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1) Who wrote it? - Paul
2) What do we know about the author? - An Apostle
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3) To whom was it written? - Timothy
4) When was it written? - A.D. 67
5) Where was it written from? - Rome $\qquad$
6) Why was it written? - Timothy's timidity
7) What is it about? - Perseverance
8) What is inside (outline)? -4 part outline
9) What makes the book different? - Paul's final word
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"When the plain sense of Scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense; therefore, take every word at its primary, ordinary, $\qquad$ usual, literal meaning unless the facts of the immediate context, studied in light of related passages and axiomatic and fundamental truths, indicate clearly otherwise."
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David L. Cooper, The World's Greatest Library Graphically Illustrated (Los Angeles: Biblical Research Society, 1970), 11 $\qquad$
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"When the plain sense makes good sense seek no other sense lest you wind up with nonsense."

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Dispensational Theology is a System of Theology
Traditional-normative dispensational theology is a system that embodies three essential, fundamental concepts called the sine qua non (lit. "without which is not"):

1. The consistent use of a plain, normal, literal, grammatical-historical method of interpretation;
2. Which reveals that the Church is distinct from Israel;
3. God's overall purpose is to bring glory to Himself (Eph. 1:6, 12, 14).

Dr: Chartes Ryrie, Dispensarionalism, pp. 38-41

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Clarence Thomas
"He is the dumbest Justice to ever sit on the bench... He waits to see how Scalia votes, and he votes the same. He rarely issues comments or engages in questions during any Supreme Court hearing...He rarely grants media hearing...He rarely grants media
interviews (because he knows he will interviews (because he knows he will
look stupid). He rarely writes opinions. He believes in a narrow interpretation of the Constitution. He is an idiot."
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SLBC Position Statements - No. 4 to
DISPENSATIONS - A Dispensation is a specific manner in which God governs during a particular period of time. We are a dispensational church. That is, we believe that God has chosen to administer or govern His purpose on earth through man under varying dispensations. These changes in government are a result of God's choice, and do not indicate that His character ever changes. At least three of these dispensations are mentioned in the Bible and are the subject of extended revelation, viz.: the Dispensation of the Mosaic Law, the present Dispensation of Grace, and the future Dispensation of the Millennial Kingdom. In interpreting the Bible, we believe that these are distinct and should not be intermingled or confused.

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SLBC Position Statements - No. 5
ESCHATOLOGY - Eschatology is the doctrine of future things. As a framework for interpreting and teaching prophesy, we hold to a pre-tribulational, premillennial position. That is, we teach that a literal thousand-year period of time (the millennium) lies ahead in the future (Rev. 20:1-8). At the conclusion of this time period, there will be a final judgment of non-Christians and then the eternal state will begin (Rev. 20:11-15). Immediately preceding this millennial period, a period of tribulation, lasting seven years, will dominate the earth (Dan. 9:27; Rev. 6:1-19:21). However, just prior to this, all believers will be removed from the earth (the rapture) and thus escape this period of tribulation (1 Thess. 4:13-18).
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## Emergent: Kingdom

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"If Revelation were a blueprint of the distant future, it would have been unintelligible to its original $\qquad$ readers...In light of this, Revelation becomes a powerful book about the kingdom of God here and now, available to all."

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## Kingdom

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"I stand before you confidently right now and say to you that God is going to use you to change the world...I'm looking at a stadium full of people right now who are telling God they will do whatever it takes to establish God's Kingdom "on earth as it is God's Kingdom "on earth as it is
in heaven." What will happen if the followers of Jesus say to Him, "We are yours?" What kind of spiritual awakening will occur?"
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- Written in mid A.D. 60's
- Mostly fulfilled in A.D. 70 $\qquad$
- Predicts A.D. 70 sacking of Jerusalem as God's divorce and judgment of adulterous Israel
- Rev 20 describes a future bodily return of Christ $\qquad$

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| Nero's Nombers |  |  |
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|  | Hebrew letter | Numerical value |
| N | n | 50 |
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Problems With Neronian Calculation

- Inconsistent use of numbers
- Transliteration from Greek to Hebrew
- Not suggested by the ancient commentators
- "Cherry picking" to fit an ordained outcome
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Nero Does Not Fit the Facts of Revelation 13
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- Usher in persecution for exactly 42 months (13:5) - Control the entire planet ( $13: 7 ; 5: 9$ )
$\bullet$ Force people to receive a mark on their right hand or forehead in order to participate in the global economy (13:16-18)
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Confident Preterist Assertions $\qquad$
"I am convinced beyond any doubt that this Harlot is first-century Jerusalem." (italics added).


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Confident Preterist Assertions $\qquad$
"What has puzzled me over the years is not the identity of 'the great prostitute,' but how so many could mistake her historical identity. . . . In biblical history only one nation is inextricably linked to the moniker
 'harlot.' And that nation is Israel!"
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Christian Anti-Semitism
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"First, their synagogues should be set $\qquad$ on fire...Secondly, their homes should likewise be broken down and destroyed...Thirdly, they should be $\qquad$ deprived of their prayer books and Talmuds...
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"...Fourthly, their rabbis must be $\qquad$ forbidden under threat of death to
$\qquad$ and traveling privileges should be absolutely forbidden to the Jews...Sixthly, they ought to be stopped from usury (charging interest on loans..
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Christian Anti-Semitism $\qquad$
"Seventhly, let the young and strong Jews and Jewesses be given the flail, the ax, the hoe, the spade, the distaff, and spindle, and let the earn their bread by the sweat of their noses... We ought to drive the rascally lazy bones out of
$\qquad$ our system..."

Martin Luther, Concerning the Jews and Their Lies, cited in Michael Brown's Our Hands Are Stained with Blood, pp. 14-15.
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& \text { Christian Anti-Semitism } \\
& \text { "...Therefore away with them... To } \\
& \text { sum up, dear princes and nobles who } \\
& \text { have Jews in your domains, if this } \\
& \text { advice of mine does not suit you, then } \\
& \text { find a better one so that you and we } \\
& \text { may all be free of this insufferable } \\
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Bestselling author Hal Lindsey
warned what could happen to
the church in the last days if she
began to see herself as the
establisher of God's kingdom:
"The last days of the church on
the earth may be largely wasted
seeking to accomplish a task
that only the LORD Himself can
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Hal Lindsey, The Road to Holocaust, 269
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- Workman (2:14-18)
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- Embrace biblical truth (2:15)
- Vessel (2:19-23)
- Two kinds of vessels (2:20-21)
- Avoidance of "these things" $(2: 19,22,23)$ $\qquad$
- Servant (2:24-26)
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Dan. 12:2-Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.

John 5:28-29-Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ${ }^{29}$ and will come forth; those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of
life, those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment.

Acts 24:15-having a hope in God, which these men cherish themselves, that there shall certainly be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked.

1 Cor. 15:20- But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

1 Cor. 15:23- But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming.

Col. 2:8-See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, ${ }^{[h]}$ rather than according to Christ.

Gen. 1:31-God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Rev. 20:4-5- Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of ${ }^{[b]}$ their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. ${ }^{5}$ The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.

Knight-"Perhaps due to some confusion over the Pauline teaching that believers even now participate in the death and resurrection of Christ (Rom 6:4-5, 8; 2 Tim 2:11), they believed and taught that the resurrection of believers had already occurred in a spiritual sense . . ."

Acts 17:31-32-because He has fixed a day in which He will judge ${ }^{[\mathrm{ul}]}$ the world in righteousness ${ }^{[\mathrm{v}]}$ through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men ${ }^{[w]}$ by raising Him from the dead. ${ }^{32}$ Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some began to sneer, but others said, "We shall hear you ${ }^{[x]}$ again concerning this."

1 Cor. 15:35-36- But someone will say, "How are the dead raised? And with what kind of body do they come?" ${ }^{36}$ You fool! That which you sow does not come to life unless it dies.

Matt. 6:10-Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

1 Cor. 4:6-13-Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively applied to myself and Apollos for your sakes, so that in us you may learn not to exceed what is written, so that no one of you will become ${ }^{[e]}$ arrogant in behalf of one against the other. ${ }^{7}$ For who regards you as superior? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it? ${ }^{8}$ You are already filled, you have already become rich, you have become kings without us; and indeed, $I$ wish that you had become kings so that we also might reign with you. ${ }^{9}$ For, I think, God has exhibited us apostles last of all, as men condemned to death; because we have become a spectacle
to the world, ${ }^{[f]}$ both to angels and to men. ${ }^{10} \mathrm{We}$ are fools for Christ's sake, but you are prudent in Christ; we are weak, but you are strong; you are distinguished, but we are without honor. ${ }^{11}$ To this present hour we are both hungry and thirsty, and are poorly clothed, and are roughly treated, and are homeless; ${ }^{12}$ and we toil, working with our own hands; when we are reviled, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure; ${ }^{13}$ when we are slandered, we try to ${ }^{[g]}$ conciliate; we have become as the scum of the world, the dregs of all things, even until now.

John 2:15-And He made a scourge of cords, and drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen; and He poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.

Knight-"That such a mistake could be made may seem strange to us. But the fervency of the first-generation church's hope of Christ's return and certain carryovers from the pagan religions out of which believers came . . . could have led some to the conclusion that all of salvation's blessings were to be experienced now. A modern parallel is what we might describe as Christian triumphalism (or the 'health and wealth' gospel), which tends to present the Christian message as the quick solution to all of life's problems. The same basic mistake seems to be involved."

Numbers 6:24-26-The LORD bless you, and keep you; ${ }^{25}$ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; ${ }^{26}$ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.'

