

The Dispensation of Grace is the Fifth of the Dispensations of God

The Dispensation ends with the Rapture

5 Today: The Body of Christ - The Dispensation of Equality

Acts 7:51-56, 13:45,46, 18:6, 28:25-28

Transition

The Northern and Southern Tribes of Israel Rejected God the Father - The Starting of 'the Times of the Gentiles' and Israel's Oppression and the Captivity under Nebemiah and Ezra a remnant returned, as oppressed puppets, to the Land God gave to the Nation of Israel.

The Gospels - The incarnation, the LORD's birth, life, death and resurrection all occurred under the oppressive, Gentile rule of the Romans.

The Nation of Israel rejected God the Son handing Him over to the Gentiles for crucifixion

After the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ, Acts 1 on the Day of Pentecost, 50 days after the Passover, Acts 2 the Implementation of the New Covenant with the permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

The Nation of Israel was offered the Kingdom Stewardship for the world, Acts 2-7. Israel as a Nation rejected their privileged stewardship and in doing so rejected the third person of Deity, the Holy Spirit as prophesied. This should have ushered in the 70th week of Daniel but God started a mystery dispensation not prophesied, Acts 7:51 - 28:23-30. Ephesians 3:7-13, Romans 16:25-27, Colossians 1:24-27.

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The transition began the Mystery dispensation with the rejection of the Holy Spirit, working through the Nation of Israel, by the leadership - the high priest v1. and Sanhedrin v54 Jews who stoned Steven after his sermon v 50-53. With this comes the introduction of Saul and his life before salvation whose name was changed in Acts 13 to Paul.

The Salvation of Saul, the Apostle Paul to the Gentiles. Directly commission by the Lord Jesus Christ, Acts 9, Romans 11:13, Galatians 2:8, 1 Timothy 2:7

The first Gentile saved who was not a proselyte to Judaism - Cornelius and his family members believed, Acts 10

Two Conflicts developed: one between the spiritual resulting in Gentiles being saved and placed on an equal basis with Jewish Christians; the second the hostility between the nonbelievers and God haters. Acts 11

The book of James was written about Acts 13, Paul commissioned - The 1st missionary journey and his name changed from Saul to Paul, Acts 13-14

The book of Galatians was written about 49 AD by the Apostle Paul. The hostility was very strong between Jews and Gentiles. The believers from Judea endorsed Paul's call and ministry about 14 years after his salvation, Acts 15, Galatians 2:19-14

The book of 1 Thessalonians was written about this time by Paul, Acts 17

Paul's second missionary journey was marked by great hostility from the Jews, jealousy and their creating riots, Acts 16:1-4, 17:5, 10-13, 18: 1-6, 12. Acts 16-18

Paul wrote 2 Thessalonians around 52 AD. The third missionary journey was marked by obstinate Jewish behavior and Gentiles blaming the Jews for Paul's preaching, Acts 19-21 Acts 19:8-9, 32-34

1 and 2 Corinthians and Romans was written by Paul between 55 and 58 AD. The book of Acts ends with Paul at Rome and the pronouncement of the future intent of Paul's ministry of today's dispensation, Acts 28:11-14, 23-28

The Roman army, led by the future Emperor Titus, with Tiberius Julius Alexander as his second-in-command destroyed the Jewish Temple. The Nation's spiritual privilege is overlaid by the mystery dispensation, ending the Dispensation of Promise and waiting for the prophetic 70th week of Daniel to commence.



The Roman Catholic church makes the claim today that it began with Peter's profession of who Christ is, Matthew 16:13-17; but the truth is it became the Roman Catholic Church under the Emperor Constantine the 1st, making it a religious state after his conversion to Christianity by forcing nonbelievers into the church without spiritual conversion. There have been since our Lord Jesus those who have held to the true salvation and not a religion, but a transformation of the spirit, Ephesians 1:13; 2:8,9; John 4:10,21-24; 17.

The progressive gathering and canonization of the writings of the Bible cover a period of over 300 years. "For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears." 1 Corinthians 13:8-10, 2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20,21.

The writings of God's truths by the inspired authors were perfect from the time of their writings, but their collection and their acceptance as the Word of God was progressive.

The Crusades were religiously sanctioned military campaigns ordered by the Pope to take control of the land of Israel. Pre-reformers - Arnold of Brescia 1090-1155 AD, Peter de Bruns 1117-1131 AD, Peter Waldo, Valdo, or Waldes 1140-1218 AD, John Wycliffe 1328-1384AD, Jan Hus 1369-1415 AD, Girolamo Savonarola 1452-1498 AD, all experienced Roman Catholic oppression and death. Gutenberg Bible. 1492 AD Columbus discovered America and Christianity grew on its shores.

The Reformation - Martin Luther, John Calvin, etc. attempted to reform the Roman Catholic Church but failed and the Protestant Reformation was born spreading Protestant reform over Europe and developed Lutheranism, Anglicanism, Calvinism and Arminianism. At this time other groups like the Anabaptist which were considered radical, not Protestants.

The United States patterned its laws after Judeo-Christian values, (moral and ethical).

Large-scale manufacturing of affordable automobiles correlated with declining church attendance.

World War I, or the Great War, was in Europe; it was the first global conflict, which influenced the nature of future wars. Chemical weapons and mass bombing were first used in this war and have developed further since that time.

Television, a telecommunication medium giant, began in 1920 with continued development up to the present time.

World War 2 was a global conflict, involving most of the world's nations. Significant events of this war include the mass death of civilians, including the Holocaust, and the only use of nuclear weapons in warfare. This was the deadliest conflict in human history, resulting in 50 million to over 70 million fatalities. An estimated 11 to 17 million civilians died as a direct or indirect result of Nazi ideological policies, including the systematic genocide of around 6 million Jews.

Formation of an intergovernmental organization - The Commonwealth of Nations in 1934 and the United Nations in 1945.

In 1948 the Nation of Israel became an independent state. Internet - a global distribution network alone with home Computers 1965, and marketed in 1977-present - microcomputers for home. Jesus People and Hippies - the late 1960s and early 1970s - a charismatic subculture of extra Biblical emotionalism, weak theology, a love movement (hippies and Jesus people) a subculture who were much alike) without repentance and transformation, Jesus music, grew out of this movement. It greatly influenced contemporary Christian music, creating various musical types such as Christian rock and Christian metal. The dubbing down of respect in dress and ethics developed in the relationship to God in worship. In the decade which followed, relationship of women in society changed, abortion, living together or cohabitation without marriage have resulted in a breakdown of marriage and the rise of homosexual relationships all have negative effect on the church today, Romans 1:18-32, 1 Timothy 4:1-3, 2 Timothy 3:1-7

According to the Roman Catholic Church, when the first American President was inaugurated into office in front of the Washington Monument - observed from the National Mall - this event would send a message that the country is considered a Roman Catholic country. In 1981 Ronald Reagan was the first president sworn into office in front of the obelisk, the Washington Monument. In 1981 Reagan repealed an 1868 federal law which prohibited the expenditure of funds for an U.S. Embassy to the Vatican. In 1982, the pope replaced the stone for the Washington Monument that Pope Plus contributed in 1850 which was stolen by a group called the 'Know-nothings' (A Catholic opposition group). In 1984 Reagan sent the first ambassador to the Vatican under his administration, and the US still has an ambassador there. The USA could possibly be the mystery Babylon or have a government developing the system of government mentioned in the Book of Revelation.

Implantation of RFID chips - 1998 - present - The chip is a unique implanted identification chip with an identification number which carries personal data about the one in whom it is implanted. Activated by radio-frequency when energy passes a scanner, it emits a radio-frequency signal that transmits information to the reader, which in turn links with a database.

The prophecies of the latter times of the Dispensation of Grace are Romans 11, 1 Timothy 4:1-3 and 2 Timothy 3:1-7. They show the sin or failure of believers in this dispensation and the permeation of wickedness and false belief. They give the reasons for the long suffering of God coming to an end. Also, God will go back and finish His plan for the Nation of Israel after the Rapture.

The Resurrection of all believers from the past dispensations with the believers alive and who died in the Dispensation of Grace are captured, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. They are given their glorified bodies which are patterned after the Lord Jesus' body; for the flesh and blood we have now will be different. The glorified body will be a spiritual body with new characteristics, 1 Corinthians 15. The Rapture will be a meeting in the clouds with the Lord. He does not touch the earth but calls the believers to Himself in the air, and we will forever be with Him ruling and reigning. Just as the saints of past dispensations did not know the time of the resurrection, only that they would be resurrected, so the time of the Rapture is not known, but it will happen, ending the mystery dispensation. The rapture will also be part of the punitive judgment on the unsaved for the restraining power of the believers of the Body of Christ who are indwelt by the Holy Spirit will be taken off the earth and the full judgment of God will be experienced. Ephesians 1:13, 2 Thessalonians 2:5-12.

The Nation of Israel is overlaid with Today's Dispensation
The Nation of Israel went back into captivity being scattered throughout the world being oppressed and persecuted by the Gentile nations and so far only a remnant has returned.

Rome	Byzantine, Persian, Rashidun, Umayyad, Abbasid, Fatimid, Seljuq,	Crusaders, Ayyubid, Mamluk,	Ottoman, British, Israel and Jordan, Israel
Time of the Gentiles			
The other books of the Bible were written - Matthew, Mark 50-60 AD; Luke 60-61 AD; Ephesians, Philippians, Philemon, Colossians 60-62 AD; Acts 62 AD; 1 Timothy, Titus 62-64 AD; 1 Peter 64-65 AD; 2 Timothy 66-67 AD; 2 Peter 67-68 AD; Hebrews 67-69 AD; Jude 68-70 AD; John 80-90 AD; 1,2,3rd John 90-95 AD and Revelation 94-96 AD.		Preachers & Evangelists - John Chrysostom Ambrose of Milan (337-397 (349-407), John Smyth (1570-28, 1612), Roger Williams (1603-1683), Richard Baxter (1615-1691), George Whitefield (1714-1770), John Newton (1725-1807), Charles Simeon (1759-1836), Lyman Beecher (1775-1863), Charles Finney (1792-1875), Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834-1892), Dwight L. Moody (1837-1899), Leopold Hoffman Cohn (1862-1937), Billy Sunday (1862-1935), Oswald Chambers (1874-1917), Martin "Moishe" Rosen (1932-2010), Billy Graham (1918-present)	