

“DECONSTRUCTIONISM – HELPFUL OR HURTFUL?”

Part #1 – Various Scriptures

What difference does deconstructionism make? Why should I be concerned?

1. Birth of Deconstructionism

~ Jacques Derrida

~ Religious Deconstructionism

(2 Pt 1:19) Applied to Bible...
(2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pt 1:20-21) Applied to God...
Overall Concern...

What is the broader concern?

~ Progressive Christianity

Gal 1:11-12

2. Deconstructionism's Religious Context

Deconstructionism can mean...

(1) Navigating a _____.

What is a faith crisis?

Jas 1:2-4

(2) _____ that distort the truth gospel.

What are the confines of this context?

What/who is the gospel? Can you answer?

Examples of detriment to the gospel – Rom 6; 1 Cor 5; Gal 1

What should we strive for – 1 Thess 1:6-10

(3) _____ traditional evangelical doctrines & authority figures.

(4) _____ the Christian faith altogether.
People who have “deconverted” recently. (#exvangelicals)

What is the great concern with these recent “deconversions”?

Definition of Deconstruction (Alisa Childers) – *“In the context of faith, deconstruction is the process of systematically dissecting and often rejecting the beliefs you grew up with. Sometimes the Christian will deconstruct all the way into atheism. Some remain there, but others experience a reconstruction. But the type of faith they end up embracing almost never resembles the Christianity they formerly knew. Traditional understandings of the Cross, the Bible, and the gospel get taken out with the trash.”*

Causes for Deconstructionism...

(1) _____ Eph 4:31-32; Col 3:12

(2) _____ Gal 5:7; 1 Cor 15:33

(3) _____ Gal 6:9-10

(4) _____ Prov 3:5-6

(5) _____ Ps 147:5; Micah 6:8

(6) _____ Acts 5:29

(7) _____ Gen 1; Rom 1

(8) _____ Mt 7:21-23; 2 Cor 13:5; 2 Pt 1:10; 2:1-3; 1 Jn 2:19

Are questions bad?

How should we respond?

What about the wandering? (Jas 5:19-20)

My prayer for you = Col 1:9-12