

The Church vs. The Churches

By: David A. Sargent

Revelation 1:11, "Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea."

Johns Letters to the Churches:

1. Revelation 2:1a, "Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write..."
2. Revelation 2:8a, "And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write..."
3. Revelation 2:12a, "And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write..."
4. Revelation 2:18a, "And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write..."
5. Revelation 3:1a, "And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write..."
6. Revelation 3:7a, "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write..."
7. Revelation 3:14a, "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write..."

Paul's letters to the Saints and to the Church at these locations:

1. Romans in Romans 1:7, "To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ."
2. Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 1:2a, "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints..." and in 2 Corinthians 1:1, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:"
3. Galatians in Galatians 1:2, "And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:" With: Galatians 6:1, "Brethren..." with: Galatians 6:18, "Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen."
4. Ephesians in Ephesians 1:1, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:"
5. Philippians in Philippians 1:1, "Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:"
6. Colossians in Colossians 1:2, "To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."
7. Thessalonians in 1 Thessalonians 1:1a, "Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians..." and 2 Thessalonians 1:1, "Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians..."

Places where Paul went or also wrote to that line up with John's Churches:

Ephesians 1:1, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:"

Acts 13:13-14, "Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem. But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down."

Acts 14:24-26, "And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia. And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia: And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled."

Acts 16:14-15, "And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul. And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there. And she constrained us."

Colossians 4:16, "And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the epistle from Laodicea."

Lost people IN the Local Church

2 Peter 2:1-22, "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;) The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them

before the Lord. But these, as **natural brute beasts**, made to be taken and destroyed, **speak evil of the things that they understand not**; and **shall utterly perish in their own corruption**; And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. **Spots they are and blemishes**, sporting themselves with **their own deceivings** while **they feast with you**; Having eyes **full of adultery**, and **that cannot cease from sin**; **beguiling unstable souls**: **an heart they have exercised with covetous practices**; **cursed children**: Which have **forsaken the right way**, and **are gone astray**, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; But was rebuked for his iniquity: **the dumb ass** speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet. **These are wells without water**, clouds that are carried with a tempest; **to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever**. For when they speak **great swelling words of vanity**, they **allure through the lusts of the flesh**, through **much wantonness**, **those that were clean escaped from them who live in error**. While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage. **For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning**. **For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them**. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, **The dog** is turned to his own vomit again; and **the sow** that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.”

The difference between the Churches that John writes to in Revelation and the Church that Paul writes to in his Epistles is that Paul is writing to the Body of Christ: the Church of the born again. John on the other hand is writing to the Angles **at local churches**. A number of issues with the **doctrinal** aspects of these overcomers at these local churches:

1. Ephesus: Revelation 2:7, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; **To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life**, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.” Why eat from the tree of life IS we already HAVE Eternal Life? And what IF someone is NOT an overcomer? They don’t get to eat from the tree and don’t get eternal life? They lose salvation? John 10:28, “And I give unto them **eternal life**; and **they shall never perish**, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.” And Romans 5:21, “That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto **eternal life** by Jesus Christ our Lord.” With: Romans 6:23, “For the wages of sin is death; but **the gift of God is eternal life** through Jesus Christ our Lord.” With 1 John 5:11-13, “And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.”

2. Smyrna: Revelation 2:11, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; **He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.**” And IF you are NOT an overcomer? You WILL be hurt of the second death? Is this the loss of salvation? (See above for eternal security) this does not match Paul’s security of the believer: Romans 8:35-39, “**Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?** shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things **we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.** For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Christ overcame FOR HIS CHURCH!
3. Pergamos: Revelation 2:14-16, “But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold **the doctrine of Balaam**, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, **to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.** So hast thou also **them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.** Repent; **or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.**” This is a local church with lost people in it who if they do not Repent, the Lord will fight them with **the sword of His mouth** which is a reference to Revelation 19:15. That is not the half of it with this church: Revelation 2:13, “I know thy works, and **where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is:** and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, **where Satan dwelleth.**” Satan’s seat was in Pergamos. Antipas was a martyr there where Satan dwelleth. Was **Satan going to the church at Pergamos? With all that doctrine of Balaam, eat things sacrificed unto idols, commit fornication, hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans which God HATES; sounds like Satan was one of the members at that church!**
4. Thyatira: Revelation 2:20, “Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman **Jezebel**, which **calleth herself a prophetess**, to teach and to **seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.**” They ALLOWED this woman to do this? Revelation 2:22, “Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and **them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation,** except they repent of their deeds.” So **members of this church if not overcomers can go to the Great Tribulation?**
5. Sardis: Revelation 3:3, “Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. **If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.**” Who WOULD know what hour he comes? And what is the reference to **the Lord coming as a thief?** Is that the rapture, or is that the Second Coming? Revelation 3:4, “Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which **have not defiled their garments;** and **they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.**” They didn’t defile their garments? They are WORTHY? So what about the ones

that **did defile their garments** are they UNWORTHY? And **what happens to THEM?** Revelation 3:5, “He that **overcometh**, the **same shall be clothed in white raiment**; and **I will not blot out his name out of the book of life**, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.” So the ones **that did defile their garments** and are unworthy **get their name blotted OUT of the book of life!** He loses his salvation! Unless this is a local church and he was NOT saved, but a lost member.

6. Laodiceans: Revelation 3:16, “So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.” This is a similitude to lukewarm water and how that it make you want to spit it out. This has nothing to do with the Lord eating the church or drinking the church. Revelation 3:18, “I counsel thee to **buy of me gold** tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and **white raiment**, that thou mayest be clothed, and **that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear**; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.” Where are we to **buy the gold** and **white raiment** and **eyesalve** from? **How much does it cost if we are to buy it?** Perhaps we need to go shopping. If this is a local church that would make complete sense especially one that is going through the tribulation when buying and selling only happen when you take the mark. **The trouble with this church and all these churches is that they ARE in the tribulation:** Revelation 3:20, “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, **I will come in to him**, and **will sup with him**, and **he with me.**” **Jesus Christ is OUTSIDE the door and inside are a bunch of church goers that got left behind.**

These things do NOT match Paul’s epistles to the 7 churches he wrote to. The above references have cross reference to Tribulation and Second Coming implications doctrinally, therefore notwithstanding there is significant typology involved as the local church is also in the church age; but when the church proper (the body of Christ) leave at the rapture, the local churches full of lost people that were playing church will be here going through the tribulation and these churches are for THEM. **Because they did not overcome IN CHRIST, now THEY must overcome themselves:** Revelation 12:17, “And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, **which keep the commandments of God**, and **have the testimony of Jesus Christ.**” And Revelation 14:12, “Here is **the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.**”

The issue having to do with **garments** to Sardis and the Laodiceans is that they had to **wash their robes in the Lambs blood:** Revelation 7:14, “And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**” This is during the great tribulation like Thyatira.

This is also reference in Revelation 16:15-16, “Behold, **I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth**, and **keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.** And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon.**” Just compare the passages: Laodiceans: “...white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and **that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear**...” with “...keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his

shame...” Notice the context is the **Armageddon**, this event is **the Second Coming**. If that is not enough look at 2 Peter 3:10, “But **the day of the Lord** will come **as a thief in the night**; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.” And to understand the day of the Lord go back a few verses: 2 Peter 3:8, “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that **one day is with the Lord as a thousand years**, and **a thousand years as one day**.” A thousand year reign: so from the Second Coming till when the heavens and earth pass away and burn up. This is when the Lord comes as **a THIEF IN THE NIGHT**. Matthew 24:43, “But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch **the thief** would come, he would have **watched**, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.” And Luke 12:39, “And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour **the thief** would come, he would have **watched**, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.” Notice in Luke that this happens **after the Lord comes back from a wedding**: Luke 12:36, “And ye yourselves like unto men **that wait for their lord**, when **he will return from the wedding**; that **when he cometh** and **knocketh**, **they may open unto him immediately**.” That is the Second Coming not the rapture. Notice the Laodicean church where Christ is knocking at the door, is the last church when the Lord is returning **IN THE TRIBULATION**.

The fact is that **when the Tribulation starts the Body of Christ will be up in Heaven at the Judgment Seat of Christ**. This is why we are warned to “...persuade men...” in light of this **TERROR** of the **LORD** happening at the same time that the Judgment Seat of Christ is going on. One group goes to Heaven, and the other is left behind to the Terror and Wrath of Almighty God which **WE** are to persuade men to flee from. 2 Corinthians 5:10-11, “For **we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ**; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. **Knowing** therefore **the terror of the Lord**, **we persuade men**; but **we are made manifest unto God**; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.” There is no precedent to make this terror the same as the Judgment Seat of Christ, because in the context: 2 Corinthians 5:3-4, “**If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked**. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: **not for that we would be unclothed**, **but clothed upon**, **that mortality might be swallowed up of life**.” This relates to 1 Corinthians 15:51-54, “Behold, I shew you **a mystery**; We shall not all sleep, but **we shall all be changed**, In a **moment**, in **the twinkling of an eye**, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be **raised incorruptible**, and **we shall be changed**. For this **corruptible** must put on **incorruption**, and this **mortal** must put on **immortality**. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, **Death is swallowed up in victory**.” Which is a mystery not found in the Old Testament as is 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, “But I would **not have you to be ignorant**, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For **if we believe that Jesus died and rose again**, even so them also which sleep **in Jesus** will God bring with him. For this we say unto you **by the word of the Lord**, that we which are alive and remain unto **the coming of the Lord** shall not prevent them which are asleep. For **the Lord himself shall**

descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.” That last verse does respite to the idea of the Judgment Seat of Christ being a terror, after all how is terror comforting?

The Terror of the Lord is NOT on the Church proper which is the Body of Christ, The Terror of the Lord is on the LOST: John 3:36, “He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.” The terror of the Lord is the wrath of God.

The Terror of the Lord is on LOST people:

Isaiah 13:11, “And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.”

Terror to Egypt:

Deuteronomy 10:17-18, “For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.”

Deuteronomy 26:8-9, “And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders: And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.” Notice God’s people did not get that terror: Egypt DID.

Terror in the Tribulation in Typology:

Job 6:4, “For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.”

Job 7:14-15, “Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions: So that my soul chooseth strangling, and death rather than my life.”

Job 20:25, “It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the glittering sword cometh out of his gall: terrors are upon him.”

Job 27:20, “Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.”

Job 30:15, “Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.”

Job 31:23. “For destruction from God was a terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure.”

God the Father as King:

Psalms 47:2, “For the LORD most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth.”

Psalms 66:5, “Come and see the works of God: he is terrible in his doing toward the children of men.” NOT on the Children of God.

Death is a Terror:

Job 24:17, “For the morning is to them even as the shadow of death: if one know them, they are in the terrors of the shadow of death.”

Psalms 55:4, “My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.”

God is a Terror but NOT to His people:

Psalms 68:35, “O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.”

The Desolation of the Abomination of The son of perdition is a terror:

Psalms 73:19, “How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.”

The Lord at the Second Coming:

Song of Songs 6:10, “Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?”

Isaiah 2:19, “And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.”

Isaiah 2:21, “To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.”

Isaiah 10:33, “Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature shall be hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.”

Joel 2:11, “And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?”

Joel 2:31, “The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.”

Lamentations 2:22, “Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD'S anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.”

God's people will be a Terror to the lost:

Isaiah 19:17, “And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.”

God calls somebody a terror:

Ezekiel 26:21, “I will make thee a terror, and thou shalt be no more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.”

Ezekiel 27:36, “The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt be any more.”

Ezekiel 28:19, “All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.”

Terror in the land of the living:

Ezekiel 32:23, “Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused terror in the land of the living.”

(Also in Ezekiel 32:24-27, 32 “...terror in the land of the living.”)

Romans 13:3-4, “For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.”

The Body of Christ is NOT the same as The Local Churches:

Revelation 2:7, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.”

Revelation 2:11, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.”

Revelation 2:17, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.”

Revelation 2:29, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto **the churches.**”

Revelation 3:6, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto **the churches.**”

Revelation 3:13, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto **the churches.**”

Revelation 3:22, “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto **the churches.**”

The Works of the Flesh:

Galatians 5:16, “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: **so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.** But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now **the works of the flesh are manifest**, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, **heresies**, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and **such like**: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, **that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.**”

Galatians 5:24-26, “And **they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh** with the affections and lusts. **If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.** Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.”

Galatians 6:7-8, “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: **for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.** For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.” Life Everlasting is NOT Everlasting Life:

Life Everlasting:

Luke 18:30, “Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and **in the world to come life everlasting.**” Life Everlasting is the inheritance in the world to come.

1 Timothy 1:16, “Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, **for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting.**” You must have Everlasting Life to ever hope to have Life Everlasting.

Everlasting Life:

John 3:36, “**He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life**: and **he that believeth not** the Son shall not see life; **but the wrath of God abideth on him.**” This is an immediate thing that happens to the sinner who believes on the Son.

John 5:24, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life**, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death

unto life.” It is not only immediate but it is something you have NOW and later. If you do not have Everlasting Life you can NEVER have Life Everlasting.

The Church proper: the Body of Christ:

- Transition 40 (one more than 39 for trials)
- Generation 40 (one more than 39 for trials)
- Paul’s Churches 7 (typology)
- John’s Churches 7 (typology)

$$40 + (40 \times 7 \times 7) = 2000$$

The Church starts at Christ’s Death, Burial & Resurrection: Hebrews 9:16-17, “For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be **the death of the testator**. For **a testament is of force after men are dead**: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.”

Christ was born on 1 AD and therefore was 30 in the year 31 AD and was 33 in the year 34 AD but was 33 ½ at His death within the year 35 AD. SO that by adding this to the above: 2000 + 35 = 2035 would be the latest date of the Rapture. There is no way of knowing this exactly because the actual dates are unknown between that time and now.

The Church:

	35 AD							Overlapping:	40		Start Year	End Year
1	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	75	355		
2	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	355	635		
3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	635	915		
4	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	915	1195		
5	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	1195	1475		
6	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	1475	1755		
7	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280	1755	2035		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1960	35	2035		

The age is typified by John’s Seven Churches and Paul’s Seven Churches in Forty year increments with an overlapping of Forty years. The fact still remains that Christ can come at any time for his Bride the Body of Christ called the Church. The time is ripe for the end of this age and while we are in the great falling away, it could be a lot worse; that man of sin has yet to be revealed the son of perdition who is the antichrist and the beast the false messiah. He will be revealed shortly before the rapture but only those that are students of the Bible will recognize him, because the Bible will show them who he is when he makes a covenant with Israel for seven years in the Fall, that next Spring will be the rapture; and then the next fall time he will confirm the covenant and the seven year tribulation will begin. He will then defile the sanctuary mid-tribulation after the first 3 ½ years in the spring proclaiming during the passover that he is

the messiah and sit on in the holy of holy places on the mercy seat: this is that abomination that maketh desolate; and the Lord will return from the wedding in the fall after another 3 ½ years in terror to this world.

You don't have to be here for the terror of the Lord: you can escape the wrath of God NOW!

The Church proper is the Body of Christ, as Eve was to Adam so the Church is to Christ and YOU can be part of this church if you will only Receive Jesus Christ as your personal saviour and His payment at the cross becomes effectual to YOU by your faith in him. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, "Therefore if **any** man be **in Christ**, he is a **new creature**: old things are passed away; behold, **all** things are become new. And all things are of God, **who hath reconciled us to himself** by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that **God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them**; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, **be ye reconciled to God**. For he hath made him **to be sin for us, who knew no sin**; that **we might be made the righteousness of God in him**."

So what are you waiting for? Receive Jesus Christ today: John 1:12-13, "But as many as **received** him, **to them** gave he power **to become the sons of God**, even to them that **believe** on his name: Which were **born**, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but **of God**." John 3:7, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, **Ye must be born again**." 1 Peter 1:23-25, "Being **born again**, not of corruptible seed, but **of incorruptible, by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But **the word of the Lord endureth for ever**. And **this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you**."

2 Corinthians 6:2, "(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, **now is the day of salvation**.)"

Romans 3:23-26, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; **Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus**: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation **through faith in his blood**, to declare his righteousness **for the remission of sins** that are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and **the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus**."

Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death; but **the gift of God is eternal life** through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Romans 10:9-10, "That if thou shalt **confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus**, and shalt **believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead**, **thou shalt be saved**. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Addendum:

The 7 X 7 Pan-Dynamic Matrix

	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	<u>John's Churches</u>
175	47	23	6	31	14	39	15	175	1. Ephesus
175	10	42	18	43	26	2	34	175	2. Smyrna
175	22	5	30	13	38	21	46	175	3. Pergamos
175	41	17	49	25	1	33	9	175	4. Thyatira
175	4	29	12	37	20	45	28	175	5. Sardis
175	16	48	24	7	32	8	40	175	6. Philadelphia
175	35	11	36	19	44	27	3	175	7. Laodicea
	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	
<u>Paul's Churches</u>	1. Romans	2. Corinthian	3. Galatians	4. Ephesians	5. Philippians	6. Colossians	7. Thessalonians		

The 7 X 7 Pan-Dynamic Matrix

	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	814	-74	-703	222	-407	518	-370	0
0	-555	629	-259	666	37	-851	333	0
0	-111	-740	185	-444	481	-148	777	0
0	592	-296	888	0	-888	296	-592	0
0	-777	148	-481	444	-185	740	111	0
0	-333	851	-37	-666	259	-629	555	0
0	370	-518	407	-222	703	74	-814	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

This 7 x 7 spreadsheet shows in a panoramic diagonal dynamic matrix a universal constant given the starting numeric -888 and an incrimination between each data set of 37 a center universe number: shows a construct of the church age where Jesus Christ PAID for ALL our sins by becoming sin for us. Notice the triple rip digits in this absolute universal truth which proves the Bible is absolutely True in the King James Bible. From 111 to 888 are found all the ages from the beginning to the ending.