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Dear Dr. Ryrie:

Having just read through your book on Dispensationalism Today the impulse came to me to write you something of my reaction.

First let me tell you how very much I liked the plea that you put at the end. Paul greatly stresses the unity of the body of Christ. The ^{doctrine} difference between any two who truly believe in Him ~~must be far less in God's sight~~ ^{be} must be surely so great in God's sight that the difference between any two of them is far less than the difference between any believer and anyone who does not know the Lord. Out of the entire population of the world we who ~~are~~ are saved through Christ are a very tiny minority. Surely God ~~desires~~ desires that we stress our unity and that we discuss matters of Bible interpretation for mutual edification rather than for drawing lines and setting up divisions.

p. 206 ff

This does not mean, of course, that I object to your plea that those of like mind on lesser things be allowed to have smaller circles. I have certainly no objection to this, but I believe that those who confine themselves to such circles miss blessings that God has for them.

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The great^{ly} part of your book is devoted to defending dispensationalism, from attacks made against them, showing that ~~they~~ ^{its proponents} do not believe in two methods of salvation but that they agree that all who ever have been ^{ever} or will be saved are saved through the grace of God shed forth upon them in view of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. I was particularly struck by a paragraph on p.

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To my mind a great cause of unnecessary division within the church of Christ is the tendency to make shibboleths and put stress on matters that are not clearly revealed in the Word. God wants us to stand solidly on