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Matthew 6:33; 1 John 2:6;
2 Chronicles 16:9

APPROACH CHURCHES MUST TAKE NOW THAT THE ENDTIMES ARE SOON COMING

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GOD'S GOAL FOR OUR CHURCHES: God wants His people matured to the maximum in Christ-likeness so that they can relate to Him in eternity toward the maximum. Maturing His people is the main or really only “**OUTCOME**” job of the Church. Training in the Church to become mature is “**PROCEDURE**”.

OBSERVATION: Not caring for one's own people at high priority (to bring them mature in Christ-likeness) makes one worse than an infidel. One must have a higher priority to work with one's own people over reaching or working with new people (even though both must be done). The same is true for fathers in homes.

TODAY'S SITUATION: Signs now signal loudly that Revelation's endtimes Calamity and Tribulation can be very soon on our doorstep. Their coming is caused by our churches falling away. Many churches have degrees of falling away by not sufficiently maturing their people and adequately evangelizing the children in the community. They are using mainly or only fundamental training and rock-type music to draw the today's youth. (The structure of rock music came from voodooism and was used to call up evil spirits and demons. So is it of God?) Doing these things are signs the churches are falling away from God's best. The situation can be enhanced by being involved in some adultery and fornication. Some churches are using the hymns and similar music. Some churches are teaching good Bible content without teaching how to live the Christian life and to become mature in Christ. The older people use the great hymns to worship God. Some churches still have these. Some churches have both a traditional service with the hymns and also a contemporary service with the rock music.

RESULTS OF SUCH ACTION: This falling away is transforming our churches to become immature churches with a loss of biblical intellect and with a low plateau of biblical knowledge. This is satanic strategy for the endtimes. Churches generally do not realize their situation of falling away. They believe they are doing good by drawing the youth. This falling away in the United States, being God's endtimes favored nation, is helping to cause the endtimes Calamity and Tribulation to come. As time continues, when the older people die or are fewer in number who like the hymns, the hymn services will very likely discontinue. Many of our young people now when they leave high school are no longer attending church and still listen to rock music. When the Tribulation comes, people, being immature and not having been taught prophecy, will not know what is happening and very likely will fall away much further under the coming persecution.

CAUSES: Our church leaders do not appreciate God's absolute Greatness and Perfection such that they only work to become and do what He wants done, learned from the entire Bible. They know longer are enduring (knowing) sound doctrine. This is in turn caused by their not walking by sufficient faith to gain needed revelation of the Scriptures from God. They are trusting themselves more than God to work all things together for good.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Keep the hymn services and “in-depth training” in the church services. Brief all the people, especially those in the rock music services, of the dangers and bad effects of using rock music and provide a hymn service for those who will change to the hymns. Keep the rock music service for those who will not change. Remove all rock music from all the Sunday Schools through college and career. Provide Sunday evening discipleship training (e.g. 3 hours) to mature their people including young people in Christ-likeness and also to train new people with the fundamentals of the faith. Use CEF training materials in the lower Sunday School grades. Train the junior and senior high schools with Christian-life principles. Go all out, working with CEF, to establish tens and tens of after school Bible clubs to help evangelize and disciple the children in the communities.

PENALTIES FOR NOT TAKEN NEEDED ACTION: If we do not know and live by God's Greatness as He directs our lives, we will waste much of our lives. We will have forfeited having the greatest mature spiritual ability in Christ-likeness needed to know and interact with God in eternity. Apart from living maximumly with God, there is nothing. Leadership will be judged for their actions. Our people will be caught blind-sided and not being adequately trained to know what is happening when the endtimes come. They will not gain more needed maturity by standing strong under the coming persecution. They will have paid a most terrible eternal penalty.

WEBSITE REFERENCE: *The Endtimes Are Soon Coming: State of the Union Message: Special Love Letter-report to Our Church Elders; Important and Urgent Changes to Make.*