


<p>Christ-Centered</p>  <p>Biblical Training</p> <p>Matthew 6:33; 1 John 2:6; 2 Chronicles 16:9</p>	<p>August 2008 Newsletter Report</p> <p>Summary:</p> <p>The Most Important Jobs of the Church; Particularly Now That the Endtimes Are Unfolding (Are Here)</p> <p>by John M. Stephenson Biblical Worldview Ministries biblicalworldviewministries.com August 21, 2008</p>
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We, in my view, should work for excellence before God. We need to be outcome oriented for “all” of what God wants done “with complete descriptions” of the desired outcomes (as best we know from the Bible). *This is key if we are to live by all of God’s best.* Then ascribe tasks as procedures (using the Bible’s inputs) to accomplish the desired outcomes. Write out in detail how these tasks are to be accomplished, expecting leading from God. Place all on paper (In computer). Do not be mainly procedurally oriented. Work to accomplish the complete job God has put before us, being outcome oriented. (E.g. Work to evangelize complete local areas, not just do some evangelism. Work to mature our people, including our children and youth, in Christ in complete training toward the maximum we understand, not just disciple them in some degree to live Christ-like.) **This two-step procedure of being outcome and procedurally applies to all the following. (One must clearly understand, that if one is not outcome oriented with a complete description of the required outcome, one can use procedures that fall way short of what is needed to produce the needed outcome. Many of our churches are doing this.)**

- * **Appreciate God’s Absolute Greatness** such that one searches “the entire” Bible for all that God wants us to do and to the degree by which He wants things done. Then do them with excellence, thoroughness, and expediency - doing nothing else. Place all of them on a sheet of paper (in computer) and then ascribe tasks with schedules and workers. Have this write up available for all to read. Then update it as more understanding comes, including with inputs from others. ***Remember we glorify God by being obedient to what He has given to us (John 17:4). (God does not accept glory from us (John 5:41). Thus, we should do this task with excellence.*** (Study God’s Attributes. Download document on this topic from my website.)

As part of the above, list the commandments and principles that God wants us to obey and use. Train people to live them out so all can show a great love for God and abide in His love. This life is central. (Matthew 22:37-40; John 14:15; 15:9-10; See our web site first-cut report: *Living By God’s Righteousness* for a list of many commandments, promises to memorize, praise Psalms, leadership characteristics, etc..)

- * **Mature one’s people in high-skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness in relationship living** (living as Christ lives in relationship to the Father) as the goal or outcome (to the degree that you understand and pray for more understanding). Everything in thought and action must come from God the Father (now from His Bible) as a source. Disciple people to reach this maturity, living in head-subordinate relationships patterned after Christ’s walk with the Father. He did only what

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came from the Father as a source. Then when people saw Him, they saw the Father because from Himself as a source, He was doing nothing. We are to live this way. ***(Write out a detailed and compete description from the Scriptures of this relationship and how it is lived out. See the ppt charts on my web site: Christian-Life Relationship Principles.)*** (John 5:19-20; 14:7-11; 1 John 2:6; Hebrews 6:1)

The topics in this training should include: (1) The Basic Doctrines of the Christian Faith with God's Attributes; (2) The Plan of God for History to bring us to maturity in Christ (so that we can know and relate to Him in His depth-breadth) with the spiritual warfare and endtimes prophecy (See our web site report: *God's Plan over History for Man to Become Mature in Christ Needed to Eternally Know and Relate to Our Perfect God in His Greatness*); and (3) Christian-Life Relationship Principles (See Appendix One for needed topics and details needed in the training).

We walk in love of God keeping His commandments to live holy and righteous lives and to abide in Christ's love. We walk in love of others serving them sacrificially. We walk by faith trusting God to fulfill His promises (work all things together for our good) to live without sin and to gain more revelation from God of His Holy Scriptures. We activate our faith by obeying the instructions with the promises. (In all of this, we are doing nothing from ourselves as a source.) (Romans 8:28; 2 Peter 1:1-11)

We must remember that teaching mainly Bible content and doctrines, Church history, the chaos of the cults, etc., however important, does not bring maturity in Christ as a life, even though very important in our minds for needed background and stand. We must train them with the principles for how to live out the Christian life as Christ lives, walk by love, and walk by faith, etc. as described in Appendix One.

We must observe that the maturity we have at death we may have forever. The reason we are now on earth is to develop this maturity so we can relate to God toward the maximum in eternity. There is no Bible teaching that teaches our maturity is fixed forever at death, but there are many indicators that imply this, such as: (1) the entire Bible history period is for this purpose; (2) the needed developing environment of the world, flesh, and the devil used now is not allowed in heaven, and (3) when we make mistakes now, we sin, and there will be no sin in heaven.

- * **Work with other churches to evangelize our "entire" local areas with the (true) Gospel.** Evangelize the areas that God leads us to do as our part and with the methods He leads us to use. Also support missionaries, including financially, as they minister in other areas - local and foreign. We should reach out and help the needy locally and world wide. Many are sick, even in the hospital, and without jobs. Many families have needs. ***(We should encourage all missionaries to have jobs now that endtimes are coming. Financial support then will reduce.)*** (Matthew 24:14; Mark 13:10; 16:15; Romans 1:16 with 1 Corinthians 15:14)
- * **Work urgently with "high" priority to reach, evangelize, and disciple children and youth,** bringing them to maturity in Christ, walking by strong faith in God to lead their lives. Work with other churches and organizations such as CEF and ***establish many-many after-school Bible clubs.*** (Luke 18:16) (Remember 85% or more people come to Christ in ages 4-14; 99% come before one leaves college.)
- * **Design Church worship services to bring "maximum worship and praise" to God in Truth**

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and in Spirit (John 4:24) (from His viewpoint) using biblical methods that the people understand and in which they can participate - do so as a higher priority over what people like if necessary. Use the great hymns of the faith and **avoid** using the devil's rock loud dominate beat music. This music came from voodooism. We should brief our people, including our youth, on the source and dangers of using rock music. I have reports on this subject. (What kind of lives to those have who use rock music outside the Church?) Use music with lyrics that have biblical content. Variety can be used. (As led, one can have "other" worship services using more modern music to draw and evangelize the youth.) (Also avoid speaking in tongues. No one has spoken in biblical tongues since the first century AD.)

- * **Work for unity among all church attenders** to the degree one can including the understanding of doctrine, Church life, and the music used. (Psalm 133:1; John 17:23; Colossians 3:14)
- * **Brief and warn all Church people, including our children and youth, that the endtimes Tribulation will soon come, how the endtimes will unfold, and what can happen to them. Help them prepare logistically and walking by strong faith. Teach them about endtimes prophecy. (Do this even if you believe you will miss the Tribulation, in the case you can be wrong. Our reports, when considering over 40 doctrines, show the Bible teaches clearly there will be an endtimes Tribulation and the Rapture comes at Christ's Second Coming after the Tribulation.)** Place all the church people into small home support groups with people living near each other. This is needed for the endtimes.

The coming of the calamity that will bring the endtimes Tribulation is imminent, not the Rapture. The Rapture comes at Christ's Second Coming after the Tribulation. We need to brief and warn our people or they can be caught blind sided and unprepared when the calamity comes suddenly without warning in a whirlwind and sudden destruction. **Signs all around us now signal the calamity can come at any time. The events in the Tribulation will be much-much-much worse than most realize.** (Read our July and August newsletters for details for what to expect and what very likely will happen. See our web site report on the endtimes and it sequence: *The Pattern View of Prophecy.*)

(Do not under any circumstances: (1) continue church life as if the current times will continue long term; and (2) not train your people to become mature in Christ, especially the children and youth, to the maximum you understand for the sake of now, going into the Tribulation, and for eternity.)

APPENDIX ONE Training Topics for Living-Out Christian-Life Relationship Principles

The curriculum in Christian-Life Relationship Principles for living as Christ lives in order to gain maturity in Christ, in my view and experience, should include at least the topics presented below and taught by those who have raised families and have lived out many of them. One should teach from both knowledge and experience. (I have raised a family employing many of these teachings and have taught these over the years. I would appreciate any comments and inputs you may have regarding or to add to these.)

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(1) The Attributes and Character Qualities of God in His Greatness; (2) God's Goal for People: Mature High-Skill Spiritual Ability in Christ-Likeness; (3) Learning to Live Life Patterned After the Father and Son Relationship; (4) Head-Subordinate Relationships in all of life; (5) Building Strong Families, Patterned After Christ's Walk With the Father; (6) Living by Faith; Claiming and Using the Promises; (7) Living Testings and Sufferings that Develop our Faith; (8) Living by the Love that Keeps God's Commandments and serves each other sacrificially; (9) Living by Hope that Keeps One Sexually Pure; (10) Learning and Living Necessary Attitudes, Leadership Character Qualities, Beatitudes, and Doctrines; (11) Having a Strong Prayer Life; (12) Living God's Way Under Spiritual Warfare; (13) Learning to Teach, Lead, Witness, and Evangelize; (14) Establishing and Operating Small Home Groups; (15) Recognizing and Correcting Spiritual Problems, Counseling (based on spiritual laws in biblical head-subordinate relationships); and (16) Methods and Devotions that Develop Our Personal Walk with God.

TRAINING CHARTS: See my ppt training charts on our web site under **TRAINING** entitled *Christian-Life Relationship Principles*. **We can give seminars for training using these with updated charts. We can do this also on endtimes Bible prophecy.**

TRAINING INGREDIENTS OF THE ABOVE TOPICS (We should train, not just teach): Each topic has a depth-breadth and "the training" should include teaching the what to's, the how to's, examples for how we live out the principles, testimony for how one lived them out, and some form of on-the-job training. One can use case studies for which to apply Scripture. ***All the topics should include the leading and teaching by the Holy Spirit. One must gain or have "EXPERIENCE" in living them out for one to become mature (perfect and complete) in Christ - not just have knowledge of the Scriptures and doctrines.***

APPENDIX TWO

What Is Happening Now and What Can Happen as The Endtimes Unfold

Our churches are doing many good things, but their in-depth training and sharing of the Gospel is falling away. Churches are teaching mostly first-level (pabulum) if that, particularly to the youth. (One should check their teaching topics against the list above in Appendix One.) We are developing the immature Church with a loss of biblical intellect and with a low plateau of biblical knowledge. Our churches are being (have been) transformed away from God's best for endtimes purposes. Our public schools are also dumbing down. This is satanic strategy for the endtimes to change the nation, and for God to allow him to bring world government.

When the endtimes Tribulation comes, we will go under world government. It will make war with Christians with persecution, incarceration, and martyrdom. It bring a type of controlled socialism. All real estate will be confiscated. All children and youth will be educated satanically by the state for world religion and rule. Parents will not be able to do anything about it. With a stock market crash and confiscation of real estate, the middle class, losing their savings, will become the poor. All will need jobs. See our web site newsletters for June and August for details. ***We need to train our children and youth now with urgency while we still can in freedom.*** (But will your (and my) church get and understand this message and act now, with urgency? Or will it be caught blind sided and unprepared?)