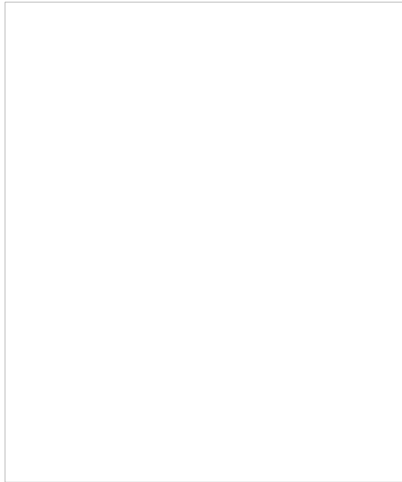


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Dispensationalism is an hermeneutical framework which, while not entirely modern, has been defined and promulgated most sharply since the 19th Century. It has strong links to premillennialism – that is, dispensationalists are premillennialists, but not all premillennialists are dispensationalists – and is uniquely Protestant. Often set against Covenant Theology, Dispensationalism stands out for its literal hermeneutic, commitment to the inerrancy and infallibility of Scripture, and its doctrine of Israel and the Church. Today, dispensationalism is essentially a subcamp within Reformed theology -but the primary Reformed thinkers are consistently trying to push Dispensationalism out of the camp, and into the wilderness. It's not enough to simply find a way to cling to a Reformed heritage, Dispensationalists need to rise up and build complete systematic and Biblical theologies they can call their own if they hope to survive in the modern Church. Classical dispensationalism identifies seven dispensations in God's plan for humanity. Dispensationalists hold to a literal interpretation of the Bible as the best hermeneutic. The literal interpretation gives each word the meaning it would commonly have in everyday usage. Sadly, this is already the case in much of what is called Bible study today. Dispensational theology teaches that there are two distinct peoples of God: Israel and the Church. Dispensationalism is a religious interpretive system and metanarrative for the Bible. It considers biblical history as divided by God into dispensations, defined periods or ages to which God has allotted distinctive administrative principles. According to dispensationalism, each age of God's plan is thus administered in a certain way, and humanity is held responsible as a steward during that time.