

**Some Dispensational Boundaries**

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Study to show yourself approved to God, a workman that does not need to be ashamed, **rightly dividing** the word of truth. [2 Tim 2:15]

	<b>Before Christ's Sacrifice</b>	<b>After Christ's Sacrifice [Acts, Romans...]</b>	<b>Dispensation of the Mystery [Acts 28:28-31, Ephesians-Philippians-Colossians- 2 Timothy...]</b>
Works/Grace/ Forgiveness	<p>“Good teacher, what good <i>thing</i> am I to do in order that I may have age-abiding life?” “... if you wish to enter into life, <b>keep the commandments</b> ...” [Matt 19:16-18]</p> <p>But if you do not forgive men their transgressions, <b>neither will your father forgive your transgressions.</b> [Matt 6:15]</p>	<p>For God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten son, so that everyone who <b>believes in him</b> should not be lost, but have age-abiding life. [John 3:16]</p> <p>and <i>that</i> through this <i>man</i> (<i>Jesus, v. 33</i>) <b>everyone who believes is justified from all the things</b> from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses. [Acts 13:39]</p>	<p>for <b>you have been saved by grace</b>, through faith, and this <i>is</i> not of yourselves: <i>it is</i> the gift of God, not of works, so that no-one should boast, [Eph 2:8-9]</p> <p>but be kind to each other, compassionate, forgiving one another as <b>God has for his part forgiven us in Christ.</b> [Eph 4:32]</p>
Israel	<p><b>“Do not go off into the way of the Gentiles</b> and do not go into <i>any</i> city of <i>the</i> Samaritans, [Matt 10:5]</p> <p>But he (<i>Jesus, v. 21</i>) answered and said, <b>“I have not been sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”</b> [Matt 15:24]</p>	<p>I have this chain round me <b>for the sake of the hope of Israel.</b>” [Acts 28:20]</p> <p>the gospel of Christ ... salvation to everyone who believes, to <i>the</i> Jew first and also to <i>the</i> Greek. [Rom 1:16]</p> <p>Gentiles ... have been grafted into them (<i>Israel, v.7</i>), [Rom 11:13,17]</p>	<p>So let it be known to you that <b>the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles</b>, and they will hear <i>it</i>.”. [Acts 28:28]</p> <p>if indeed you (<i>Gentiles, v. 3:1</i>) have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which <i>has been</i> given to me for you: [Eph 3:2]</p>
Evidential miracles	<p>two blind <i>men</i> ... And Jesus had compassion <i>on them</i> and touched their eyes, and immediately their eyes recovered their sight, [Matt 20:30-34]</p>	<p>And these signs will closely follow those <i>who have</i> believed. They will cast out demons in my name; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will not harm them at all; they will lay hands on the infirm, and they will get better. [Mark 16:17-18]</p>	<p>Don't <i>just</i> drink water any longer, but use a little wine on account of your stomach and your frequent illnesses. [1 Tim 5:23]</p> <p>but I left Trophimus ailing in Miletum. [2 Tim 4:20]</p> <p>Epaphroditus ... for he did indeed fall <i>so ill that he was</i> near to death, but God had mercy on him, [Phil 2:25-27]</p>
Time	<p>the king will say to those on his right <i>hand side</i>, ‘Come, my father's blessed <i>ones</i>, inherit the kingdom prepared for you <b>from the overthrow</b> of <i>the</i> world. [Matt 25:34]</p>	<p>Father, ... because you loved me (<i>Jesus, v. 1</i>) <b>before the overthrow</b> of <i>the</i> world. [John 17:24]</p>	<p>according to <i>how</i> he chose us in him <b>before the overthrow</b> of <i>the</i> world, [Eph 1:4]</p>

Place	Arise and walk about in the land, <b>in its length and in its breadth</b> , for I will give it to you ( <i>Abraham</i> ). [Gen 13:17]	Abraham ... was waiting for the city which has foundations, whose architect and craftsman <i>is</i> God. [Heb 11:8-10]  And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God ... the <b>length and the breadth and the height</b> of it are equal. [Rev 21:2,16]	and seated <i>us</i> together in the <b>upper-heavenly places</b> in Christ Jesus, [Eph 2:6]  that you ... may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what <b>the breadth and length and depth and height are</b> ; [Eph 3:18]
Prophecy	But all this took place so that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. [Matt 26:56]	I ( <i>Paul, v. I</i> ) stand witnessing to both small and great, not saying anything outside of what the prophets and Moses said would take place, [Acts 26:22]	the mystery ... which was not made known to other generations, to the sons of men, [Eph 3:3,5]
Bride/ Bridegroom			until we all attain the unity of the faith and of acknowledgment of the son of God, to a perfect man, (=husband) [Eph 4:13]
The return of the Lord	and what the sign of your coming ( <i>παρουσία, parousia</i> ) is? [Matt 24:3]	the <b>coming</b> ( <i>παρουσία, parousia</i> ) of the Lord ... to meet the Lord in <i>the</i> air: [1 Thes 4:15, 17]	When Christ, <i>who is</i> our life, <b>is manifested</b> ( <i>φανερώω, faneroō</i> ), then you also will be manifested with him in glory. [Col 3:4].  The <b>appearing</b> ( <i>ἐπιφάνεια, epifaneia</i> ) [1 Tim 6:14, 2 Tim 1:10; 4:1; 4:8, Titus 2:13]
Blessings	if you obey the voice ... Blessed you <i>will be</i> in the town, and blessed you <i>will be</i> in the country. Blessed <i>will be</i> the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your land and the fruit of your cattle – the offspring of your oxen and the issue of your flock animals. [Deut 28:2 ff]	so that those <i>who are</i> of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham. [Gal 3:9]	every spiritual blessing [Eph 1:3]
Adoption	And you will say to Pharaoh, ‘This <i>is what</i> the Lord says, «Israel <i>is</i> my son, my firstborn ... »’ [Ex 4:22]	Israelites, who <i>have</i> the adoption, [Rom 9:4]	having appointed us beforehand for adoption through Jesus Christ to him, [Eph 1:5]
Baptism	our fathers ... all had themselves baptized into Moses in the cloud and <b>in the sea</b> [1 Cor 10:1-2]	For John baptized with <b>water</b> , but you will be baptized with <b>holy spirit</b> in not many days' time. [Acts 1:5]	<i>There is</i> ... <b>one</b> baptism [Eph 4:4-5]

All dispensations are in Christ

Christ	<i>The</i> book of <i>the</i> lineage of Jesus Christ [Matt 1:1]	Concerning his son ... Jesus Christ our Lord, [Rom 1:3-4]	every spiritual blessing ... in Christ. [Eph 1:3]
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