

Lecture 22: The Modern Split and Church Leadership

Introduction and Review: Professor Barrs now examines how the Kantian division in the sciences has extended into modern principles of preaching, church management, and church planting. (Due to technical difficulties the opening remarks of review are not included on the tape. Please excuse the abrupt beginning.)

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II. Influence on the Twentieth Century (cont.)

A. The sciences and Kant

B. The Kantian division in the Church - a “theory of biblical authority”

1. Conflict of claiming biblical authority and modern preaching
 - a. Turning to psychology
 - 1) “Meeting the needs” of a culture wanting to be loved
 - 2) Faith without repentance
 - 3) Self-oriented seminars
 - b. Behaviorism with biblical language
2. Conflict of claiming biblical authority and management principles
 - a. Like psychology in preaching, it becomes wrong when used *apart* from Scripture
 - b. Example of pastor and church move
3. Conflict of claiming biblical authority and church planting principles
 - a. The homogeneity principle
 - 1) The Gospel *overcomes* these barriers
 - 2) Paul’s example of submission to the Holy Spirit
 - b. The usefulness of many church planting principles
 - 1) Risk of making a *rule*
 - 2) Image communication vs. truth communication