

Introduction

Assignments

Theme:

God is committed to fulfilling His purposes which have been distorted by evil.

Lesson Outline:

1. The Purposes of God in History
2. The Nature of the Mission Task
3. Overview: The 10 Epochs of Redemptive History

Foundational Premises in this Lesson:

- (1) God is the Lord of history but we are locked in a cosmic struggle.
- (2) God initiates and advances work in history to accomplish His purpose.
- (3) God initiates a relationship with humankind through general and special revelation.
- (4) God reveals himself, but an evil power appears to be distorting both general and special revelation.

Objectives: To be able to...

- a. Describe the principle features of the unfolding drama of the kingdom.
 - b. Explain ways in which God's purposes have been accomplished throughout history.
 - c. Value the importance of participating with God in fulfilling His purposes for the world.
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Bible Study

The Bible

Romans 11:33-36

Theme Readings

Read Lecture/Introduction for Lesson 1.

Make sure to read the Introduction pages of your Study Guide.

Winter, ed: *Foundations of the World Christian Movement: A Larger Perspective*

7-23

Winter: The Kingdom Strikes Back

25-31

Winter and Snodderly: The Story of the Battle for Our Planet

Make sure to read the document "Foundational Premises" found in the introduction pages of this Study Guide.

Read your course syllabus for course requirements.

Ask your course administrator for your course syllabus if you have not received it already.

