# UNDERSTANDING YOUR RELIGION

7 MAJOR DOCTRINES THAT DEFINE <u>CHRISTIANITY</u>

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This series presents 7 basic doctrinal ideas that help the viewer have a "big picture" view of the Christian religion. Done in an informal style with helpful graphics and summaries, Understanding Your Religion is a useful guide for those seeking to know what Christians believe and how these beliefs affect what they do.



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## 1. Why Study Doctrine?

In this lesson, we will discuss why it is important to study the main doctrines contained in the Bible. (Matthew 28:19-20)

Introduction - The reason we are studying the Bible in this way is because:

## Why Study Major Doctrine?

1. Jesus		
	Matthew 28:19-20	
2. The	ere is much	
	Romans 16:17-18	
	II Timothy 4:3	
	II Timothy 2:16-18	
	Acts 20:28-30	
	We need to study doctrine so we can know the difference between	

3. False doctrine causes \_\_\_\_\_

I Timothy 6:3-5	
Galatians 2:4	
Colossians 2:8	
II Timothy 3:6-7	

## **Results of Correct Doctrine**

There are some positive reasons to study doctrine as well.

Correct doctrine - II Timothy 3:14-15

Correct doctrine - II Timothy 3:16-17

Correct doctrine - I Timothy 1:5 \_\_\_\_\_

Without correct doctrine we cannot \_\_\_\_\_\_

## **Outline of Course**

The following doctrines cover the Bible from start to finish:

- Doctrine of Inspiration
- Doctrine of the Divinity of Christ
- Doctrine of Original Goodness
- Doctrine of the Fall
- Doctrine of the Restoration
- Doctrine of the Kingdom
- Doctrine of the Second Coming

## 2. The Writing of the Bible: The Doctrine of Inspiration - Part 1

This lesson examines the basis for all other doctrines contained in the Biblethe inspiration of this book by God.

Introduction - The Bible assumes the existence of God.

### **History of Writing**

Main argument in the past against inspiration that writing only appeared long after Moses.

## **History of Writing Materials**

Stone
Clay
Wood
Leather
Papyrus
Papyrus Codex
Vellum Codex
Paper
Printing
Electronic Communication
Origin of the Bible
Biblia =
Bible numbers = Old Testament or

## Origin of the Old Testament

Exodus 24:1-4
Exodus 34:27-28
oshua 8:31; 24:26
Nehemiah 8:18

## **Old Testament Organization - Jewish Division**

Law		 	 
Prophets			
Writings		 	 
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#### 24 Books in Jewish Scriptures

Pentateuch	_=
Prophets	_ =
Writings	_=

(24)

## **Old Testament Organization - Today's Division**

Pentateuch	=
History	=
Poetry	
Major	=
Minor	=

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#### **Other Jewish Books**

Talmud	
Apocrypha	
Josephus	

## 3. The New Testament Record: The Doctrine of Inspiration - Part 2

This lesson continues the review of the making of the Bible with a discussion on how the Old and New Testaments were gathered and the criteria used to select the inspired books into the canon.

Introduction - Review
History of Writing
History of Books
Old Testament
New Testament Canon
Here did there de side as his has been sed in the New Testers and 2
How did they decide which books belonged in the New Testament?
Apostles
- r
Written Material
Return of Jesus

Events leading to the formation of the New Testament canon:

Canon of Marcion- 140 AD
Persecution
Codex Form
Council of Carthage- 367 AD
Criteria for Inclusion
Authorship
Value of Book
Circulation
Division of New Testament
Gospels
History
Pauline Epistles
General Epistles
Prophecy

#### **Translation History**

Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_

New Testament

#### **Modern Translations**

KJV	
RSV	
ASV	
NASV	
NIV	
NLT	

PERIOD	TIME	BOOKS
I. ANTE DELUVIAN	5000+BC	Genesis 1-8
II. POST DELUVIAN	3000 BC	Genesis 9-11
III. PATRIARCHY	2000 BC	Genesis 12-50
		Job
IV. BONDAGE	1600 BC	Exodus 1-12
V. CONQUEST	1400 BC	Exodus 13-40
		Leviticus
		Numbers
		Deuteronomy
		Joshua
		Judges
		Ruth
		I Samuel 1-10
VI. UNITED KINGDOM	1000 BC	I Samuel 11-31
		II Samuel
		l Kings 1-11
		I Chronicles
		II Chronicles 1-9
		Psalms
		Proverbs
		Song of Solomon
		Ecclesiastes

PERIOD	TIME	BOOKS	
VII. DIVIDED KINGDOM	800 BC	I Kings 12-22	
		II Kings	
		II Chronicles 10-36	
		Isaiah	
		Joel	
		Amos	
		Obadiah	
		Nahum	
		Habakkuk	
		Jeremiah	
		Zephaniah	
VIII. EXILE	600 BC	Daniel	
		Ezekiel	
		Lamentations	
IX. RESTORATION	500 BC	Ezra	
		Nehemiah	
		Esther	
		Haggai	
		Zechariah	
		Malachi	
X. SILENCE	400 BC - JESUS	i.e. Esdras	
		Judith	
		Maccabees	

## 4. 6 Proofs of Inspiration: The Doctrine of Inspiration - Part 3

This lesson will explain the first of six arguments that support the idea that the Bible is an inspired text.

#### Introduction - Review - Making of the Bible

History of Writing		
History of Book Making	 	
Form & Division of Old Testament		

Form & Division of New Testament \_\_\_\_\_\_

## The Bible claims to be inspired

Matthew 10:19-20 \_\_\_\_\_

John 14:26

II Timothy 3:16 \_\_\_\_\_

II Peter 1:20-21 \_\_\_\_\_

Inspiration Theories
How does God inspire?
Dictation Theory
Thought Theory
Verbal Theory
I Corinthians 2:11-13
When speaking of Biblical inspiration, we mean the following:
The purpose
The decision
The ability
The men who recorded

## Summary

The Bible says that it is from God, but this in itself is not proof that it is.

## 5. 6 Proofs of Inspiration (continued): The Doctrine of Inspiration - Part 4

This lesson will examine the remaining five arguments that support the claim of Divine Inspiration for the Bible.

#### **Introduction - Review**

Doctrine #1	- Inspiration	of the Bible
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Evidence #1 - The Bible \_\_\_\_\_\_ that it is inspired.

### **Evidence#2 - History of the Bible**

Attack by Roman Empire \_\_\_\_\_

Attack by Roman Catholic church \_\_\_\_\_\_

Attack by skeptics, critics etc.

Evidence #3 - Uniqueness of the Bible

	Unique beauty
	Unique unity
	Unique universality
Fvide	nce #4 - Results of the Bible
Evide	nce #5 - Historical Exactitude of the Bible
	Joshua 3:10- Hittites
	Isaiah 20:1- Sargon

Evidence #6 - Fulfilled Prophecy

Isaiah 44:28
Hundreds of Prophecies
Jeremiah 23:5
Daniel 2:21 45
Daniel 2:31-45
Micah 5:2
Isaiah 9:6-7
Isaiah 42-52
lleve de se fulfille d'avente su aveve in enivetien?
How does fulfilled prophecy prove inspiration?
Accurate fulfillment

Only the Bible has \_\_\_\_\_

## Summary

The evidence for inspiration:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_
If this be so, then what?

A. Study to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.
B. Don't just \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it. do what it \_\_\_\_\_\_.

C. Do not be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

## 6. What the Bible Says About Jesus: The Doctrine of the Divinity of Christ - Part 1

The main subject of the Bible record is not only the story of Jesus Christ but also a presentation of the reasons why He is considered the divine Son of God.

### Introduction - The second great Christian doctrine concerns the Divinity of Jesus.

Many theories about Jesus \_\_\_\_\_

## The Bible's Central Theme

Jesus is the central theme of the Bible
Old Testament
The Four Gospels
Rest of New Testament
The Bible speaks concerning Jesus:
Promise
Preparation
Circumstances
Content
Details
People

## Who is Jesus? - According to the Bible

Wit	ness of the Apostles
Pete	r
	Matthew 16:16
	Acts 3:14-15
	What Peter concluded about Jesus:
	Messiah
	Divine
	Resurrection
Tho	nas
	John 20:24-28
	joini 20.21 20

	Thomas' experience:
	Resurrection
	Divinity
	Worship
	Authority
Paul	
	Acts 22:1-16
	Colossians 1:15-18
	What Paul says about Jesus:
	Visible God
	Existence
	Supreme
	Agent
	Eternal
	Head
	Resurrected

Testimony of Jesus			
What Jesus says about Himself:			
To Samaritan Woman - John 4:25-26			
To Peter - Matthew 16:15-17			
To Apostles - Matthew 28:18-20			
Among other things the Bible teaches that Jesus is: A			
B			
C D			
E			
F			
G			
Н			
Faced with a mountain of information about Jesus, John simply summarizes: John 20:30			
John 21:25			

## 7. The Resurrection as Proof: The Doctrine of the Divinity of Christ - Part 2

This lesson looks at the resurrection of Jesus as both evidence for the claim of the inspiration of the Bible and as the pivotal teaching of the Christian faith.

Introduction - The Divinity of Christ is the second great Bible doctrine.

Psalm 110:1; Psalm 16:8-11 \_\_\_\_\_

Saying that the Bible teaches the divinity of Christ doesn't make it so.\_\_\_\_\_

## **Resurrection - Proof of Divinity**

Romans 1:1-4 \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 12:38-40 \_\_\_\_\_

## Why Jesus had to Resurrect

1. He had to \_\_\_\_\_\_ who He was.

Acts 17:31 \_\_\_\_\_

٦	The prophets spoke of the resurrection.	
Ι	saiah 53:1-ff	
H -	Psalm 16:8-11	
- I	believe Jesus is divine because	
-		
2. He ha	id to resurrect to demonstrate His	
I 	Romans 5:19	
-	Acts 2:24	
<u>,</u>	<i>W</i> ithout the resurrection we could never be sure	
3. He ha	nd to Resurrect to prove that	could resurrect
I	People fear death because of its association with suffering.	

Hebrews 2:14-15		
John 6:40		
Jesus could have gone straight to heaven but		
· · · · · · · - ·		

## Summary

The divinity of Christ is the second great Christian doctrine:

The Bible	it.
The Resurrection	it.
The eyewitness accounts	it.
The suffering of the church	it.

## 8. The Complete History of Mankind: The Doctrines of Original Goodness, Fall of Man and Restoration

This lesson begins the study of the three doctrines that describe the history of man's relationship with God from creation to eternal life in heaven.

Introduction - Today we look at Doctrines #3, 4, 5 in this series

 Original Goodness

 Genesis 1:26-27

 Genesis 1:28

 Genesis 2:16-17

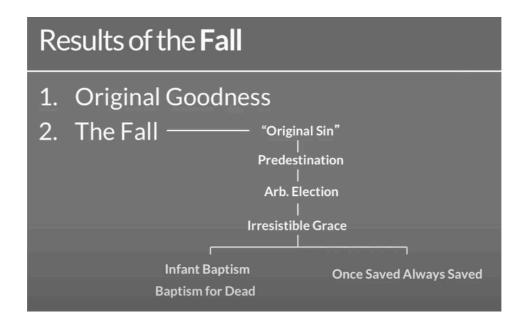
 Genesis 2:16-17

 Genesis 2:18

## The Fall of Man Through Sin

The perfect balance between God, man and creation was upset when man sinned.

Genesis 3:6 Genesis 3:7-13 The Misinterpretation of Major Doctrine Original Sin \_\_\_\_\_ This misconception produced two things: 1.\_\_\_\_\_ 2.\_\_\_\_\_ These false ideas led to more false notions. Infant Baptism/Baptism for the dead. Predestination/Arbitrary Election



The Bible teaches clearly on these issues:

Isaiah 59:2		
Ezekiel 18:20-21		
Acts 2:38		
I Timothy 2:3-4		
Christ died for	men and all who believe and are baptized	be saved.

## Summary

The Bible describes these three doctrines in seamless order.

II Corinthians 5:17-19\_\_\_\_\_

## Restoration/Reconciliation of Man with God

The third doctrine of reconciliation is explained by these 10 sub-doctrines:

1		
2		
3.		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		

## 9. Error and Consequence: The Sub-Doctrines of Election and Predestination

This lesson explains some of the results in teaching caused by a faulty understanding of two sub-doctrines (Election and Predestination) that explain the major doctrine of Reconciliation and provides a more Biblically accurate view of these important teachings.

#### Introduction - Review three major doctrines

- Original Goodness Genesis 1-2
- Fall Through Sin Genesis 3
- Reconciliation Genesis 4 Revelation 22

10 Sub-doctrines that explain the process of reconciliation.

## Election

The word means "to choose"

God chose Jesus Christ as the One who would accomplish reconciliation.

I Peter 2:4-6 \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus was God's only chosen One, others like Noah, Abraham etc.,

were chosen for **service** not **salvation**.

Protestant/Evangelical theology has interpreted election as the arbitrary choice by God of some for salvation and others for destruction.

### **Biblical election:**

I Timothy 2:4-5 \_\_\_\_\_

I Peter 2:4-6

#### God offers salvation to all

Matthew 28:18-20 \_\_\_\_\_

Mark 16:16

Those united to Christ share **His** election.

Galatians 3:26-27 \_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 1:3-4 \_\_\_\_\_

## **Restoration Movement**

Alexander Campbell, Barton W. Stone, John Smith

Key idea was that God wanted *all* men saved.

\_\_\_\_\_

## Predestination

Linked to original sin			
Calvinists believed that			
Predestination/Foreknowledge is			
The sub-doctrine of Predestination r	refers to		
Romans 8:29			
Ephesians 1:5			
Predestination teaches that God kne	w from the		that His choice
of Jesus would result in			
Man's foreknowledge is faulty becau	se		
God's foreknowledge is			
Our faith is based on the	of God's	&	
Review			
Original Goodness- Genesis 1-2			
Fall Through Sin- Genesis 3			
Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ-	Genesis 4 – Revelation 22		
1. Election	6. Adoption		
2. Predestination	7. Justification	1	
3. Atonement	8. Perfection		
4. Redemption	9. Sanctificatio	on	
5. Regeneration	10. Salvation		

## **10. God's Method of Reconciliation:** The Sub-Doctrine of Atonement - Part 1

This lesson will review how Christ's sacrifice (Atonement) satisfies the requirements of God's perfect justice and love.

## **Introduction - Review Test**

1. What are the three major Doctrines of the Bible?	
A	
В	
С	

2. Answer yes or no.

God knew in advance that those in Christ would be saved.	Yes	/	No
God chose, in advance, some for eternal life and other for eternal destruction.	Yes	/	No
Original sin refers to the first sin ever committed.	Yes	/	No
Man controls his spiritual destiny.	Yes	/	No

3. Name any three sub-doctrines mentioned in connection with the doctrine of Reconciliation.

Α	
В	
С	

Your Score \_\_\_\_\_ /10

#### **Review Summary**

The fifth major doctrine says that God is reconciling man to Himself through Jesus Christ

If we put the first two sub-doctrines together, we could say: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Atonement

The word means to cause a change in one party by the action of another \_\_\_\_\_

#### Here's how Atonement works:

The Problem- Isaiah 59:1-2 \_\_\_\_\_

The Extent- Romans 3:23; 5:12-14 \_\_\_\_\_\_

The Result- Romans 6:23 \_\_\_\_\_

The Solution- Romans 5:6 \_\_\_\_\_

The Method- I Peter 2:24 \_\_\_\_\_

# **Personal Atonement**

Some people think they are okay, but they could never atone for their own sins no matter how few.

# **11. God's Method of Reconciliation (continued):** The Sub-Doctrine of Atonement - Part 2

This second part on the subject of atonement examines the Biblical language used to describe Jesus' act of atonement.

Review
First five major doctrines
1
2
3
4
5
There are 10 sub-doctrines of Election. We have covered two:
1
2

# The Language of Atonement

There are many ways of expressing this idea.

Forgiveness is offered to us based on our faith, not our personal goodness or ability to make restitution.

Biblical faith is expressed in a Biblical way:

John 3:16
Acts 2:38
Acts 8:36-37
Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38
Matthew 10:22
There are many ways humans express faith in God but the Bible is specific in how Jesus taught His

would-be disciples to express their faith.

# Summary

Man is helpless because		
God solves the problem by		
Because of this God can now		
Man cannot earn forgiveness, but he can		
This faith is properly expressed in		

When we put these three sub-doctrines (Election, Predestination, Atonement) together we can say

# **12. What Atonement Achieves:** The Sub-Doctrine of Redemption

Mike will explain the difference between the act of atonement and its natural result of Redemption.

# Introduction - Review

Five Major Doctrines reviewed so far:

1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
Election		
Predestination		
Atonement		

# Redemption

Redemption is what Christ		
eek word means		
asic ideas behind this word:		
ıy back		
bliberate		
emove from danger		
acquit		

# **Old Testament Examples of Redemption**

Redemption meant three things for Israelites - Exodus 6:6-7

1.	
2.	
3.	

# New Testament Example of Redemption

John 8:34	
Romans 3:23	
Romans 6:23	
Romans 5:6-11	
The atonement sets	
The atonement	us.
His atonement permits our	
Redemption means:	
Titus 2:11-14	
Vs. 11, 14a- Release	
Vs. 14b- New	
Vs. 12-13- New	

# **Conditions of our Freedom**

What we are free from:	
Fear of	. Hebrews 2:14-15
Condemnation as a result of	. Romans 8:1
Eternal	Romans 6:23
What we are not free from:	
Effects of	. Hebrews 9:27
Effects of	I Timothy 1:15
Temptation and	
When does the freedom begin?	
The atonement took place at the	
The redemption takes place at	
This idea is expressed in different ways throughout the New Test Mark 16:16	
John 3:3	
Acts 2:38	
Acts 22:16	
Galatians 3:26	
I Peter 3:21	
The same moment and act are used to describe when redemption	n occurs
What are we free to do?	
II Peter 1:4-11	
Election/Predestination/Atonement/Redemption	
God that the of Christ wo	uld believers.

# 13. A New Life in Christ: The Sub-Doctrine of Regeneration

Once a person is redeemed from sin, he can live a new life. This lesson explains the very different lifestyle of the regenerated person.

Introduction - General Review
Major Doctrines
1
2
3
4
5
Ten sub-doctrines, we have studied four.
1
2
3
4
Once a person is freed from sin and death, he can begin a new life.
This fifth sub-doctrine is called
Background of Regeneration
The word regeneration itself:
Old Testament imagery of Regeneration
New Testament imagery of Regeneration

John 3:3-7			
Romans 6:16-17			
Romans 8:14			
II Corinthians 5:17			
Ephesians 5:8			

# The Gospel and Regeneration

The basic good news message of the gospel is that regeneration is now possible for \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 5:6-11 explains how the doctrines of redemption and regeneration fit together.

Regeneration			
Before	After		
Live With :	Freedom From :		
 Guilt/Fear	Guilt/Fear		
Condemnation	Acquittal		
Spiritual Death	Eternal Life/Hope		
No True Hope			

# **Regeneration and Transformation**

Regeneration is usually presented in the Bible as a comparison of the old and new.

Mark 16:16

Acts 2:38 \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 1:17	_
Galatians 3:20	
John 1:7-9	
ohn 3:5	

No such thing as a Born-Again Christian

#### **Life-Signs of Regeneration**

Regeneration itself cannot be seen except by the things produced in one's life.

These are unmistakable Life-signs:

zeal for	
zeal for	
cts 2:42	
zeal for	
cts 19:18-19	
zeal for	
bhn 4:34	

### The Point of Regeneration

Until we get to regeneration the activity and plan are all God's.

The regenerative point in time however is			
John 3:3-5			
Romans 6:3-4			
Colossians 2:11-13			
Titus 3:5-7			

# Summary

15 words or less to summarize the first five sub-doctrines of the reconciliation.

# **14. Becoming Children of God:** The Sub-Doctrine of Adoption

This lesson begins an explanation of those sub-doctrines that describe God's plan of salvation from different perspectives.

#### **Introduction - Review Major Doctrines**

The first five sub-doctrines under reconciliation explain God's plan of Salvation. We need to understand the true context of biblical information when we share the gospel with someone.

The story of the Gospel

The meaning of the Gospel

The response to the Gospel

The last five sub-doctrines describe God's plan from five different perspectives.

Adoption	_perspective
Justification	_perspective
Perfection	_perspective
Sanctification	_perspective
Salvation	_perspective

Background – Adoption
Old Testament concept of Adoption
Exodus 4:22
God adopted Israel for a reason
New Testament concept of Adoption
Paul writes about adoption from a Greek and Roman cultural point of view
Customs of the time:
Father's rule
Not benevolence
Full privileges
Legal ceremony
Adoption in Paul's writings
Ephesians 1:5
Galatians 3:23-29

Galatians 4:1-5 \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 8:15-17 Romans 9:4 **Doctrine of Adoption** 1. Reconciled as sons and daughters. 2. All desire to be God's children. 3. God's children are legitimate. 4. Adoption has always been God's plan. **Summary** Doctrines of Original Goodness and Fall explain \_\_\_\_\_ Doctrine of Reconciliation has 10 sub-doctrines and the first five explain The sixth sub-doctrine explains \_\_\_\_\_ Adopted children in the Roman era \_\_\_\_\_ Before our adoption could be completed: God chose Christ He knew His plan would succeed \_\_\_\_\_ Christ paid the debt for us His plan freed us His plan gave us a new life \_\_\_\_\_

Once we are free and alive we are qualified to become part of God's family \_\_\_\_\_

The adopted child in the Roman world had a new home, family, lifestyle.
The child adopted by God has:
Galatians 3:26
Acts 2:38
Acts 2:46-47
I Peter 1:13
Ephesians 1:3

First six sub-doctrines in 10 words or less:

# **15. Becoming Acceptable to God:** The Sub-Doctrine of Justification - Part 1

This lesson seeks to understand God's plan of salvation from a legal perspective.

Introduction - Review of sub-doctrines of Reconciliation:
Election
Predestination-
Atonement
Redemption
Regeneration-
God's plan of salvation
God's plan described
Review of Adoption

# **Justification - Background**

Based primarily on the idea that God is the final judge

To understand the doctrine of Justification we must understand God's absolute standards.

# Justification - A Personal Need

Man needs to live up to God's standards.

Mankind purposefully suppresses the truth – Romans 1:18-23

Romans 7:18-19; 3:9-10; 23

# **Cruel Paradox**

Ignorance = condemnation

Knowledge = helplessness

# 16. Becoming Acceptable to God (continued): The Sub-Doctrine of Justification - Part 2

The doctrine of Justification explains how God resolves the legal dilemma in justifying guilty sinners without compromising the Law.

#### **Introduction - Review**

#### God's Plan of Salvation:

He chooses: Election He guarantees: Predestination

He pays: Atonement

He frees: Redemption

He renews: Regeneration

## Five views of God's Plan:

Adoption: Human Perspective

Justification: Legal Perspective

Ignorance = condemnation

Knowledge = helplessness

# **Methods of Justification**

Throughout history there have been various attempts at achieving acceptability.

Man's ways to justify man:

1. Primitive \_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Law\_\_\_\_\_

This form was also present in every Christian.

This f	form is present in every major religion.
Now	Testament Christianity is unique because
new	
3. Human	
God's way	to justify man:
God requires	s that we be justified using His way.
The time is _	
The method	is by
_	-
For example	, Honorary degree is imputed/conferred
Romans 3:19	9-24 explains the process:
Vs. 19-20	
_	
Vs. 21	

Vs. 22-24 \_\_\_\_\_

# Summary

The doctrine of justification explains: \_\_\_\_\_

# Galatians 3:26-27

We are united to Christ by faith at the mome	ent of	,
We are justified through the method of		when God clothes us
with Christ's	at	
10 words or less to explain seven doctrines:		

# **17. God's New Vision of Mankind:** The Sub-Doctrine of Perfection

This lesson explains why and how God now sees mankind in a different light.

#### Review

Try to list God's plan of salvation

1	
5.	

Try to list the five ways the Bible explains God's plans.

1	 
2.	
3.	
4	
5.	

# **Review Justification.**

Man's way \_\_\_\_\_

God's way \_\_\_\_\_

#### Galatians 3:26

# **Perfection: General definition**

The doctrine of Perfection describes the those who are in Christ.	of the	of
I Kings 8:61		
New Testament teaching		
Major deviation of this teaching comes from John W		
There is a danger in over-emphasizing the Christian	i's power to deal with sin.	
Biblical perfection does not mean "no mistakes", "no	o actual failure".	
Romans 3:23		
I John 1:1-10		
Romans 3:20		
Paul's Explanation of Perfection – Philippians	3:4-14	
Vs. 4-6		
 Vs. 7-8		
Vs. 9		

Vs. 10-11

Vs. 12-14 \_\_\_\_\_

Paul mentions two things that his perfect status in Christ permits him to strive for:

1		
2		
Vs. 13-14		
Vs. 15-16		

# Summary

The doctrine of Perfection explains that in this life we reach the ultimate state of completeness/perfection when \_\_\_\_\_\_

Summary of the three main Biblical doctrines and eight sub-doctrines under Reconciliation.

# **18. How Mankind Becomes Holy:** The Sub-Doctrine of Sanctification - Part **1**

The doctrine of sanctification provides a view of salvation from an "inward" perspective and explains how God enables mankind to share in His holiness.

**Introduction - Review** Three major doctrines How many sub-doctrines? \_\_\_\_\_ The plan of Reconciliation is described by which five sub-doctrines? The plan is described from what five perspectives? Today we study \_\_\_\_\_\_ **Sanctification** – Word Meaning Sanctus = holy Facere = to make

# Sanctification - The Action

The greater sets aside the lessor.

Genesis 1:1-3

Isaiah 57:15 \_\_\_\_\_

### **Sanctification - Nature**

What is the sanctified state like?

The doctrine of Sanctification explains two things:

The new \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the reconciled.

Galatians 3:26-28 \_\_\_\_\_

The new \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the reconciled.

Matthew 5:14-16\_\_\_\_\_

# **19. The Process of Sanctification:** The Sub-Doctrine of Sanctification - Part 2

This lesson examines common errors made in teaching the doctrine of Sanctification and provides a guide to the stages of this spiritual process in each Christian.

#### **Introduction – Review**

Sanctification- God's plan from an inward perspective

# **Sanctification - Common Errors**

Those sanctified have \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Acts 2:3-8 \_\_\_\_\_

I Corinthians 13:8

Those sanctified can \_\_\_\_\_

Ву		
Ву		
Colossians 1:9-12		
I Corinthians 15:50-52		

# The Process of Sanctification

Positional Stage			
Practical Stage			
Perfected Stage			

Sanctification is the preparation/fitting for the glorious body we will receive at resurrection.

# 20. The Role of Baptism: The Sub-Doctrine of Salvation - Part 1

In this lesson, Mike reviews the summary doctrine of Salvation and how water baptism fits into the context of all 10 sub-doctrines that explain the reconciliation of God and Man.

Introduction	
Major DoctrinesI.Inspiration of the BibleII.Deity of ChristIII.Original GoodnessIV.Fall of Man	<ul> <li>Sub Doctrines</li> <li>1. Election</li> <li>2. Predestination</li> <li>3. Atonement</li> <li>4. Redemption</li> <li>5. Regeneration</li> </ul>
V. Reconciliation	<ul> <li>6. Adoption - Human</li> <li>7. Justification - Legal</li> <li>8. Perfection - Heavenly</li> <li>9. Sanctification - Inward</li> <li>10. Salvation - Eschatological</li> </ul>

Soteria - Salvation- Rescue/Deliver

Salvation is \_\_\_\_\_\_ for all we have studied in this course.

The doctrine of Salvation is looking at God's plan from the	point.
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# **Baptism and Major Christian Doctrine**

The study of major doctrines helps us to place the issue of baptism into proper context.

Paul says that there is only one baptism in Ephesians 4:5 for several reasons:

Baptism and salvation are interchangeable words.

1.\_\_\_\_\_

2.

# **One Baptism - Many Descriptions of Salvation**

Baptism refers to that moment in time when \_\_\_\_\_

In the Bible the idea of salvation is expressed using different words and images.

# Examples of salvation in the New Testament

Matthew 28:18-20	- Salvation =
Mark 16:16	- Salvation =
John 3:5	- Salvation =
Acts 2:38a	- Salvation =
Acts 2:38b	- Salvation =
Acts 2:41	- Salvation =
Romans 6:3	- Salvation =
Galatians 3:26	- Salvation =
Galatians 3:27	- Salvation =
I Peter 3:21	- Salvation =
They each	
All passages	

# **21. The Role of Baptism and Communion:** The Sub-Doctrine of Salvation - Part 2

In this lesson, Mike answers four of the most asked questions about the role of baptism in the process of salvation.

**Introduction - Review - Major Doctrines** 

Inspiration of the Bible - II Timothy 3:16

Divinity of Jesus Christ - John 1:1, 14

The Goodness of Man - Genesis 1:31

Fall of Man through Sin - Romans 3:23

Reconciliation of Man with God - Romans 5:10

#### Sub Doctrines - The Plan of Salvation

Election - I Peter 2:4

Predestination - Romans 8:29-30

Atonement - I Peter 2:22-24

Redemption - Ephesians 1:7

Regeneration- John 3:3-5

#### **Sub Doctrines - The Benefits**

Adoption - Galatians 3:26-27

Justification - Romans 3:3-4

Perfection - Colossians 1:28

Sanctification - I Thessalonians 5:23

Salvation - Mark 16:16

#### Salvation & Baptism

Baptism is the \_\_\_\_\_

Every time baptism	is mentioned in the New Testament it is done so	0
in connection with _		

#### **Questions About Baptism**

Is Baptism necessary for Salvation?

Doesn't the Bible say we're saved by Faith?

What about Romans 10:10-13?

Should I be Re-Baptized?

Biblical \_\_\_\_\_\_ = Biblical \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# Major Christian Doctrine & Communion

Baptism is the historical moment and communion is the memorial throughout history.

The Symbols		
The Action		
The Repetition		
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# 22. The Kingdom of Heaven on Earth: The Doctrine of the Kingdom

In this lesson, Mike reviews the development of the idea of Kingdom in the Bible as well as the understanding of this idea in the secular world throughout history.

Introduction - Jesus' main theme in His preaching was the Kingdom.

# Development of the King and Kingdom ideas in the Old Testament

Theocratic Rulership

Genesis 6:10 - Nimrod

Abraham - God guides and protects certain people

# Human Kings Saul David Solomon Divided Kingdom

# God's Relationship with Kings.

The concept of God as a King over a spiritual kingdom is developed very slowly in the Old Testament.

Man as Divine King
Egyptians
Greeks
Romans
Shinto - Japan
Isaiah 6:1-5
The King and the Kingdom in the New Testament
Zechariah and Obadiah
Daniel
John the Baptist
Jesus the Messiah

# Jesus clarifies the teaching about the Kingdom

Divine King
Kingdom is
Kingdom composed of
Kingdom has a:
Past
Present
Future
Kingdom Theology in Post New Testament Times
Roman Catholic (Augustine)
Protestant Reformers
Modernists
Jesus' teaching on the Kingdom:
1
2
3
4
The study of the Kingdom involves understanding the difference between

# 23. Jesus Describes the End: The Doctrine of the Second Coming - Part 1

In this next to last lesson, Mike tackles Christianity's most exciting and complex doctrine - the events and timing of the return of Jesus and the end of the world as we know it.

Introduction - Review of Major Doctrines	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	

Kingdom Fulfillment Includes:

# Jesus Describes the End - Matthew 24-25

Matthew 24:1-2\_\_\_\_\_

# Jesus' Lament Over Jerusalem - Matthew 13:37-39

When	
What	?
Three Major Periods / Views	
Panorama	
Telescope- 70 AD	
Telescope- END	
Panorama – Matthew 24:4-14	
Vs. 4	
Vs. 5-8	
Vs. 9-12	
Vs. 13	
Telescope #1- 70 AD – Matthew 24:15-35	
Vs. 15-18	
Vs. 19-21	
Vs. 22	

Vs. 23-26	
Vs. 27	
Vs. 28	
Vs. 29	
Vs. 30-31	
Son of Man	
Angel/Messenger	
Vs. 32-35	

# Telescope #2 - END - Matthew 24:36-44

Vs. 36			
Vs. 37-39			
Vs. 40-41			
Vs. 42-44			

# Exhortation to Vigilance - Matthew 24:45 - 25:30

Parable of evil slave - 24:45-51 \_\_\_\_\_

Parable of 10 virgins - 25:1-13

Parable of the Talents- 25:14-30

Judgment Scene - Matthew 25:31-46 \_\_\_\_\_

# 24. The Doctrine of the Second Coming - Part 2

In this last lesson of the series, Mike reviews key passages about the endtimes in the New Testament and provides a summary of the four main "Millennial" teaching positions.

Introduction - The Kingdom will be complete only when Jesus returns.

# Teaching on the end times

Jesus - Matthew 24-25

Peter - Acts 3:19-21; II Peter 3:1-3

Hebrews 5:9; 9:28\_\_\_\_\_

James 5:7 \_\_\_\_\_

John 14:3/Revelation 2:5; 20-22 \_\_\_\_\_\_

# **Paul's Teaching on End-Times**

#### Romans

Romans 2:5; 12-16\_\_\_\_\_

Romans 8:23\_\_\_\_\_

Romans 14:10-12 \_\_\_\_\_

Corinthians
Corinthians 1:8
Corinthians 5:5
Corinthians 15:23-28
Corinthians 15:51-54
Corinthians
Corinthians 5:1-2
Corinthians 5:10
hilippions
Philippians
hilippians 3:21

#### **I** Thessalonians

I Thessalonians 3:11-13		
I Thessalonians 5:2	 	
I Thessalonians 4:13-17		
I Thessalonians 5:1-3		

### **II** Thessalonians

II Thessalonians 1:7-10 \_\_\_\_\_

#### I Timothy

I Timothy 6:14-15 \_\_\_\_\_

# **II Timothy**

II Tim. 4:1, 8 \_\_\_\_\_

#### Titus

Titus 2:11-13 \_\_\_\_\_

# **Summary of Millennial Theories**

**Dispensational Premillennialism** 

Historic Premillennialism

Post-Millennialism

Amillennialism

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