

GOING ON TO CORPORATE CHRISTIAN COMPLETION

A TRAINING COURSE Pointed at Ministry During the Great Tribulation

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FORWARD.

The following is a one-page Forward, followed by an Outline, for a Bible Course on the final earthly phase of the Christian Church, prior to the Rapture. It is about the Church going on to completion, becoming mature, overcoming its problems. It shows the spiritual structure of the corporate Church, Jesus’ operative Body on Earth. It shows how that

structure affects individual Christians, as well as the corporate Body, itself. It also looks at the heavenly spiritual opposition to the Church, and how to deal with that opposition. It provides tools for diagnosing churches that are out of spiritual balance, whether due to human or demonic influences. It shows the path to church balance. It shows the path to an effective Church.

Context for Today's Christianity – What is it?

When, according to the old saying, the world appears to be going to Hell in a hand-basket, what is Christianity supposed to do about it? Chances are, it's not what is being currently preached to those Christians who are still attending church services.

To a Hammer, Every Problem Looks Like a Nail.

To the Evangelical Church, every problem looks like the need for evangelization, that is, for Salvation. Evangelicals evangelize. That's what they do. And, that is good. But, is salvation the be-all and end-all of Christianity in these biblical Last Days?

The scriptural answer is "No." For the new believer, salvation is just the beginning. For the mature Christian, salvation is both the beginning and the end. It's where a Christian starts and finishes. But, what about in between? Between salvation and eternity, what is the believer to do ... especially in these end-times?

What Does the Bible Say About It?

As usual, The Bible answers the question. It's in Hebrews 6:1-2. The Bible says that Christianity starts with salvation, then goes on to lay a believer's foundation in six parts. The seventh part, the Bible says, is to "*Go on to completion.*" And, it says to not keep repetitively laying that same foundation. So, what is "completion?"

Completion is What the Bible is All About.

Every Old Testament prophet talked about it. Completion is Jesus' seventh ministry. And, He will do it through His corporate earthly body, the Church. Scripturally, Completion is finishing the Church's task on Earth, before the Rapture and before Jesus' Return.

Comfortable Christianity and Completion.

Many of today's churches promote 'comfortable Christianity.' They have a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof. They are like revolving doors. New Christians come in, go around a while, and then exit. Some go to other churches. Others just go home. Whether or not they can articulate it, such Christians sense a lack of completion. Those believers who become unchurched don't leave Christianity, just the organized churches.

One reason for this increase in the unchurched is that today's churches may fulfill the first part of Jesus' Great Commission [Mat. 28:19-20], to enroll disciples, but fall down on the second part, to teach them everything Jesus commanded. Much church teaching does that which [Heb. 6:1-2] forbids, re-laying the same foundation, over and over again. To stop short of completion, they must ignore what the Bible's prophetic books say about our very end-times. They must ignore what completion means to the corporate end-times Church.

Going On to Completion is What the Very End Times is All About.

This course clearly defines the often untaught scriptural elements of completion. It can be taught in a few 8-hour days. This is not a theological course, but is a compact exposition of what the Bible says about the subject. And, what the Bible says is amazing. To many, it is new and eye-opening. It is like a breath of fresh air. And, it deals with what we are seeing today, in the churches and in the world. It deals with the very End-Times Christian Ministry in an increasingly evil world.

	PART-1	
1.	GOING ON TO COMPLETION ... IF GOD PERMITS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Steps of Doctrine of Christ. 	Heb. 6:1-2
	First 6, Foundational. Don't keep Re-Laying It.	
	Step 7 – Going on to Complete the Job ... If God Permit.	
	“permit”: <i>“epitrope”</i> – “turn up” like a playing card.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Might God not permit? - Yes. 	Heb. 6:4-6
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Ministries of Jesus 	
	Only 6, the first time.	Luke 4:18-19
	7 th is for the Very End Times.	Isa. 61:1-2
2.	THE VERY END-TIMES MINISTRY.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is it, in the Bible? 	Revelation & all O.T. Prophets
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why the Old Testament? 	
	O.T. is “pattern” for End-Times.	1 Cor. 10:11
	Ancient Israel was also “The Church.”	Acts 7:38
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What Characterizes the Very End-Times Ministry? 	
	7 Seals, 7 Trumpets, 7 Bowls (of wrath), 7-fold Church.	Revelation
	God's Judgment upon the Earth (Jesus' 7th Ministry).	Isa. 61:2
3.	IS THE CHURCH STILL HERE DURING GREAT TRIBULATION?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Trumpets” Destruction Prior to Sun, Moon Darkening. 	Rev. 8:6-12
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sun, Moon Darkening Prior to Rapture Trumpet. 	Mat. 24:29-31
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rapture at Final Trumpet. 	1 Cor. 15:52
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many False Prophets Cause Many to Err. 	Mat. 24:11
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Pre-Trib Rapture' – False Teaching. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-Trib Rapture Renders O.T. Prophets Meaningless. 	
4.	THE NATURE OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 Pictures of the Very End-Times. 	Rev. 1-22
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 32 Prophecies, Prior to Rapture. 	Rev. 6-14
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Seals are Authorizations for Jesus. 	Rev. 6, 7
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerning Christian Affliction and Death. 	Cor., Isa., Psa.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parallels Between Revelation and Ezekiel 	Rev. 7-10, Ezk. 9-10
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 7 Trumpets - God's Judgment on the Earth. 	Rev. 8-10

	• Between 6 th and 7 th Trumpets – The Temple.	Rev. 10
	• The Connection Between Revelation and Ezekiel	
	Eating the Book – First Ezekiel, then John	Ezk. 3:3, Rev. 10:10
	It's About Measuring The Temple of God. (And, we're it.)	Ezk. 40-48, Rev. 11:1-2
	• Great Tribulation Ministry – The Two Witnesses ... Measuring.	Rev.11
	• The three-and-one-half Year Role of the Two Witnesses.	Rev. 11
	• Who Are the Two Witnesses (opt.) – Hint: They are Corporate	Rev., Zec., Hag.
5.	MINISTRY IN GOD'S SPIRITUAL TEMPLE.	
	• The Temple is the Church.	1 Cor. 3:16
	• Prophesying to One's Own People	Ezk. 3:5
	A 7-times Rebellious House (Corporate).	Ezk. 2:5-12:2
	• Ezekiel Set as a Watchman (skopos – Hidden watcher)	
	Hear (logos) Word from God's Mouth, Warn People.	Ezk. 3:17
	• Measure Temple, Altar, Worshipers (John continues Ezekiel).	Rev. 11:1
	Inner Court, Only.	Rev. 11:2
	• Ministries in Inner-, and Outer-Court.	Ezk. 44:15-25
	Separate Ministries to God and to People.	Ezk. 44:11-19
	Idolatrous Ministries Confined to Outer-Court.	Ezk. 44:10-14
	Wear White Clothes Only in Inner Court.	Ezk. 44:17
	Inner-Court Ministers Teach, Judge Controversies.	Ezk. 44:23-24
6.	APPROACHING GOD'S SPIRITUAL TEMPLE.	
	• Ezekiel's Commission.	
	Show the Temple to the People.	Ezk. 43:10
	If They're Ashamed, Show the Details.	Ezk. 43:11
	7-Fold Specification.	Ezk. 43:11
	• Pay Particular Attention to the Foundation.	
	Temple Foundation – Apostles and Prophets.	Eph. 2:19-20
	Restoration – Precious Knowledge on Threshing Floor.	Hag.(S) 2:19-20
	Significance – First 6 of 7-fold Fruit.	Dt. 8:8
	Why the Threshing Floor ? – Separation.	Mat. 3:12
	PART-2	
7.	THE 'SEVEN-NESS' OF THE CHURCH	
	• Book of Revelation Addressed to 7 Churches.	Rev. 1:11
	• Temple Revealed in 7 Aspects.	Ezk. 43:11
	• 7 Greek Churches Form an End-Times 'Type.'	
	End-Times ("hereafter") – Revelation is Prophetic.	Rev.1:19
	"Type" – "typikos → typos" – "A die, struck"	1 Cor. 10:11
	• What Else About the Church Comes in 7s?	
8.	SEVENS FOR THE INDIVIDUAL CHRISTIAN	
	• Motivational Gifts – Gifts of Grace (charisma).	Rom. 12:6-8

	• Character Flaws – Work against the Gifts of Grace	Mat. 15:9
	• David’s Foundation	Psa. 51
	• Jesus’ Foundational Doctrine	Heb. 6:1-2
	• Jesus’ Meaning to Us – Apostles’ Doctrine	Acts 2:16-35
	• The Joshua Walk	Ex. – Jos.
	• The Priest’s Walk (7).	The Pentateuch
	• The New Covenant – Individual Version	Heb. 10:16-17
9.	SEVENS FOR THE CORPORATE CHURCH	
	• 7-Fold Holy Spirit.	Isa. 11:2, Rev. 3:1
	• 7 Holy Spirit Workings.	7 Scriptures
	• 7 Unities of the Spirit.	Eph. 4:1-6
	• 7 Fellowships of ...	7 Scriptures
	• 7-Fold New Covenant - Corporate Version.	Heb. 8:10-12
	• The Feasts (7) Walk.	The Pentateuch
	• 7 Protestant Moves of Restoration.	History
10.	SEEING THE SINGLE, SEVEN-FOLD PATTERN OF THE CHURCH.	
	• Seeing Things Straight.	Mat. 6:22
	• The Hermeneutic Principle.	
	“ <i>dihermeneuo</i> ” – “ <i>interpret</i> ” using all scripture.	Luke 24:27
	‘Hermeneutic Spiral’ – Refine ‘7s,’ side by side.	Ramm
	• The Pattern of Christian contexts.	
	Faith, Truth, Spirit, Power, Ministry, →	
	→ Doctrine, Completion ... in that order.	
	• The Pattern Reveals Structure and Process.	
	Pattern Elements Simultaneous – Structure.	
	Pattern Elements Sequential – Process.	
	• 7-Fold Temple All About Structure and Process.	Ezk. 43:11
11.	THE 7 CHURCHES	
	• Revelation Churches Fit the Pattern ...	
	... with two reversals of Biblical order.	
	Reversals trace out “66” - # of Book of Revelation.	Rev. 2,3
	• The Fruit of the Churches (with 7 Biblical examples).	Dt. 8:8
	• The Feasts Walk – Where and How the Church is Going.	
	• The 7 Churches – Characteristics.	Rev.2,3
	• The 7 Churches – Christ’s Manifestations.	7 Scriptures
	• The 7 Churches – Living a Saved Life.	7 Scriptures
	• The 7 Churches – Problems.	Rev.2,3
	PART-3	
12.	THE HEAVENLY BATTLEFIELD – A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE	
	• Something is Wrong With Heaven.	Mat. 11:12
	• Heaven is to Ultimately be Captured.	1 Cor. 15:24

	• Heaven is to be Cleansed, Pacified.	Mat. 13:41
	• Jesus' Description, in 11 Parables.	Matthew
	• What Heaven is Not.	8 Scriptures
	• What's Wrong With Heaven.	3 Scriptures
	• What Christians Do About Heaven.	6 Scriptures
	• The Keys to the Kingdom.	6 Scriptures
13.	RECOGNIZING THE DEMONIC	
	• 7 Demonic Types – Characteristics of Occupants of Canaan.	Jos. 3:10
	• 7 Demonic Classes – New Testament Names.	7 Scriptures
	• Recognizing Demons by Their Fruit	
	• Holy Spirit Opposition to Demonic Activity – N.T. Names.	7 Scriptures
	• Demons in the 7 Churches – Specific Target Assignments.	14 Scriptures
	• Christians Giving Ground to Demons.	2 Script. Sets
14.	DIAGNOSING CHURCHES IN TROUBLE	
	• The Biblical Meaning of “ <i>Diagnosis</i> ” – A Greek Biblical Word	3 Scriptures
	• The Procedure – Using 3 kinds of Christian Judgment.	3 Scriptures
	• Make a List of Symptoms.	
	• Assign Each Symptom to a 7-Fold Context.	
	• Identify the Church Elements in Trouble – Highest Scores.	
	• Identify the Demonic Strongholds – Preparation for Prayer.	
	• Case Study – 17 Symptoms.	
15.	CONCLUSION – THE BOTTOM LINE.	
	• It's About Showing God's End-Times Temple to the People.	Ezk. 43:10-11
	• It's About Measuring the Temple, as it is Now.	Ezk. 40-48 Rev. 11:1-2
	• It's About Ministering in God's Very End-Times Temple.	Ezk. 44
	• It's About Cleansing the Temple ... Again.	Mat. 21:12-13
	• It's About Understanding the Mystery of God's End-Times Will	Eph. 1:9
	• It's About the Fellowship of the Mystery.	Eph. 3:9
	• It's About Seeing, Hearing, Understanding, and Conversion.	Acts 28:25-27
	• It's About Seven-Fold Christianity.	
	• It's About Going On to Completion.	Heb. 6:1-2