

## Definitions And/or Descriptions (Glossary) for Bible Prophecy

**Barrier of the Dividing Wall** - Before the Cross, all Gentiles had to become Jewish proselytes to be saved. They had to embrace the Jewish System. But when the Cross came, this barrier was broken down. Now both Jew and Gentile have equal access to Christ to become the Church. In Christ, there are no ethnic divisions. There is no Jew or Gentile. All are one in Christ.

**Church** - The Church (or saints) are those persons, and only those persons, who having believed that Christ died on the Cross for sin, was buried, and rose bodily on the third day only according to the Holy Bible, have been called out from or have been translated from the Dominion of Satan into the Kingdom of God. One cannot be a believer without being in the Church. The Biblical Church is not the building used for worship or some organization. The Church of the people who believe in Christ as Savior. Thus, in the Biblical sense, one cannot go to Church. Instead, the Church assembles, such as in buildings, for worship.

**Daniel's Seventy Weeks** - This is a period of 490 years that run from the time that Israel was brought back into the land from the Babylonian captivity to three and one half years into the Church period. The context of the weeks is a restoral of fellowship of the Jews to God, first to the land and second to Christ (Messiah the Prince) via the New Covenant. Christ is crucified in the middle of the last and seventeenth week. This is when He establishes and causes the New Covenant in His blood, a known covenant, to prevail with the Jews and all people after the Day of Pentecost. **The seventieth week is history and does not refer to the endtimes Tribulation or to the anti-Christ.**

**Day of the Lord** - The Day of the Lord is when God destroys a nation, nations, or an empire. For example there was a Day of the Lord when God destroyed the Babylonian Empire. **One is not equal to the endtimes Tribulation.** The last Great Day of the Lord occurs after the Rapture during the time of the bowls at Christ's Second Coming. There is another Day of the Lord announced at the sixth trumpet, not called a Day of the Lord, that is implemented by the events of the first six trumpets This Day of the Lord ushers in the Mark-of-the-Beast Period.

**Dominion of Satan** - Satan has dominion over all unbelievers. People are born into his dominion - as the Kingdom of the World. Being in this dominion, people have Satan as god. **Remaining in His dominion at death, one will be cast into the Lake of Fire as a prison as an alternative way for God to satisfy His justice for sin.**

**God's Whole Counsel** - The Apostle Paul said that he was not guilty of the people's blood because he gave them the Whole Counsel or Purpose of God. We understand this to mean, in general terms, all that which is necessary to have salvation in Christ and a strong worship, stand, walk, and ministry in Christ-likeness. It is that which brings maturity to our Church people. We believe it includes comprehensive training for which brings maturity in Christ. It is not only that which works mainly for some Christian growth, however good, and to do area-wide evangelism, and not only that which works to do some witnessing, however good. (However, we believe that God may have us target what the Church does based on its people, available materials, and surrounding circumstances. God most likely will have us use the Awana program and CEF training because statistics show that 85% or more of the people come to Christ before they get out of Junior High School. We must target the children and youth.)

**Gospel of Christ** - The Gospel is that Christ died on the Cross for sin, was buried, and rose bodily from the dead on the third day only according to the Scriptures - the Holy Bible. The Gospel is the power of God for salvation to eternal life for all responding people who believe the Gospel as God works in the person and brings the salvation.

**Great Commission of Christ** - The intent and scope of the Great Commission is that Church works so that every person in the world hears Christ's Gospel and converts are disciplined to become mature in Christ-likeness with high-skill spiritual ability. This is in contrast to doing only some evangelism and working only for some spiritual growth.

**Hell** - Hell is the temporary residing place for all unbelievers after death but before the final judgments occur. It is different from and is not equal to the Lake of Fire which is the permanent or eternal dwelling place for unbelievers.

**Kingdom of God** - The Kingdom of God is His rule from heaven over everything that exists. Those who believe in the Cross are translated into His Kingdom as citizens to be ruled by God forever. Being in this Kingdom, believers have God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ as God. ***(This is a different kingdom than the Kingdom of Israel ruled from the earth.)***

**Knowledge of Good and Evil** - The Knowledge of Good and Evil is the knowledge of everything around us so that, if we have this knowledge, we think we are wise, and thus, allows us, we think, to run our own lives and attempt to work all things together for good ourselves, independent of God. However, it leads to sin because it is minus the wisdom, character qualities, attributes, and comprehension of God that leads a person to live holy and righteously without sin. It leads one to use their own minds for direction, instead of using only what comes from God. So it ends up with a life that is disobedient to God and is sinful.

**Lake of Fire** - The Lake of Fire is the final and everlasting residing location for all unbelievers after their resurrection and judgment. God uses the Lake of Fire as a prison to satisfy His Justice for sin of those who would not accept God's love offer in the Cross of Christ for His satisfied Justice. There is no spiritual or physical light of any kind in the Lake of Fire. Unbelievers in going to the Lake of Fire are without excuse because they had opportunity to seek after God because they knew of His power in creation.

**New Jerusalem** - The New Jerusalem is the eternal resting place or location of believers after their resurrection. It is heaven. Believers will live without sin in close fellowship with God.

**Pattern Sequence** - This sequence is a series of events that bring discipline on God's selected favored nations while in the sequence. It was used many times with Old Testament Israel. It is now being used with the United States as God's endtimes favored nation. It contains a sequence of blessings, warnings, calamity, divine discipline under international government, deliverance, and destruction of the sinful. One is used to terminate history. The endtimes discipline portion, we call the Tribulation. The Church is delivered at its end to Christ in the Rapture, and afterward, all unbelievers are killed.

**Rapture** - This a non-biblical word, accepted by the Church, that refers to the sudden and forceful catching up of believers in Christ to meet Him in the clouds, in the air, above the earth as He comes with the dead saints, who rise first, at His Second Coming.

**Second Coming of Christ** - Christ comes with all the dead saints at the end of the Tribulation to rapture the living saints and bring the consummation of history. His Second Coming covers the period of the Rapture, the 1000 years, the bowls, the resurrections, and the judgments. It includes the time of the Great White Throne for the final judgment of unbelievers. **Christ comes with and for His saints at the same time.**

**Seven-sealed Scroll of the Book of Revelation** - The events of the seven-sealed scroll is how Christ wins back the Title Deed of the Earth from Satan. Most of these events occur just before Christ's

Second Coming and contain the endtimes Tribulation. The seven trumpets come out of the seventh seal and the seven bowls come out of the seventh trumpet.

**Spiritual Ability in Christ-likeness** - One has spiritual ability when one has been trained with the Bible's teachings to respond only to God (by the leading of the Holy Spirit) in all aspects of life, living in a loving and close fellowship with God. He works to do the intended scope of the Scriptures, such as to carry out the Great Commission to evangelize entire local areas, not just do some evangelism. All direction for life comes from God as a source. He, not us, works all things together for our ultimate good. One lives in obedience to God from love, keeping His commandment, by faith using the promises, and hope in relationship living with God (and also with each other as believers). One lives to the glory of God, as one's head. Then one lives without sin in righteous and holy living. The depraved unbeliever is excluded from this life.

**The Thousand Years** - The 1000 years of Revelation occur during Christ's Second Coming when He with the Church, after the Rapture, determine whether or not any of those left will believe. The 1000 years occur after the resurrection and rapture of the Church and just before the resurrection of unbelievers. The 1000 years do not occur in the Church Period or after Christ's Coming. There is no Jewish golden-age Millennium coming

**Title Deed of the Earth** - The Title Deed of the Earth gives the owner control over the earth's people. Christ owned it before the fall of man. At the fall, Satan usurped it from Christ. Then, at the end of the endtimes Tribulation, Christ gains it back by the events of the seven-sealed scroll of Revelation. He gains it back when the heavenly court determined that He won the spiritual warfare over Satan. He gains it back by the events of the seven-sealed book or scroll. Having regained this Title Deed, gives Christ the legal authority to bring the consummation of history with the resurrections and judgments.

**Tribulation** - The Tribulation, containing the Mark-of-the-Beast Period, is a period of divine discipline (not penal judgment) over the whole world and Church for sin during the endtimes Pattern Sequence that brings the events that terminate history. It contains the worst of times. It occurs just before Christ's Second Coming and before the Rapture. The Tribulation is all-nations in characteristic and is not exclusively Jewish that would be required if Daniel's seventieth week were equal to it. It does not contain the time of the bowls. They come afterward.