

# Basic Doctrine

## Lesson 1

### Introduction





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This is a course in basic Bible Doctrine

- Doctrine is fundamental to the Christian life
- The Bible is the textbook
- The Teacher is  
Human /  
Divine (Holy Spirit)
- You are the student



# Assumptions

- You are a believer
- You are awake
- You are willing to listen attentively
- You are trusting the Holy Spirit



# Primary Sources

- The Bible
- Herman Mattox (Spring Valley Bible Church)
- R.B. Thieme Jr. (Berachah Church)
- Robbie Dean (West Houston Bible Church)
- Andy Woods (Sugarland Bible Church)
- Joe Griffin (Grace Doctrine Church)
- Others

Bible Church info:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bible\\_church](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bible_church)



# Questions

- Who Am I? / Where Did I Come From?
- Why Am I Here? / What is My Purpose?
- What Do I Do Now? / What Happens When I Die?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4OVrnIMOIKU>

# Thieme's Propositions

## The 7 propositions related to basic training

1. God exists.
2. God reveals Himself.
3. God makes organized sense.
4. God therefore has a plan.
5. I am a human being, so God has a plan for me.
6. Since God has a plan for me, I owe God a hearing.
7. The opportunity comes through the teaching of basic doctrine.

Taken from R. B. Thieme Jr. Basic Doctrine Course of 1969, from Notes on Kukis.org



# Plan of God

- Phase I = Salvation
- Phase II = Christian Life
- Phase III = Everlasting Life



# God's Plan

- Phase I = point at which a person believes on Christ and thereby enters the Plan of God.
  - Acts 16:31 Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.
  - John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me.
  - John 3:15 That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.
  - Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
  - John 20:31 But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.
- Phase II = Believer in time; Mechanics of the Christian life
- Phase III = Believer in eternity.





# Systems of Thought

- Rationalism
- Empiricism
- Faith



# Faith

- Most of what you learn, you learn by faith

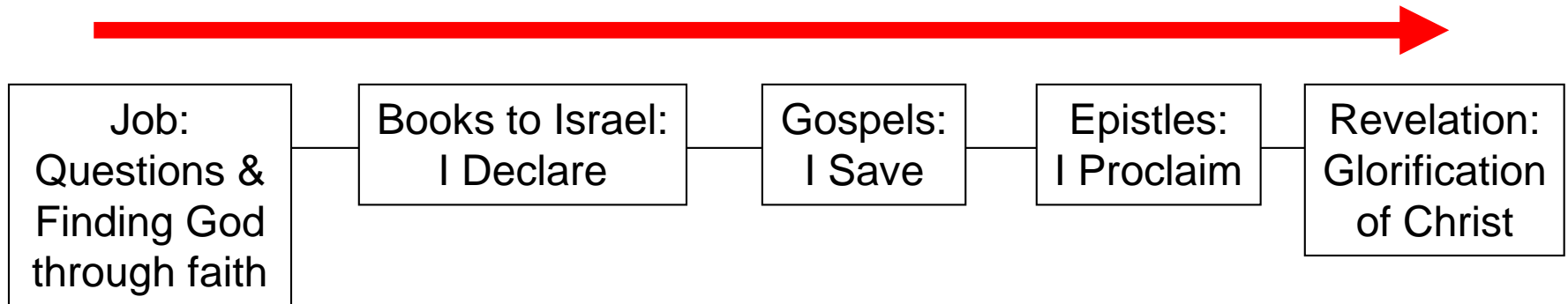


# The Bible

- It is Our Textbook
- It has Various Translations
- It contains a Table of Contents
- It is God's Message to mankind

# The Flow of the Bible

## God's Message to Man



[from Herman Mattox]

# Who Is God?

- Sovereignty
- Righteousness
- Justice
- Love
- Eternal Life
- Omnipotence
- Omniscience
- Omnipresence
- Immutability
- Veracity

Father

Son

Holy Spirit



# Right Here, Right Now

- I Hurt Right Here, Right Now.
- What is God Going to Do About It?
- God is Waiting On You.
- Trust Him, Right Here, Right Now!



# Faith Dependence (Faith-Rest)

- Read 1 Samuel 17
- “The Battle is the Lord’s”
  - “Promise” is not a Promise
  - It is not an incantation
  - David was recognizing his relationship to God
  - You can use it with faith to rely on God to recognize your relationship with God
  - “God is in Charge!”

# Filled By Faith

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How can one be filled with the Holy Spirit? We are filled with the Spirit by faith. We received Christ by faith. We walk by faith. Everything we receive from God, from the moment of our spiritual birth until we die, is by faith. Do you want to be filled with the Holy Spirit? You can be filled right now, wherever you are, by faith.

<https://www.cru.org/train-and-grow/spiritual-growth/transferable-concepts.html>





# Faith Rest Background

“R.B. Thieme, Jr. developed the doctrine of the faith-rest drill early on in his ministry. The term faith rest describes the way of life of the believer in the Old Testament and faith rest is one of the spiritual mechanics in our lives as believers in the Church Age.”

[http://kukis.org/Doctrines/faith\\_rest.pdf](http://kukis.org/Doctrines/faith_rest.pdf)



# Faith-Rest Description

- From Hal Lindsey in “Combat Faith” (p 34)
  - “The faith-rest, briefly described, is that principle taught in the Word of God by which we enter a divinely provided dynamic rest from struggling to live for God. This is done by believing the promises of God’s Word, which releases God to work in and through us with His mighty power and wisdom. Even the indispensable means of living the Christian life called “walking in the Spirit” is appropriated by believing God’s promises of the Holy Spirit’s ministry to us.”



# Faith-Rest Technique

- Hebrews 4:1-2 (NASB)
  - Therefore, let us fear lest, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you should seem to have come short of it.
  - For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard.



# Faith Rest Examples

- Faith Heroes of Hebrews Chapter 11
- Positive Example: Hezekiah
  - Is 36
  - 2 Kg 18:13 – 19:37
  - 2 Chron 32:1-23
- Negative Example: David 2 Sam 11:1-27