

RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH #6 **DISPENSATION OF HUMAN GOVERNMENT**

Romans 13:1-5

- Last week, we read about man's failure when individuals are governed by their own _____. Man became more corrupt and his wicked imaginations resulted in God judging the world through the _____.
- The test God gives man during the next dispensation is whether or not men can be _____ by other men.

DISPENSATION OF HUMAN GOVERNMENT (Post-Flood - Tower of Babel)

1. Begins: Genesis 8:20

- Drastic changes upon Earth after the Flood:
 - Something was different in the _____ (the atmosphere). See **Genesis 9:20, 21**.
 - Since there was no rain prior to the Flood, it is possible that there were no _____. Notice the mention of such in Genesis 8:22.
 - Lifespans were now _____ (from 700-900 years in Genesis 5 to 100-200 years afterward).
 - **cf. Genesis 9:1-5** - Man was not permitted to eat _____ until after the Flood. Notice the warning (also found in the New Testament) about eating _____.

2. God's Attribute Revealed: _____

- **cf. Deuteronomy 32:4** - Our God is _____ and _____ 100% of the time!
- **cf. Genesis 9:6** - Notice the great value that God places on _____ life.

3. Man's Responsibility: Genesis 9:7-16

- Continuing on from the previous dispensation, man was to follow his _____, but there are additional responsibilities.

- Man was to carry out _____ punishment for murder (still in effect today, see Romans 13:1-4)
- **cf. Genesis 9:1** - Be _____ and _____ (remember that possibly billions of people died in the Flood)
- **cf. Genesis 8:20** - Offer an animal sacrifice, now on an _____.

4. Man's Test and Failure: Genesis 11:1-4

- God's command was to be FRUITFUL, MULTIPLY, and _____ the earth. Genesis 10 seems to indicate that this initially occurred, but that changes in Genesis 11.
- This is the first ecumenical movement! Man's fear was being _____, yet God commanded them to do just that.
- Verses 3-4 indicate that man was quite impressed with _____.

5. God's Judgment: Genesis 11:5-9

- The unity of man against God resulted in the LORD confounding the _____ of all the earth so that man might be _____ upon the face of all the earth.

6. Types of Christ: Genesis 10:21-31, 11:10-32

- Not coincidentally, the genealogy of _____ occurs before and after the account of the tower of Babel. It is through the line of Shem that _____ is born!

7. Lessons for Today:

- Man-made unity, without the dictates of God's word, results in _____ against God (Example: the United Nations).
- The first ecumenical movement took place in the land of Shinar.
 - **cf. Genesis 10:8-10** - _____ is connected with Shinar
 - **cf. Daniel 1:1, 2** - _____ is connected with Shinar
 - **cf. Revelation 17:5** - the _____ religion of Babylon will play a prominent role in the deception of nations during the Great Tribulation.