

## Dispensations

Dispensation	Innocence	Conscience	Human Government	Promise	Law	Grace	The Kingdom
<b>Other Names</b>	Freedom	Self-determination, Moral Responsibility	Civil Government	Patriarchal Rule			The Millennium; the Fullness of the Times
<b>Bible Passage</b>	Gen 1-3	Gen 4-8	Gen 9-11	Gen 12 – Ex 18	Ex 19 – Acts 1	Acts 2 – Rev 19	Rev 20
<b>Start</b>	Creation	Eviction from Eden	Noahic Covenant	Calling of Abraham	Giving of the Law	Pentecost	Setting up of the Millennial Kingdom
<b>Steward</b>	Adam	Adam	Noah	Abraham	Moses	Paul (Eph 3:2,9)	Christ
<b>People</b>	Adam & Eve	All	All	Abraham and his seed	Israel	The Church	The Kingdom
<b>Characteristics</b>	Man was unfallen, innocent	Man was to be governed by his conscience (cf. Rom 2:15)	Animals to fear man; animals given to man as food; promise of no more world-wide floods	One nation instead of the whole world; the promises to Abraham (Rom 4:13ff; Gal 3:15ff; Heb 11:9)	The Law (613 commandments dealing with every facet of life)	The church; under grace not law (Jn 1:17; Rom 6:14); indwelling of the Holy Spirit	Edenic conditions; Christ ruling on the earth; Israel as chief of the nations; Satan bound; Abrahamic and Davidic covenants fulfilled
<b>Responsibilities</b>	Tend garden; be fruitful & multiply; subdue the earth; don't eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil	Be governed by conscience; bring acceptable sacrifices to God	Be fruitful & multiply; fill the earth; don't eat food with blood still in it; capital punishment for murder	Possess the promised land	Keep the Law	Live by the Spirit (Gal 5:25); the Great Commission; neither Jew nor Gentile	Obey and serve the King
<b>Failure</b>	Ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil	World-wide violence and corruption	Failure to "fill the earth" – gathered at Babel	Went to Egypt	Broke the Law; crucified the One who was the fulfilment of the Law	General rejection of Christ; world-wide acceptance of Antichrist	Armies of the world gather against Christ
<b>Intervention</b>	Coats of skin	The ark	The choosing of one man to build a nation from	God provided a deliverer (Moses) and judged their oppressors	The Messiah and Redeemer (witnessed to by the Law – Rom 3:21)	The Rapture	The destruction of the enemies of the saints
<b>Judgment</b>	Eviction from the garden; curses on man, woman and creation	The flood	The confusing of languages at the tower of Babel	Slavery in Egypt; the plagues on Egypt	The Cross; the Times of the Gentiles; Israel temporarily laid aside	The Tribulation	The Battle of Gog and Magog; the Great White Throne
<b>Fulfilled in the Millennium (Eph 1:10a)</b>	Edenic conditions with Satan bound	"I will put a new spirit within them" (Ezk 11:19) "They shall all know Me" (Jer 31:34)	"The government will rest on His shoulders" (Isa 9:6)	Israel inhabiting the entire land without opposition as chief of the nations	"I will put My law within them" (Jer 31:33); millennial sacrifices (Jer 33:14- 18)	Christ glorified; the church reigning with Christ; indwelling of the Spirit (Ezk 36:24ff)	The Kingdom of God on earth
<b>Fulfilled in Christ (Eph 1:10b)</b>	The Last Adam; a proper theocracy where He subdues the earth	Has a perfect conscience (Jn 8:29); Grants perfect conscience (Heb 9:14; etc.)	"The government will rest on His shoulders" (Isa 9:6)	He is the One to whom the promise was made and who will fulfil it (Gal 3:16)	Fulfilled the Law; the Law testifies of Him; Christ is the consummation of the Law (Rom 10:4)	"The Law came through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ" (Jn 1:17)	The King of kings – God's King ruling the Kingdom (cf. Ps 2:6; Dan 2:44; 7:13f)
<b>Related Covenants</b>	Edenic	Adamic	Noahic	Abrahamic	Mosaic, Palestinian, Davidic	New	New