Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth

Divisions will be made that are not proven here, since they are proven elsewhere on our website.

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If you love the Bible, you should love this study, for it is to understand the Bible.

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

II Timothy 2:15

Jesus Christ is the preeminent goal of our lives and church.

Jesus is known only by the Bible, which must be rightly divided.

Our faith rests on:

Inspiration
Preservation
Interpretation



And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

— Acts 8:31 (KJV)

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II Timothy 2:15

God-hating skeptics attack the Bible for contradictions God wisely put in the Bible. Because God loves His children,
He gave us the rules to solve
the contradictions.

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II Timothy 2:15

What is the most important part of this great verse?

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II Timothy 2:15

We must DIVIDE words and verses that sound alike but have different meanings.

It is only this kind of study that God approves.

It is only this kind of workman that avoids doctrinal shame.

Rightly Dividing (1)

This well-known verse is Paul's study rule for pastors.

Same or similar words may have different meanings.

Unless division is needed, Paul would not have the rule.

The division process requires hard study and a workman.

Neglecting Paul's rule will offend God and bring shame.

Rightly Dividing (2)

Different meaning for the same word in different places.

Different meaning for same concept in different places.

Distinguishes subtle differences in words, phrases, verses.

Determines which command applies in conflicting cases.

Prioritizes God's law or His nature to avoid contradictions.

LEARNIO DESTROY BLACK ORWHITE HINKING!

Black or White Thinking

It is easy ... but that doesn't make it right ... it is very risky.

You can teach a dog or a parrot to know black or white.

Wisdom is not black or white – it is many shades of gray.

Wisdom blends God's black or white rules to fit a case.

Gray is righteous judgment over judging by appearance.

Is this verse true?

Thou shalt not kill.

Exodus 20:13

Is this verse true?

And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.

Exodus 21:17

Ohhhh, Noooo!

There is a contradiction in the Bible.

Skeptics use this contradiction to ridicule the Bible, since there are many examples of Israel killing criminals, enemies, etc.

Ohhhh, Noooo!

What will we do?

We will use the rule God gave us.

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II Timothy 2:15

To Kill or Not to Kill

Government should kill criminals for capital crimes.

The military should kill the enemy when in a war.

• Citizens cannot take another's life except in self-defense.



NO!



YES!



YES!

That was easy!

Exodus 20:13 did not state any exceptions, which confounds skeptics, but we knew many Bible exceptions all along.

God wrote the Bible with contradictions to mock His enemies.

They only appear to be contradictions. We can solve them easily.

What is true in one case may not be true in a different case.

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II Timothy 2:15

God gave this teaching rule in the O.T. with different wording.

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Nehemiah 8:8

When Ezra gave the sense and caused them to understand, he applied meanings missed by reading or using dictionaries.

Everyone knows basic words; dictionaries record that history.

But sometimes God uses words differently for us to <u>rightly divide</u>.

But sometimes God uses words differently so we give the sense.

The Bible is a spiritual book that uses natural words. Beware!

They needed Ezra to teach large and small differences in words.

What did we do?

THOU SHALT NOT KILL

We rightly divided it (II Tim 2:15)

We gave the right sense (Neh 8:8)

We simply summarized what killing is allowed (actually commanded) and what killing is prohibited.

II Timothy 2:15 is a crucial verse to understand the Bible.

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II Timothy 2:15

What is this?



And this?



Are you sure?

10 His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

11 Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough....

Isaiah 56:10-11

Are you sure you know what dumb and greedy dogs are?

They are bad pastors that do not sound the alarm for God's people and then take advantage of their positions to live luxuriously.

The following picture is of a pastor-dog doing his duty.



Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, <u>or the price of a dog</u>, into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

Deuteronomy 23:18

Are you sure you know what dogs could not have their price brought into Moses' tabernacle?



- 16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.

Psalm 22:16,20



Give not that which is holy <u>unto the dogs</u>, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

Matthew 7:6



26 But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs.

27 And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.

Matthew 15:26-27

Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision.

Philippians 3:2

For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

Revelation 22:15

As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.

Proverbs 26:11



Rightly Dividing "DOG"

Isaiah 56:10-11 ... Pastors

Deut 23:18 ... Sodomites

Psalm 22:16 ... Crucifiers

Psalm 22:20 ... Satan

Matt 7:6 ... Truth haters

Matt 15:26 ... Gentiles

Phil 3:2 ... Judaizers

Rev 22:15 ... filthy wicked

Prov 26:11 ... actual dog

Is a dictionary helpful?

A quadruped of the genus *Canis*, of which wild species or forms are found in various parts of the world, and numerous races or breeds, varying greatly in size, shape, and colour, occur in a domesticated or semidomesticated state in almost all countries.

No!

What if we did not divide?

Dumb dogs never get full.

Cannot tithe sale of puppies.

Wild dogs circled Jesus.

One dog tried to kill Him.

No Lord's supper to dogs.

Dogs only get fallen crumbs.

Beware of Dog signs are good.

No dogs inside city limits.

How did we figure out what DOG means in each place?

By Being Slaves to Context

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We read the context to find how God used "dog" in that setting.

Thank you, blessed God, for concealing truth from some and revealing it to us babes.

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. 26 Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

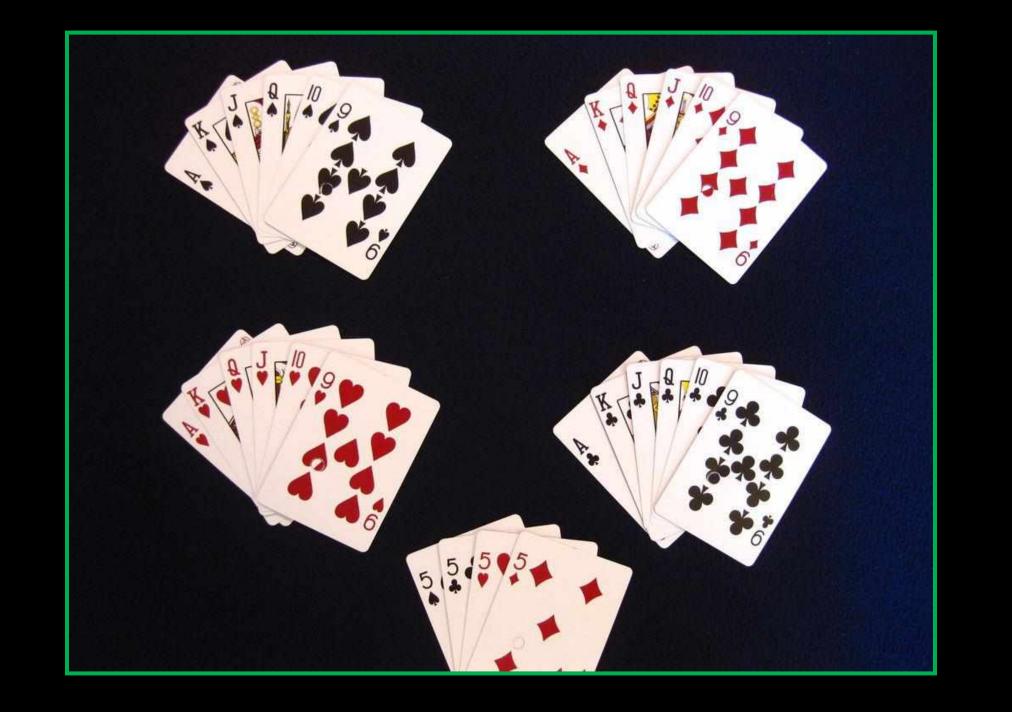
Matthew 11:25-26

We just divided the word "dog" in the Bible.

What example might help you see how this was done?

It is like taking mixed up cards and sorting them by some criteria.





In the DOG example we had 40 uses in the Bible with 9 different meanings.

In the DOG example we would take our 40 mixed up cards and sort them into 9 piles.

The preacher must study all 40 verses about dogs and separate them by 9 different meanings.

If we do this with LION, we have 124 occurrences and 21 meanings.

In both cases, dogs and lions, we ignore similes to classify and rightly divide metaphors.

Our Verse Has Three Parts:

- 1. God approves pastors that study.
- 2. Work keeps pastors from shame.
- 3. They will rightly divide the Bible.

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Keeping this rule can lead to preaching that is tedious, or boring.

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Nehemiah 8:8

People usually know what words mean ... but the Bible uses words and phrases in different ways.

Reading Bible words carefully and explaining what each one means in its context can be tedious.

Hearers must stay attentive and focused to follow the explanations.

Christians in 2018 do not have the attention span or the desire to truly learn God's word.

- 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

II Timothy 4:3-4

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Is there a big difference between the outline of Acts ... and Joel and Victoria wanting you beautiful and successful like them? Very few today want to hear the Bible read carefully, dissected, explained, and applied.

Neglect or rejection of this kind of preaching will lead to heresy.

Three verses have the word **TEMPT**

in them that appear to contradict each other.

Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

James 1:13

And it came to pass after these things, that <u>God</u> <u>did tempt Abraham</u>, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

Genesis 22:1

And <u>lead us not into temptation</u>, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Matthew 6:13

Does God tempt men or not?

Should we ask God not to do something He cannot do?

If we rightly divide the word **TEMPT**, we find three different uses.

Rightly Dividing TEMPTATION

• God never TEMPTS by putting lust in men (Jas 1:13-16; Gen 6:5).

• God does TEMPT by proving with tests (Gen 22:1; II Chr 32:31).

• TEMPTATION = difficult hardships (Matt 6:13; Gal 4:14; I Chr 4:10).

The Bible does not contradict itself, if we rightly divide words.

If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:26

Husbands, <u>love your wives</u>, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Ephesians 5:25

Which is true?

Hate wives?

Love wives?

- 30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.
- 31 And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb: but Rachel was barren.

Genesis 29:30-31

We are to love our wives, but we must always love God the most.

Reconciling these apparent contradictions is proper study and results in the meaning God intended for us.

What does

RIGHTLY DIVIDING

actually mean?

DIVIDING (#1)

DIVIDE. To separate (a thing) into parts, or (a number or collective body) into smaller groups; to split up, cleave; to break or cut asunder.

To separate into classes; to distinguish the kinds of; to class, classify. Formerly, in scholastic use, To draw distinctions with regard to; also absolutely: = **Distinguish**.

DIVIDING (#2)

DISTINGUISH. To make a distinction in or with respect to; esp. in scholastic use, to draw distinctions between various meanings of (a word or statement); hence to make subtle distinctions.

To make or draw a distinction; to perceive or note the difference between things; to exercise discernment; to discriminate.

The crucial word of this crucial verse is a rule of hermeneutics.

DIVIDE

What is hermeneutics?

The science or rules to interpret the Bible.

We must

RIGHTLY DIVIDE

Bible use of words.

We rightly DIVIDE if we put a sense on a word to fit context and truth.

We care much more about the <u>sense</u> of a word than its <u>sound</u>.

The word DOG sounded like DOG in each of our example verses.

The word TEMPT sounded like TEMPT in each of our example verses.

We care much more about the meaning of a word than its spelling.

Dog = Dog

But so what?

There were nine different meanings of dog!

God ordained judges in the O.T. that could make wise divisions.

- 8 If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, being matters of controversy within thy gates ...
- 9 they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment ...
- 11 According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee....

Deuteronomy 17:8-13

- 8 Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites, and of the priests, and of the chief of the fathers of Israel, for the judgment of the LORD, and for controversies....
- 10 ... between law and commandment, statutes and judgments, ye shall even warn them that they trespass not against the LORD....

II Chronicles 19:8-11

23 And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean. 24 And in controversy they shall stand judgment; and they shall judge it according to my judgments....

Ezekiel 44:23-24

The devil is a liar and hates truth, so he has corrupted II Tim 2:15.

What is the most important word in II Timothy 2:15?

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II Timothy 2:15

DIVIDE

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II Timothy 2:15

Satan moves men to change Bible words to destroy real preaching.

Warning: False Bible Version

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

II Timothy 2:15 in the NIV

Satan took the word STUDY out.

He turned DIVIDE into HANDLE.

God forbid!

Warning: False Bible Version

Make every effort to give yourself to God the kind of person he will approve. Be a worker who is not ashamed and who uses the true teaching in the right way.

II Timothy 2:15 in the NCV

Satan took the word STUDY out.

He turned DIVIDE into USES.

God forbid!

Warning: False Bible Version

Do your best to win God's approval as a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed and who teaches only the true message.

II Timothy 2:15 in the CEV

Satan took the word STUDY out.

He turned DIVIDE into TEACH.

God forbid!

Warning: False Bible Version

Concentrate on doing your best for God, work you won't be ashamed of, laying out the truth plain and simple.

II Timothy 2:15 in The Message

Satan took the word STUDY out.

He turned DIVIDE into LAYING OUT.

God forbid!

The devil hates rightly dividing the Bible, for it solves contradictions.

He took a crucial rule of hermeneutics out of modern Bibles!

Satan says ...

Ministers need not STUDY.

They are okay by doing their BEST.

They HANDLE and TEACH truth.

STUDY and how to STUDY are gone!

The way to PLEASE GOD is gone!

Avoiding doctrinal SHAME is gone!

These modern scholars that attack the KJV for archaic and antiquated words removed a scholastic word for Bible study they should do.

So we have all kinds of ignorance and nonsense coming out of pulpits and book publishers by those that reject RIGHTLY DIVIDING.



Rodney Howard-Browne would not know truth if it fell in his lap.

He would rather bark like a hyena and laugh like a lunatic as the so-called Holy Ghost bartender.

God forbid!

If he would crack a Bible, he would find that real tongues ceased long ago and only the devil-possessed acted like him and his followers.

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II Timothy 2:15

Unless there were divisions to make, Paul would not have told Timothy to divide.

The Bible is hopelessly contradictory without rightly dividing it.

Applying the rule over and over should help you appreciate it, so let us STUDY some examples and RIGHTLY DIVIDE them.

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Proper preaching will give senses for words not clearly obvious.

Preachers must study carefully, and hearers must listen carefully.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

The word "world" is enough for Tim Tebow to presume God loves all men and wants to save them.



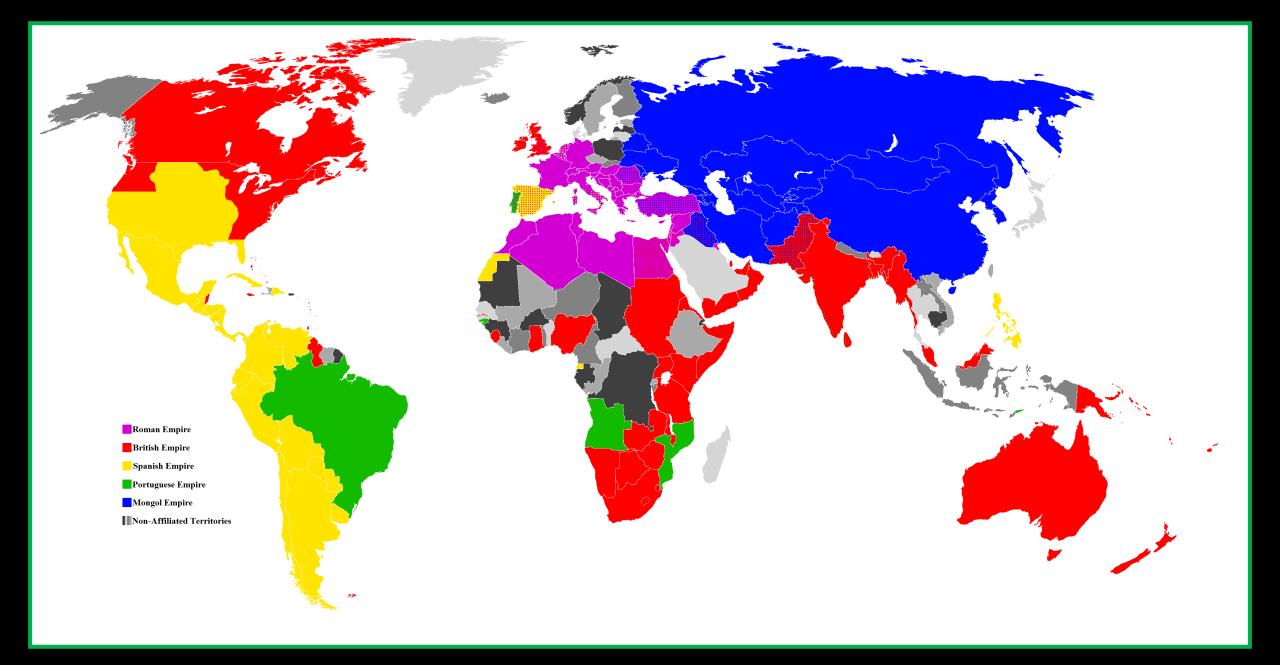
Do you remember how we divided kill, dog, and tempt?

The word "world" is used with many more meanings than any of those examples, yet most people assume it has only one meaning. And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that <u>all the</u> world should be taxed.

Luke 2:1

How big is all the world?





For Luke 2:1

ALL THE WORLD

was only as big as taxpayers in the Roman Empire at that time!

For Luke 2:1

ALL THE WORLD

was only a few % of the world population then, and it had nothing to do with you.

Now if the fall of them be the riches <u>of the world</u>, and the diminishing of them the riches <u>of the Gentiles</u>; how much more their fulness?

Romans 11:12

How big is the WORLD of Romans 11:12?

Only as big as believing Gentiles at that time!

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

How big is the world of John 3:16 if God hates all workers of iniquity?

The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

Psalm 5:5

The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

Psalm 11:5

And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Matthew 7:23

- 33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of <u>God's</u> <u>elect</u>? It is God that justifieth.
- 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
- 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:28-39

The world of John 3:16 is as big as those God loves and saves.

HIS ELECT CHOSEN IN CHRIST BEFORE THE WORLD BEGAN AND WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF LIFE THEN.



They love the sound of "world" without knowing what it means or anything about the love of God.

Arthur Pink saw 7 meanings of world in John's gospel and John Owen saw 17 in the Bible.

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

Is this verse teaching us about the Bible as so many say?

Both the context and content of Hebrews 4:12 prove that it only intends Jesus the living Word.

13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do. 14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

Hebrews 4:13-14

Even most pastors do not have a clue about this verse, but quote it dramatically about the Bible.

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I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

John 16:12

Expositional preaching of John 16:12-27 recently required rightly dividing a large number of times.

Let us use a few verses from this these sermons as further examples.

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, <u>is come</u>, he will guide <u>you</u> into <u>all truth</u>: for he shall <u>not speak</u> <u>of himself</u>; but whatsoever <u>he shall hear</u>, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

John 16:13

Five divisions in one verse!

Rightly Dividing John 16:13

"Is come" = Pentecost and no other time.

"You" = the apostles only – it is not for you or others.

"All truth" = limited to God's revelation for N.T. churches.

"Not speak of himself" = He taught what Jesus gave Him.

"Whatsoever he shall hear" = Jesus gave Him N.T. truth.

A little while, and <u>ye shall not see me</u>: and again, a little while, and <u>ye shall see me</u>, <u>because</u> I go to the Father.

John 16:16

Three divisions in one verse!

Rightly Dividing John 16:16

"Ye shall not see me" = while Jesus was buried in ground.

"Ye shall see me" = when Jesus rose and met with them.

"Because" = both events preceded His ascension to God.

24 Hitherto have <u>ye asked nothing in my name</u>: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

26 At that day ye shall ask in my name: and <u>I say</u> not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

John 16:24,26

Three divisions in one verse!

Rightly Dividing John 16:24,26

"Ye asked nothing" = no one had prayed in Jesus' name.

"At that day" = after His ascension and Pentecost.

"I say not unto you" = to stress God's own love of them.

Did the apostle Paul, apostle to us Gentiles, really use this rule?

- 6 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel:
- 7 Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.
- 8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

- 28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
- 29 But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

Romans 2:28-29

- 16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
- 29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3:16

Who Is the Seed of Abraham?







Some uses of Israel are for physical Jews ... some for spiritual Jews ... and some for Gentiles!

Should we be surprised Paul used the rule he told Timothy to use?

Of course not!

He gave it to a minister.

All ministers should use it.

The rule in both testaments is for preachers. They better use it.

Two and twenty years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah, the daughter of Omri king of Israel.

II Kings 8:26

Forty and two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Athaliah the daughter of Omri.

II Chronicles 22:2

Ohhhh, Noooo!

What a terrible contradiction!

Was Ahaziah 22 or 42 when he became king?

Does

$$22 = 42$$

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He was 22 years old in physical age but 42 years old in the dynasty of wicked Omri.

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Without rightly dividing here you cannot know why three kings are missing in Matt 1:8!

What do modern Bible versions do, since they have rejected rightly dividing?

They change 42 to 22 to match, so they lose God's wisdom for Matthew 1:8 and other similar Bible uses for age.

Modern Bible versions are bankrupt in wisdom and scholastic integrity.

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- 34 But I say unto you, <u>Swear not at all</u>....
- 37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Matthew 5:34-37

For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself,

Hebrews 6:13

So <u>I sware in my wrath</u>, They shall not enter into my rest.)

Hebrews 3:11

Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.

Deuteronomy 6:13

Moreover <u>I call God for a record</u> upon my soul, that to spare you I came not as yet unto Corinth.

II Corinthians 1:23

5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven, 6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever....

Revelation 10:5-6

63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said....

Matthew 26:63-64

If we do not rightly divide Jesus' prohibition of swearing ... God sinned, Moses sinned, Paul sinned, an angel sinned, and Jesus Himself sinned.

If we do not rightly divide Jesus' prohibition of swearing, we must join the JW's, Mennonites, Quakers, and other heretics that say all oaths are sin.

Jesus condemned the false and frivolous swearing of the Jews.

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Swearing is an act of worship when it is done properly ...

- 1. For important things
- 2. By God's name only
- 3. And full compliance



As well the singers as the <u>players on instruments</u> shall be there: all my springs are in thee.

Psalm 87:7

And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of <u>harpers harping with their</u> harps:

Revelation 14:2

What kind of music should a New Testament church have?

We Do Not Have Either Instrument in Services





We reject David's instruments and animal sacrifices in <u>Old Testament</u>.

We reject Gabriel and Michael's instruments in heaven.

We rightly divide music and stick with the apostles who told us to ...

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It shocks modern Christians to find out that churches did not have musical instruments of any kind just 150 years ago.

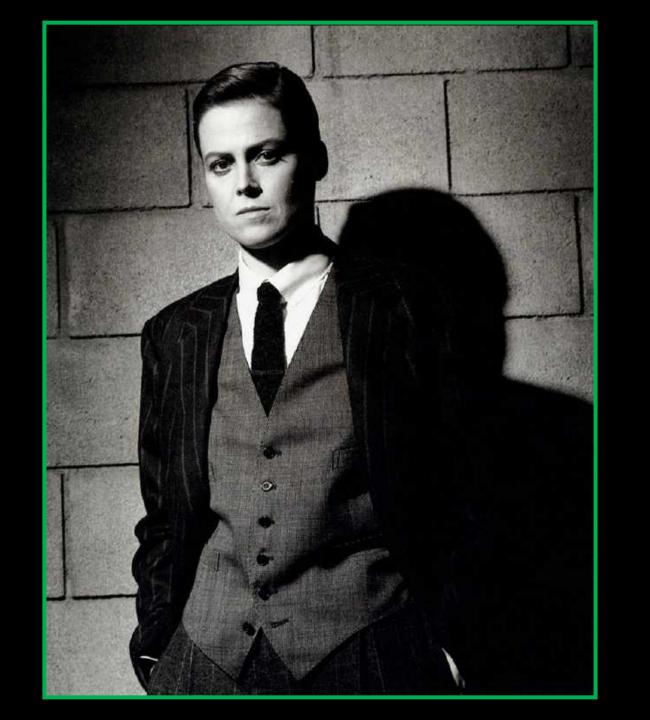
Men like Spurgeon, Wesley, Calvin, and Luther hated musical instruments in church as gadgets of the Roman brothel and infant Israel under the old covenant. But churches today must have instruments and amplification to the decibel level of an airbase in order to keep the unregenerate and worldly members attending.

Just ask Rick Warren!

The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

Deuteronomy 22:5







We rightly divide this verse and condemn these sins:

Effeminacy
Cross-Dressing
Transvestism
Transgendering
Gender-Bending
Role Playing

There are denominations that will not allow a woman to wear a pair of feminine pants no matter the activity or venue.

Once you start down the road of black or white (based on your opinion) than a man wearing a pink tie might be sinning.

13 Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.

14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.

Proverbs 23:13-14

If you do not divide these verses:

- 1. You can beat as hard as you want.
- 2. Beating will get them into heaven.

We rightly divide to teach:

- 1. Beating saves from premature death.
- 2. Hell is a grave for a premature death.

- 2 And his disciples asked him, saying, <u>Master, who</u> <u>did sin</u>, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?
- 3 Jesus answered, <u>Neither hath this man sinned</u>, <u>nor his parents</u>: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

John 9:2-3

We rightly divide and give the sense that all three sinned, but neither the parents nor the son's sins caused his blindness.

Jesus made divisions in words that friends and enemies missed.

- 18 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us...?
- 19 Jesus answered and said unto them, <u>Destroy</u> this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.
- 20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

John 2:18-22

- 11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, <u>Our friend Lazarus sleepeth</u>; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.
- 12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

John 11:11-14

Rightly Dividing

Words with several senses must be classified by senses.

Learn the habit of classifying words with different senses.

Nurture an instinctive desire to look for alternate senses.

Every occurrence of a word or concept must be studied.

The rule requires defining terms ... wisdom ... embrace it.

- 1 At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.
- 2 <u>But when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto him,</u> Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

Matthew 12:1-7

LEARNIO DESTROY BLACK ORWHITE HINKING!

Pharisees only see black or white.

Jesus told of David ... and priests ... His office ... God's mercy ... and intent of commandments.

You must learn to judge rightly like David and Jesus rather than by black or white appearance, even without verses for your situation.

John 7:24

How did David know he could eat the shewbread that was limited to the priests before Proverbs 21:3 and Hosea 6:6 had been written? He ignored the man stoned for picking up sticks on Saturday.

He ignored Nadab and Abihu being burned for strange fire.

He had already learned to rightly divide based on the nature of God and the necessity in a situation ... and the intent of a command.

Amen!

Jesus rightly divided in this case and the resulting verses are of great importance for godly thinking.

But if ye had known what this meaneth, <u>I will have</u> mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless.

Matthew 12:7

And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

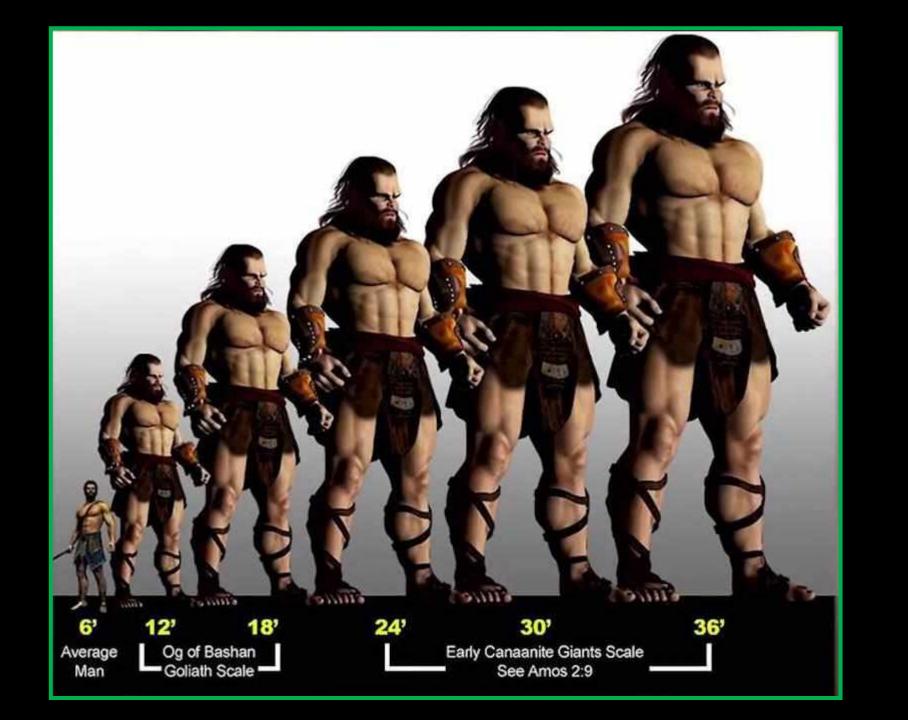
Mark 2:27

Those two verses are priceless in their value and can save wise men from complex situations that confound and harm men.



Angels had sex with women and their little babies became big monsters.

They are the Nephilim!





- 1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,
- 2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.

Genesis 6:1-2

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them.

Job 1:6

The fatal error is presuming "sons of God" must mean angels.

This is the basis for the most ludicrous fantasy that the rest of the Bible totally ignores.

But are there not other "sons of God" that are more important than their angel servants?

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

1 John 3:1

The ridiculous fable is due to not rightly dividing and willingness to scratch the itching ears of a doctrine-hating generation that imagines political conspiracies.

The sons of God were the righteous on earth who sinfully married wicked worldlings.

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http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/nephilim-sons-of-god-word.pdf

Angels never had sex with women that resulted in mongrels that now rule the world.

And the real lesson of the Flood is lost – marrying unbelievers is a reason God suffocated mankind.

The consequences of not rightly dividing are great and terrible.

Disapproved of God Ashamed in Doctrine The problems of not rightly dividing are great and terrible.

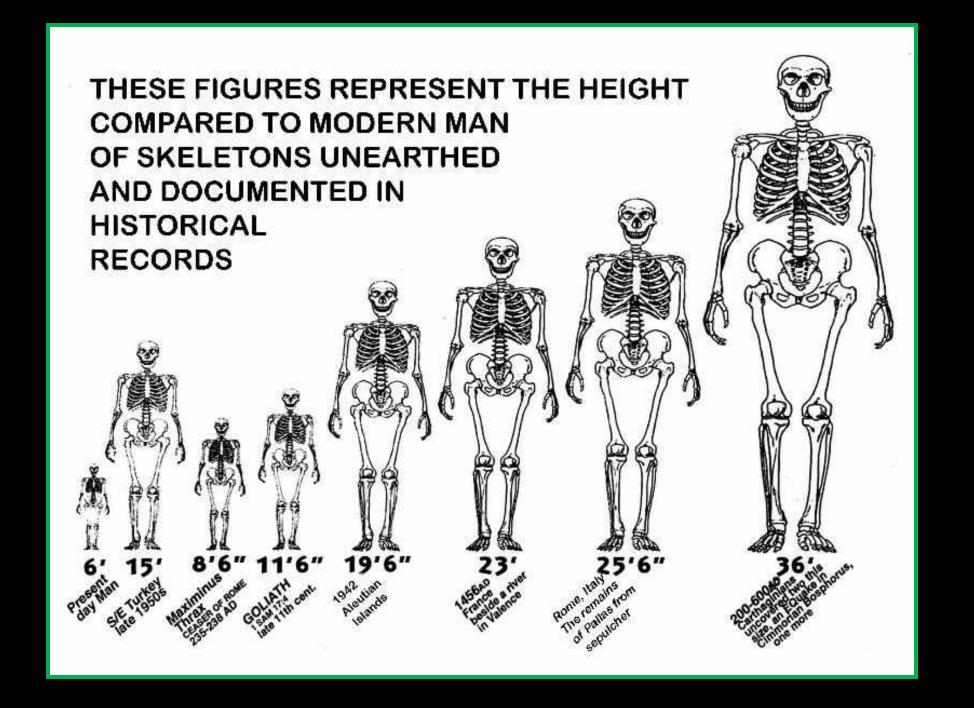
More Lies for Anak after Flood
Perverse Sexual Fantasies
Lax Marital Standards
Disrespect of Rulers
Conspiracy Fables
False Bibles

MODERN DAY NEPHILIM WANT YOU TO BELIEVE YOU LIVE ON A BALL



RESEARCH FLAT EARTH







And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

Luke 2:52

And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

John 3:13

Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of <u>God, which he hath</u> purchased with his own blood.

Acts 20:28

And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

Ephesians 3:9

And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

I Corinthians 15:28

Jesus has two natures. He is fully God and fully man.

Some verses describe His human nature and others His divine.

If you do not rightly divide such verses about Jesus, you will end up blaspheming Him in heresy.

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Therefore we conclude that a man is <u>justified by</u> <u>faith</u> without the deeds of the law.

Romans 3:28

Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

James 2:24

The man who preached Sola Scriptura



Changed the Bible to fit with his unorthodox theology

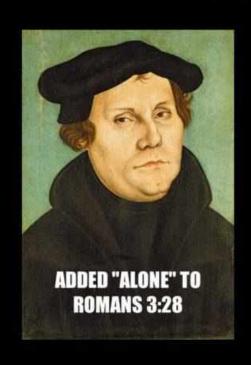
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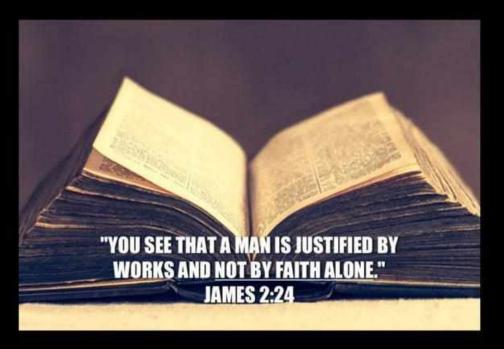
Martin Luther's Explanation -

- Changed Romans 3:28 to read, "We reckon therefore that a man is justified by <u>faith only</u>."
- Rejected the book of James.
 "James is a <u>right strawy</u> epistle," ... "no gospel character in it," ... "I will not have it in my Bible in the number of the proper chief books."

• NOTE: Galatians 1:6-9

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH ALONE?





TRADITION OF MAN

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Rightly Dividing Justification

Paul and James did not contradict each other whatsoever.

Martin Luther scorned James to keep his idea of sola fide.

Paul taught legal justification by Christ evidenced by faith.

James taught practical justification by works proving faith.

A timeline of Abraham rightly has faith after justification.

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

Genesis 2:18

I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, <u>It is</u> good for them if they abide even as I.

I Corinthians 7:8

Is it Good to Marry or Not to Marry?

Marriage as a general rule is a good thing for both sexes.

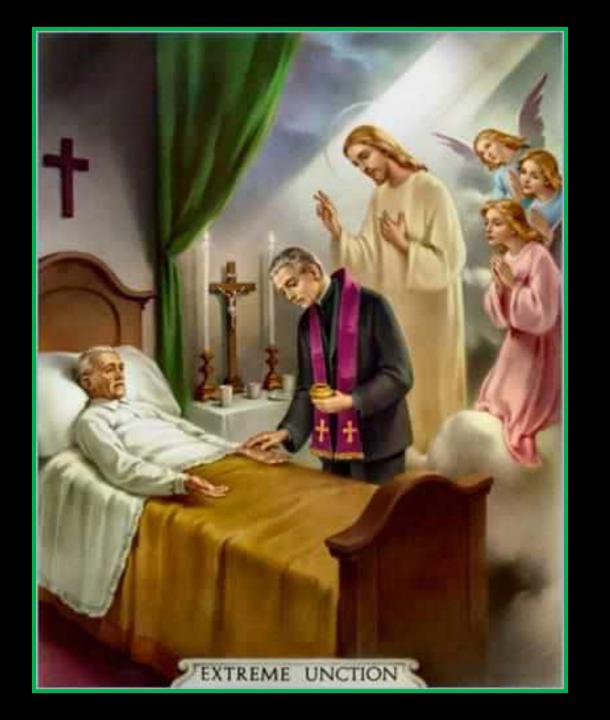
A "present distress" at Corinth made it hard (1 cor 7:25-28).

If a man or woman could forego marriage, they should.

They could endure distress better and serve Christ better.

Widows that could contain were welcome to be as Anna.

If you do not divide salvation right, you will embrace heresies.





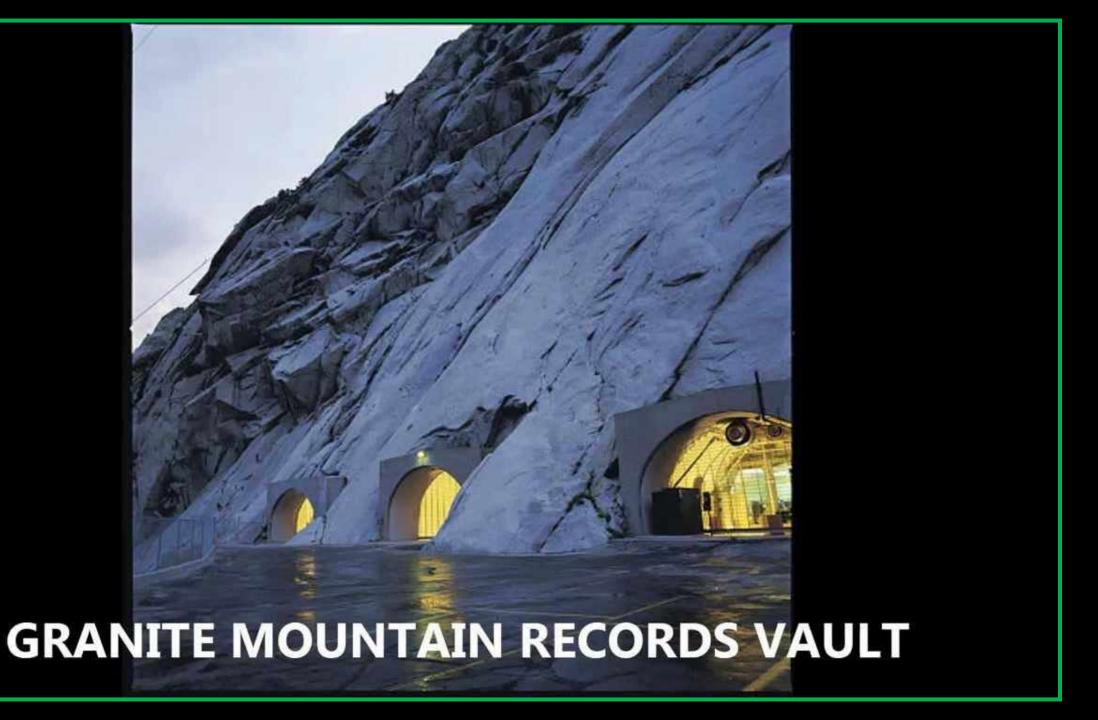














If there is one subject that must be rightly divided, it should be eternal life in heaven with God. Yet, the differences about salvation are Legion due to most not rightly dividing.

Here are a few hundred questions exposing the ignorance about salvation by those outside Rome:

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When were you saved?

This question proves a person does not divide or rightly divide the most crucial topic in the Bible.

How would Paul have answered this popular question:

When were you saved?

Rightly Dividing Salvation

Paul said he was not yet saved but would be soon (Ro 13:11).

He said guarding himself and doctrine could save (1 Tim 4:16).

He said salvation was by God's eternal purpose (II Tim 1:9).

He said salvation was by Spirit regeneration in time (Tit 3:5).

He said salvation was when Jesus came to earth (1 Tim 1:15).

When were you saved?

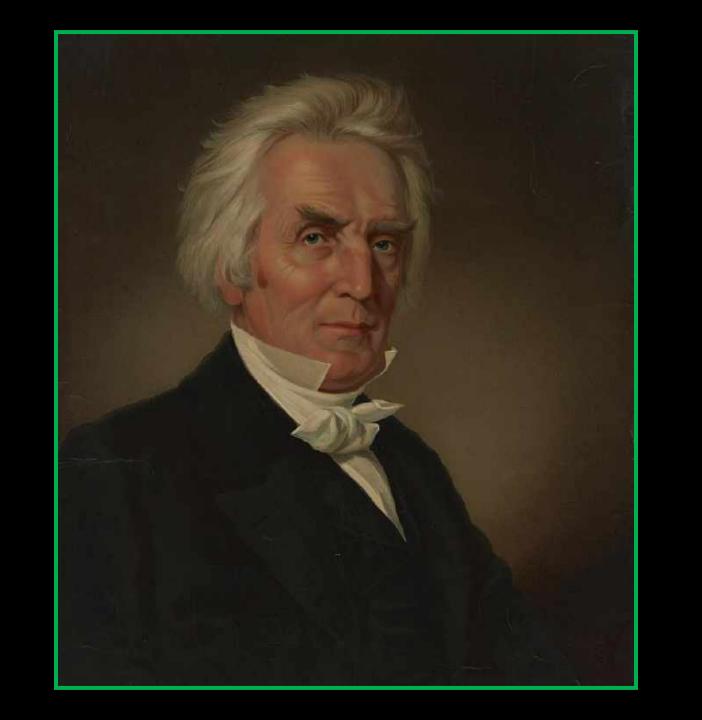
The question as intended today is ridiculous and was never asked by apostles or any person with truth.

Without rightly dividing salvation, men teach many heresies and nonsense about getting to heaven.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with <u>all spiritual</u> <u>blessings in heavenly places in Christ</u>:

Ephesians 1:3

How do we get into Jesus Christ where God has placed all spiritual blessings in heavenly places?



For as many of you as have been <u>baptized into</u> <u>Christ</u> have put on Christ.

Galatians 3:27

No!

More Nephilim?

Another connection of verses that do not belong together?

Campbellites, known as the Church of Christ, teach salvation by baptism.

Our blessed God and Father gave them rope to hang themselves:

Mark 16:16

John 3:5

Acts 2:38

Acts 22:16

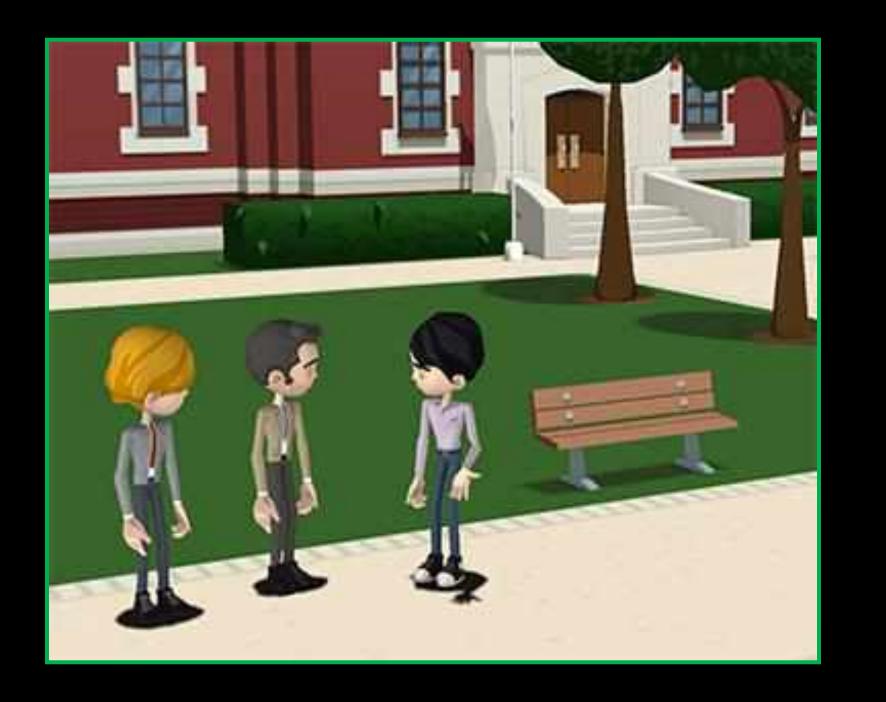
God in great mercy showed us

FIVE PHASES OF SALVATION

which are a result of rightly dividing the Bible.

Salvation Divided By the Scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15)

	Eternal Phase	Legal Phase	Vital Phase	Practical Phase	Final Phase
DESCRIPTION:	God's will, purpose, plan. An act of God's mind.	Reconciled God's nature. Result of God's counsel.	Needs personal existence. Living (vital) union to plan.	Personal actions in time. Evidence of vital nature.	Consummation of purpose. All objectives realized.
	Occurred in eternity.	Legal acts occur in time.	Union begins in time.	Individual responsibility.	Conditioned on God's plan.
	Basis for the other phases.	Basis for God's operation.	Basis for practical phase.	Manifests the vital phase.	Occurs at the end of time.
	(Eph 1:11; Isa 46:9-11; Acts 15:18; Rom 4:17).	(Gen 18:25; Deu 32:4; Job 8:3; Rom 3:4-6).	Conditioned upon God. (1 Cor 15:39-49).	Conditioned on man. (Matt 7:20; 12:33)	Manifests God's counsel. (Job 23:13-14; Is 14:24;44:7)
CONDEMNATION:	Sin foreknown & planned.	Adam ate the fruit in Eden.	Occurs at conception.	Begins at natural birth.	Occurs at the last judgment.
	Sin imputation designed.	Sin imputation executed.	Living union with Adam.	Involves personal sins.	Results in the second death.
	Reprobation of non-elect.	All men made sinners legally	Men born spiritually dead.	Manifests spiritual death.	Ultimate penalty for sinning.
	(Pro 16:4; Rom 9:22;	Sentence of death passed.	Men get a corrupt nature.	Evidences corrupt nature.	God shows wrath & power.
	2 Pet 2:9,17; Jude 4).	(Rom 5:12-19; cp 3:12).	(Psa 51:5; John 3:6).	(Psa 58:3; Rom 3:9-19).	(Rev 20:11-15; 2 Ths 1:6-9).
Main component:	Reprobation	Condemnation	Natural generation	Rebellion	Damnation
Conditioned upon:	God's will	Adam's transgression	Human reproduction	Human disobedience	God's justice
Time occurring:	Eternity past	Garden of Eden	Physical conception	Individual's own sins	Final day of judgment
Common error:	Ignored or rejected	Affected Adam only	Age of accountability	Life offered to all	God regrets His action
SALVATION:	God foreknew His elect.	Christ died for the elect.	Christ gives life to the elect.	Elect with life may act.	Elect receive eternal life.
	Elect chosen in Christ.	Elect legally in Christ.	United to Christ by life.	In Christ my practice.	Forever in Christ's presence.
	Predestinated to be sons.	Representation by Christ.	New nature given by birth.	Provides evidence of life.	Elect made completely holy.
	Christ ordained to die.	Sins legally eliminated.	Bestowal of spiritual life.	Works prove justification.	God shows riches of glory.
	Heaven prepared for elect.	God is just & the justifier.	Adoption effected by birth.	Manifestation of sonship.	Bodies redeemed from grave.
	Saved from plan of sin.	Saved from the penalty of sin	Saved from the power of sin.	Saved from practice of sin.	Saved from presence of sin.
	(Rom 8:29-30; 1 Pet 1:2;	(1 Pet 1:2; 2 Cor 5:21;	(John 1:12-13; 3:5-8; 5:25;	(Phil 2:12-13; Rom 13:14;	(John 5:28-29; 1 Pet 1:5;
	Eph 1:3-5; 2 Tim 1:9;	Heb 2:14-17; 8:12; Is 40:2;	Eph 2:1-6, 10; 2 Cor 5:17;	Jam 5:19-20; 2:14-26;	Rom 8:23; 8:29-30; 9:23;
	Acts 13:48; Rom 9:23;	Rom 3:24-26; 4:25; 5:14-19;	Jam 1:18; Tit 3:5).	1 John 3:10; 2 Pet 1:5-12).	1 Ths 4:17; 5:25; Rev 21:27).
	1 Pet 1:20; Matt 25:34).	Ex 34:7; Psa 85:10).			
Main component:	Election	Justification	Regeneration	Conversion	Glorification
Conditioned upon:	God's will	Death of Christ	Spirit's will & power	Elect's obedience	God's faithfulness
Time occurring: Common error:	Eternity past Ignored or rejected	Resurrection of Christ Potential only	Individual's new birth Conditional upon man	Individual's repentance Misapplied to eternal life	Final day of resurrection Separated from God's plan



Not rightly dividing salvation leads to all kinds of other huge errors as a result.

Freewill of Man **Conditional Election Unlimited Atonement Baptismal Regeneration** Justification by Faith **Decisional Regeneration** Age of Accountability **Great Commission** Lose your Salvation Etc., Etc., Etc.

We thank God for hearing about two salvations from PB's many years ago, but they only got us 40% of the way to the truth.

Now they publish our five phases around the world as the most definitive presentation of their doctrine.

When he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Hebrews 1:3

Unto him that loved us, and <u>washed us from our sins</u> in his own blood,

Revelation 1:5

And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

Acts 22:16

How do we get our sins washed away so we can go to heaven?

By the blood of Jesus Himself or by our baptism in water?

Rightly Dividing Baptism

Jesus purged our sins by His own obedience and substitutionary death.

We are baptized in a figurative picture of His death and resurrection for sins.

The <u>like figure</u> whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (<u>not the putting away of the filth of the flesh</u>, but <u>the answer of a good conscience toward God</u>,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

I Peter 3:21

Not rightly dividing baptism is one of the greatest errors that has led to all kinds of other heresies.

Pouring
Sprinkling
Infant baptism
Baptism of desire
Intrauterine baptism
Age of accountability
Baptism for the dead









Reference Bibles and most commentaries connect the next two verses but we divide them by the two verses following them.

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

John 3:5

He that believeth and is <u>baptized shall be saved</u>; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Mark 16:16

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. 39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

John 7:38-39

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

Titus 3:5

To impress this point on you, over 90% of all so-called Christians do not practice Bible baptism due to ignorance and tradition.

We believe the Bible that we were made sinners by one man and were made righteous by one Man.

For as by <u>one man's disobedience</u> many were made sinners, so <u>by the obedience of one</u> shall many be made righteous.

Romans 5:19

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto <u>all them that obey him</u>;

Hebrews 5:9

We rightly divide that Jesus' obedience is the conditional means and our obedience is only evidence and proof.

How about Bible prophecy?

Do we divide there?

Boldly?

And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand <u>until a time and times</u> and the dividing of time.

Daniel 7:25

And he said unto me, <u>Unto two thousand and three</u> <u>hundred days</u>; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

Daniel 8:14

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

Daniel 9:24

And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

Daniel 12:7

Prophetic Time

• Daniel 7 ... 1260 days ... prophetic years of papal Rome.

Daniel 8 ... 2300 days ... actual days of Antiochus IV.

• Daniel 9 ... 490 days ... prophetic years unto Messiah.

• Daniel 12 ... 1260 days ... actual days of Roman siege.

How can we go from chapter to chapter and change the time interpretation back and forth?

Easily!

By rightly dividing the word of truth based on clear context!

Where is this documented?

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/prophecy/daniel.php
http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/what-about-the-2300-days.pdf
https://www.preteristarchive.com/Books/1921_mauro_seventy-weeks.html

If we do not divide, then we must we follow William Miller into the shameful heresies of the SDA's and JW's starting in 1844.

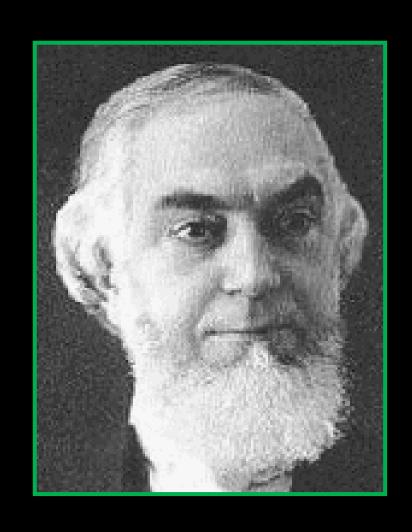
Three of the Most Ignorant and Heretical "Christians" Ever



William Miller
Baptist Wrongly Dividing



Ellen Harmon Seventh-Day Adventists



Charles Russell Jehovah's Witnesses

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

II Timothy 2:15

Grecian Empire takes Persia



He-goat vs. Ram - Daniel 8
Alexander the Great vs. Persia

13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? 14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

- 20 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.
- 21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

Daniel 8:20-21

The Greek Empire lasted less than 350 years, so it is impossible for 2300 years to be squeezed into it.

It was only 2300 days or less than 7 years that Antiochus IV of Greece desecrated the temple in Jerusalem.

If we do not divide, then we follow childish and silly notions to keep our fantasies.

Verily I say unto you, <u>There be some standing here,</u> which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

Matthew 16:28 and Mark 9:1 and Luke 9:27

And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart.

Matthew 17:1

Men too fearful of preterism will connect these unrelated verses.

No one died at all.

Jesus did not come.

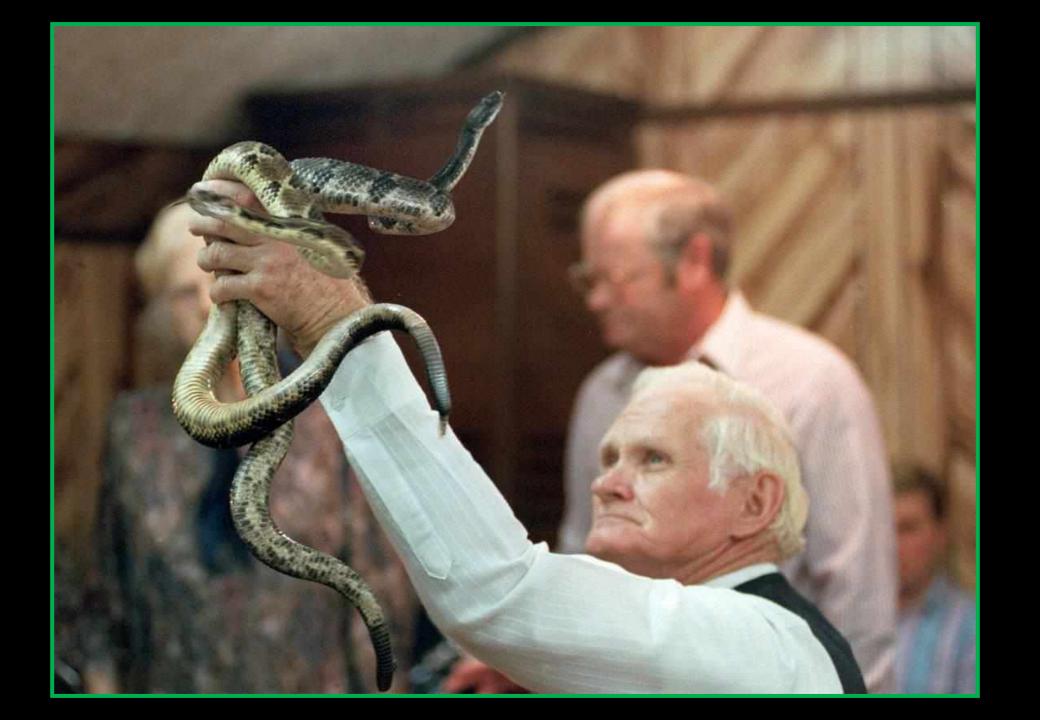
There was no power.

There was no kingdom.

For much more about 70 A.D. without falling for preterism:

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http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/prophecy/70ad/sermon.php
http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/prophecy/preterism/sermon.php

Rightly dividing is crucial for prophecy just like for doctrine.



- 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
- They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Mark 16:17-18







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Mark 16:17-18





The Paster and Congregation are not Responsible for anyone that handles the Serpent's and gets bit. If you get bit the Church will stand by you and pray with you. And the Same goes with drinking the poision.

Faster: Narvey Payne





The apostolic gifts lasted one generation only, but these folks would be bored without loud music and handling rattlesnakes.

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Rightly dividing is for apostolic gifts that do not apply to others.



Benny Hinn fears snakes and poison, so he uses the gifts most easily faked – tongues, healings, and slaying in the spirit.

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- 15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
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- They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Mark 16:15-18

BJU rightly mocks snake handlers and fake healers while using the very same passage limited to the eleven apostles.

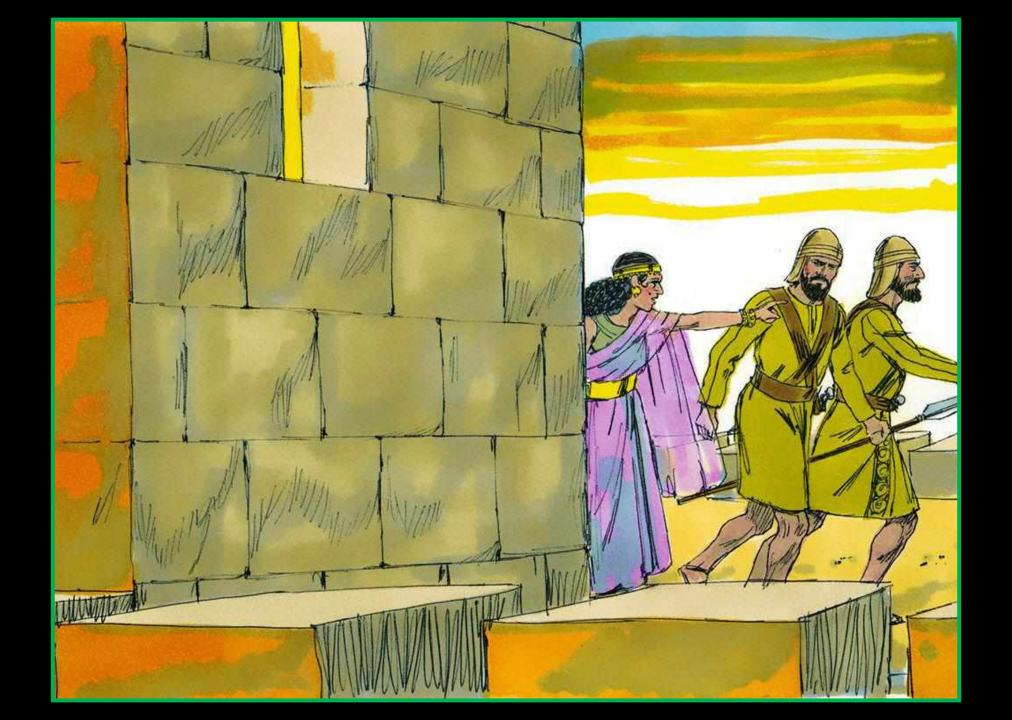
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They are shocked when they are shown the ten passages proving the "Great Commission" fulfilled before 70 A.D. by the apostles.

The snake handlers are consistent.

Benny Hinn is inconsistent.

BJU is very inconsistent.



Who is this?

What is she doing?

Did God approve of her?

A false witness shall not be unpunished, and <u>he</u> that speaketh lies shall not escape.

Proverbs 19:5,9; 12:22; 14:5; 21:28; 25:18

God loved her much.

She was a grandma of David.

She was a grandma of Jesus.

God saw her lie as good works.

God loved her much.

She was a grandma of David.

She was a grandma of Jesus.

God saw her lie as good works.

There are many more examples of lying in the Bible for good reasons.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/christian-ethics-case-studies.pdf

If you do not learn rightly dividing for ethics, then you will cause yourself grief and pain throughout life.

You will also wickedly judge others by appearance rather than righteous judgment.

Rightly dividing is for Christian ethics when facing hard decisions.

Pray for the peace of <u>Jerusalem</u>: they shall prosper that love thee.

Psalm 122:6







We rightly divide this city of Christ-haters from the spiritual city of Jerusalem God loves.

Galatians 4:25-26

Hebrews 12:22-24

Hebrews 13:14

Revelation 3:12

For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Hebrews 13:14

What kind of a person wrote those words?

To what kind of people were they written?

Rightly dividing must grasp the reformation of the O.T. to the N.T.

Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.

Hebrews 9:10

The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

Luke 16:16

Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

John 4:21

Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

Hebrews 12:28

We certainly divide the RCC reformation from the apostolic one.

We know Paul and his epistles are our chief guide, not the gospel lessons of Jesus to Jews.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/scripture/jesus-or-paul.php

The RCC reformation of Luther and Calvin whitewashed the brothel to give daughters to the Great Whore.

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

Malachi 4:5

- 12 And from the days of <u>John the Baptist</u> until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.
- 13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.
- 14 And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.

Matthew 11:12-14

- 19 And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?
- 21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.

John 1:19-21

Jesus and Luke proved John was the prophesied Elijah ... but John denied the Jewish fable that he was Elijah come back literally. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

I Timothy 6:10

Bible skeptics love it; they know most sins do not involve money.

We love it, because it means ALL KINDS, just what we need and use for I Timothy 2:4.

Who will have <u>all men to be saved</u>, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

I Timothy 2:4

If God wants to save ALL men, why did He want vessels of wrath?

If God wants ALL men to know the truth, why does He send strong delusion to believe lies?

What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the <u>vessels</u> of wrath fitted to destruction:

Romans 9:22

Rightly dividing includes limiting universal terms.

Most Christians will not divide, so they parrot foolish lies like this:

ALL means ALL, and that's ALL means.

To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made <u>all things</u> to <u>all men</u>, that I might by <u>all means</u> save some.

I Corinthians 9:22

Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him.

Hebrews 2:8

We know God did not put ALL things under the feet of Jesus, because we rightly divide the word of truth.

For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.

I Corinthians 15:27

For more about limiting words:

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/absolute-or-relative.pdf

Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

I Peter 3:3







We know the passage only tells women to emphasize character.

If taken literally it tells them not to put on any clothes!

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/first-peter-three.pdf

Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

I Peter 2:3

Is it right for us to say God has two wills?

But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? and what his soul desireth, even that he doeth.

Job 23:13

The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Deuteronomy 29:29

God's secret things are what His counsel determined will happen.

God's revealed things are His rules we are to obey, but we may not.

Is it right for us to say that God is the *Author of Confusion?*

For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

I Corinthians 14:33

- 7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.
- 9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; <u>because</u> the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth....

Genesis 11:1-9

He expects church assemblies to be orderly without confusion, but He has certainly confused men that reject Him.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/god/is-god-the-author-of-confusion/sermon.php

And for this cause <u>God shall send them strong</u> <u>delusion</u>, that they should believe a lie:

II Thessalonians 2:11

Was Paul a hypocrite or inconsistent about circumcision?

Him would Paul have to go forth with him; <u>and</u> <u>took and circumcised him</u> because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.

Acts 16:3

- 3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:
- 4 And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:

Galatians 2:3-4

Paul was perfectly consistent with this Christian liberty ... he did Timothy to soothe Jews ... he did not Titus to condemn Judaizers.

What about divorce?

Paul seems confused and went against Jesus.

- 10 And unto the married I command, <u>yet not I, but the Lord</u>, Let not the wife depart from her husband....
- 12 But to the rest <u>speak I, not the Lord</u>: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.

I Corinthians 7:10-12

Jesus had dealt with marriages between two Jewish believers during His early ministry.

I Corinthians 7:10-11

Paul now dealt with marriages between a believer and a pagan, a situation Jesus had not addressed.

I Corinthians 7:12-16

For a detailed exposition of I Corinthians 7

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/first-corinthians-7.pdf

What about church membership?

Does it happen automatically and willy-nilly by baptism?

Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:41

Some say the two different events are the same event or simultaneous events, failing to divide unlike things.

And when they were come <u>up out of the water</u>, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and <u>he went on his way</u> rejoicing.

Acts 8:39

This Gentile convert was not a member of any church by his baptism, not Jerusalem, not Caesarea, not Ethiopia.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/baptism-membership.pdf

More Right Divisions for Study

Sermon on the Mount ... Jesus corrected a variety of Pharisee abuses rather than correct Moses' Law. **Hebrews Warning Passages** ... Paul warned of 70 A.D. trouble for backsliders, not losing eternal life. **Soul Sleep Verses** ... Nothing happens in the grave for bodies, but all spirits are very active elsewhere. **Hell** ... can be the lake of fire in some few cases, but it usually refers to the grave for dead bodies. **Church** ... can be an individual local church or it can refer to the whole family or congregation of God. **Son of God** ... is Jesus of Nazareth in some places, but what Nebuchadnezzar saw was only an angel. Romans 2:12-16 ... is not a description of regenerate Gentiles but rather condemnation of all Gentiles. **Family terms** ... can be obvious as we know them or include multiple generations e.g. father, brother. **Divorce and remarriage** ... is rightly divided by comparing all passages and reconciling them together. Horns of Daniel 7 & 8 ... one is a little horn of the Roman Empire and the other of the Greek Empire. **Begotten** ... sometimes it is used for God's work of regeneration and sometimes for ours of conversion. **Good Thing** ... is only true when the wife is a virtuous woman, not an odious, idle, contentious one. **Perfect That** ... tongues are over for those that understand the perfect scriptures arriving (I Cor 13:8-10). **Ptolemy or Daniel** ... shows submission to scripture over reverence of pagan astronomer, chronologist. **One Shall Be Taken** ... is about the destruction of Jerusalem, and the one taken is judged, not saved. **All Things Common** ... in Acts 2 is not describing apostolic communism outside the rules of charity. **Spiritual generalizations** ... in the Sermon on the Mount e.g. resist not evil or take no thought for future. **Christian liberty** ... drawing differences between things God requires or prohibits from personal choice.

This study would not be complete without some popular and foolish

WRONG DIVISIONS

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city....

Daniel 9:24

Most Christians divide these 70 determined weeks to force an <u>undetermined</u> gap of at least 2000 years between weeks 69 and 70 without any Bible reason.

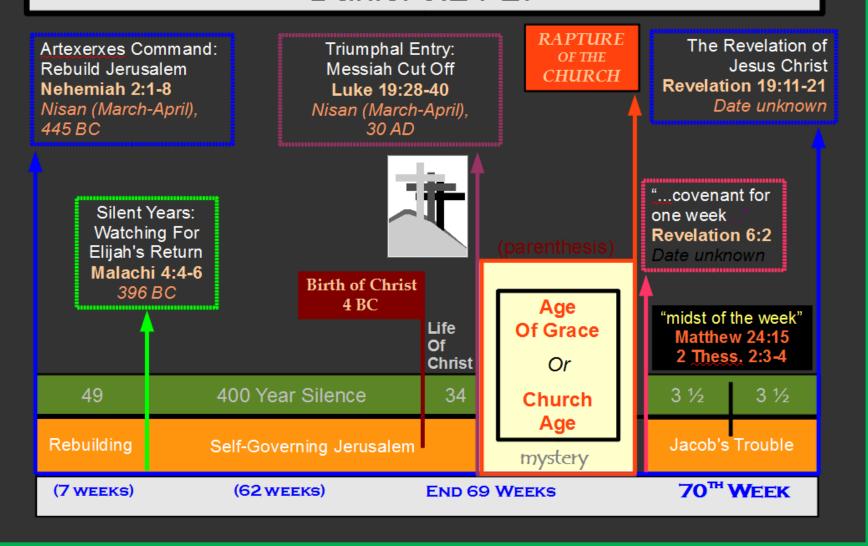
They wrongly divide prophecies whenever the Bible disagrees with their futuristic fables about Israel.

For much more:

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/prophecy/prophecy.php

Daniel's 70 Weeks Prophecy

Daniel 9:24-27



We rightly divide preterism from historicism, for there are unfulfilled Bible prophecies.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/prophecy/preterism/sermon.php



The Son of man is come eating and <u>drinking</u>; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a <u>winebibber</u>, a friend of publicans and sinners!

Luke 7:34

Many Christians say Jesus never drank wine, that Bible wine was not alcoholic, that new wine was not alcoholic, and that wine was diluted with water. They wrongly divide wine into grape juice whenever they read a Bible passage they do not like.

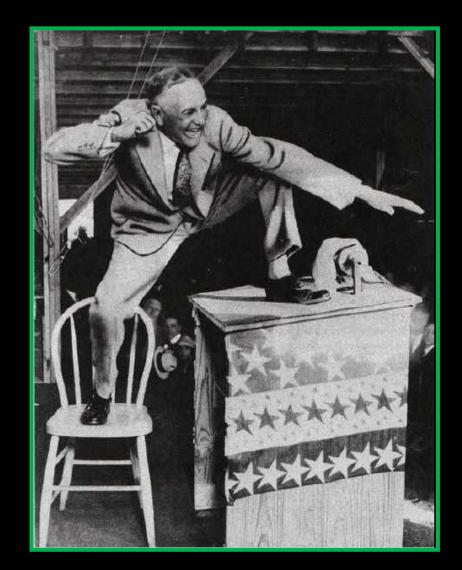
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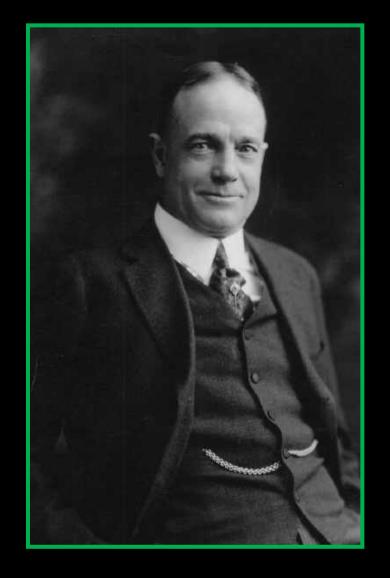
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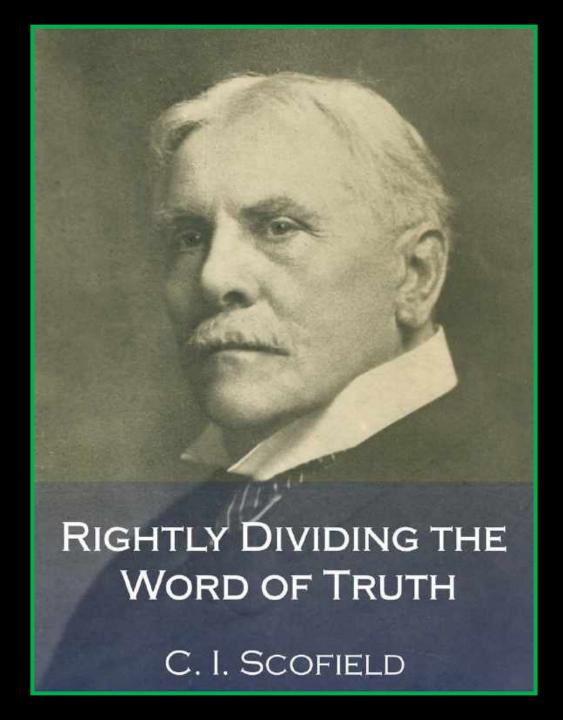


We accept the Bible that God commends moderate use of wine and strong drink but severely condemns drunkenness.

We rightly divide N.T. alcohol consumption to three levels:

Members
Deacons
Bishops

We rightly divide moderate drinking from drunkenness, just like the Bible.



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Helps on the Pages Where Needed

This Congregational heretic exalted his <u>seven manmade</u> dispensations in history, but the Bible only has three.

Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Romans 15:4

The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

Luke 16:16

Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, <u>imposed on them until the time of reformation</u>.

Hebrews 9:10

- 22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels....
- 28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

Hebrews 12:22-29

This Congregational heretic taught the kingdom of God and the kingdom of heaven were two different kingdoms.

- 23 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.
- 24 And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for <u>a rich</u> man to enter into the kingdom of God.

Matthew 19:23-24

This Congregational heretic fulfilled Paul's warning in II Thess 2:1-3 more than any other false teacher in church history.

Paul put Christ's return after antichrist, so Scofield invented two comings, the day of Christ and day of the Lord.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/prophecy/which-comes-first.php

- 1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,
- 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

II Thess 2:1-3

Jesus' Second Coming and Related Events

Rightly Divided by Paul

- Apostasy from apostolic doctrine
- Man of Sin or Antichrist revealed
- Jesus Christ comes again for eternity

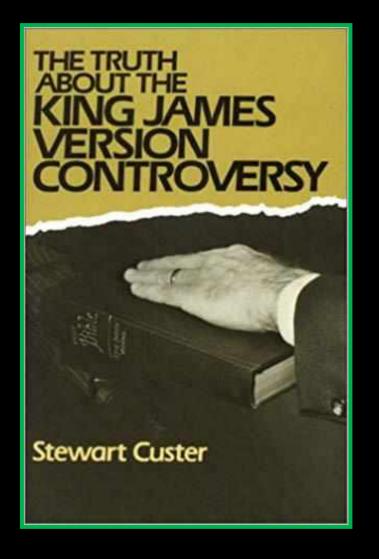
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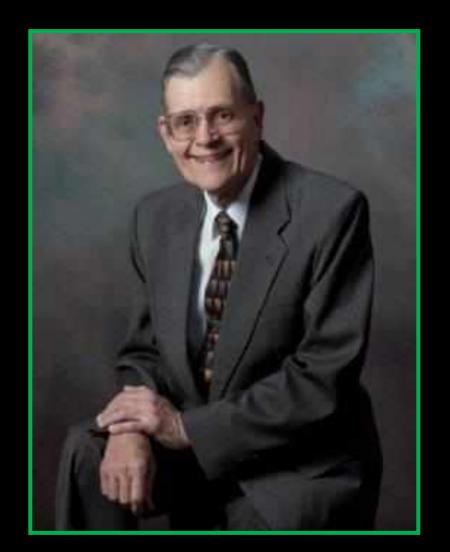
- Jesus' secret rapture return as Christ
- Great Tribulation for seven years
- Antichrist revealed in Jerusalem
- Battle of Armageddon
- Jesus comes third time <u>as Lord</u>
- Millennium with Israel exalted
- Jesus comes fourth time for eternity

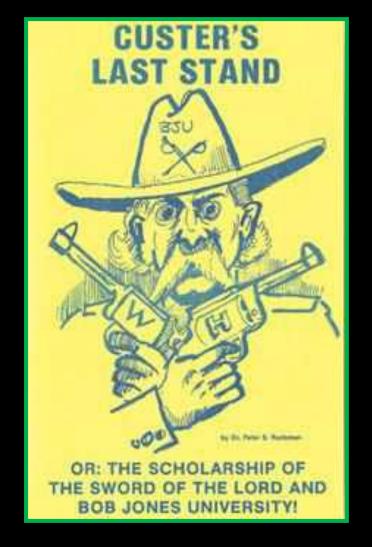
He divided many more things that should not be divided in order to promote Jewish fables and keep his funding from Zionist interests.

His reference Bible has done great damage to rightly dividing the word of truth.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/scofield-lies.pdf







This influential professor at BJU, like so many others, did "exploits" differentiating agape and phileo.

They do this to pretend that deep meanings may be found in original languages that KJV English loses. But the Bible uses these Greek words for love as synonyms, so we do not divide them at all.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/lovest-thou-me.pdf

The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.

John 3:35 uses AGAPE

For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.

John 5:20 uses PHILEO

Jesus gently chastised Peter three times for his three denials. Peter felt the three questions, not a change in the word "love" to mere friendship.

Are you now convinced of this important rule?

- 1. Contradictions need you to divide.
 - 2. Do not resent tedious preaching.
 - 3. Hate the mere sound of words.
 - 4. Hate black and white judging.
 - 5. Crave the sense of words.

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

II Timothy 2:15

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Nehemiah 8:8

Divisions were made that were not proven here, since they are proven elsewhere on our website.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/index.php
http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/scripture/knowing-the-scriptures.php

For Further Study

Understanding the Scriptures (hermeneutics rule #4) ... http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/scripture/knowing-the-scriptures.php.

Author of Confusion ... http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/god/is-god-the-author-of-confusion/sermon.php.

Rightly Dividing (40 simple slides; 2011) ... http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/rightly-dividing.pdf.

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