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ORIENTATION TO THIS SUMMARY REPORT

We need to know God's purpose for our lives and live it out. We are here to become Christians and then to pursue great maturity in Christ-likeness, living as He does with all direction for life coming from God the Father via the Holy Spirit. This so we can know and relate to God in His depth-breadth now, but especially in eternity. This will allow us to live the only perfect life that exists for all eternity. We will fellowship with and enjoy God and each other forever. However, we need to know that Revelation's endtimes are now unfolding. Our churches are now falling away and thus will go through the endtimes for divine discipline. We need to make changes and prepare with urgency. This report presents the many-many aspects to know and their integration needed to gain an understanding of the big world picture of what is and what will be happening and why as the endtimes are unfolding. There is no short cut to discovering and integrating all the major aspects. We have done the work and present these major aspects so you can learn them in a shorter time and have a more correct view and deeper understanding of our purpose on earth and how endtimes Bible prophecy unfolds. For this purpose, this report is organized in sequence as follows:

- 1. SUMMARY LIST OF TODAY'S BIG PICTURE ISSUES DISCUSSED IN THE REPORT:** This part lists the main issues that we need to know and will be discussed. It gives us an orientation to the issues so we can know what is involved.
- 2. PRELIMINARY, INTRODUCTION, REPORT PURPOSE, AND KEY ITEMS:** This part gives one the needed background to understand the main report.
- 3. THE MAIN REPORT: SUMMARY REPORT OF "NEED-TO-KNOW" MAJOR ASPECTS IN THE BIBLICAL BIG PICTURE:** This part discusses the major issues one at a time in detail so we can understand and integrate them together. Recommendations are given for what our churches should be doing now and how they are falling away. It presents the endtimes sequence and what we will experience as it unfolds. It gives a clear presentation for when the Rapture can only come.
- 4. REFERENCES:** A list of my must-read references are presented from which data in this report is presented. My book *Watchman Warning* is also presented. These should be read next after reading this summary. All of these are free from my website: biblicalworldviewministries.com.

Because of the contents and the current world situation, this report could be one of the most important documents you might ever read for this point in time. (While preparing and editing this document, it must be God's will and important to Him because I have never seen so many things change or cancelled so I could have maximum time to prepare this document.)

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1. SUMMARY LIST OF TODAY'S BIG PICTURE ISSUES DISCUSSED IN THE REPORT

(This list is included to give readers a quick picture of the report contents and major issues.)

This document is a summary allowing us to more quickly see and appreciate the big picture. The detailed development from the Scriptures is found in the referenced documents listed at the report's end. If we included the detailed development in this document, it would be tens of pages longer.

One must know and integrate many doctrines and subjects to learn the big picture of what is now and will be happening in our world in these endtimes. Please read this entire report before drawing conclusions. The many issues when integrated together can very likely effect the way we see things and enlighten us to what is actually happening from a biblical perspective and have us take action.

We are to appreciate God's absolute and infinite Greatness so that we will search the entire Bible for **ALL** the aspects for what we are to become being mature in Christ-likeness and for **ALL** the aspects for how we get there. This will include doing ministry and living to glorify God. Then we are to do these and nothing else. Then we will have God's best for what He has planned for all aspects of life.

The main reason we are on the earth is to gain this maximum mature high-skill spiritual-ability in Christ-likeness so we can know and relate to God the Father (and Christ) in His depth-breadth in eternity. This is so we can live perfect holy and righteous lives and fellowship with and enjoy Him (and ourselves) forever. Everything for life is to come from our perfect God as a source. Apart from this relationship, there is nothing. Is your church on this course? What would make you think so?

We are in great spiritual warfare that is being used to develop our maturity in Christ. Christ works to have the elect believe and accomplish God's chosen work. Satan works to prevent these. There are many strategies in this warfare. Many of our churches to a large extent are now implementing some of Satan's strategies without their realization or desire, thus, causing a falling away. At the same time, they are not adequately carrying out Christ's requirements as another cause of falling away.

The Rapture can only occur after the endtimes Tribulation when at that time all people who are to live will have lived and will have made formal and binding decisions to accept or deny the Gospel. No one is born or saved after the Rapture. The Rapture can only come after the tares are bundled for the fire in the endtimes great Tribulation under the mark-of-the-beast. The Church, now the bride of Christ in a legal pre-marriage arrangement, goes to live with Him now as His live-in wife via the Rapture at the marriage supper of the Lamb at Christ's Second Coming after the endtimes Tribulation. Thus, the Rapture is Post-Tribulational.

We are now in the early phases of Revelation's endtimes sequence. Few understand this sequence because it is indirectly taught in the Bible. This endtimes sequence is similar to the ones God used with Old Testament Israel. Our country is falling away towards world government because our churches, according to the sequence, being the primary cause, are falling away. They are no longer using God's whole counsel and endure sound doctrine. Many have a form of godliness, but deny its power. The only thing that can change or effect the current direction of United States' course to socialism is that we have a massive revival in our churches, if it comes soon enough. But such a revival is very unlikely because our churches are being (have been) transformed to become an immature church with a loss of biblical intellect and with a low plateau of Bible knowledge. Thus, we and our churches will go under world government in Revelation's endtimes for divine discipline and be raptured afterward. However, most Christians will be martyred in the Tribulation before the Rapture comes.

The dumbing down of our church training and using rock music to reach the youth has been transforming our churches to become this immature church with a loss of biblical intellect and with a

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low plateau of Bible knowledge. As a result of the transforming process, few of our youth and young people now know the Bible in any depth-breadth. The Bible, in practice, is being taken away. This is part of satanic strategy. Another part of this strategy is to teach Bible content and Christian-Faith Doctrines without also teaching how to live the Christian life and become involved in outreach ministry.

All believers, both Jews and Gentiles, are the Church and single body of Christ, and are to pursue maturity to know and relate to God. Christ is now married to the Church and no longer to Israel. This report presents the situation now with Israel. There are no future exclusive Jewish periods coming.

We must now urgently warn, alert, mature, and prepare our people for going soon into the endtimes Tribulation or they will be caught blind sided as the Calamity (that brings the Tribulation) comes suddenly without warning. Few now appear to know the details of endtimes Bible prophecy.

The current signs are similar to those that were in Old Testament Israel in her sequence just before Babylon invaded and placed her under the rule of Babylon. Only God knows the timing, but the time remaining in freedom before the Calamity comes can be very short. Thus, we must act with urgency and priority, and do things in a "much-much shorter time period" than normal. We must particularly train and mature our children. We must now urgently evangelize and disciple the children in the community.

We need to be concerned more about what we are becoming (outcome) than what we are doing (procedure), though both must be done. We can do many things, even in our churches, and have much Bible knowledge, without becoming mature and evangelizing. What matters is the source of what we do (from God or from us), not so much what we do. We can only live without sin and in perfect lives if everything we are thinking and doing comes from God directly or in application of the Scriptures as directed by God. Then, we will be living by love and by faith, not just doing things. We must take care of our own people in priority over reaching new people, even though both must be done.

2. PRELIMINARY, INTRODUCTION, REPORT PURPOSE, AND KEY ITEMS (Preliminary to the Main Report)

PLEASE CAREFULLY NOTE: We are no longer in cyclic history. We must thoroughly understand we are now in Revelation's special endtimes sequence under great spiritual warfare between Christ and Satan that is leading to history's termination. God is using the United States as a favored nation in this sequence. According to the sequence rules, the endtimes are coming to bring divine discipline on our churches for their falling away in the favored nation and as a method to terminate history. The problem is that our churches generally do not appear by their lack of action to recognize their condition and do not realize the endtimes are very soon coming that will place us under world government in the Tribulation. This situation and the sequence will be explained. The understanding of this sequence and what our churches should do now to have God's best for now and eternity are major themes in this summary overview report. (When referring to churches in a general sense, we mean those in the United States. When referring to country or our country we mean the United States.)

PURPOSE: This summary report's purpose (targeted to church and family leaders with responsibility for others and all Christians) is to present our perspective of the big picture to point the way to have maturity in Christ and be prepared for the soon-coming endtimes. It is to present our view of what biblically is really happening now and why in the United States and world today to bring added value to the Church that I love and serve under God. Our purpose is not to criticize, but to bring a red alert

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and information where churches can examine themselves and make needed urgent changes before the endtimes come. Our purpose is to bring a watchman warning that the current signs signal the endtimes are soon coming (only God knows the time). This is so we can and will take immediate and urgent action to know and implement God's best with excellence. (It is best to take immediate action whether or not Revelation's endtimes are imminent or a few years yet to come. **I cannot say this strong enough. If churches wait to get "definitive information" about the timing and the fact of the calamity coming which they will not get, before they act and warn, their people will be caught blind sided.** It is better to be prepared a few years early than one second too late.) It is to inform that the endtimes are soon coming that will place us under world government. **Again, whatever has been our past, we should now help each other work with excellence under the Holy Spirit to have God's best in our lives to have the best future we can have. This what this summary is all about.**

CONTENT: Read this summary document to gain an understanding of God's plan for human history and for us to have **GOD'S BEST** for now as these endtimes are unfolding and especially for eternity. There are many-many aspects to grasp, understand, and integrate. It takes time. So most very likely are not searching for them. **We have done the work for you. This summary may be a bit long, but because of our situation, take the time to urgently read it all to gain the urgent need-to-know information. Please pray for what you will do and not do as the endtimes unfold. (A Calamity is coming with great war, plague, famine, and much chaos particularly in the United States that will place us under Revelation's endtimes world government - in the endtimes Tribulation. There will be great war in the Middle East with Israel and in other parts of the world.) We are attempting to guide, for how we see things, but we cannot be responsible for your actions or lack of them. We will help all we can.**

Many doctrines in this summary report were taken from my many referenced documents. Read next, with urgency, my referenced "detailed" website 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 then the other referenced documents. This detailed report provides: (1) the Scriptural basis and development for God's plan for history, including for how the events of Revelation unfold, and what has and will happen to Israel; (2) what is and will be happening and what we will experience as the endtimes are unfolding; (3) the details of the spiritual warfare between Christ and Satan; and (4) what we must believe and do in our churches and families to interact with God to have His best, including gaining maximum maturity in Christ. **(This summary document summarizes these aspects and more.)** God's plan for us to know and relate to Him and for history (for us) should be known and lived out by all Christians. Otherwise, we may have less in eternity than what God has planned and desires for us. **We should aim to have and live out God's best in every area of our lives.**

BACKGROUND: When we study the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, we learn that one most important major primary purpose for our being on the earth is to train to become maximumly mature in high skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness. **(When we use the word maturity or becoming mature we mean to train in the trials and testings of life to gain or have gained a maximum mature high-skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness living as He does with everything for life's direction coming from God the Father through the Holy Spirit as a source. We realize there are many skill levels. As Christians, we will**

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generally have different skill levels (maturities) of walking with Christ.) This is so we can know and relate to our infinite and perfect God in His depth-breadth now and especially in eternity toward His maximum, living by His holiness and righteousness. This is the only perfect life for us that exists. **A needed curriculum of minimum training topics to help us gain this maturity is presented later. As is emphasized many times, apart from this eternal intimate relationship with God and Christ, there is nothing. Thus, we must learn to walk how Christ walks, and also by faith, and by sacrificial love. These aspects and more are discussed in this report.** In heaven, God will direct all our thoughts and actions because we are created beings, and He has and is all the perfection that exists. We are to train for this now. We are here now to observe the greatest sacrificial love that we know exists which was demonstrated by our Lord dying on the Cross. We need to live by this sacrificial love so we will obey God and serve others to the maximum as He directs us to keep His commandments and His ways. We will walk by faith that He exists and will trust Him to fulfill His promises. Because God the Father is always present everywhere that exists, we cannot see Him (His form) now or in eternity with our eyes. We have to walk by faith both now and in eternity that He exists and that He will carry out His promises to us. We can see Him through the Lord Jesus Christ as He reveals Him to us as He lives out His life. As we live out what the Father is living in us, people will see the Father in us. Thus, the Father reveals Himself as we live out His thoughts and needed actions in us. This is the only way we can know (see) the Father. We will know and obey the instructions with the promises to have activated faith. When we do, we live without sin and gain revelation of the Bible and His ways. Then, doing these and more, we will fellowship with Him and each other for eternity. We should praise God and be most thankful that we exist for living a perfect life under God and can know and fellowship with Him for eternity. Our church people need to encourage one another to fully realize the above concepts and ensure all of us are on the required course that God has planned. We can write them in a computer and update them as we learn more. This is what I try to do. We can gain much input from each other. I continually learn from others.

OUR CHURCH AND COUNTRY SITUATION: Our churches today in the United States, by what they are doing and not doing, most likely do not understand the big picture and where things are now actually going and why. They do not appear to understand the endtimes sequence for how and why God is using it to end history or recognize the signs that signal the soon coming Tribulation. They do not appear to understand to a sufficient degree of what God wants us to become in Christ-likeness and be adequately lived out. (How many of us know how to train our people under God to develop maturity (and are doing so) to the greater skill levels and have written the needed training topics and methods down? Like gaining a college degree, we must take and pass certain subjects. Likewise there are topics we must know and live out to become experientially maximumly mature in Christ. So, what are they?) All of us must now do self evaluation and make needed changes urgently.

ORIENTATION: Our churches today appear to be more "procedure" than "outcome" oriented. They work for some spiritual growth without aiming at maximum maturity. They appear not to have a good description of maximum maturity (to the degree we can understand) so they know the topics for how to get there. If people are mature, they will live out the topics for how to get there. (They will live out the topics they know.) Because of the situation, many of our churches are not reaching the maximum maturity they otherwise could have. (See our reference document for basic understanding, good training, and many characteristics of mature Christians: *Keys to Becoming Mature in Christ-likeness In Godly Relationship Living* for inputs on both procedure and outcome. Inputs were taken from others.)

MAJOR THEME: The time left for our action in freedom before Revelation's endtimes

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Tribulation comes appears to be very short indeed. We must not work and live (as we appear to be wrongly doing) as if the present good times will continue indefinitely. They, in our view, will not. Our churches in the United States as God's endtimes favored nation are falling away causing our country to fall away and world government to soon come that will make war against them. Then our training time in freedom will be taken away. **The "only thing" that can change the country's direction (or slow it down) of falling away is to have a massive revival of her churches. (We must work with the cause of our country's falling away.) Working to change the United States government may slow things down, but it will not and can not stop the endtimes world government from coming.**

Our churches may not recognize their falling away until after they begin to search the Bible by faith for more of what God wants them to do. Their falling away is caused by several things that will be explained. But key causes include they no longer endure sound doctrine and are not pursuing all of God's will - His best. They are determining much of the rules and their direction instead of searching out and obeying God's commands allowing Him to more effectively direct and work all things together for good.

THE SITUATION: In our view, the above is happening because our church leaders, in varying degrees, not sufficiently appreciating God's infinite Greatness, are not eternity oriented and do not sufficiently know and/or are carrying out all or a majority of God's required plans. For example, churches work to gain the youth (e.g. numbers) without adequately training and maturing their own people. They work more on their church property than in the community. Some churches teach good Bible content and the Christian faith doctrines without also training how to live the Christian life and become mature in Christ and do outreach evangelism. God is looking for people after His own heart that will do **ALL** His will and work. The Lord Jesus said that He glorified His Father in heaven by doing and accomplishing **ALL** the work that His Father asked Him to do. How well are we actually glorifying God, doing all of God's work that we know and are searching for that we do not know. **If leaders are too busy to do this, they should (must) find qualified people who can and will. This must be done if we want God's best in our lives and churches.**

This report presents and discusses the above introduced situations. **The concept now is that regardless of our past, we should work now to have the very best under God that we can have. This includes doing all the work and training that God has asked us to do.** I present my understanding of the situation using God's gifting and my training as a system engineer always searching for the complete and total big picture. (We may not be right and/or complete in all things.)

MANY-MANY ASPECTS: There are, as presented, many topics and doctrines to learn, know, and integrate to understand what is happening and why. To know and understand the big picture in depth-breadth, please read the referenced documents (listed at the end). They provide the details, development, and Scripture basis. **They present our view based and founded on harmonizing over 40 Bible doctrines. Much is learned by combining Scriptures - comparing Scripture with Scripture. Much is learned by combining Scriptures from different parts of the Bible. Not doing this can greatly limit our understanding. These Scriptures have to be searched for and found. We generally will search for these Scriptures to answer our questions that come from our studies.**

These documents and this summary give God's plan for history, the strategies in the spiritual warfare between Christ and Satan, the situation now with Israel, what the Cross accomplished in addition to justification, how the endtimes unfold, and the minimum

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training needed to become mature in Christ-likeness needed for eternity. Please read and re-read this entire summary report, integrating all the many aspects, before drawing overall conclusions. Please overlook occasional redundancy. Many topics needed the same background. Some redundancy of the most important items "brings important" emphasis and re-enforcement. Please overlook the redundancy.

THE ENDTIMES: As stated, we are now in a special endtimes sequence planned by God as His way to terminate history. We are no longer in cyclic history. According to the endtimes sequence, the United States is now working to bring socialism and the endtimes are soon coming because our United States churches are falling away from God's required obedience and His best and excellence, going much their own way. **As being emphasized, now that we are in the endtimes sequence, the only thing that can change things is that our United States churches have massive revival. Working to change the government may slow things down, but it will not work to change the outcome.** These happenings and sequence will be explained.

This information is presented so we can understand to the degree we can of the multifaceted situation both for now and eternity. This is so we can make needed preparations for what is coming, and work **with excellence** to have God's best in our lives and churches, both for now but especially for eternity, before the endtimes come. **As being shared, churches are now wrongly working peacefully without warning and alerting their people as if the current good times will continue long term without any sudden soon-coming endtimes Calamity. This is a most terrible mistake. The calamity will come "suddenly," and as stated, with war, plague, famine, and chaos in a whirlwind without warning apart from the signs and the watchman's warning.** (The situation might not matter as much if we were already maximumly maturing our people and evangelizing the children in the community. But we must have stored provisions.)

THE ENDTIMES SEQUENCE: The secret to understanding what is now and will be happening is to determine (discover) that the coming endtimes unfold in the United States and world in a similar sequence that happened to Old Testament Israel. This allows us to recognize the signs of the soon-coming Calamity and endtimes Tribulation and what very likely will happen when they come. This sequence is "discovered" by comparing aspects in Revelation with those in Old Testament Israel. There is a match. There definitely is an endtimes Tribulation and the Rapture will be Post-Tribulational. This sequence is summarized later and is developed in detail in Chapter 5 of my book: *Watchman Warning*. This chapter is on my website. The book and chapter are available free. Other secrets are to realize that both Jewish and Gentile believers comprise the Church and single body of Christ. Together, Jewish and Gentile believers are to pursue maturity in Christ-likeness to know and relate to God now and especially in eternity.

GREEK ARTICLE: The Greek Bible uses the article (the) with the Coming, Appearance, and Revelation of Christ. This means there is but one "the" Coming, one "the" Appearance, and one "the" Revelation of Christ. Thus, there are not two Second Comings of Christ that would be required for a Pre-Tribulation Rapture. This teaching alone precludes a Pre-Tribulation Rapture.

GAINING SACRIFICIAL LOVE: One main reason we are on the earth is to learn and live by the greatest sacrificial love that we know exists that was demonstrated by Christ (with God the Father) on the Cross. Christ died on the Cross to do the Father's will even though He preferred not to go the Cross. He obeyed His Father because He was His perfect head and Christ loved Him infinitely. As

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a result of death to Himself, this allowed both He and the Father to bring great service to us from their love by Christ satisfying God's justice for our sin. Thus, for us to live by sacrificial love, we will die to our will and carry out the Father's will (He being our head) that will bring benefit to others. We will do this because we love the Father and others. We must die to self will for this to happen if it is different from the Father's. This is necessary to become maximumly mature in Christ-likeness. This is so we can know and relate to our most perfect God in His depth and breadth in eternity and be there for each other, living the most perfect life that exists forever. When we do, we are also living by faith that God will bring the needed results. We will keep the commandments because we love God with our total being and because doing so activates our faith. Then we live without sin and gain revelation from God. Keeping the commandments we live holy and righteously and get to know and relate to God. We must know the commandments. (Then it will be our perfect and infinite God all in all.) We are to learn to live this way now. It brings a perfect sinless life. Of course we will learn much more in heaven when much-much more will be revealed to us.

MAJOR ISSUE: The issue is not always what we do, but the source of what we do. Did the concept come from us or from God (direct Bible teaching or an application of Bible teaching). Are we taking faith-action steps to determine God's will in aspects of our life. When we act in charge and/or do less than God desires, we sin. We must die to self rule and walk by faith that God is directing our steps in all things. We can only live holy and righteously when He, as we allow Him, is in charge effecting our lives. Thus, we should put God in charge of our lives. We can present ourselves daily as a living sacrifice and as an instrument of righteousness. Christians can establish what they are doing apart from God's direction. Doing this, we inadvertently are attempting wrongly to work all things together for good ourselves. This is one reason our churches are falling away and no longer endure sound doctrine.

HUMAN CAPABILITIES: Many Christians are extremely bright and/or gifted with talents that are gifts from God. We did not earn them, even though we respond to Him to develop them. We must not take credit for them or use them as if we are in charge and run our own lives. Instead God plans to use them under His direction and authority to help accomplish His will now on earth, We are to use these capabilities, in a humble way, being submissive to His authority, not to act in charge.

3.THE MAIN REPORT: SUMMARY REPORT OF "NEED-TO-KNOW" MAJOR ASPECTS (TOPICS) IN THE OVERALL BIBLICAL BIG PICTURE

(The needed topics are presented one at a time and then integrated to gain the overall picture.)

BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD: There is but one infinite and perfect God the Father. There is but one Lord Jesus Christ that represents and lives out God the Father's absolute perfection. The Lord Jesus Christ is the visible and perfect image of the invisible God. He lives a life of the absolute perfection of God the Father without any sin or darkness of any kind or amount. Both have pre and eternal existence. All of life must come from them to and for us to live perfect lives without sin. This is what our perfect and infinite God has planned. The Bible teaches we are to live as Christ lives, and what He is working in us. He only lived out what came from God the Father as a source, nothing from Himself as a source. He was dead to self rule. When people saw Him, they saw God the Father. We are to live this way. Then, when people observe us, they do not see us (because nothing is coming from ourselves as a source), but instead from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. This happens when we die to self. Then, it will be God all in all. (Today from the Bible directly or in a God led application.) Living this way is the only and most perfect life that exists for us humans.

Thus, we are here now on earth to gain this maximum maturity in Christ-likeness so that we can relate

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to and know our most perfect God in His greatness (His depth and breadth) throughout eternity when much more of His glory will be revealed to us. It is so we can relate to each other in a righteous, holy, and loving way. He is and has the only perfection that exists. And He is infinite in all perfect aspects, attributes, and character qualities that exist without any sin or darkness of any kind or any amount. **Apart from relating to Him and to each other through Christ, there is nothing.** Even though having many insights, none of us have all the aspects, but we can work together to help each other having different backgrounds and different spiritual gifting. I regularly read the works of others for insight. God reveals much to us as we walk in faith-obedience. We must train to become maximumly mature so that He directs all our thoughts and actions to the greatest. In heaven, nothing will come from us as a source. (When we became Christians, we received a new divine nature that cannot sin. It needs to be trained to respond to God, living as Christ lives. The new nature now legally represents us and it cannot act as an independent source. With this new divine nature that does not sin, we have eternal security in Christ - we cannot lose our eternal life salvation. We still have our depraved natures which no longer legally represent us. We sin when we use it.) We will respond to Him using our divine natures in obedience because we love Him. This is why we need now to live by great love, appreciating His infinite Greatness. We love Him for who and what He is. This is one great reason the Bible teaches that not having love, we are nothing. All that we have as good came and will come from Him. We need to ensure we are accomplishing, including in application, what He wants done both for now and in preparation for the soon coming endtimes and later in heaven.

BACKGROUND: Christ died on the Cross for all sin committed before our becoming Christians. With our divine natures that legally represent us as Christians we do not and can not sin. But with our depraved natures we do. When we sin using these natures, we should confess this sin and the blood of Christ keeps on cleansing us from all sin.

KEY ITEMS: We must thoroughly understand three items: (1) The Bible (original manuscripts and accurately translated Bibles - no paraphrase Bibles) under God is God's only highest authority on earth (no religion or church can be or nor any leaders in them can be, but people chosen of God can represent that authority (under the Bible's authority) such as pastors, teachers, and missionaries); (2) We must receive Christ as Savior with activated faith only according to the Bible as an efficacious (a totally complete) event and work (not according to any church and or any religion - one cannot add anything to it such as water baptism or joining a church), in order to go to heaven in and for eternity - one can activate their faith in Christ's death on the Cross by praying to God that they believe the Gospel as only presented in the Bible; and (3) God is infinite and perfect so if we love Him in His Greatness, we need to gain a maximum maturity in Christ-likeness to have the spiritual ability to know and relate to Him in more of His Greatness. There is no Bible teaching that states our maturity can or will increase in heaven. And, as presented, apart from knowing and relating to God, there is nothing. So we must not limit the degree we can know God in eternity by not adequately obeying God's command to pursue maximum maturity now. (So how do we do this?)

OUR SPIRITUAL MATURITY AT DEATH: Even though the Bible does not teach it directly, the maturity we have at death and at the Rapture, we will very likely have forever. The development environment, used now to develop and test our maturity, of the world, the flesh, and the devil, will not be in heaven. The devil, himself, will not be in heaven. We will have no sin natures in heaven. They are removed from us as we enter heaven. Thus, we cannot sin (make mistakes). We are commanded to pursue this maturity now (having great maturity we will have the best life we can have from God). We need to help each other get there). Are you and your church, with excellence, seeking maximum maturity in Christ-likeness now, as God commands, regardless of His plans for its use? (What would

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make us think we are doing so?) (What is required to do so?) There is nothing else. We must be on the course to gain maturity for no other reason than God commands that we do. He may use it in different ways than we can know now. (Again, what are the needed topics? What are our characteristics when we are mature in Christ? Can you write a list of these of what constitutes maturity and how we get there? (Inputs and insights can be found in my reference document: *Keys to Becoming Mature in Christ-likeness In Godly Relationship Living.*)

URGENT THINGS: Some of these things we, as churches and families, should now do with urgency are to: (1) warn and alert our people of the soon coming Calamity and endtimes Tribulation, train them urgently with endtimes prophecy and what they can experience as the endtimes Calamity and Tribulation come, and help them prepare so they will not be suddenly caught blind-sided as they come; (2) mature our people (including our children and youth) to the maximum skill levels in Christ-likeness (how to live the Christian life) to the greatest we understand and pray for more understanding with a sufficient curriculum representing an adequate (very large) version of God's Whole Counsel (the apostle Paul said that he was not guilty of the people's blood for he gave them God's Whole Counsel or Purpose); (3) maximumly evangelize and disciple the children (and adults) in the community at "very high priority urgently" (One can work with Child Evangelism Fellowship to establish tens and tens of after-school and summer 5 day Bible clubs.); (4) avoid using loud rock-type repetitive syncopated beat structured music. **(Not doing the above are signs of falling away.) We can use other contemporary music including also fun, gospel, and praise. With proper fun music, we can even dance and move around before the Lord.** Research shows that the loud drum beat structure of rock music (pagan music) was used in Voodooism to call up evil spirits and demons. It is demonic. **(If church leaders would personally themselves investigate the source of rock music, and how it was used in Voodooism, they would never use it anywhere in the church ever again.)** (One cannot, in my understanding, become maximumly mature in Christ if they sit regularly under loud beat rock music.) (I realize that many do not agree.) Many of our high school kids listen to rock type and contemporary music all week.

MINISTRY SIGNS: A sign we are adequately maturing our people is that many are now somewhere in ministry and serving others from love sacrificially. This can be a growth process. A sign we are doing adequate evangelism is that we will have regular water baptisms of many new converts. (How many of your people are now joining the ministry? How many water baptisms does your church have say in six months. I know of some churches that have hardly any. Is your or my church actually doing much evangelism?)

OUR CHURCH MUSIC SITUATION: The Bible teaches that in the endtimes, (we are there now), people will not be able to tell the difference between the holy and the profane. In my view, using the beat structure of loud repetitive syncopated rock beat music is profane. Does God listen to the music? When God's people fall away, God does not listen to their music. **When we stand (and kneel) before Christ in eternity, will we sing *How Great Thou Art* or dance and wave our arms to rock beat music? You know my answer? So if not then, then why do it now? (Do we attempt to please now, God or self?)**

Having and using drums is not the problem. The problem lies in how they are played and used. There were percussion instruments used in the Old Testament. But there were no drums, and they did not use rock type music even though many such as David danced before the Lord. As stated we can use fun music and even dance before the Lord. **Some Gospel music can be like this.** (So when we use loud rock beat music, whom are

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we actually worshiping and pleasing?) (We need to withdraw from its use. This can be difficult. But it must be done.) Professionals teach that good music has the melody dominant, the harmony next, and the rhythm under control. Rhythm is needed for it brings fun and life to the music. **But it "must not" be dominant particularly with a rock beat structure.** This is why the Bible teaches we will sing melody from our hearts in hymns to the Lord when filled with the Holy Spirit. Departing from the Lord's last supper, in the gospels, they sang a hymn. This is God's way. We should choose music that we believe will please God and give Him maximum worship, working for excellence before the Lord. We can choose church music that will bring maximum worship to God that also we love very much that causes us to greatly worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

So what are many of our churches doing? To reach the youth and more people, they are eliminating the piano and organ and replacing them with a drum (rock) band. The leaders and pastors are using casual clothes. I have seen a pastor wear shorts. This is a contemporary church service. To me, this is great compromise and shows great disrespect for God. It is sin. Some churches have only a traditional service and some have both contemporary with rock type music and traditional with the hymns. The more mature and generally more older people believe that rock type music is not of God. This what I believe. Having both type services brings disunity. The Bible teaches we should work for unity with God and then with each other. (Believers should pray to God asking Him is rock music of God? Does it bring Him any worship? Is its use sin?)

OTHER PROPHECY VIEWS NEEDED ACTIONS: Even if one believes differently about going through the endtimes Tribulation such as believing in a Pre-Tribulation Rapture or no Tribulation (both which are not taught anywhere in the Bible), they must prepare anyway to hedge about being wrong. Leaders must not allow their people under any conditions to be caught blind sided, as the endtimes Calamity comes, and not mature in Christ needed for eternity. The problem with the Pre-Trib Rapture and no Tribulation views is that it puts believers to sleep (not having to worry about what is coming) and will cause believers to be caught blind sided. To me, the Pre-Trib Rapture and no Tribulation views are Satanic strategies. The Pre-Tribulation Rapture view did not come into being until about 1825 AD to be used as endtimes satanic strategy. This view was wrongly adopted by Scofield and presented in His Bible and by Dallas and many other seminaries.

CALAMITY HAPPENINGS AND CONCERNS: The Calamity will bring great chaos and martial Law that will bring rule under world government. (I have read much on how it may be organized. But the Bible does not appear to give us much about it.) Based on the endtimes sequence with application, we can expect serious infectious disease or plague, a few cities blown up, a stock market collapse, and many shortages of all types including of water, food, communications - telephones and internet will be out, electricity (there will be long term blackouts), goods, and gasoline as the infrastructure breaks down. (It may be best to use ham radio in these conditions, having battery or other power backup.) There has been much talk about world finances. We do not know exactly what will happen. Later in the Tribulation one cannot buy or sell without taking the mark of the beast which requires a formal denial of the Cross. We do not know, but a new currency will very likely come (physically or electronic) that can wipe out much of our savings, requiring us to work. There can be an exchange rate. As the Old Testament Jews did in similar circumstances, when the Calamity comes, unless things are different now, we will can very likely throw our gold and silver into the streets. **But this most likely will happen at the second and most devastating calamity.** The government will take financial control, most likely with a new system. (There have been secular reports that under world

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government, the world will be divided into three sections, even with different financial systems. We will have to wait and see.)

We, as stated, must not let our people be caught blind sided by the soon coming Calamity bringing the endtimes Tribulation that comes suddenly (unexpected) without warning (like a sudden earthquake) apart from the signs and the watchman's warning. As stated, this document brings a watchman warning. We must now take warning and warn our people. The warning signs of a soon Tribulation are now all around us and gaining intensity. Some of these signs have been around for some time, but not with this large intensity. (As stated, only God knows the timing.)

SIGNS THAT SIGNAL THE SOON COMING CALAMITY AND TRIBULATION: The signs and happenings now in the United States are similar to those that occurred in Old Testament Israel just before the world government of Babylon invaded and placed Israel under its rule for divine discipline. **These signs signal the endtimes severe calamity is soon coming. (These signs are developed from Scripture on pages 30-34 of *Watchman Warning (Chapter One: The Essence of the Issues - this chapter is on the website)*.** Some of these signs are extreme weather conditions, volcanoes, flooding rains, many earthquakes, extreme financial crisis, aliens own much property (China owns about 1/3 of U.S.), false peace (Russian Glasnost), a major falling away of our churches (God's people), the government working to control, and the promotion of sodomy and abortion (so the elect might not be born and the sin that will give Satan more power to rule). These are happening now. There are many more. We (United States - world) are about to go into the endtimes Tribulation under world government for divine discipline. The timing is only known by God, but the strong existing signs give us a signally alert and warning. This is happening because large numbers of our churches across the United States are greatly falling (have fallen) away from God's requirements into sins of both commission and omission. **They have departed from excellence before God to do all His will. Many of our church leaders appear to be doing more managing than leading. They very often teach what to do without training with how to do things with examples and with personal testimony for how they did things. Training really only happens when people "have experience of living out the principles," just not only knowing what they are. (We learn to fly airplanes by actually flying a plane. I would not take instructions for flying an airplane from one who has never flown airplanes. Thus, I do not want to take Bible training from instructors who has not previously lived out spiritual training, including all the topics listed later to help us gain spiritual maturity.)**

THE ISRAEL SITUATION: God promised Israel the land of Israel as an Everlasting Covenant for them to always live in it. But the Jews had to be obedient for it to remain effective. In their disobedience with the Covenant not in effect, God would re-offer and restore the Covenant if the Jews would repent and return to obedience. (This situation of in, out, and in was part of many sequences that God used with the Jews.) (God divided Israel into two kingdoms: the northern kingdom of Israel and the southern kingdom of Judah.) The Jews of the northern kingdom of Israel became very disobedient and would not return to God from their apostasy. As a result, in a direct Bible teaching, God gave them a writ of divorce and did not restore the Covenant. At the time of Christ, the Jews of the southern kingdom of Judah were in great apostasy. After they had Christ crucified using the Romans, God removed the Covenant forever as Christ died on the Cross dissolving the marriage. **(The sequence of being in and out of the everlasting covenant with the Jews was to show them that they could not keep the covenant (one cannot keep the Law) and thus needed a Savior to**

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have a different everlasting covenant (the New Covenant) on the basis of faith and the Savior.)

God did give Israel (the southern kingdom of Judah) a 40 year probation to return to Him (which they did not do) from the Crucifixion to AD70 when the Romans destroyed Jerusalem with (and) its temple. Thus, even though the covenant to Israel was meant to be everlasting, it will never be in effect again. (Of course God always knew this.) The Jewish nation is now gone forever before God in a covenant relationship. There are now no exclusive Jewish periods of national Israel of God coming such as in the Tribulation and in any millennial kingdom. **However, God has not given up on or abandon the Jews as individuals or as people in any way. They can believe in Christ as Savior and have all of God's best plan (all that He offers the Gentiles) for an eternal relationship through Christ, become mature in Christ and go to heaven.** However, God has allowed Satan to restore the unbelieving Jews to their land for his purposes to help establish the endtimes calamity and world government. This return occurred in 1948 (1878 years after AD70 - so Israel has not been in her land forever).

WHAT THE CROSS ACCOMPLISHED IN ADDITION TO JUSTIFICATION: Christ, after His Ascension to heaven (after His Cross and Resurrection), received all power in heaven and in earth. From this time forward, HE "NOW RULES ON DAVID'S THRONE IN HEAVEN" OVER THE KINGDOM OF GOD. The Kingdom of God is a relationship kingdom with God not a physical place where one lives on earth. The Kingdom of God for both Jew and Gentile believers is here now (not coming in a future millennium). (Christ as the Messiah ruling on David's throne over the Kingdom of God was prophesied in the Old Testament. However, people thought this reign and kingdom would be on and ruled from the earth. This belief has led to many wrong prophecy views when interpreters do not check the New Testament which teaches Christ is "now" sitting on David's throne from heaven and the (relationship) Kingdom of God is here now.)

The Covenant of the Law for salvation has been replaced by the Covenant of Grace. All believers, both Jews and Gentiles, in the Cross are citizens in the Kingdom of God. We, both Jews and Gentiles, are to seek this Kingdom and God's Righteousness "first" for living in life. Now there is no distinction between Jewish and Gentile believers. The Jew and Gentile believers are one in Christ without ethnic division and compose the Church of Christ. (The Church did not replace Israel as a nation of both believers and unbelievers, but believers in Israel do become part of the Church.) We (both Jews and Gentiles) are here to gain maximum maturity in Christ-likeness so we can know and relate to God toward His maximum in great love and holiness. It does not matter where we live on earth or whether we are Jew or Gentile. Wanting to bring the nation of Israel back again, after the Cross, in our view, is not in God's plans, but it is in Satan's. In our perspective, Satan brought the current Israel into her land to have a great war to help bring world government. As stated, God only returns Israel to her land in her repentance and obedience. Missionaries tell us that over 80% of the people (Jews) now in Israel have no interest in their Messiah, only living in the land that they believe God promised them. There are also orthodox Jews and Christians now in Israel). But Jews and Gentiles becoming mature in Christ is in God's plans. **All believers, both Jews and Gentiles, are part of the Church (one in Christ without ethnic division) and "single" body of Christ. What else is there?** He does not now have two bodies such as Israel and the Church. Christ alone is to have preeminence. Christ is now married to the Church and is no longer married to Israel as a nation. By His own laws, He cannot have two wives at the same time. The Bible teaches declaratively that God divorced the northern kingdom of Israel in her history. The marriage to the southern kingdom of Judah was dissolved when Christ died on the Cross. There are no future Jewish periods coming. We are now

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under the New Covenant under Grace, no longer under the Old Covenant under Law. **Animal sacrifices and physical temples in God's plan are gone forever. Bringing them back would deny the efficaciousness of the Cross - major sin.** (Satan may bring them back to deceive the Church to believe and act wrongly in the endtimes.) The Church is now the sanctuary of God and is to be a living sacrifice.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE ISSUES: We are now in spiritual warfare between Christ and Satan. Christ works to bring God's elect to believe the Gospel and to accomplish God's chosen work. Satan works to prevent these from happening. If he should succeed (he cannot - only a righteous Christ can win), he would not have to go the lake of fire and would rule over all people and angels forever. **All Satan had to do to win the warfare was to prevent the Crucifixion of Christ. By having Christ crucified, he defeated himself. This is God's way.**

Many churches, now no longer enduring sound doctrine, are now implementing satanic strategies (being deceived) "without their realization" or desire. Satan works so churches will not mature their people and engage them in ministry. This is so the elect might not believe and might not accomplish God's chosen work. Satan works to bring world government over which he and his man can rule. Then government will make war against the Church. The strategies of Christ and Satan, what happens in the Calamity, and what happens in the Tribulation under world government are detailed in the references. "After" the endtimes Tribulation, the heavenly court, by opening the books, including the books of life and of works, will determine that the elect did actually believe and did actually accomplish God's chosen works. With this information, the heavenly court (after the Tribulation) determines that Christ has won the warfare. This determination now gives Him the needed added authority to terminate history. Having won the spiritual warfare, and with this new additional authority, He now acts now at His Second Coming to rapture the Church and bring the final judgments. The beast and false prophet are now cast into the Lake of Fire. The Rapture and Second Coming timing are only known by God. The Rapture can only take place after the Tribulation when or after the binding of the tares is completed (unbelievers "formally denying" Christ's Gospel). Christ sits at the right hand of God until all His enemies become His footstool. **These events are completed in the endtimes Great Tribulation just before Christ's Second Coming. As being stated, the Rapture can only take place after all the people who are to live, have lived, and have made formal and binding statements to accept or deny the Gospel. These decisions will be completed in the endtimes great Tribulation just before Christ's Second Coming. No one is born or saved after the Rapture.**

NO PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE: The above teaches there is no possibility whatever of a Pre-Tribulation Rapture. Revelation's endtimes Tribulation is all nations in characteristic, not exclusively Jewish that would require or allow a Pre-Tribulation Rapture of the all-nations church. There is a very large number of saved Gentiles from all nations that die in the Tribulation, the great one. World government in the Tribulation is coming because our churches are falling (have fallen) away. They will go through it. (As discussed later, Daniel's all Jewish seventieth week is history and does not represent the endtimes Tribulation. The Tribulation duration will not be seven years. It will be more likely be about 20 or more years, based on some Old Testament teachings of Israel's sequences.)

WORD CHURCH IN REVELATION: The word "saint" is used in the New Testament epistles for the "Church." The word "Church" is not used in Revelation during the Tribulation, but the word "saint" is showing the "Church" is in Revelation's endtimes.

EXPECTED HAPPENINGS: Eventually, the Tribulation will come with world government (under

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Satan's rule allowed because our churches have fallen away). Using socialism, the government in the Tribulation most likely will control, own, and/or direct all things including banks, health, farms, water sources, children, schools and education, businesses, jobs, taxes, religions, resources, precious metals, communications, TV and radio, Internet, developments, guns, electrical power, finances and currencies, all property, and the stock market if there is one. It will make war against the Church and all religions, including Islam, apart from the world government religion, and very likely all who do not work, including the retired. Satan will most likely act to destroy all Bibles. (We need to memorize Scripture now and hide some Bibles.) (As a result, our country will be transformed from free enterprise to socialism under world government.)

Satan is effectively destroying the Bible now by churches training mostly with pabulum - first level training. Very few people, particularly the young people and young adults, now know the Bible in any depth-breadth such as a major portion of God's Whole Counsel. God said that in times like now, He would bring a famine of His Word. This is happening now (at least in precursor form) with mostly only low level teaching in our churches - only a small portion of God's Whole Counsel. This is the time when God said, people will not endure sound doctrine. (I occasionally ask young people about 8 doctrinal questions and they struggle to answer any of them.)

Satan works to reduce the population for easier reign over the earth. Then, there is less likely of ministry where the elect may believe and do God's work. Christians will be imprisoned and martyred. Older Christians will be targeted because they are apt to be more mature, know more of the Bible, and will be doing God's work. This is indirectly happening now as the churches are no longer maturing their people. As the Church and country fall away and world government comes, God will no longer protect the children. This is what happened in Old Testament Israel when her people fell away. Children live out as adults for how they were trained as children. So to change the nation and world into His world, Satan will remove the children from their parents and educate them for world government and religion without Christ and the Bible. He will work to get rid of the older people who are in the way of world government. There will be very few Christians alive when Christ comes after the Tribulation to rapture the church. He said will I find faith on the earth when I return? Many (most) believers will have been martyred.

WE "MUST" NOW WORK WITH "EXTREME URGENCY" WITH THE CHILDREN: WE MUST REACH THE CHILDREN "NOW" WITH THE GOSPEL WITH "URGENT HIGH PRIORITY," WHILE WE STILL CAN. (85% OF THOSE COMING TO CHRIST DO SO IN THE AGE RANGE OF 4-14.) IF WE WANT ADULT MINISTRIES TO BE GREAT AND CONTINUE, AND THE CHILDREN NOT BE TAKEN OVER BY SATAN IN THE TRIBULATION IN THEIR ETERNAL BELIEFS, THE CHILDREN MUST BE SAVED AND DISCIPLED TO MATURITY "NOW."

How will you as a church or family head feel when your children are taken from you and educated by world government without your being able to do anything about it, when you did not take the time to have your kids saved and trained for maturity, walking by strong faith, before this time when you could have? The Bible teaches there will be great tears and weeping over the situation. **THUS, TRAIN THEM NOW WITH URGENCY WHILE YOU STILL CAN IN FREEDOM.**

WHAT CHURCH LEADERSHIP AND MISSIONARIES MUST DO: When our church buildings are shut down (closed by the world government) as the Calamity and

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Tribulation come, pastors, leaders, and missionaries may most likely will no longer be supported sufficiently financially by the Church people. They will need jobs and other sources of income. They should get them now. Then, they can continue some ministry as God leads. Otherwise, they will need to live on savings as long as they can or otherwise as God supplies. New currency may introduce another problem - causing (requiring) all to work. Without some form of support, their ministries most likely will be over. (Many well-known pastors, leaders, and key patriots will be arrested and martyred. When the black outs and calamity come, these people should go to a place of refuge or their ministry can be over.)

ITEMS THAT CAUSE OUR CHURCHES TO FALL AWAY: As introduced, examples of the falling away of many of our churches in my perspective are: (1) teaching good but little Bible content (only a very small portion of God's Whole Counsel), and thus are not adequately maturing "their own people" in Christ-likeness to live the Christian life. Thus, not taking care of their own, they can be "worse than infidels," as they work to reach the youth at a higher priority) (they are teaching with a small part of God's Whole Counsel without adequately training to live by faith trusting God to fulfill His promises, sacrificial love keeping God's commandments, and being somewhere in God's work); (2) attempting themselves to work all things together for good - major sin; (3) not maximizing evangelizing and discipling the children in the community; (4) not training their people with endtimes prophecy so they will know what is happening and what they will experience (they very likely will fall away under the coming persecution); and (5) using the Devil's's loud rock drum beat structured music in the Sunday schools and church services. Using loud rock beat syncopated music deters the thinking process and can give worship to Satan. Many of our youth and young people are now involved in immorality which can be caused and/or influenced by regularly listening to the Devil's (Voodooism) loud rock drum beat structured music throughout the week.

God draws people to Himself using His Word as He works it in them. I realize that evangelists use rock music to draw the youth in so they can hear God's Word and be saved. Would they come with other music - perhaps not as likely. (Rock music may (might) be useful in evangelism and drawing the youth, but certainly not in the worship of God.) We should design our worship services to bring maximum worship to God for His Greatness in Spirit and in Truth from our hearts. We should choose the best music that has the melody dominant. Many like praise and Gospel music as well as the hymns and similar music.

MOST BLESSED WORSHIP EVENT: I attended an international conference where there were 1100 people from 87 different nations attending. ALL the people were in the ministry, were "highly committed" to Christ, and had led tens of kids to Christ. When they sang: *To God be the Glory* with the organ, it was absolutely awesome. They were singing from their hearts, souls, and spirits unto the God in great worship that they love and serve. This is great worship. Such great worship is not possible under loud dominant rock beat music. They had this great and wonderful worship because they saw God's greatness at work, as He used them in ministry, when He brought salvation to people, especially to the children. Thus, it helps to be in ministry where we see His great work that gives us the desire to bring Him maximum worship His way. (Would not God want this worship instead of using rock music when

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few are in the ministry? This my view.)

MAJOR CALAMITY COMING: Because of the times, if the things in the government to bring world government with socialism are not going anywhere and/or there is growing great opposition, there will come a most serious planned and developed sudden extreme emergency without warning with martial law. Thus, as the Bible teaches, there will come a severe calamity of war and plague with great chaos and shortages that brings the endtimes Tribulation. Then people will accept world government to get rid of the emergency conditions.

TRANSFORMATION OF OUR CHURCHES: As a result of their current falling away, our churches (many of our churches are falling away in different amounts and categories) are being (have been) transformed from orthodoxy to become the immature church with a loss of biblical intellect and having a low plateau of biblical knowledge. Singing the great hymns of the faith that brings great worship to God is decreasing. This is Satanic strategy. Is the lukewarm church here now?

People will not know what is happening and why when the Tribulation comes. Thus, with the Church now becoming greatly immature, there will come a great falling away under the severe coming persecution. Again, fortunately, there are wonderful exceptions. As time progresses (even now), fewer will know much of the Bible and be in God's work. We now have youth and young people who know but little of the Bible, including endtimes prophecy, and are not involved in much ministry. (Even our church leaders, pastors, and elders now know but little of Bible prophecy.) Where we will be when the youth grow up, becoming adults? Fortunately, we have exceptions. Observation shows that many of our young people now no longer attend Church, including those who attend contemporary church services, after they go to college. We now have but few of our young people and young married come out to Sunday evening functions. Fewer now appear to be in the ministry. These happenings without more of our people being in ministry are so the elect might not be born or accomplish God's work. We must turn this around. (When the older people die and the hymns go away - if things go that long - will there be as many in ministry and will they be mature in Christ?) We must avoid using loud rock beat structured music (pagan worship). In time, very few will know the Bible and live the Christian life with excellence, particularly with experience. Are we there now? All of these plans are satanic strategies resulting in a church transformation to help bring the endtimes over which Satan and his man will rule. It is to help church people have a great falling away in the Tribulation.

SOLUTION AND FALLING AWAY: As presented previously and now for emphasis, the ONLY situation and action, as per the endtimes sequence, that can change the direction in the United States, going towards socialism, is that the churches across the United States must have massive revival. Working to change government or to place Christians into office may help and slow things down, but it will (can) not change the direction the country is now going. This revival is most unlikely, except in pockets, because our churches now, in our observation as the Bible states will come, do not endure sound doctrine and are not walking by sufficient faith to gain revelation. They are going much their own way. Do our churches now know sufficiently how to mature their people with sufficient of God's Whole Counsel? Do they know the needed topics and how to do on-the-job training? What would make us think so?

Our missionaries are now telling us that God is sending missionaries from many countries to lead people world-wide in other countries to become Christians with the Gospel. God is now saving people in many countries. This is happening before the endtimes come. This is great.

Our churches are not now enduring sound doctrine, as the Bible teaches will happen in

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the endtimes, because they, in my view, are not eternity oriented for us to become maximumly mature in Christ-likeness for when we go into eternity. They do not adequately appreciate God's infinite Greatness to do all of His will. Thus, they are not searching the Bible for "ALL" that God wants us to become and do (being outcome oriented), and "ALL" the ways that God wants for us to do to get there (being procedurally oriented) and do nothing else. Can you read the result of these searches in your church? Can I read them in my church?

Our churches are now going much their own way, even though doing many-many good things. So are they working for maximum excellence before God? Are they adequately carrying out what God has instructed us to do? (Do they know how or that they should?) We need to thank God for His Grace, Long Suffering, and Mercy. We all need to pray here for much more understanding for how to move much more in the above needed direction. We may not be there yet, but we should work towards it. I present a start of this with topics for training later and in one of the referenced documents. Send me your suggestions.

Thus, not pursuing maturity in Christ-likeness to the maximum with excellence can be a most terrible eternal error because it effects our maximum relationship with God to know and relate to Him in all eternity. Having great maturity can bring us great fellowship with God, both now and in eternity and fellowship with each other. He is and has the only value that exists. We are here now on this earth to gain this maturity. **(Christians around the world who know little of the Bible, but strongly obey what they know can be much more mature in Christ than Christians here in the United States who know much more, but are doing but little with it.)**

THE ELECT AND NON ELECT: God certainly knows who will choose Him through Christ. He calls these His elect. Some churches believe that God ordained the elect - they have no choice but to believe so they will become believers whether or not churches have a major ministry to share the Gospel. They also believe that the rest were ordained to remain unbelievers. Such a belief system believes that the ordained believers will definitely go to heaven and the others definitely will not. I believe that all who believe in Christ as Savior will go to heaven, whether ordained or not. God predestined us as believers to be conformed to the image of Christ, not to go to heaven. God gave the Gospel in Christ to both the Jew and the Gentile so that none would perish. The Bible teaches that all people (believers and unbelievers) know of God through creation. So if they do not seek Him and the Gospel, they are without excuse. These verses teach that we all have the choice to receive or reject the Gospel. This means God will do some work in all people to draw them to Himself. He may draw them to the degree He knows they will respond. Regardless of what one believes, God commands us to share the Gospel and thus, if we do not, we sin. **We should share the Gospel anyway in case we are wrong about the ordaining or other beliefs. If we are wrong about the ordination and we do not share the Gospel, its is a most terrible-terrible mistake.** And we want all the children to come to the Lord and have maturity in Christ.

ENDTIMES SEQUENCE: The endtimes special sequence NOW in effect (because it repeats now as was in Israel, I call it a pattern sequence) is as follows (See derivation from the Scriptures in *Watchman Warning* pages 206-218, in Chapter Five - entire book and chapter by itself are on our website): (1) the United States is God's endtimes most favored nation as was Israel in the Old Testament; (2) in her general obedience, she has been greatly blessed by God much more than any other nation in history including much more than both Israel and England; (3) but as God's people (now the Church) begin to fall away into disobedience followed by the rest of

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the country, she gets warnings from the existing signs (and conditions) and from God's watchmen (**this document brings a watchman warning**) that signal divine discipline is coming (these signs, using Satan, are now all around us.); (4) when the disobedience crosses God's allowable threshold for sin, He brings (allows) a world government (a fierce nation will come from afar to bring great war (Like Babylon did with the Jews in the Old Testament): China and Russia are candidates now - China has two military bases in Mexico and well as a port in Long Beach - both nations have long range missile capability) to take her (and the world's nations) into divine discipline via a most terrible calamity to bring in world government (people will go into captivity, including in other nations, and there will be great shortages - now in the endtimes Tribulation); (5) the Tribulation then being God's discipline in the endtimes under world government and socialism will last about 20 years or so; (6) then after the discipline period is over and after all people who are to live, have lived, and have made binding decisions in life or by death to accept or deny the Gospel, God delivers the believers (both Jews and Gentiles) to Christ in heaven via the Rapture at the marriage supper of the Lamb - at the time of Christ's Second Coming after the endtimes Tribulation. The Church is now betrothed to Christ, but does not now live with Him. She goes to live with Him at the Rapture as His wife at the marriage supper of the Lamb at Christ's Second Coming. (The wheat - the Church - cannot be separated from the tares - unbelievers - until after **ALL** the tares are bundled for the fire - Lake of Fire.) Two calamities are coming. One to begin the Tribulation and the other, later in the Tribulation, to bring the Mark-of-the-Beast period. The second calamity will kill about 80-90% of the world's population so the elect might not believe and accomplish God's word. This is Satanic strategy. Satan can do the later because our church people followed by the country's will have a major falling away in the first part of the Tribulation.

SECULAR WORLD GOVERNMENT PLANNING TO TRANSFORM AMERICA: People, behind the scenes, have been planning world government and implementing some of its aspects for some time. In a sense, the United States and world are now and have been under precursor forms of world government for some time. But now the United States government appears strongly to be working to bring the reality of world government with socialism as soon as she can. A recent precursor example is the health plan. **By our government handling and directing health and many other major issues, our country is being (will be) transformed from freedom and free enterprise into socialism under complete government control for the endtimes. The coming calamity will bring it about.** This is satanic strategy allowed by God as the Church falls away. World government and the Tribulation will happen as prophesied in the Bible when the Church in the United States has sufficiently fallen away and the other people are disobedient as a result.

TRIBULATION PURPOSES: The purposes of the endtimes Tribulation include: (1) God's way to terminate history; (2) for Christ to win back the title deed of the earth lost to Satan that he gained when Adam and Eve sinned; (3) to complete the polarization of the beliefs concerning the Gospel of all people who are to live; (4) to bring divine discipline of the disobedient Church; (5) give believers opportunity to gain more maturity; and (6) to give Satan one last chance of attempting to win the spiritual warfare over Christ.

DISCUSSION OF THE RAPTURE AND SECOND COMING SITUATION: As introduced, the Tribulation will come when the favored-nation Church in the endtimes sequence has sufficiently fallen away. The Rapture will come (can only come) suddenly without warning after all the people who are to live, have lived, and have made formal and binding decisions to accept or deny the Gospel. No one is born or saved after the Rapture. Thus, the Rapture can only be Post-Tribulational. All the saved go in the Rapture. All that are left are permanently unbelievers. Christ, at His Second Coming, will come in the clouds from the Rapture to

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the Great White Throne Judgement. All people, not raptured, have previously made formal and binding decisions to deny the Gospel, including especially in the mark-of-the-beast period as they take the mark-of-the beast. They are permanently unbelievers. The wrath of God comes after the Rapture on unbelievers during the 1000 years "as a day." There are no Jewish periods or any millennial kingdom coming. The large number of believers in the Great Tribulation from all nations preclude a Pre-Tribulation Rapture of the all-nations Church. (Daniel's all Jewish seventieth week is history, not future. Our Lord was crucified in its middle. It does not refer the endtimes Tribulation.) The permanent fixing of all beliefs before the Rapture and all believers, both Jews and Gentiles, being in the Church, preclude the coming of a millennial kingdom. There would be no (cannot be) believers in it. Its coming does (would) not have purpose. As stated, Christ is now ruling on David's throne from heaven over the Kingdom of God. Then, Christ brings the final judgment on all the remaining unbelievers with God's wrath leading to Armageddon. The wrath of God comes after the Tribulation and Rapture. Now we all go into our eternal states in resurrection - believers go into heaven (new earth and new heaven) with great blessing and unbelievers into the Lake of Fire as an alternate way for God to satisfy His justice for sin. (The Lake of Fire has eternal darkness and eternal fire with weeping and gnashing of teeth. We should want not anyone to go there.)

TRAINING TOPICS AND METHODS TO BECOME MATURE IN CHRIST-LIKENESS: I have made a cut for needed minimum topics to become mature in Christ. We must not only know them, but we must be "actually training" with them and "living them out" ourselves. We must remember that all of life must come God the Father as a source to live holy and righteously without sin, nothing from us as a source. The whole purpose of life is to know and relate to God and live by His perfect ways. So all discipleship training must, by definition, lead us to live this way. We could have a Discipleship Training Center for training our people to walk with God with the key doctrines listed below. The Center training can be at a different time from the church services. I have taught these topics in various depths in the church and home Bible groups over the years, including in seminars. We are to train people to live out the Word, not just know about it. We are to train our people to walk with God, not just with Bible content and basic doctrines.

To become mature in Christ (and have revival), we, in my view, must be trained "on-the-job" in depth-breadth with the what to's and the how to's with examples and testimonies with God's Whole Counsel in "at least" the following ways under the leading of the Holy Spirit having first an appreciation of God's absolute Greatness, knowing His attributes: (1) knowing how and living to glorify, please, honor, praise, and obey God, according to His will, appreciating His infinite Greatness (We glorify God by accomplishing what He has asked us to do and by living out what comes from Him so people will see Him in us as we live our lives); (2) living godly lives as Christ lives, with everything coming from the God the Father as a source in head-subordinate relationships especially including head-subordinate relationships in families, including by strong faith trusting God to fulfill His promises and by sacrificial love helping others, keeping God's commandments (we most know the promises and commandments); We should add the Beatitudes, the principles of love, and the requirements for church leadership; (3) being involved in one or more ministries of evangelizing (particularly the children), discipling to maturity in Christ-likeness - not just for Christian growth, building godly families, planting churches,

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and helping the needy; (4) knowing, believing, and standing strong on the fundamental Christian-faith doctrines, including on God's attributes; and (5) having a regular daily personal devotional and close fellowship life with God, reading the Bible and having much prayer. It helps to train with God's plan from Genesis to Revelation and how the endtimes unfold and what we can expect to experience as they come. (If we do not train with endtimes prophecy and if our people know little of the Christian life, they will not know what is happening when the endtimes come. Thus, many or most can fall away under the persecution. Are we there now?) When we are mature, we will live out these topics. There are ppt training charts on my website and we can create more. See our reference document: *Keys to Becoming Mature in Christ-likeness In Godly Relationship Living* for many more details and Scriptural basis and topics for becoming mature in Christ and some characteristics of being mature. (See our publication: *Living by God's Righteousness* for praise Psalms, promises to memorize, commandments to obey, requirements for church leadership, the attributes of God, principles for love, and prayer helps. We can read several pages daily in our devotions.) We should provide the training for our entire churches. We, together, can search the Bible for more teachings, and be there for each other. None of us know it all. But we can start from where we are. Send us your topics. (We must train our people now in a "short time period" (before the soon coming endtimes come) to live out with "a large number" of these topics as God's Whole Counsel, not just have a good weekly sermon.)

TRAINING PRIORITY: In the churches, we have the gung ho, the very faithful, those in training, the watchers, and new people. We should raise the level of our training in depth-breadth to train the gung ho and very faithful (and those in training) with 80% of our training time if we want to have great ministry in and out our churches and have church spiritual growth. We can expect that only a small or limited percentage (e.g. 20-30%, depending on the church) of our congregations will have great maturity in Christ. If we dumb down all of our training for the watchers and new people, the church growth plateaus and the people will know but little of God's Word. This is happening now. We can bring the watchers and new people (those who want to) up-to-speed by training them at other times than in the church services (or vice versa). If they do not want the training, then we can still encourage them, but leave them alone. This limited training to some degree has been with us for some time. This has caused me to study greatly on my own. "Most" of what I know came from personal study and helping in ministries in the community, not from the churches I attended.

KEY UNDERSTANDING: Given the choice, I would choose teachers and pastors only if they have taught and lived out the above topics including with God's Plan for history and endtimes prophecy, needed to gain maturity in Christ-likeness. This is true for all teaching levels in the church. They also should believe a Post-Tribulation Rapture and not want any loud rock beat music. We should train our existing pastors and teachers (not having this training) to live out these topics and know endtimes prophecy. They

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need the prophecy so they can inform their people what to expect and what they will experience as the endtimes unfold.

SUMMARY: We must be both outcome and eternity oriented so we will pursue becoming maximally mature in Christ for use now, but most especially for eternity. We should have a good description of what constitutes a mature person. We can update these as we learn more. We should also be procedurally oriented to know how (know the needed topics) to disciple in order to become maximumly mature. It, from my viewpoint, is greatly insufficient just to disciple with only some of God's Word to grow towards Christ-likeness (but not aiming for maximum maturity), without knowing the above. (The above training topics and those in my referenced report are a start for both.) **The problem we now face is that the remaining time to train, brief, and alert our people appears to be very short indeed. We must act "with urgency" (this means now). Church and family leaders must act wisely to use the remaining available time - before the time in freedom is truncated.**

Carefully remember and fully realize that if we do not train, warn, prepare, and alert our people (church and family) ungently about the soon coming Calamity, they will very likely be caught blind-sided and unprepared. "We must not let this happen particularly to the children and young people." Not warning and alerting, Church leaders will be guilty of the people's blood. They may be facing God's judgment. We must train our people to stand strong under persecution, walk by strong faith, and share how the endtimes unfold and what they will experience as they come. Many of us will go to prison. Richard Wurmbrand in one of his reports stated that, from his experience, we must prepare for prison before we get there. After we get there, it is too late and too hard. We should begin memorizing Scripture now including the promises and some favorite hymns. We most likely will be without Bibles in prison. We, perhaps even though most unpleasant, can gain more maturity in Christ by remaining strong in Christ without falling away under the great persecution coming under world government for the sake of eternity. We should be trained how to do this now. Again, gaining maturity in Christ is for the sake of eternity. Are you on this course? Am I? And to what degree? **Do we appreciate God's infinite Greatness, so we will do all His will with commitment and with excellence? Doing so, we will be a person after God's own heart doing all His will and, by doing so, we will greatly glorify God. Living this life is the only perfect life that exists for us people.**

As presented, working to prevent secular happenings in the United States and world to prevent world government may slow things down, but they cannot stop the prophesied world government from coming. As stated, according to the biblical endtimes sequence, only a massive church revival of God's people in the most favored nation (the United States now) in much greater obedience to God can prevent world government from coming. We must work toward bringing this result about to the degree we can so people will become more mature, be in ministry, and more people, especially including children, will be saved and matured "before" the Calamity and Tribulation come. Is your church working with a sense of urgency to help bring this result? Is mine? We have but little time left. World government will come because the Bible teaches it will as our churches fall away.

Clearly comprehend that the secret to knowing how the endtimes unfold is to understand the endtimes pattern sequence and the role of the United States as a most favored nation that God uses to terminate history. Be sure to take the time

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to understand it and mature and prepare your people before the endtimes come. Put in some provisions to live through the calamity and beyond. To become mature in Christ-likeness, we need to help each other find and live out as many topics we can find including those presented earlier. We must live these topics out, not just know them. Send me your list for how we mature our people and for what we will believe and do and not do. We are all in this together. We can help each other gain God's best in our lives, including gaining maximum maturity and being ready for the endtimes.

WHAT OUR CHURCHES SHOULD NOW DO WITH "URGENCY:" (1) Mature their people in Christ, including the children and youth, with at least the topics presented above - train the gung ho and very faithful with most of our time; (2) Teach their people how the endtimes will unfold and what will happen to them when they come - train them to walk by faith and stand strong under persecution and how to handle prison; (3) Go all out to evangelize the children in the community; (4) No longer use loud rock beat syncopated music - go to contemporary music that is not loud - hymns are better; (5) Have them put in about 3-6 months provisions; and (6) Put them in small home support groups of people who live near each other. Pastors should look for places of refuge, and missionaries and other church leaders should look for places of support.

4. "MUST READ" REFERENCES

My reports (Including my book: *Watchman Warning*) are free on our website:

- (1) **Know the big Picture** - read this document first: *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.*
- (2) **Know Biblical History:** *Biblical History's Events Are Designed to Lead Us to Maturity in Christ and Show How the Endtimes Will Unfold.*
- (3) **Know key aspects needed to become mature in Christ:** *Keys to Becoming Mature in Christ-likeness In Godly Relationship Living.*
- (4) **Know how the endtimes will unfold:** *The Pattern View of Prophecy, The Many Doctrines of Prophecy Show Clearly the Rapture Will Come Post-tribulational and the 1000 Years During Christ's Second Coming.* (This is my view of endtimes prophecy.)
- (5) **Know the strategies in the spiritual warfare:** *Aspects and Strategies in the Spiritual Warfare Between Christ and Satan Used to Gain Spiritual Maturity in Christ-likeness and to Terminate History.*
- (6) **Understand the current Jewish situation:** *Understanding the Endtimes Biblical Jewish Situation and What We must Do Now as the End Times Unfold.*
- (7) **Understand Daniel's Seventy Weeks:** *The Seventy Weeks of Daniel Chapter Nine.*
- (8) **Good help for Daily Devotions:** *Living by God's Righteousness.*
- (9) **You may enjoy reading my many other documents,** "starting" with summaries at the top of the Home Page.
- (10) See my prophecy ppt charts at the top of the home page and my training ppt charts under Training. You can use these to train others.
- (11) **You might enjoy reading the sister document to this one:** *Biblical Worldview Summary: God's Plan for over History for Us to Become Maximumly Mature in Christ-likeness, the Spiritual Warfare over History, and How History Is Ending Using the Soon-coming Endtimes.*

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ENCOURAGEMENT: Please read the above documents, or some like them, to gain the entire big picture from the Scriptures so we can obey God to the utmost and have His best and great blessings. It will take time, but walking with God in His excellence is greatly worth it. What else is there? It may help to re-read this summary several times to gain and integrate the many aspects involved as the endtimes are now here and are unfolding. We need to be alerted, warned, and actually take steps to prepare, not just know that we should. As stated, we should store some provisions. As stated with emphasis, we must evangelize and mature our own children and those in the community with extreme urgency. They will be taken away from us in the Tribulation.