible,
- b. Jesus: Law - Matt 5:17, Matt 8:4, Matt 23:2-3, John 14:15
- c. Peter: Law - Acts 2:46, 10:13-14, 10:28, Jam 1:25, 2:10-12
- d. Paul: Grace - Rom 6:14, Rom 7:4, Gal 5:1-3
- e. *"OT was for Israel, NT was for all."* - Actually, the NT was Israel's too

5. Israel:

- a. Jesus: Standing - Matt 19:28, John 4:22, Heb 9:14-17
- b. Peter: Stumbling - Acts 1:6, 3:19-24, 1 Pet 2:8-9, Jam 1:1
- c. Paul: Fallen - Rom 11:11-12
- d. God's people now are members of a new creature - Eph 2:12-16, 3:5-6
- e. *"At least we have the same gospel, right?"* Actually...

6. Gospel:

- a. Jesus: Gospel of kingdom - Mark 1:14-15, Matt 6:10, Luke 9:2-6, 10:25-28
 - i. The cross - Matt 16:21, Luke 18:31-34
- b. Peter: Gospel of kingdom - Luke 9:2-6, Acts 1:3, Acts 2:38
- c. Paul: Gospel of the cross - 1 Cor 9:17, 1 Cor 1:17-18, 1 Cor 15:1-4
- d. *"At least we are all going to the same place though, right?"* - Actually...
- e. *"At least we are all forgiven for Christ's sake, right?"* Actually ...

7. Forgiveness:

- a. Jesus: Conditional - Mark 11:24-26
- b. Peter: Conditional - Acts 3:19, 5:31, James 2:13, 1 John 1:9, 2:9-12
- c. Paul: Grace - Eph 4:32, Rom 4:5-7

8. Right Division

- a. There is a clear similarity between Jesus and Peter's ministry
- b. There is a clear difference with Paul's ministry
- c. What happened in Matthew 1? Jesus came as a continuation of prophecy.
- d. We now have the basis of rightly dividing the word of truth.