Trinity Bible Church

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Lesson \$1

Dispensational Transitions From the Dispersion into Babylon To the Close of the New Testament

- I. From the Dispersion into Babylon to the close of the Old Testament
- II. Between the Testaments
- III. The New Testament World.
 - 1. Israel is under the hand of Rome:
 - 2. Jewish High Priests:
 - 3. The people of Israel were under the control of Rome and a corrupt Priesthood.
 - 4. The Sadducees and the Pharisees were the dominant sects within Judaism.
 - 5. God divides human history into "Dispensations" that are marked by a change of Priesthood, and of necessity a change of law. Heb 7:11-25
 - A. The Levitical Priesthood, found in the Mosaic Law changed the family priesthood, observed by the previous Patriarchs, to a specialized priesthood.
 - B. The Priesthood would change on the Day of Pentecost after the Resurrection of the Messiah. Acts 2
 - 1). Prophecies being fulfilled. Joel 2
 - 2). Signs in the heavens like at the giving of the Law.
 - 3). Gospel given by "men of strange lips."
 - 4). Davidic line exalted.
 - 5). God became man and ascended back to heaven.
 - 6). Non-Levites leading in teaching, fellowship and prayer.
 - 7). Miracles being done through the apostles.
 - C. Markers of the Age of Israel:
 - 1). Israel a nation and missionary agency.
 - 2). Covenants. Mosaic, Davidic, Palestinian.
 - 3). National instead of universal discipline. Lev 26
 - 4). Holy Spirit "upon" Believers. John 14:17
 - 5). Specialized Priesthood with special clothing and services.
 - 6). Specific sacrifices and methods.
 - 7). Specific dietary code.

- 8). Specific hygiene code.
- 9). Specified forms of worship, as per the Feasts.
- 10). Specified penalties for violations of law.
- 11). Looked for the coming Messiah.
- 12). Multiple rituals.
- 13). Under the Law of Moses.
- D. Markers of the Church Age.
 - 1). All Believers are Ambassadors. 2 Cor 5:20
 - 2). Special Covenant to the Church.
 - 3). Individual discipline.
 - 4). Holy Spirit "in" Believers.
 - 5). Universal Priesthood. 1 Pet 2:5,9
 - 6). Sacrifice of giving and praise. Heb 13:15-17
 - 7). No dietary code. Mark 7; Acts 10; Col 2:20-23; 1 Tim 4:1-6
 - 8). Not under the forms of the Law. Rom 6:14
 - 9). Individual churches decide within their sphere of authority.
 - 10). Looks at the historical and coming Messiah.
 - 11). Two rituals.
 - 12). Under the Law of Love.