James #89

Ages, seasons and times in God’s plan.

Open up today in Acts chapter one RF.

Two announcements to open up with today.

First is, let me give the last reminder of the 2025 PRB Ministry Bible Conference;

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 November 7th - 9th

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 Classes Sat & Sun; 11:15am - 6:30pm \

There is a Friday night fellowship dinner, all information is found on the website, prbministry.org.

I believe we may have a spare bed as my brother in Christ - Pete, has a double occupancy room booked at the hotel for that weekend.

I will officially do an important Geo-political commentary on Wednesday October 29th. That will be the last message until the conference. So, I will be off the first week of November until classes on Saturday November 8th in Texas.

I believe this series is very important as GOD the HS keeps pressing me to go one level deeper each message. There is a time upon us now and into the future, that is a time a of great resistance and attack against this current study of the plan of GOD.

Today I will give you some summary principles that you should highlight for your own personal notes.

There is a building-up and organized effort in recent years to really attack this teaching. I believe it is becoming prevalent because we are rapidly approaching events that will trigger history quickly, so that we are pushed toward the Tribulation period.

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Please take the time and get this right – it may be the difference between you and a confused Christian who falls for a false Messiah with an appearance of a pseudo 2nd Advent.

Or a new religious movement designed to draw many people under a one world movement.

/The word - *dispensation* (*oikonomia*) is used several times in NT teaching. Within these scriptures it always points to an administrative office, defined by boundaries of time and specific standards. This does fall under the umbrella of Mystery Doctrine.

1Cor 9:17, Eph 1:10, Eph 3:2, Eph 3:9, Col 1:25, 1Tim 1:4 \

This has been taught from the original text of the NT - into the early centuries and right into the dark ages as I have shown you in recent messages. This is not a new doctrine developed in the 1800’s by Darby and then followed by Scofield in the 1900’s.

/The Greek word for - *seasons* (*kairos*), is often used in conjunction with, or as a descriptive element to highlight dispensations. It means a measured time or a large or small portion of the whole. This is seen in many teachings of the NT and used several times by our LORD.

Mat 13:30, Mark 10:30, Mark 13:33, Luk 1:20, Luk 12:56, Luk 18:30, Luk 20:10, Luk 21:8, Luk 21:4…etc. \

Every time Jesus used this term for – seasons, within these types of scriptures it was in conjunction with dispensations.

Here is a good example written by Dr. Luke in reference to a command our LORD gave the apostles prior to HIS ascension;

/Act 1:3 To these **He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs**, appearing to them over *a period of* **forty days and speaking of things regarding the kingdom of God.**

The 40 days of the resurrection ministry, HE had many private meetings & meals with only the 11 apostles. SPEAKING things (mystery doctrine) regarding the kingdom of heaven. (Mat 13:11)\

Just as HE told them about the parables, which it is believed HE had gone into greater details during those 40 days.

Act 1:4 Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, “Which,” He said, “you heard of from Me;

/Act 1:5 for **John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit** not many days from now.”

John the Baptist was considered the last prophet of the OT (Age of Israel). Our LORD is clearly telling them something new is coming upon you now.\

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is for the CA Bels on earth, a Royal Family commission.

More than likely, Jesus told them Mystery Doctrine of the CA and that the Dispensation of Israel is now interrupted.

One reason we can assume this, is the fact that they became overly curious or confused about HIS return.

Act 1:6 So, when they had come together, they began asking Him, saying, “Lord, is it at this time that You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?”

/After 3 years of the parables, private teachings as well as warnings of difficulties ahead (Mat 10:16-22). Then 40 days of intimate doctrinal lessons, they still remained focus on the time Israel would be fully restored, out from under the boot of Roman authority. They knew everything was changing and a new era was arriving and yet they could only focus on the victory over Rome.\

Remember they all wanted the crown before the cross. They continually struggled to understand the aspect of the suffering servant who came to save a lost world.

/Act 1:7 But He said to them, “**It is not for you to know periods of time** (*chronos*)or **appointed times** (*kairos*) which the Father has set by His own authority;

Both terms were used several times in reference to the Doctrine of Dispensations. The chronological order of time periods and the seasons of how they shift or change.\

Up until this historic point - there was a great deal of mystery concerning the Church and the Rapture.

God the Father’s plan was designed to keep the exact dates, times and even the intricate players concerning the end time events, from the point of the Rapture into the Tribulation a mystery.

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Even though the teaching of the parables opened up a great deal of this, it still was not fully digested even by the 11 apostles.

The words KRON-US and KEYE-ROS are used many times to highlight dispensations.

Yet it comes down to how the context of the scripture unfolds.

Sometimes the words are used for a seasonal reference such as summer or a to describe a year, or a numerological order such as step one and step two.

It matters a great deal how the terms were used in a sentence.

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Jesus tells them to get focused on the mission of the new era of the Church, not the fall of the Roman Empire – or exactly how every detail of the end time events will unfold.

Act 1:8 but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria, and as far as the remotest part of the earth.”

Jump over Acts chapter 3 RF.

This was very similar for the Apostle Paul who had a confused congregation concerning end time events;

/1Thes 5:1 **Now as to the periods** (*chronos*) and **times** (*kairos*), brothers *and sisters,* you have no need *of anything* to be written to you. 2 For you **yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord** is coming just like a thief in the night.\

They had already learned the chronological order of the 2nd Advent.

Actually, the Apostle Paul used the same context of these words as Jesus did!

Now, the Apostle Peter pointed to dispensations during his second fiery speech after the SPIRIT came upon the church on that faithful day of Pentecost.

The Apostle Peter is trying to wake up the Jews in Jerusalem.

Act 3:18 “But the things which God previously announced by the mouths of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He has fulfilled in this way.

/[Act 3:19](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/act/3/19/s_1021019) “Therefore **repent and return**, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order **that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord**;

They rejected Christ when HE was in front of them, they needed to accept HIM and return to the truth of the OT teaching on the true Messiah.\

Christ was taught all throughout the OT, in every principle, every sacrifice, holy days the temple…everything pointed to HIM! Yet many rejected Him when HE was right in front of them.

True Faith occurs when you first recognize the need for a Savior and that there is only one – The Lord Jesus Christ. To repent means to turn around, to change course. Have a change of mind and focus on the only salvation, true faith in Christ. REPEAT

In fact, the Apostle Peter is using some hard language, which was associated with religion, because he is dealing with religious Jews who were stuck in the lies perpetrated by the Sanhedrin.

/Act 3:19 - *that times (kairos) of refreshing (anapsyxis) may come from the presence of the Lord;*

The seasons of this CA begin with a Baptism of the Spirit (breath of new life). This can lead into greater strength as we grow in those grace gifts (renewed by each stage of maturity). Christ’s first advent was designated to offer a NEW life and eternal security and glory through HIS work.\

KEYE-ROSS, plural, the seasons of refreshing that occur leading up till the ultimate time of sanctification.

ANN-OP-SO-CEASE, means a refreshing breath, a new energy or a life force restored. It is used one time here in the NT – meaning it is a hapax legomenon, usually in scripture, it is having a strong connotation attached to it.

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/Act 3:20 and that He may **send Jesus, the Christ appointed for you**, 21 whom **heaven must receive until *the* period** (*chronos*)**of restoration of all things,** about which **God spoke** by the mouths of His **holy prophets from ancient times** *(aiōn).*

The restoration of all things for the nation of Israel is at the 2nd Advent. This is pointing into the Dispensation of Christ on earth; they were taught about this in the Dispensation of Israel.\

 These are the terms being used in the context of ages, time periods or dispensations.

The use of the word - EYE-ON means of the ancient time, which has a connotation of a plural sense of the word, because ancient time covers early time periods. This speaks to prophecy from the first two dispensations.

The Gentile dispensation and the dispensation of Israel.

The writers of the NT scriptures often referred to the OT as the ancient time period. Usually meaning not just one period of time, but since the beginning of time as we know it in humanity.

/CHRONOS – means time as counted in a succession of events. Most frequently this word is used to portray history, the events of history in chronological order. God’s plan unfolds in chronological order within dispensations.\

In closing today, it is important to gather these definitions, also knowing how these words were used in certain scriptures is imperative.

/AION – is an age, which can be seen as one or multiple, depending upon the full context of the sentence. It is often interchangeable with the word dispensations in such scriptures as in;

Act 3:20, Mat 12:32, Mat 13:40, Mat 24:3, Mat 28:20, Luk 20:34-35…etc.\

It was often times woven in the very teaching of Jesus to the apostles;

/Mar 10:30 but that **he will receive a hundred times as much now in the present age,** houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and farms, along with persecutions; and **in the age** (*aiōn)***to come, eternal life**.\

For the Bels in the CA, eternal life begins at salvation - yet we truly embark upon it, at the rapture or physical death.

They were still in the Age of Israel when Jesus walked the earth.

Jesus taught this at the end of the age of Israel, in the season of a transitional period. We learn about this in the Doctrine of the Hypostatic Union.

The fact is…Jesus spoke about mystery doctrine and dispensations years before Paul showed up on the screen.

/KAIROS — time in the concept of an epoch or a period or a season. It is used for the flow of a dispensation or the organization of events in categories — every dispensation has seasons or events revolving around commands, prophecy, rebellion, judgment, repentance, as well as transitional periods.\

Jesus Christ was and always will be IMMANUEL…God walking among us. Jesus consistently fulfilled prophecy, HE went to the cross to bring forth the judgment for the sins of the world. He gave the commands for the new CA – love one another as I love you. Everything is fulfilled in ME…I in you, you in ME …the Father in ME and I and the Father are one. No one and nothing can snatch you from this eternal position.

My HELPER (GOD the HS) will be with you. You will be indwelt uniquely now in this new age. I will be back to get you as I will have rooms prepared for my Bride in heaven.