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THE INSTITUTE UPDATE

What a great time to be alive! All around us is opportunity. Every unsaved individual is a lost soul in need of salvation, a person who needs to hear the Gospel of the Grace of God clearly proclaimed. We have as great an opportunity today, maybe even greater, than any generation of believers who have gone before us to share the soul-saving and life changing message of Grace with the multitudes of lost people that are virtually all around us.

We also have a great opportunity to share the Grace Message with other believers. Many of our brothers and sisters in Christ have come to the Lord through faith only to live defeated lives because most of the preaching and teaching they hear is a confused message that co-mingles Law and Grace. They need to hear the truth.

Each of us, as Grace believers, need only to look in faith to God and His Word to find out how to take advantage of the privileged opportunity that He has blessed us with. We who know the message need to tell the message to others (Rom. 10:12-15; I Cor. 1:18,21; II Cor. 5:14-15,19-21; Eph. 3:8-9; II Tim. 2:1-2; 4:1-5).

Because Christ Lives!

Dr. W. Edward Bedore

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KEEPING THE LAW OF GOD

By Dr. W. Edward Bedore

After delivering the children of Israel from bondage in Egypt, the Lord God entered into a special covenant relationship with them as a new nation. A nation separated unto God as a holy kingdom of priests (Ex. 19:5-6). This nation was to serve God and to become a light to the nations of the world who had turned away from the Living God of creation to idolatry and perverted immorality (Gen. 11:1-9 and Rom. 1:18-31).

God's choice of this nation was based on His unconditional covenant with Abraham (Gen. 12:1-3,7; 13:14-18; 15:1-2). This covenant was confirmed through Abraham's son Isaac (Gen. 17:1-21) and in turn through Isaac's son Jacob (Gen. 28:1-4, 13-15). Jacob, whose name God changed to Israel, had twelve sons who became the twelve tribes of Israel (Jacob) in Egypt where they were eventually enslaved (Gen. 46:1-47:12; Ex. 1:1-14).

After 400 years of slavery in Egypt, God led His covenant people out of bondage under the leadership of Moses. At Mount Sinai, God initiated another covenant with Israel that was conditional. If they would obey, then He would make them the great nation He had promised Abraham his descendants would become. In response to God's proposed covenant, the people said "All that the Lord has spoken we will do" (see Ex. 19:1-9). This covenant was publicly confirmed by the giving of the Ten Commandments by the voice of God from Mount Sinai in the hearing of the people (Ex. 19:16-20:17). These Ten Commandments provided the moral foundation upon which the rest of the Law, given through Moses, would rest. The Law, in its entirety, consisted of 613 commands, prohibitions, ordinances

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Mail Received
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FROM CALIFORNIA:

"What a rare privilege for you to teach those young men in II Tim. 2:15, so they in turn can teach others, the precious Grace message."

FROM PENNSYLVANIA:

"God bless you all for your steadfastness in 'rightly dividing' and the revelation of the mystery. Your efforts in preparing others with the knowledge of God's Grace is certainly work you will not be ashamed of when in His glorious presence. Our prayers are with and for you, directors, staff and students as well as all those involved with **BBI**"

FROM FLORIDA:

"We are so happy to be able to help train young people to go forth with the Gospel given to the Apostle Paul."

FROM AUSTRALIA:

"How wonderfully blessed are those who are able to attend **BBI**! Glad to note that you consider 'creationism' one of the fundamentals of the faith. Delighted with 'the practical beginning of the Body of Christ' article."

FROM CALIFORNIA:

"How very wonderful that the Lord has given you the **Berean Bible Institute**, as a beacon light there in Slinger, Wisconsin, and given you the students as He wills to learn and then go out and teach others also."

FROM ARIZONA:

"I thank you for the *BBI Bulletin*. I would like to be a recipient of this as often as it comes out....Thank you once again for all this ministry is able to do. May the Lord bless this ministry richly that others may come to a knowledge of the 'preaching of Jesus Christ according to the revelation of the mystery.' "

*Only one life; 'twill soon be past.
Only what's done "in Christ" will last.*

THE BULLETIN BOARD

News & Announcements

Fall Semester
at **Berean Bible
Institute** begins
August, 21st,
2006.
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BBI is hosting a
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Conference this
coming January 2007.
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Grace missionaries or
you are a missionary
and you would like to
be part of our
conference please
contact us, we would
love to hear from you!

**Grace
Believers
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Conference**

Location:
Bitely,
Michigan
Dates: July
28th-30th, 2006
Contact: Pastor

**The Midwest
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20th, 2006

Location:
Hutchinson, Kansas

Contact: Kevin Heyle
at: (816) 520-3943.

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Location: Apollo, PA
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SD

Dates: July 16-22,
August 6-12 & 13-19.

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Location: Slinger,
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Dates: October 12th-
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for religious ritual and worship, rules of conduct, and the prescribed penalties for those who broke the Law.

The entire Law of Moses was made up of three parts. Together they provided a complete code for the nations religious, civil, and social order on a day-to day basis.

1. **The Moral Law** is found in the Ten Commandments. Here we find the moral principles for righteous living in a God-honoring society. The first four commandments concern man's responsibility in the worship and honoring of God and His name, and the keeping of the Sabbath in commemoration of His creative work. The remaining six commandments deal with relationships between men.
2. **The Religious Law** gives the details of the priesthood, sacrifices, religious ceremonies, worship, and keeping the weekly Sabbath, holy days, and the national festivals.
3. **The Civil Law** provided instruction for the administration of justice between individuals, punishment for violators of the Law, help for the needy, marriage, the care of animals, food, military service, etc.

ISRAEL'S FAILURE

Throughout her history Israel repeatedly failed to keep the Law until finally God took their kingdom from them and sent the nation into temporary exile in Babylon. While the people were allowed to return to the land and rebuild the Temple, the throne of David has not yet been restored, as God promised that it one day will be through the prophet Jeremiah (Jeremiah 33:14-18). This Messianic promise is a primary subject of prophecy. Only a small portion of the Israelite people ever returned to their land after the captivity. For the most part, Israel has remained in dispersion among the nations, even until today.

CHRIST'S EARTHLY MINISTRY

During His earthly ministry the Lord Jesus Christ stated that He did not "*come to destroy the Law or the Prophets ... but to fulfill*" them, saying that "*Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the Law till all is fulfilled*" (Matt 5:17-18). In His statement, He was referring to two

aspects of the Law. First, He meant the prophecies given in the "Book of the Law" (the first five books of the Bible, Genesis-Deuteronomy) that were written by Moses, and those given by the later prophets that would be fulfilled (notice His reference to the Law and the Prophets, v.17). These prophecies are about Israel's Messiah and His Kingdom. Second, He promised to fulfill or keep the requirements of the Mosaic Law as well, something Israel had never done.

Jesus Christ's promise not to do away with the Law is connected with Jeremiah's promise that God would make "*A new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah*" (Jer. 31:31). The nation of Israel was broken into two nations known as Israel and Judah. God has promised that when He restores the Kingdom, He will bring Israel and Judah back to the land as one nation under Messiah (Jer. 23:5-6). At that time, He will not take the Law given at Sinai away, but will write it on their hearts. The covenant given on tablets of stone at Sinai they broke, but, under the New Covenant, with the Law written on their hearts, they will be able to keep it (Jer. 31:31-34).

But, Israel rejected their Messiah and demanded that He be crucified. Even after His resurrection, the national leaders continued to reject Him, even persecuting His followers (Acts 4:13-31; 5:12-40; 7:54-8:3; 12:1-4). So God has temporarily set Israel aside and ushered in a new dispensation, which He revealed through the Apostle Paul (Gal. 1:11-12); Eph. 3:1-7).

PAUL'S MESSAGE AND THE LAW

The Apostle Paul, takes up the matter of the Law several times in his letters. The first issue we will look at is what Paul says about the purpose of the Law. In Romans, from 1:18-3:18, Paul builds a case against the heathen, the religionist, the moralist, and the Jew. His conclusion is that both Jews and Gentiles are under the curse of sin (Rom. 3:9-18). Concerning the Law, God's Word tells us that no one will ever be made just in God's sight by trying to keep the Law. The Law serves to expose sin, but it cannot do away with sin nor can it make a sinner righteous. "*By the deeds of the Law there shall no flesh be justified: for by the Law is the knowledge of sin*" (see Rom. 3:19-20). Those striving to be righteous by keeping the Law must keep the entire Law (Gal. 3:10; compare Deut. 27:26; Jam. 2:10). Since the discussion in Galatians is about the issue of circumcision (Gal. 2:3; 5:2-3,6,11; 6:12-15), it is obviously not just the Ten Commandments or the

Moral Law that is in view here because circumcision was not part of the Ten Commandments, but it is part of the ceremonial or religious portion of the Law. So then, Galatians 3:10 means exactly what it says; if one wants to be justified by the works of the Law, they must keep the entire 613 commands, not just the Ten Commandments (cf. Deut. 27:26). But it is impossible to do so today for there are no priests to offer sacrifices and no Temple in which to offer them. And who has kept the Sabbath? The only work allowed was to serve the necessary food for the day, as cooking was not allowed (Ex. 12:16; 16:22-23; 20:8-11; 35:2-3; Lev. 23:3). The penalty for breaking the Sabbath according to the Law is death (Ex. 35:2; compare Num. 15:32-36).

But why does Paul take the position he does about the Law? In Galatians he tells us that, ultimately, the true purpose of the Law was to act as a schoolmaster. It was added to the promises God made to Abraham in order to expose the sin of Israel as well as the Gentiles (Rom. 3:19-20), thus revealing the need for a Redeemer (Gal. 3:19-25; cf. Rom. 3:19-20; 7:7-14;). Sinful men and women simply cannot keep the righteous requirements of the Law. The Law still points out man's sin because it was made for sinners, not the righteous (I Tim. 1:8-11). We can use the Law today to show people they are sinners, but we must never put anyone under the Law by telling them that they must live by it. We would fail today just as Israel did in the past.

Paul himself was at one time a proud Pharisee striving to produce his own righteousness by observing the Law (Gal. 1:14; Phil. 3:4-6). But he threw aside all of his claims to self-righteousness that he might be found righteous in Christ (Phil. 3:7-9). Along with Israel, the requirements of the Law have been set aside during this present Dispensation of Grace. The Law has not been done away with but has been taken out of our way by having been nailed to the cross in Jesus Christ who fulfilled the Law (Col. 2:14). The Law demands righteousness and its commands are *"holy and just and good"* (Rom. 7:12). But, it can never make a sinner righteous. It can only reveal the reality of sin, or the lack of righteousness, and, consequently, demand that justice be carried out. Justice for the sinner is death for *"the wages of sin is death"* (Rom. 6:23a). But Jesus Christ, the Innocent One, suffered death in the sinner's place, *"He died for our sins"* (I Cor. 15:3). In so doing, justice was served and the righteous nature of God completely satisfied.

Now, all who believe are *"justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as a propitiation, by His blood, through faith"* (See Rom. 3:21-26). The word *"propitiation"* (v. 25) means to satisfy or appease. This means that with Christ having fulfilled the righteous demands of the Law in both His life and death, God, the Lawgiver, is totally satisfied, as justice was carried out. Now those who place their complete trust in Jesus Christ for forgiveness of sins are declared just (righteous) by God based on the blood of Jesus Christ, apart from any works of the Law on the sinner's part (Rom. 3:27-28; Eph. 1:7; 2:8-9; Titus 3:4-7). The price of our salvation has been entirely paid for by Jesus Christ on our behalf. Yes, *"the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Rom. 6:23).

Faith is simply believing God. At different times during the history of mankind, God has dispensed different commands for men to follow in order to please Him. Man was to obey by faith (believing or trusting what God had said) for *"without faith it is impossible to please God"* (Heb. 11:6). The first man and woman were forbidden to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2:8-3:24). Cain and Abel were to offer blood sacrifices (Gen. 4:1-12; Heb. 11:4). Noah was instructed to build an Ark (Gen. 6:9-9:17). Abraham believed God's promise to give him a son with a multitude of descendants to occupy Canaan (Gen. 12:1-9; 13:14-18; 15:1-5). From the time of Moses until Christ, Israel was under the Dispensation of the Law which was to be obeyed by faith (see Rom. 9:31-32). But now, under the present Dispensation of Grace, we are told *"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved"* (Acts 16:31; also see Rom. 3:21-26; 10:9-10; I Cor. 1:18-21; 15:3-4; II Cor. 5:21; Gal. 2:16; 3:13; 6:14; Eph. 1:7,13-14; 2:8-9; Titus 3:4-7).

OUR WALK

Once saved, the believer is not to put himself back under the bondage of the Law of Moses by trying to keep its requirements. We can only fail for that is a work of the flesh. By faith we are to walk according to *"the Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus"* (Rom. 8:2; Gal. 2:19-21). Being saved by grace through faith we are to live by faith through grace (Rom. 5:1-2). In other words, we are to rely on the power of God to work in and through us by trusting in His Word and allowing the Holy Spirit to direct our lives according to God's will (see Rom. 12:1-2; Eph. 5:17-18; Phil. 1:6,11; 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-10).



Student's Corner

BBI's 2006 Graduation and Award's Ceremony was held on Saturday May 20th. We had two men receiving Certificates in Basic Bible Studies (1st year) Randy Brown, and Jim Francisco. We wish to congratulate them on one full year completed, and we look forward to seeing them in the semesters to come.

We had three men receiving Diploma's in Advanced Biblical Studies; Pastor Paul Turner, who is pastor of *Grace Bible Church* in Oshkosh, Wisconsin; Pastor Matthew Ritchey, who is pastor of *Grace Bible Church* in Beloit, Wisconsin; and Pastor Justin Lynn, who is the associate pastor of *Grace Family Bible Church*, in Duncansville, Pennsylvania. All of us here at **BBI** will miss these men and their families, as they have been an integral part of this ministry. **BBI** has been blessed by their devotion and determination in their studies and we know that these churches that they have been called to minister at will be just as blessed to have them.

BBI needs your help! There are more Grace Churches out there that need pastors but, to train pastors we need students, men and women willing to follow the will of God. If you are considering going into ministry, or would just like a better understanding of the Bible to help out in your local church, please consider attending **BBI**. Make the decision to be a student of God's Word, rightly divided. There is no greater calling than to be a minister of His Word, no greater message than that of His Grace! **BBI** stands for the truth of the Word, and we need students to help proclaim the Good News of salvation.

If your church or ministry would like to know more about **Berean Bible Institute**, we would be more than happy to send you some information, or come give a presentation about our school. Our goal is to "*make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery*" (Eph. 3:9). The fall semester begins soon so don't delay! Contact **BBI** at:

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CHRISTIANITY UNDER ATTACK

By Dr. Edward Bedore

The spirit of anti-Christ is certainly being manifested today in various ways. While it will not be allowed to become full-blown until after the Rapture of the Church and the rising up of "the anti-Christ" who will come in the power of Satan during the Great Tribulation, it is nonetheless at work in the world today. In a very real way, the world is influenced by "*the prince and the power of the air*" who is none other than Satan, whom Paul identifies as "*the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience*" (Eph. 2:2). The Devil's greatest efforts are put into keeping the unsaved spiritually blinded to the truth "*lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them*" (II Cor. 4:3-4). He does this primarily by attacking the Church in order to cause doubt and confusion within the Body of Christ. Over the centuries, his strongest attacks have been in three areas; the integrity of the Scriptures, the Character of God, and the Deity of Jesus Christ. Today, he is mounting a vicious onslaught against all three at once.

Of course, attacks against the truth have always been prevalent, but it seems that today the enemy has marshaled all his forces for an all out attack on Biblical Christianity. His goal is to hinder the Gospel Message through doctrines that discredit the truth of God's Word, demean the character of God, and deny that Jesus Christ was the Son of God. Two prongs of this attack are coming from within the professing church and the third from without. But, the mastermind behind them all is the Devil. Having said that, we want to make it clear that we are not saying that those who believe these false doctrines are themselves demonic or that they are necessarily unsaved individuals. What we are saying is that Satan and his deceitful workers, who present themselves as ministers of righteousness, have deceived them (see II Cor. 11:1-4, 13-15). In fact, a major facet of ministry is helping those who have been deceived to realize their error (see II Tim. 2:24-26).

The attack coming from without the Church is against the Deity of Jesus Christ. In other words, it is an effort to deny the fact that Jesus Christ is both the Son of Man and the Son of God. The main attack in this area has come through a best selling novel, by a man named Dan Brown, called "*The DaVinci Code*". "*The DaVinci Code*" for which the author falsely claims historical accuracy, claims that Jesus Christ was married to Mary Magdalene and they had a child together. After His crucifixion, Mary Magdalene

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is said to have gone to Europe with their child through whom the Merovingian bloodline of European royalty was established. It not only denies the Deity of Christ but also claims that Mary Magdalene was divine and is to be worshipped. "The DaVinci Code" is a not very well disguised attack on Biblical Christianity. In denying the Godhood of Jesus Christ, it is trying to destroy the very foundation of Christianity. If Jesus Christ was not God incarnate, then the Bible is full of lies and there is no hope for anyone as the Grace Gospel would have no saving power. It is doubtful that this resurgence of an old lie will have much effect on the core faith of committed Bible believing Christians. The real danger of this is that it will confuse new believers who are not grounded in sound doctrine and provide unbelievers with another excuse to reject the Gospel. However, regardless of how many deny the truth and reject Christ as Savior, the truth cannot be changed. Jesus Christ, who is the One Mediator between God and man, will continue to save all that place their trust in Him and His finished work of redemption for the forgiveness of sins.

The two false doctrines that are coming from within the professing Church are referred to as Preterism and Open Theism. Their tenets have been discussed in theological circles for some time now. But, in recent years they have come to the forefront and have become popular beliefs in many evangelical churches today; even as heated debate goes on between their proponents and those who reject them as unbiblical doctrines.

Preterism is the belief that most, if not all, prophecy was fulfilled in A.D. 70 when the Romans destroyed Jerusalem. Preterists claim that the Tribulation is already past, that Christ returned in A.D. 70, that God has forever replaced Israel with the Church, and that we are now in the Millennial Kingdom. This doctrine is a direct frontal attack on Dispensationalism. Because literal interpretative principles and a dispensational understanding of the Bible are the keys that unlock the Scripture, this approach, in effect, is a denial of the integrity of God's Word. Because they cannot support their view if they allow certain prophetic passages to mean what they say, Preterists must resort to allegorical interpretation of the Bible and the spiritualization of predictive prophecy. To them, Christ returned in the clouds in A.D. 70 to witness the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans. Thus, they deny any future return of Jesus Christ to rule over the earth as they say it has already taken place.

This system of Bible interpretation has many problems, but the biggest of all is that it denies that God has made certain unconditional promises to Israel that have not yet been fulfilled. This, by implication, denies the inerrancy of the Scripture and the integrity of God. There are explicit promises made by the Lord to national Israel concerning their deliverance from Gentile domination and possession of the Promised Land. If Israel has been replaced by the Church and those promises are never to be fulfilled, then the message of the Bible simply cannot be trusted and God is either a liar or incompetent. If God has no intention of keeping His Kingdom promises to Israel, or is unable to, the logical question is: Can we trust Him to keep His Grace promises to us today? We know that God will someday fulfill all prophecy and that this kind of teaching will not overthrow the faith of those who understand the Bible dispensationally and know from God's Word what they believe and why they believe it. However, it is very difficult to reach those who have been deceived by this teaching with Grace truth because they are often told to dismiss all dispensational teaching as error, so they will not give it any real consideration.

Built on faulty principles of Bible interpretation, Preterism changes the clear meaning of Scripture, denies the hope of Christ's return to rapture the Church, distorts the prophetic promise of Christ's second coming in power and glory, robs Israel of her future, and displaces Jesus Christ by trying to bring in the Kingdom apart from the presence of the King. The Bible is clear. It is only when Jesus Christ returns to rule the nations with a rod of iron that righteousness will rule on the earth. While those who promote this doctrine sincerely believe they are serving God, they are, in fact, obstructing the Grace Gospel by hindering peoples' understanding of what God is doing today in respect to individuals and nations. Because this approach to Bible interpretation denies any and all distinctions between "prophecy" and "mystery", it cannot help but end up with a message that mixes Law and Grace and is detrimental to the spiritual well being of those who are taken in by it.

Open Theism is also referred to as the "openness view" of God, "free-will theism", or "neotheism". Despite the tremendous amount of Biblical evidence to the contrary, it is based on the idea that God does not actually have foreknowledge of the future. The basic premise is that God could not have created man

with free-will if He had exhaustive knowledge of the future. His foreknowledge must be understood as being determinative. It sees God as knowing the past and present but only able to predict what will happen in the future in the same way that man does, by speculation based on circumstances and past experience. In other words, He has no real knowledge of the future and can only guess what is going to happen by evaluating the situation in much the same way a psychologist might predict what an individual would do in a given situation. The problem with this is that it leaves God open to failure if man chooses to act in some way other than what God thought he would. Having no actual knowledge of the future, He has no way of knowing what individuals, or mankind as a whole, will actually do in the future. The God of Open Theism is left to wait and see what man will do before responding to it. Open Theism says that God only knows the future to the extent that He has determined it. In other words, He only has a limited knowledge of what will take place in the future and must violate or suspend man's freewill on a large scale in order to make sure that what He has predicted will come to pass. But, because of the unpredictability of man, even then He cannot know for sure if prophecy will be fulfilled exactly as He has said it would or not.

While at first glance Open Theism may seem to some as only a minor and unimportant deviation from what Bible believing Christians have always believed about God, it is, in fact, a major move away from Biblical truth. It is a redefinition of God that strips Him of not only perfect knowledge of all things but also of His perfect wisdom and sovereignty, leaving Him as something less than all powerful. It is an unbiblical doctrine that minimizes God and undermines the believer's confidence in His character, His Word, His wisdom, and even His ability to finally work all things out according to His will. But the God of the Bible is not the minimal God that Open Theism portrays Him to be. He is, in fact, the all-powerful, the all wise, the all-knowing, the ever-present Sovereign Creator God in whom we can trust without reservation. He is God.



If God is small enough for us to understand, He isn't big enough for us to worship!

QUESTIONS ABOUT HEBREWS

By Dr. W. Edward Bedore

My article on the Book of Hebrews in the last "BBI Bulletin" (A Brief Look at the Kingdom Epistle to the Hebrews, Spring 2006, Vol. 7, issue 4) generated a lively response. I received letters and comments from people who agreed with my contention that Hebrews is a Kingdom epistle and that the Apostle Paul was not the author and from those who do not agree. From both sides, one question emerged as the central issue; "What about II Peter 3:15-16? Isn't Peter referring to the Book of Hebrews when he speaks of what Paul had written to the same Kingdom saints that he was writing to?" The answer to this question is no, he is not referring to the Book of Hebrews.

The reason I say this is that the subject of the letter that Peter refers to in I Peter 3:15 has to do with why the Lord had postponed the Tribulation and consequently the 2nd coming of Jesus Christ to deliver Israel. Scoffers were ridiculing the promises of God, claiming that Christ would never return to earth (II Pet. 3:3-4). In this letter, Peter is explaining that even though there has been a delay, God will keep His promises to Israel (II Pet. 3:5-14). In verse nine he explains that the reason there has been a delay of Jesus Christ's return is that God "is long-suffering" and "not willing that any should perish." In verse fifteen he says that he learned this from Paul who had also written to his readers about it, "the long-suffering of our Lord is salvation." This truth is at the very heart of the Grace Message. Prophecy has been temporarily suspended and National Israel set aside for a time in order for salvation to be offered to the whole world through Grace. The letter to the Hebrews contains no such explanation but, to the contrary, is an exhortation to the Kingdom saints to hold fast to the faith as they see the Day of the Lord approaching (Heb. 10:23-25).

In Romans chapters nine through eleven Paul does explain the setting aside of Israel and confirms that God will one day fulfill His promises to Israel. Since Peter refers to "all his (Paul's) epistles" (II Pet. 3:16), and assumed his readers were familiar with them, it seems obvious that Paul wrote more letters than God has seen fit to preserve in the Bible for us, or that copies of his letters that are in the Bible were available to Peter and the other Kingdom believers. This being so, it seems very likely that Paul sent out copies of his Roman letter, or at least parts of it, to the Kingdom saints to help them understand what was taking place now that a new, unprophecied dispensation had begun.



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