

Ask The Theologian
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and
good um what is it good uh
thursday to you we'll silence the music
a little bit or does it sound
motivational to have that music in the
background i don't know we're glad
you're here today
uh as uh we joined together for ask the
theologian your biblical theological
and worldview questions always happy to
take them
glad you are with us today
again uh for your biblical theological
and worldview questions let's start out
right here
uh many sent me this ahead of time a
little
meme that he ran across it says beware
dispensationalism is flat out wrong
well i agree we should beware
i think we should beware with calvinism
dispensationalism um
you name your isms we should be aware
is it flat out wrong
that looks like speaking of
somebody has clearly reduced
dispensers sometimes overstate their
case
and that's exactly what has happened
here i
i i suppose that whoever is
uh whoever put this out uh probably is
not interested in the conversation
on uh saying well let's uh let's look at
some things
dispensationalism really is
a hermeneutic a hermeneutic is how you
interpret scripture dispensationalism
is reading the bible literally
so is it flat out wrong to read the
bible literally
well i would uh suppose that if i were
able to look the author
in the face and say dispensationalism
a hermeneutic reading the bible in its
context
uh taking it literally when the plain
sense makes common sense seek no other
sense
in its uh history context uh grammar
all that that's flat out wrong
well no not that oh you mean then this
other thing
you think is flat out wrong and that
other thing is not dispensationalism
so i i think and all of us do this again
when we argue

we kind of present this straw man
that says avoid whatever it is
uh and usually we need to be a little
more specific
in that now dispensationalism is flat
out wrong now here's what they really
mean
uh they mean as it goes on instead of
teaching that god has allowed the
gentiles to be partakers of the
covenants and promises given to
israel dispensationalism teaches that we
have
nothing to do with israel this is
completely
opposite of what the apostle paul
teaches now i don't know
if in a meme you know it can't include
everything it's kind of like a billboard
i don't know if they went on to show you
know this is what the apostle paul
teaches that the covenants are now ours
uh but i can tell you that
if uh you make
the covenants ours
then god really pulled a fast one on
abraham didn't he
and on those jewish people they thought
they were the chosen people
god tricked them he snookered them good
they did all that law abiding because
god had given them these promises and if
you do this
i will do that but what he really meant
is if you do this
i'll pull those things right out from
under you and i'll give them to your
enemies
i'm a sovereign god pardon me sometimes
i get a little animated
but that's in effect what that is
so dispensationalism teaches that we
have
nothing to do with israel well that
wouldn't be the best way to put that
with israel i go to israel every year
i'd be happy to take you this december
hope we can go
and some of you are signed up we'll look
dispensationalism does teach that
the church is not israel and israel
is not the church now whoever put this
out
you know gentiles are partakers of the
covenants and promises given to
why did they say that the covenants and
promises given to
does that say israel the covenants and
promises given to
israel beget
but now the christians are the church
is going to get it too well

uh i don't know uh you know
probably
uh if you look to ephesians chapter 3
you uh see this uh mystery
the knowledge of the mystery of christ
which in other
ages was not made known it's now
revealed
was revealed unto paul that's what he
his holy apostles and the prophets
by the spirit not the dead prophets by
the way like isaiah and ezekiel
but the prophets of that particular day
they were living in a prophetic day it's
been revealed to the apostles and to
uh the prophets like agabus remember him
prophet living in that day it's been
revealed to the holy apostles and
the prophets by the spirit that the
gentiles
should be fellow heirs and of the same
body
of the covenants and promises given to
israel
oh there it is the church's fellow heirs
and uh of the same body partakers
of the covenants and promises to israel
just like it says except that it says
of his promise in christ by the gospel
whereof
uh
maybe
maybe there's a problem there isn't
there
maybe there is uh
this deal of ephesians chapter 3
it says jewish people and gentile people
now become fellow heirs
of the same body partakers
of his promise in christ by the gospel
whereof i was made a minister
the gospel that paul was a minister
was neither jew nor
gentile it was not of the
old covenant that's what peter was made
a minister of it's not of the new
covenant
that's what peter was given to be a
minister of
and what we have here is that paul was
made a minister of
the new body now uh
manny uh had asked a question the other
day that i hadn't gotten to as well
about this uh new body what is this new
body
uh and uh let me see if i have that uh
question here
uh make sure i get that uh right uh
there we go
uh the one new man uh is the one new man
in ephesians 2 15 the same as the body

of christ uh i think it is let's uh look
at ephesians 2 15
and i think that's what we have here in
ephesians 3
verse 6 also of
this same body ephesians 2 15 have
having abolished in his flesh the enmity
even the law of commandments contained
in ordinances
for indeed to make himself of twain the
jews and the gentiles
one that new
man
is this new thing of which
jews and gentiles are partakers of
it's not israel it's something new
so the meme is flat out wrong
but this is what memes do uh i used to
call it twitter theology
i think before that uh some people
called it bumper sticker theology
you know it's really good until you
actually consider it
and look at the details and i think when
uh you
look at those details that uh that's the
uh challenges and the problems uh
that you have there i have uh
noticed a couple of uh comments coming
through
about uh perhaps some uh buffering
going on some uh issues taking place i
am uh going to uh yak a little bit
uh while you all tell me if all if
that's happening
everywhere uh like facebook
and uh youtube tell me what's going on
because i am flying solo today
nathan uh had a contractor coming to his
house they could only do it at 10 am can
you believe that
what's up with contractors not watching
ask the theologian
i don't get it i absolutely don't get it
seems to me like the world ought to take
a moment of silence at 10 a.m mountain
time
uh every day of the week to watch ashley
theologian
our special uh this week is uh ever
reforming
by dr andy woods dispensational theology
and the completion
of the protestant reformation i think
it's 13.59
or so uh that's 30 percent off regular
1995. uh happy to get that uh in the
mail
to you today our newest book
understanding the psalms five books of
prophecy by james c
morris is really kind of a

a good intro to understanding the psalms
as prophecies and understanding the five
books of the psalms as you know
working on uh this in our branson uh
broadcast
and uh carrying that out uh our branson
broadcast our branson retreat i should
say and uh looking forward to
that and carrying that out so we will be
uh doing that
uh sorry for those of you on facebook
who just came into the broadcast
uh that's because you didn't pay your
facebook bill that's what it was
it was mark zuckerberg holderness
holding us wouldn't let us start on time
that and i forgot to push the button
that's what happens when i fly
solo so but let's
see here okay it looks like uh things
are just uh
uh having a problem for some people but
uh working great for
others uh so uh sorry about that uh you
might switch over to facebook which
uh i have clicked the button now if
you're having buffering problems maybe
that'll help you facebook.com
pastor randywhite and uh those of you on
facebook who missed
uh the discussion of the meme you can go
to youtube and catch that out beware
dispensationalism is
flat out wrong that's right it's flat
out wrong
now we're ready for your biblical
theological and
worldview uh questions and
uh we will uh see uh what uh
we've got uh through all that again
sorry that some of you may be having
some buffering uh problems
uh there and uh hopefully the recording
it'll be good afterwards if you're
missing all this we'll just uh keep
going here
so renee has a question
in heaven will be will we be living in
literal houses
my life will my life resemble anything
like on earth as families living
together
uh i don't think we have the answer to
it i think that
we know more about the millennium for
the jewish nation
that's the kingdom on earth but we don't
really know what the new body the body
of christ is going to be doing in that
time
um we but we know more about the
millennium than we do

eternity future the new heaven and the new earth

so uh i don't think the question is answered you know typically teachers would go from john 14 in my father's house or many mansions and if it were not so i would have told you and uh they pick a good country gospel song you know there's just there's a mansion just over the hilltop and it's mine oh yes it's mine

and they'll put those two things together and build their theology i don't really think john 14 is about whether or not i'm going to live in a mansion or in a house or in a condo near the mountains or no mountains or on the beach or whatever i just don't think we know

eternity future involves the new heaven and the new earth we know so little about it uh i think that we could take the passage that paul writes is in first corinthians uh where he says i hath not seen nor ear heard the things uh prepared for those who love him pardon pardon the paraphrase there and say that paul is convinced that it's absolutely wonderful he doesn't tell us a whole lot about it i think there's again that wit now we see through a glass darkly but i think there's enough evidence that on the other side we do know

each other and uh therefore i would assume

that we would have uh family relationships uh and that there would be the blessing of those we have known in the past and walked with together as a past

but honestly it is a lot of speculation when it comes to heaven now i know that you can

um you can find books that tell you all the answers but you can't find in the bible where all the answers are

i personally am comfortable saying as dan

mentions that uh we will forever be with the lord

uh absent from the body together with the lord or raised up to meet the lord in the air and forever we will we will be with him

and that that is good enough the details he's going to work them out and everything is going to be fine and everything's going to be wonderful

you know every now and then well for example even on our trips to israel there are some people who love to know every detail about where we're going to be every day and what we're going to do at two o'clock in the afternoon all those kind of things and happy to provide for them i notice there's others that say hey i'm going on this wonderful trip wherever you take me that's going to be a good place i'll just uh you know tell me when to get on the bus and i'm on the bus now i i'm a little more when it comes to heaven i'm a little more on that side of things that says rather than speculate let me just know that it's going to be life in heaven is going to be absolutely beyond compare and beyond what we could even imagine and i'm comfortable leaving the details up to him and uh leaving it that way wish i could give uh you know a great uh answer uh in that but uh uh honestly i don't think that uh the answer is there let's go to jeff's question uh is it possible that job chapter 30 verses one through eight is describing neanderthals or cavemen uh first of all let me let me a quick educational journey with a with a huge disclaimer up front but uh you use the word neanderthal and of course you do uh uh tie that in with cavemen but let's look at the neanderthal uh homo neanderthales uh homo sapiens neanderthals are an extinct species or subspecies of archaic humans who lived in eurasia until about 40 000 years ago by interpretation that means we made stuff up about a missing link uh so so i want to i want to remove the word neanderthal because i think in its uh most most uh characteristic i think jeff would agree with me on this one in his most characteristic use when you google it neanderthal is a creature that never existed in a time that never existed uh you know

a
a missing link 40 000 years ago now
extinct
uh now cavemen
uh where they're cavemen i think in some
places there were
obviously you come you know you can come
up here to the taos prophecy conference
uh
if you'd like in uh september 25th
through the 27th
and on the 26th on saturday you'll have
saturday afternoon off and you could
drive
uh down to the pouye cliff dwellings or
the bandolier cliff dwellings if you'd
like or
you wouldn't really have time to make it
up to mesa verde and back
in time but you know all through the
american west
there's uh cliff dwellings if you want
to call those clay
cave dwellings i i think that when you
really look into there they were pretty
sophisticated in what they did
uh but yeah there were
there were men and women who lived there
made in the image of god and not
neanderthal kind of people and people
who
you know lived in caves down through the
ages if you didn't have much money a
cave was a pretty good place to live
uh caveman existence
has been very rare all through human
history
uh very few times when
in fact probably never when society as a
whole
had a caveman kind of existence again
you go right down the road here to the
bouye cliff dwellings or the bandelier
dwellings uh and you see
their uh their houses um
that were uh built
in uh in the caves here uh
see if i can just um i don't know pull
up a
a decent uh image uh that would um
show uh yeah
let's try this one um
uh so you take uh you know cliff
dwellings
such as this well you can see
okay they they're they're in a cliff or
in a cave if you will
they're they're clearly man-made uh in
in rock that would uh support it uh you
know but
you know that's not a natural cave there
that's dug out of there

um and it's in a porous rock that would have uh you know opened up into a lot of cave openings and you can see that there's some holes in the rocks here where probably they put logs out there and built structures outside of the cave there was some reason that they chose to dwell there in that cave maybe it was uh an enemy and normally they would have built out on the on the plains of the prairie uh maybe it's because inside of the rock it's cool uh cool in the wind in the summer and warm in the winter i get that right yeah and so you know it's good uh good climate control uh to uh live in and so they chose that uh but that's pretty rare down through history and again they had a reason and a pretty high-tech reason for doing this this uh protects us from the enemy or this protects us from the elements uh this we've already got three walls already done hey good deal and so uh they they begin to uh do that thing of course mesa verde uh much more uh advanced even than that now uh so with that i'm going to set aside the idea of neanderthal but maybe it's talking about people who are living i even hate to say primitively because some of those are pretty nice caves with uh may have been down the road at bandolier that the the upper echelon of society was what got to live in the cave dwellings it's the poor man who lived out in the open in his uh you know little shack that he built from a few pinyon trees and uh you know the elite of society lived up to use the hebrew word in the elite did you know the hebrew word elite is the heights lived up there in the heights you know where the rich people live so we might have a very bad anthropological understanding of cavemen but let's look at job chapter 30 verses 1 through 8 and see if it is possible that this is talking about something along those lines but now they

are younger than i they that are younger
than i
have uh dr have me in derision whose
fathers i would have disdained to have
set the dogs of my flock
yea where to might the strength of their
hands profit me in whom
old age was perished for want of famine
they were solitary
fleeing into the wilderness in former
time desolate and waste who cut up
mallows by the bushes
and jennifer roots for their meat they
were driven far north from among men
they cried after them as a thief to
dwell in the cliffs of the valleys in
the caves of the earth and in the rocks
among the bushes they braid among the
nettles they were gathered together
they were children of fools yay children
of basement they were viler than the
earth
okay now let me tie that in with uh what
i said
uh that says there were people
who were out just living in the land
living on
you know dwelling in a cave whatever
they could get by with
but what i want you to notice is job
uh says you know
those are the people i would have
disdained
i would have disdain to have set with
the dogs of my flock
now that is to say that's a very
unusual portion of society
uh that is people that have
chosen by some very bad decision making
to live in such a way when they could
live
in a much better way nathan and i talk
uh
you know quite often when we'll see
especially someone homeless
who looks like they could get a job
uh and they're standing around 12 places
with help wanted signs
and you know a a good shower and a clean
up
even down at the homeless shelter and
they could probably go and get one of
those jobs
and yet they don't uh and he and i have
commented several times
you know i would rather work at
taco bell uh you know
making those delicious tacos
then standing on the street corner day
after day after day after day after day
begging for some money i mean you know
give me a little

10 an hour job i'll go for that that
sounds at least
more interesting get some interaction or
something than
than not doing anything but there are
people who choose to not do anything
and uh maybe this is kind of what uh
job is talking about that segment of
society
i'm not sure what the word i want to use
so rebellious
that they're not going to have a part in
society
so they move off there now this is not
so they can spend time with god
uh this is uh probably because there are
thieves and crooks and can't live in
town because they'd be arrested
uh that it's talking about here now
uh with with that
you know could could you say hey he's
referring to the caveman population
in a sense yes and again clearly
there's enough anthropological evidence
to say yeah there were cavemen
bandolier pouye mesa verde
there were cavemen and go anywhere in
the world
there were cavemen i'm not so sure there
aren't cavemen today
actually as a matter of fact i
can take you to a tree in town
it's a cedar you know just i see there's
like a big bush so
the leaves are all the way down and uh
we could drive by that and i say you
know see that tree over there yeah
beautiful tree
i say it's somebody's house
look closely
and if you look very very very closely
you see there's a tent inside of there
i mean up underneath there there's a guy
living in there
so always there has uh has
has been that and it's in i suppose
everywhere you go i see uh that um
yeah greg says uh uh frijoles canyon i
used to live 14 miles from there yeah uh
i thought you were talking about north
carolina it turns out he's talking about
new mexico why would you leave the
land of enchantment uh
that's a story for another day but uh
i think you could go anywhere and find
that there always have been
and are today people who are living that
kind of life
you know there's no taxes there's nobody
bothering you there's nobody
whatever i mean yeah i i don't want that
kind of life but there are people

choosing to live that kind of life
uh and by the way let me say to this
also i'm
kind of getting away from the scripture
here aren't i but
uh that's uh that's what we do here on
ask the theologian as we wander around
a little bit i can
respect to a degree
a person who says
i'm just not cut out for the rat race of
this world
i am going to you know go to the
national forest and wander around and
get me a tent and i'm gonna live in it
and uh
and you know i'm just gonna you know
live free or die
i can respect that if they actually do
that
but if they come to town
asking me to pay their bills or you to
pay their bills
i cannot respect it at all because
they're
not saying i've just chosen to live free
from society
they're saying i've chosen to mooch off
you i want uh i i want
unemployment assistance i want uh you
know uh
disability assistance i want cha ching
chi ching ching
i want to show up on sunday morning and
ask your people at your church for some
money because they're rich white folk
and uh on and i can't respect that at
all
and uh i don't think we're even supposed
to be sympathetic to that even though
the left and most
evangelicals say no no no they're just
down on their luck uh i
i think people who have that opinion are
you know sort of down on their thinking
ability
they're not just down on their luck they
have made a choice to mooch
off society and i don't think i have to
go along with
that choice now again
if they want to make that choice i'm
good with it it's not the choice i'm
going to make but i'm good with it you
want to go
and live out you know there's a lot of
public land out there
and you know i think
you can you can live there 14 days you
got to move around every 14 days i think
is the
regulation and you know you go out there

and set up a tent somewhere
fine do it
but eat berries or something or you know
uh shoot a chipmunk or whatever it is
that you're gonna do to feed yourself
you've got to have a plan
man has to be responsible now i think
that
job in a sense is talking about that
population you know their fathers
i would have disdained to have set with
the dogs of my flock
yay where to might the strength of their
hands profit me
in whom old age perished now uh let me
pull up my notes here on this particular
uh
chapter and uh let's see
what i had to say about
um verses one through eight
uh the description of job's enemies
the tables have turned and job the old
man
is being mocked and mistreated by young
men whose fathers i would have disdained
to sit with the dogs in my flock
speaking of their fathers job says that
they would have been of no use to him
even in the days of their strength these
men
were solitary is the word that uh
is used in verse three uh young's
literal says gloomy
they were solitary because of want and
famine
and at the time of job strength they
were desolate
and waste the fathers were children of
fools yea
children of base men and viler than the
earth
it seems that job is not talking about
his three friends when he refers to
those younger than i
but rather to some other party that was
now giving him grief
who might these men be for job's
particular story we do not know
for job's prophetic story we can
speculate
the arab nations are going to be
decimated by the ezekiel 38 39 war
during this time babylon will be rebuilt
as a cosmopolitan in wicked city
uh i shouldn't skip over that sea future
babylon by charles dyer published by
dispensational publishing house
daniel 11 tells how the antichrist will
rule over the arab peoples but these
peoples
shall trouble him could it be
that the arab peoples will be of no

strength during the days of jewish
prosperity
but then will rise in strength and be
the same group of people who give
derision to the jewish people
represented by
job now if you were part of our job
study
you know that i take job to be a type
of prophetic israel
under the tribulation and so
here uh tie that together and it would
uh come
to uh to perhaps represent them now
in job's actual day who did they uh
represent uh
certainly some kind of uh enemy who was
living a caveman
kind of existence but i think the
caveman kind of existence is
always an anomaly and always present
uh and uh
so uh yeah i i think uh
that's uh what i'd go with thank you
for the good question uh
in that um and
uh let's see here what have we got uh
next um uh stephen
uh you and i must be brothers steven
says i am
always precise and never exaggerate
and am always uh
uh using satire maybe
that's me always precise i never
yes exactly something like that right
uh something like that indeed um
uh let's see um ah
carol says there are still people living
in caves in morocco hot peppermint tea
uh there can be
again like i think like probably those
even as i mentioned at bandelier
i think they might have been the elite
and there
there's this might be a it just might
make a decent house
um in in
in uh some manner phil in nashville
south of nashville
good to see you uh been struggling with
eschatology lately specifically the
dispensational view of the pre-trib
pre-mill how do we know that nero wasn't
the beast of revelation
he was even nicknamed the beast okay
uh i think to uh take a look at that
what we would
want to look at is
uh the things
of the beast that is the description
of the beast and we
want to know does nero

uh fit the criteria
and so we would look at
it and uh here in revelation chapter
three i stood on the sand of the sea and
saw a beast
rise up out of the sea uh
now i'm just going to go from revelation
13 we could go from some other passages
so the beasts as you get the total
picture through
mainly through daniel and revelate in
the book of revelation but there are
some other passages too
but mainly when you go from daniel and
revelation you put some things together
that
uh tell you about the beast uh
like he rises
from nothingness
uh to control
uh first three kingdoms and then
ten kingdoms all together uh
so nero claudia caesar augustus
germanicus
uh there we go uh december 37
uh through uh 68 a.d okay emperor from
54 to 68.
uh so in clearly you're going to have to
build the argument that the book of
revelation was was written prior to
uh early pretty early on before 68
because
you know here's uh talking about the
rise of uh this uh beast here
if it was written you know more
traditional dating of uh 95 a.d
then nero has already passed so it's
just you just will say it's antiochus
epiphanes who probably fits it better
than nero it's a that's a dead guy and
he's talking about the future
so you have to have a very solid
argument to put
revelation early now there are some
arguments out there
uh that you could work on to do that but
that's one criteria
you would have to have that uh so he was
the last ruler of the
giulio claudian dynasty
born lucius demetius that guy
son of another guy and agrippa the
younger
sister of emperor or
excuse me his mother was the sister of
emperor caligula
his dad died in 40 his uncle was
murdered in 41
his great-uncle claudius what i'm saying
is if there was ever a guy with white
privilege
it was nero the antichrist

as you take him this is a little more
from daniel but as you take him he's
this guy that
comes a little horn comes
sort of out of nothing you could
you you know you could stretch the truth
on some things and try to make that fit
to nero but i don't know that it does
then you've got to put ten horns uh
uh crowns upon his head the name of
blasphemy
uh the beast which i saw was like a
leopard the foot of a
feet of a bear the mouth of a lion uh
the dragon gave him power and his seat
in authority
somehow how does that fit nero
i don't know make stuff up you know he
had uh he had leopard eyes
nero hat look at those leopard eyes
and that hair like a lion
see you just have to start making stuff
up to say
uh this is uh nero uh i saw one of his
heads as it were wounded to death how
does it fit nero
i don't know unless again you make
something up
then it uh fits nero uh they worshiped
the dragon which gave
power unto the beast and they worshipped
the beast okay
uh did nero get his power from
satan because clearly in chapter 12 the
dragon is satan
and they were worshiping satan and
worshipping
uh saying who is like the beast and able
to make war with him
uh i don't know uh nero's uh
work war uh experiences would have to
look at that
and see if there's uh some connection uh
there was always some caesar worship uh
you know how prevalent was that to be
able to make that uh connection there
that was given to him a mouth speaking
great blasphemies again
antiochus epiphanes spoke greater
blasphemies
nero is penny anti compared to antiochus
epiphanes
you know antiochus epiphanes is the
giant and nero is a little tiny boy
compared to antiochus epiphanes so if
it's already in the past
go with antiochus epiphanes yeah it's it
fits it better
and let's see power was given to him
for 42 months you have to say
42 months doesn't mean 42 months and
then you have to say

and i'm the expert on what 42 months means
just ask me well
dispensationalism says 42 months is 42 months
he didn't have a 42 month reign uh uh
let's see um
it was given him to make war with the saints and
and overcome them again there's been a lot of people that fit down through history
uh adolf hitler for example um
and all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him
well it's a far far
far you've got to be in a drunken stupor kind of stretch to say that everybody on earth worshiped him whose and uh this another beast who's who's the other beast that exercises the power of nero and causes the earth and them that dwell therein to worship nero whose deadly wound was healed
oh for that stuff's just it's just fluff it's just there for
uh you know artistic rendering because this is about nero i know it is because i reject taking the scripture literally again you just got to make so much stuff up that
yeah you got to be in a drunken stupor to believe that that describes nero it's the same
i mean let's talk about dispensationals pre-millennial dispensationalists often take the seven churches of the revelation and they say you know this is this period of church history and that period and that
because they pick one or two things that go together but you remember my favorite uh illustration is that things that are similar are not the same was there any similarity between nero and the coming beast yeah nero is a vicious beast therefore it's nero well antiochus epiphanes was a vicious beast who made war with the saints again antiochus epiphanes fits it better than nero
that nero is the junior high kid compared to antiochus epiphanes so things that are similar are not the same
i just
i don't see which moog should we

highlight there we go question the assumptions
uh and i i don't i don't see that there is enough
uh to go in so he exercises the power who's this uh false uh uh beast uh let's see
he does great wonders and maketh fire come down from heaven on earth in the sight of men
i don't know if nero ever did that he burned some people at the stake didn't he
um he deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by means of those miracles which he had the power to do this is uh
speaking of the uh the the the servant of nero uh saying to them that dwell upon the earth that they should make an image of the beast which had the wound so how did the you know where's this image uh
and the image not just yeah they made a statue of nero therefore it's him there's the statue right there
well let's keep reading because he had the power to give life into the image of the beast that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the beast should be killed
ah that is a very was there another one that came alive we just forgot it down through history it's easy to forget statues that come alive i i realize
that you know it happens all the time right no it's a it's a far stretch as they say south of nashville right
that's a fur piece to uh make nero fit the description other than a few uh similarities it causes almost
uh small great rich poor free to receive a mark in their right hand of their foreheads that no man may buy or sell save he that had the mark
did nero have a you know uh this uh kind of mark that uh goes together uh i i think it's just way too much of a stretch uh to go with with that
and i think that's going to be true about any historical figure that you find and put uh put in there
uh and just as trying to make those

seven churches of the revelation fit
down through seven periods
uh i'm an expert on it i did a six hour
bible study on it once
um but in the end when you press the
details
you end up having to reject it and i
think what you end up having to do is
say
this is talking about something future
not only do you have to say
here's the characteristics of the beast
and every one of them have to line up
with
nero antiochus epiphanes hitler whoever
i want to choose
but then you've got to put the
chronology of all the other things going
together and you've got to
uh have something on all of that
and you've got to have the beast come to
his uh end zechariah describes how he
comes to an
end daniel speaks of it a little bit the
book of revelation speaks of it a little
bit you've got to have
the fall of babylon you've got to have
the second coming all of these things
also have to have taken place back then
uh somehow maybe in the destruction of
jerusalem which nero was already dead by
then i don't know how you put it all
together
uh i think there are some who just
work a little too hard
not to take the scripture just in its
plain
uh sense of what it uh what what it
means
so i would say uh
that i've not i'm not convinced
um thank you uh for the
question there phil good to see you i
appreciate
that and uh good to see our friend paul
in the ukraine thanks for your ministry
uh over there
and uh what uh you are
carrying out the good work uh that uh
you did
i uh i liked your video this morning
paul by the way
although i think you should have
included the dispensational
publishing church finder
uh as
as number one and
then you're number two and three i
totally agree with
um but i don't have time to go into all
of that uh i gotta get back to the
questions here

uh again thanks uh each of you for
joining us um
and uh let's uh see here where am i
a question from san antonio
uh the trespasses in second corinthians
5
19 and colossians 2 13
is this talking about the sins that we
did
as unbelievers or is this talking about
us being sinners because of adam
or may i add or is it talking about
neither none of the above
let's uh let's check i think i know the
context of these
but uh second corinthians chapter 5
verse 19
to wit that god was in christ
reconciling the world unto himself
not imputing their trespasses let's look
at something here
uh the world is singular
and there is plural
um not imputing their trespasses
that would uh mean there's a little rule
of putting the plurals and the singulars
together on this but uh what that would
mean
is that uh
this is for anybody who lives in the
world
um not
imputing the individual trespasses
unto them and have committed
unto us the
the uh the word singular of
reconciliation now in that
light then the question uh is this
talking about the sins that we did as
unbelievers or is it talking about
us being sinners because of adam
i i'm going to put both both
but i am going to
to say i really think it's talking about
our individual sins
uh
but
one of our trespasses
is we were born in the wrong family
that is adam's family and
this has to be overcome now
the lord says i am lord both of the dead
and of the living
a remedy for the family problem you've
got
adam's sin i can offer you a remedy
and restore you back to the garden of
but you all have sins some of you more
than others
and i think i'll hold those against you
i could offer you the ultimate remedy
but i tell you what

i'm going to hold those against you no
he says no that's not what i'm going to
do

i am not going to hold those individual
sins against you

in offering to you a gift which
by grace through faith not of works a
free will gift offered unto you

you can accept it or reject it
regardless

of what your personal individual sins
are so i think there that
the thrust of the matter is individual
sins

but the gift is overcoming the adam's
sin if you will

so in the very context right here again
i think uh the

issue is individual sense let's go to
colossians chapter 2 verse 13.

and you being dead
you is the uh plural

uh y'all being
uh dead is

uh in the plural in your sins
plural uh you

when the plural goes

with the plural as you have here

uh we're talking about individuals

you those who

are in the category of

being dead in your sins and the

uncircumcision of your flesh

he hath quickened together with him

having forgiven

you all trespasses

i think here you've got a little bit of

both i think being dead

in your let's just stop right there

being dead

uh has to do with being a child of adam

we are born dead so to speak

uh we are separated from him uh

but he's forgiven you all your

trespasses plural

uh i think there again is talking about

the individual things so i think when

when you put both of these together i'm

not sure that i have

said it this way or thought of it this

way but when you put both of those two

passages together and you think of the

implications i think going back it is

hey

you've got this family problem of you're

in the world

and you're not in heaven or you're

you're you're

in the world you're not in the garden of

eden uh you are

in the world and therefore you're dead

in your

in your sins in the uncircumcision in
flesh whatever you're you're the dead
that's your problem and i can remedy
that
problem and i'm in remedying that
problem i am not going to hold
your individual particular sins against
you
you're a cheat you're uh gossip you're
drunk you know whatever i'm not
going to hold those against you
i am providing a gift for any in the
world to come
and receive uh that gift so i think on
both of these you've got a little bit of
both
that comes together here
uh let's see um
blue letter bible app now has don
stewart
asking questions does he rightly divide
i am going to do a quick search but i'm
going to have to
tell you that i don't know who don
stewart is
let me uh
say something in general and
then let's see if we can find
find out a little information here blue
letter bible
uh is a um uh
a very useful
tool uh it is
every man's bible study tool that is you
get it you can get it free you can get
it right now if you've got internet you
can go to blue letter bible
like anything the value it takes a
little bit of time to learn how to use
it but once you learn it it's going to
provide
just really about everything that i
provide or that i get through logos
and it just uh
i like having something that i can take
with me and keep all my notes and all
that kind of stuff
so logo serves uh better for that
but uh don
stewart uh let's hear i just pulled up
this article
um and
well let me let me back up again blue
letter bible
and so i would suspect
that don stewart at least tries to take
the bible literally
whether or not he has come to the point
of
rightly dividing it uh i might be a
little surprised if he's actually
rightly dividing but who knows uh

so let's uh look a little bit uh earlier
here's
something about divine inspiration let's
just see quickly what he says
it's both a divine and a human book i
think i agree with him there
it's a unique book yeah i agree with him
there uh the process of writing
scripture was
living not mechanical divine inspiration
occurred using the writer's personality
and vocabulary
the writers were not merely passive
stenographers recording what was
dictated to them by god
exactly how this process occurred is a
mystery that god does not reveal
i i kind of sort of agree with him there
there are many cases in which
uh the prophets especially uh like we've
been studying ezekiel this is thursday
we'll do it tonight 7 p.m mountain time
uh and uh you know often ezekiel has
said
write this in which case you've got it
but in general it doesn't seem to be
that
but we also believe that every word
is god breathed and therefore again a
little bit of a mystery how that
took problem living not mechanical i'm
not opposed to that scripture is
fully authoritative not partial
divine inspiration covers every part of
the bible there are not some parts that
are more divinely inspired than others
neither are there divinely uninspired
parts of scripture
the bible does not contain the word of
god it is the word of god it's a good
statement that he's got there
god's authority concerns the wording of
scripture not merely the context
that's a verbal plenary inspiration
concept
and i would uh very much agree with that
and say that that is a uh
a good concept that he's uh got there
so yeah i'm with him so far the writing
of scripture was
unique it is not the same thing as
illumination
scripture makes a distinction between
god filling a person in his holy spirit
to supernaturally write divine
uh authoritative scripture and
illumination the ability to
understand the things that are already
written
uh i'd like for him to go a little
farther here
because i could see what he believes

about the holy spirit here
the fact that he doesn't go farther
maybe tells me he's in a
good position i happen to think that uh
illumination does not take
some kind of a mystical approach that uh
you know the holy spirit opens up your
brain and puts in the inside
i think illumination comes when we uh
take the bible literally we connect the
dots we rightly divide
the light comes on illumination
and and the fact that he doesn't give
a mystical approach here that that
tells me the first uh impression of don
stewart is yeah okay i kind of like what
i
see there uh written over 20 books on
the subject of evidence for the
christian faith
that could be very good i am not a big
apologetics fan
because i think it starts in the wrong
place i think that
we ought to focus on verse by verse
bible study and
apologetics starts on a defense level
and can especially if you're a college
student and you know you go to one of
these bible colleges i'm going to get a
degree in apologetics
uh well it's because you like to debate
you like to argue all those kind of
things you want to defend the faith all
that's good
but you can sure make a mess
with these apologetic philosophical kind
of
arguments and even theological kind of
arguments
whereas if you just learn verse by verse
bible study
you will become the very best apologist
that is defender of the faith that there
is so
i you know evidence for the christian
faith i don't know what the direction
those go but
that would raise a tiny little red flag
uh the basic bible study series okay
that sounds good
uh you be the judge ten reasons to trust
the bible the coming temple
i would say that sounds like he's a
pre-millennial dispensationalist
but i don't know in the last 15 years he
has spoken in over 30 countries uh
proclaiming the
message of the christian faith both
reasonable uh
that the christian faith is both
reasonable and intelligent

uh yeah educating our world uh looks like his uh website here um a theological uh statement here somewhere um i don't i don't see that it would be kind of nice but you know i must admit even on our website it's brief and it might take you about 15 minutes to figure out uh who the guy is so all of that to say uh worthy of investigation and blue letter bible tends to be positive the one article i read on don stewart seems to be positive i'd put all that together to say and uh bringing that if you don't have bible software by the way i do recommend blue letter bible for years i use blue letter bible and again for my purposes uh i i like having the ability of working offline and carrying it with me to a beautiful spot up in the mountains and uh keeping all my notes and being able to make the references and all that kind of thing but for for uh the layman or someone just starting out blue letter bible is an excellent uh choice uh to uh together uh bev uh let's see i saw your question uh here somewhere where are we bev there we go uh bev in saint croix county is that anywhere near what is it can it kenny shaw i haven't i i have not i've been preparing so much for the coming retreat that honestly i don't know what's on facebook i haven't watched the republican national convention i didn't watch the democratic national convention a bit of it i have barely watched the news uh i have read the headlines i haven't answered text messages or emails or phone calls sorry about all those of you maybe trying to get me but i did see something going on in wisconsin you didn't start it did you beth i haven't read enough articles to uh know about that uh but uh is that anywhere near saint croix county and who is saint croix i was thinking about that the other day obviously

that's
french um and
uh i don't know how kroy interprets
um
saint
how about that i looked up see who saint
croy was and i found out it's the
okay i guess i'll have to search further
would you like me to get to the question
since uh
the future kingdom will be ruled with a
rod of iron
should we be more concerned today
about uh misconduct
uh
and part of that cut off uh pardon me so
uh i am i'm gonna answer this two ways
because this could be uh going uh two
ways
should be concerned about misconduct
for a different reason a little higher
reason if you will
and that is to say
god has given us such an unbelievable
opportunity grace gift
that we really do want to try in
every way we can just as a decent human
being
we want to try in every way we can to
give
praise and honor and glory unto him
and that includes our behavior our
conduct
that's a little higher motivation than
saying
i don't want to get caught or i don't
want to get
in trouble or someday this is going to
come out and
you know we would be uh ruled with a rod
of iron
i think that uh there is that sense
it's because it's hard to tell what
judgment comes to the christian we know
that there is some judgment that comes
to a christian but we're also forgiven
of our sins and we're complete in christ
so it's very difficult to put all that
together
but that really is not the motivation we
necessarily want
anyway and
so uh we i think uh carried that out
again in a little bit uh different way
uh through that now uh
the world
ought to the i you know i think there's
a sense in which the world
knows that always
somehow the world ends up getting ruled
with a rod of iron
i think let's take our society today

let's take
you crazy people up in wisconsin
that kind of let's say the the rioting
and the looting and the
shooting and the pillage and all that
that's uh going on in wisconsin
uh everybody
left or right ought to be concerned
about that
not only because of the writing and the
looting of the pillage and the violence
which is reason in and of itself enough
but because
writing looting pillage and violence
always
is followed by a heavy hand
that's going to put that down
and interestingly writing looting
pillage and violence that's done
in the name of freedom
from the police ends up with a heavy
hand by the police it has to
this is you take the most leftist
governor and mayor
and eventually they're going to say
we can't do it anymore mayor denver said
that as far as i know he's a leftist
uh we can't do it and so they come down
heavier than before so
misconduct in society
we all ought to be concerned about that
because
we're saying government wields the sword
and they're going to come with it
someday
and when they do it the problem is they
always
push the limits a little farther and
then they never take them back
that's been you know since march i've
been uh concerned about that that
the government is taking more and more
territory more and more ground
uh and they're not going to give it back
from now and forevermore they'll be in
control of the restaurants and who can
go to the restaurants and how many could
be in there and
and all the uh you know new regulations
for restaurants and what they have to do
and how they have to
uh you know cover their mouth and uh and
uh
uh twinkle their toes and whatever else
uh all the
the thing governments are they'll have
the restaurant regulation agency
now because they got away with it for
more than three days
and you know they'll never take it back
churches
uh you know in our church the uh

blessed mother superior may her name
always be blessed
uh is coming out i think today
the rumor is she's going to allow us
churches to have 40
may the lord bless her soul she's just
out for our protection
how did i jump over into that i i think
that
the world is going to be ruled with a
rod of iron
and those who carry the rod love to do
it
misconduct should be taken care of on a
society
a local societal level
so that we don't end up in tyranny
because misconduct always ends up in
tyranny uh ask the french
those of you in saint croix county uh
you remember that french revolution you
know and
it ends up with with the tyranny this
this is always where it goes uh you go
down through uh history
and you just uh see it again over and
over and over and over again
uh through all that okay i
uh am uh
out of time here and uh for those
of you might not be listening today
because of uh all that's going on but
for those of you down on the louisiana
and texas coast we're praying for you
as uh the storm uh what now i think has
passed by
again i've been a little uh uh off the
radar here a little bit uh lately and
we'll be for a few more days till i see
you all in branson
um but uh praying for texas louisiana
those uh down there tonight we will be
on
for our uh study of the book of ezekiel
i'm looking forward to that we'll get
into the 12th chapter
and uh carry that out and thank you all
like uh phil says
trying to have an open mind and an open
bible that
is a good thing to do
which means requesting the assumptions
which means we say
hey could it be nero and all other sorts
of things and we come to a good answer
and we uh we
let the scripture speak for itself and
uh it does and it gives us some clarity
along the way
and all that is good and i look forward
to seeing you again
tonight at um

what 7 p.m mountain time
it'll be a blessing and until then i'm
randy white
so
you