

Biblical Keys for Understanding the Word of God

Overview: Jesus is the Word of God made flesh (John 1:14). Jesus only did what the Father said. We should desire to do the same; and what the Father has said is recorded in the Bible. If we continue to live by the written Word, then we will begin to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit more and clearly and then, more and more frequently. The goal is to be a mature adult in the family of God. Rom 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 2Ti 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Introduction.

Dan 12:4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, [even] to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

Dan 12:9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

Dan 12:10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

Isa 28:10 For precept [must be] upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little:

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, [even] as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Prologue.

1. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you revelation knowledge on what you are reading.
2. Read in the light of the Scriptural context. Refer to the two part series previously taught by Pastora Sarah on Friday 06-23-17 and Friday 08-11-17.

A. Read in the light of the relevant Bible Age.

1. Bible Ages.

Age of **Obedience**, Age of **Death** Reigning, Age of Mosaic **Law**, Age of **Grace**, Age of the Rod of Iron **Law**, Millennial Age with **Death** still present, Post-millennial Age of **Obedience** with death having been cast into the Lake of Fire.

The Church Age overlaps part of the Age of Grace and encompasses all of the Age of the Rod of Iron Law, ending with the Millennial Age.

Ruling by the Rod of Iron begins during the ending days (about Chapter 11 of the Book of Revelation) and continues until all the inhabitants of the earth are Overcomers.

The Reign of Jesus begins with the Millennial Age and continues forever.

2. Examples.

a) Under Grace – no works.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: [it is] the gift of God: Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

b) Under Rod of Iron Law – judged by works.

Phi 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Rev 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive [his] mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

B. Read in light of the full meaning of Salvation.

1. Salvation includes everything which you need for life and godliness including Heaven, forgiveness of sins, eternal life, healing, prosperity, protection and everything that is reflected in the Names of Jehovah. It also includes freedom from deterioration, feebleness and death. Also included are the rights to be raptured and to be an Overcomer.
2. Examples.
 - a) Age of Grace – Salvation means being born again.
Act 2:21 And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved (“Delivered” in Joel 2:28).
Gal 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:
 - b) Millennium and Post-Millennium Age – Salvation has been completed in the Overcomer.
Luk 20:36 Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.
Rev 21:7 He that overcomes shall inherit all things; I will be his God, & he shall be my son.

C. Read in the light of the Pentachotomy.

1. Matt 22:37 You are a spirit with a heart soul, mind and body. *Salvation is the redemption and restoration of all 5 parts.*
2. Examples.
Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved (*i.e. spirit born again*).
Mar 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved (*i.e., born again plus other parts*).
Eph 4:30 Grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
Rev 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life

D. Read in light of the Bible Themes.

1. Themes of the Bible.
The three Primary Themes are: Love, Salvation and Power.
The Four Secondary Themes are: Replenish the Earth, Dominion over the Earth, Living in the Image and Likeness of God (or the Glorious Church), and Eating of the Tree of Life (or Overcoming the Last Enemy).
2. Examples.
 - a) Joh 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.
Joh 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
Joh 15:14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.
 - b) Mat 5:5 Blessed [are] the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
Rev 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:
Rev 2:27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.
 - c) Pro 18:21 Death and life [are] in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.
Pro 15:4 A wholesome tongue [is] a tree of life.
Rev 2:7 To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.
 - d) Dan 12:3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.