

THE DISCRIMINATION PRINCIPLE

a. Definition.

1. That principle by which we should divide the Word of Truth, so as to make a distinction where God makes a difference.
2. Failure to do this leads to confusion.

b. Divisions.

1. The difference between the creatures and the children of God.

(a). Failure to make this difference leads to error, and results in the preaching of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God. All men are not brothers, and God is not father of all men.

(b). All men are the creatures of God, but all men are not the children of God.

(c). We became creatures of God at the creation of Adam, as the head of the race. The whole race was created in Adam. In creating Adam, God created each one of us. Every human being came from Adam.

(d). Men become children of God through regeneration, re-creation, or the new birth. We are not born Christians...

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