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INTRODUCTION

Background:

For more than three quarters of a century "Major Bible Themes" written by Dr. Lewis Sperry Chafer (revised by Dr. John F. Walvoord in 1976) has blessed thousands of readers throughout the world. We at Holly Hills Bible Church were some of the many who were blessed by using Dr. Chafer's book in a study of the 52 vital doctrines of scripture presented in his book. We attempted to cover one chapter per week in an adult Bible study class. This was a very ambitious endeavor because of the extensive amount of material in each chapter.

Overhead slides were produced in Power Point to attempt to summarize and clarify some of the doctrines presented. Our purpose initially is to make these overheads available to both the teachers and students of the many home Bible study groups and church classes, or those involved in self study who are now or will be utilizing Dr. Chafer's book as their guide. These overheads are not meant to stand alone for teaching or instruction but are to be utilized with the textbook "Major Bible Themes"

Our prayer is that every believer involved in this study will not only learn and understand the objective truths of the scripture but that these truths may become subjective (believed on truths) in the believer's life. This is God's method for the believer to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Cor 3:18).

Textbook

Major Bible Themes by Dr. Lewis Sperry Chafer. This book can be purchased from one of the following sources:

- a. www.scripturetruth.com
- b. www.christianbook.com

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- c. www.amazon.com
- d. your local Bible book store

Future Updates:

We are in the process of putting this study and others in more accessible formats (e.g PDF) on our website.

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QUESTION: WHY STUDY "MAJOR BIBLE THEMES" (DOCTRINES)?

ANSWER: IT IS GOD'S REVELATION FOR GROUNDING & GROWTH OF BELIEVERS

GOD'S REVELATION

GROWTH TRUTHS (PAUL'S EPISTLES)
POSITIONAL & CONDITIONAL TRUTHS

WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST

IDENTIFICATION TRUTHS (ROM 6:1-10)

MAJOR BIBLE THEMES (DOCTRINES)

GOD'S ETERNAL PURPOSE (JN 17:22)

FOUNDATION = JESUS CHRIST (1 COR 3: 10,11)

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QUESTION: WHAT SHOULD BE OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S REVELATION?

ANSWER: BELIEVE (REST) IN IT & WALK IN IT!

OUR RESPONSE

GLORIFY GOD (2 COR 3:1-11,18)

GROW (2 PET 3: 18; EPH 4: 11-16)

BEHOLD CHRIST(2 COR 3:18: HEB12:1,2)

"NOT I BUT CHRIST" (GAL 2: 20; ROM 6:11-13)

STUDY (BE DILIGENT) THE WORD (2 TIM 2: 15)

ABIDE IN CHRIST (JN 15: 4-8)

WALK BY FAITH (COL 2: 6,7; HEB 11: 6; GAL 5: 16,17)

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