

Big History:

Key Articles by Ralph D. Winter

Organized by Historical Time Period

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CHRONOLOGICAL OUTLINE:

- I. Overview of God's Purposes in History
- II. Prehistory
- III. Old Testament
- IV. Intertestamental Period
- V. New Testament
- VI. 0-400
- VII. 400–800
- VIII. 800–1200
- IX. 1200–1600
- X. 1600–2000
- XI. 2000–2009+ Kingdom Era

See the Foundations Reader for Ralph Winter’s course on “Foundations of the World Christian Movement,” which examines history from a missiological perspective.

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Listed below are the key readings from that course, plus a few other articles.

I. Overview of God’s Purposes in History

The Kingdom Strikes Back

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The Story of Our Planet

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WCF Booklet: An Overview of the Original World Christian Foundations Curriculum

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Planetary Events and the Mission of the Church (Pages 286-307 in *Frontiers in Mission*)
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The Unfinished Epic
<https://rdwlectureship.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/the-unfinished-epic-07-2007.pdf>

The Last Act: Introduction
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The Last Act: Part I
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The Last Act: Part II
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II. Prehistory

Prehistory: Importance to Mission of Prehistory (Compiled article)
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Theologizing Pre-History (pages 323-26 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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A Larger Worldview?
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III. Old Testament

“Historification” of the Big Picture (pages 51-56 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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The Biblical Plan, Announcement of the Great Commission (pages 13-16 in *Foundations Lectures*)
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The Unfolding Story of Scripture: Part 1 (pages 17-20 in Foundations Lectures)
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Exegesis and Hermeneutics of Isaiah 49:1-6
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IV. New Testament

The Gospels from a Global Perspective (pages 101-06 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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The Growth of the Church in Judea and Samaria: Acts 3–12 (pages 117-20 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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Paul’s Middle Missionary Letters: Romans, 1 and 2 Corinthians (pages 139-44 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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V. 0–400

The First Four Hundred Years (0–400 CE) (pages 153-58 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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The Classical Renaissance (pages 46-50 in the Foundations Lectures)
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VI. 400–800

The Second Four Hundred Years (ad 400–800) (pages 173-78 in the *Foundations Reader*)
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The Carolingian Renaissance (pages 51-55 in the Foundations Lectures)

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The Two Structures of God's Redemptive Mission

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VII. 800–1200

The Third Four Hundred Years (800–1200 CE) (pages 189-94 in the *Foundations Reader*)

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The Twelfth Century Renaissance (pages 56-60 in the Foundations Lectures)

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VIII. 1200–1600

The Fourth Four Hundred Years (1200–1600 CE) (pages 211-14 in the *Foundations Reader*)

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The Renaissance Proper, 1200–1600 CE (pages 62-65 in the Foundations Lectures)

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IX. 1600–2000

The Fifth Expansion_ (pages 215-18 in the *Foundations Reader*)

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Seven Men, Four Eras

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The Retreat of the West (pages 237-40 in the *Foundations Reader*)

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X. 2000–2009+ Kingdom Era

The Kingdom Era Is Now (pages 253-56 in the *Foundations Reader*)

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Twelve Frontiers of Perspective

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The Analysis of a Movement

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