

Hermeneutics 2 Lesson 5

The Three-fold Principle

Titus 2:11-13

Theme: The Three-fold Principle is that principle of Bible Study by which God sets forth the truths of salvation in a threefold way.

Introduction: In this principle we will see these qualities; past justification, present transformation, and future consummation.

Dr. E.W. Bullinger in his Numbers In Scripture says of the number three: "In this number we have quite a new set of phenomena. We come first to the geometrical figure. Two straight lines cannot possibly enclose any space, or form a plane figure; neither can two plane surfaces form a solid. Three lines are necessary to form a plane figure; and three dimensions of length, breadth, and height are necessary to form a solid. Hence three is the symbol of the cube –the simplest form of solid figure. ... Three stands for that which is solid, real, substantial, complete, and entire. All things that are especially complete are stamped with this number three. God's attributes are three; omniscience, omnipresence, and omnipotence. There are three great divisions completing time – past, present, and future. Thought, word, and deed complete the sum of human capability. Three kingdoms embrace our ideas of matter – mineral, vegetable, and animal. Three denotes divine perfection."

This principle is seen throughout Scripture.

I. The three _____ needs of man.

- (1) Salvation from the _____ of God.
- (2) Salvation from the _____ of sin.
- (3) Salvation from _____ distress, disease, death and decay.

II. The three _____ of man.

- (1) _____ of the soul from God.
- (2) _____ to the flesh.
- (3) _____ of the body.

III. The three _____ of sin on man.

- (1) _____ souls to hell.
- (2) _____ lives to sin.
- (3) _____ death.

IV. The three _____ of salvation.

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- (2)
- (3)

V. The three _____ from sin.

- (1) The _____ of sin.
- (2) The _____ of sin.
- (3) The _____ of sin.

VI. The three things God _____ about man.

- (1) Man cannot _____ right with God on his own.
- (2) Man cannot _____ right on his own.
- (3) Man cannot _____ of the grave on his own.

VII. The three-fold principle illustrated in Scripture.

1. Christ is set forth as Prophet, Priest, and Potentate

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2. 1 Thessalonians 1:3

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3. 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

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- (2)
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4. Hebrews 9:24-28

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5. 1 Corinthians 13:13

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- (3)

6. John 16:8-11

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- (2)
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7. Revelation 1:5

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8. Genesis 26:25

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9. **Luke 12:36-37; Luke 19:13**

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10. **1 John 2:12-14**

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11. **1 Timothy 1:2**

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12. **Matt. 4:1-10**

13. **1 John 5:5-8**

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14. **Mark 5:41-42; Luke 7:11-15; John 11:40-44**

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15. **John 10:14; Hebrews 13:20; 1 Peter 5:4**

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16. **Jude 1:11**

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17. **Daniel 5:25-28**

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18. **1 John 2:16**

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19. **The three mountains associated with His work:**

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