### THE CHURCH 38

# ACTS 20:28

Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

## II CORINTHIANS 8:23

Whether any do enquire of Titus, he is my partner and fellowhelper concerning you: or our brethren be enquired of, they are the \*MESSENGERS of the churches, and the glory of Christ.

MESSENGERS: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 652 apostolos {ap-os'-tol-os} He that is sent, a delegate, one sent forth with orders

BLIND. BARTIMAEUS\_ COLUMBIA. SC SATURDAY\_ 56-0414 E-49 And God set in the Church first, what? Missionaries, or apostles; apostle and missionary, as I told you, taught you, is the same thing, "one sent."

Apostles, prophets, teachers, evangelist, pastors, God set in the Church for the perfecting of the Church. That's Divine gifts that God foreordained and set into the Church. See? Those are for the perfecting of the Church.

Jesus speaks through His pastor, speaks through His teacher, speaks through His seer, His prophet, speaks through His missionary to the countries, and so forth. That's His gifts that He's put in the Church.

Now, He's been with you a long time, but maybe you haven't never recognized It, as Philip and them did, or Cleopas.

TO. TAKE. ON. THE. WHOLE. ARMOR. OF. GOD\_ SANTA. MARIA. CA SUNDAY 62-0701

E-80. what we need today, is a man that'll take God's Word with the power of the Holy Ghost behind him to press it out there and watch it come to pass. That's God's army. Amen.

His Word of fire, His army is all dressed with the ever Presence of Himself in there, going with us. "I'll go with you, be in you. Not you that speaketh; the Father that dwelleth in you, He doeth the works."

TO. TAKE. ON. THE. WHOLE. ARMOR. OF. GOD\_ SANTA. MARIA. CA SUNDAY\_ 62-0701

E-81 In His army. . . He presents His army in the form of five offices, first, apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, evangelists.

That's His army; that's His soldiers; that's His commanding officers, all with the baptism of the Holy Ghost, waiting out there to meet the enemy on any grounds he comes upon; to meet the enemy with the Word of God (Amen. ),

each one backing one another up, with Him the Chief Captain, not out there in front, up here, above, back behind; but in them. That's the army. Vindicating, vindicating what? His resurrection, by the proof of His works.

PUTTING. ON. THE. WHOLE. ARMOR. OF. GOD\_ S. PINES. NC THURSDAY 62-0607

E-76 Now, God fortified His army. What with? Himself, in the form of prophets, apostles, teachers, pastors. What did He do? What was God doing?

Listen, did you ever think what that offices of the church is? It's God's dress, inside dress, an apostle, a prophet, a seer. Foresee, before Satan ever gets to it, done told it. What is it? God dressed up in His church.

These offices is God's dress-wear. When you see those offices, pastors, teachers, evangelists, what is that? That's God's dress-wear, God's Presence, God's Spirit (And if. . . ) working through man.

And if that office denies any of this Word, then it's not Goddressing. . . ?. . . No, not that. That's that wolf in sheep's clothing. Watch that fellow. Beware of him......

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## II CORINTHIANS 8:24

24 Wherefore shew ye to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love, and of our boasting on your behalf.

## EPHESIANS 1:22

22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

#### EPHESIANS 1:23

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

# **EPHESIANS 5:29**

29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

## **EPHESIANS 5:31**

31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

## **EPHESIANS 5:32**

32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

### COLOSSIANS 4:15

15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.

## COLOSSIANS 4:16

And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the epistle from Laodicea.

## I THESSALONIANS 1:1

1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

## I THESSALONIANS 2:14

14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:

### II THESSALONIANS 1:1

Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

# II THESSALONIANS 1:4

4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:

## I TIMOTHY 3:15

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

### HEBREWS 2:11

11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

## HEBREWS 2:12

12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

# **HEBREWS 12:23**

23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

#### **REVELATION 1:4**

4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

### **REVELATION 1:11**

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia;

unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

### **REVELATION 1:20**

The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

### **REVELATION 2:7**

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

# **REVELATION 2:11**

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

## **REVELATION 2:17**

17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna,

and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

## **REVELATION 2:23**

And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

# **REVELATION 2:29**

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

# **REVELATION 3:6**

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THE. SARDISEAN. CHURCH. AGE\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 329-372 FRIDAY 60-1209

- 73 Now, let's take the 1st verse.
- . . . . The seven Spirits and the seven stars. . . The Spirits was the angels that went to the stars which were messengers:

seven Spirits, seven different times the Holy Spirit would anoint a messenger, which was a star in his day. A--a Spirit is eternal, and the star that was made for a purpose to reflect Light in the dark of these church ages where candles and stars are represented.

The angel, the Spirit, was the one that went to the star and reflected the Light of the Holy Spirit through the star to that church age. That you might wonder who the seven Spirits are, it's the seven messengers of the seven church ages. See?

Now, and each time that the star came in on the scene, the Holy Spirit came down and anointed that star and kept it just exactly like the first one was.

### **REVELATION 1:5**

5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

### **REVELATION 3:1**

And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.

THE. SEVEN. CHURCH. AGES\_ JEFF. IN V-26 N-2 WEDNESDAY 54-0512

Now, "the seven Spirits that are before God." These seven Spirits was represented as the seven Spirits that would be sent forth for the Seven Church Ages: "seven Spirits before God."

HEBREWS. CHAPTER. SEVEN. 2\_ JEFF. IN HEB SUNDAY\_ 57-0922

And in there, we find out that, He had seven varieties of Spirit. Is that right? The Bible said, in the Revelation, that, "The seven Spirits before the Throne of God."

Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed. ] The seven, manifold, seven Spirit. We find out, there is seven colors. There is seven church ages there. Oh, it just runs. Seven is complete, and God was complete. And seven Spirits, and those Spirits were perfect.

Those colors, there is seven natural colors. Those colors represents the purity of God. And the. . . Those colors represents the motives of God, the attitude of God. Those seven colors, they represented seven church ages, seven stars, seven angels.

All through the Scripture, seven ministers, seven messengers, seven messages, all in the sevens. Seven days. Six days, and the seventh is the sabbath; perfect, complete......

## **REVELATION 4:3**

3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

## **REVELATION 4:4**

4 And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

### **REVELATION 4:5**

5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

### **REVELATION 5:6**

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

REVELATION. CHAPTER. FOUR. 2\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 585-643 SUNDAY 61-0101

230 And out of the throne proceed lightnings. . thunders. . voices: and there was seven lamps of fire. . (Wait till we get to that. ). . burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Reflecting the Light of God into the church, right straight from the throne of God. Not through a seminary, not through some bishop;

but from the throne of God by a revelation of the power of His resurrection, making Him the same yesterday and forever. Them seven stars standing there reflecting that Light, the Shekinah Light, from the Shekinah Glory from the holiest of holy.

Seven lamps on fire, setting on top of these candlesticks, reflecting His Light, His colors of His power of His resurrection, right into the church. Amen. Hm......

REVELATION. CHAPTER. FOUR. 3\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 645-716 SUNDAY 61-0108

116......"And out of the throne proceeded lightning, thunders, and voices." Not one voice: voices, plural. What was it? God speaking to the church,

reflecting Himself through the seven Spirits. When the true anointed of God speaks, it's the voice of God. To reject it is to remove the candlestick.

See? "Voices," the voice of the Seven Church Ages (over here in the corner), the voices speaking with thunder and lightning.

REVELATION. CHAPTER. FOUR. 3\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 645-716 SUNDAY 61-0108

125...... seven stars, seven lamps, seven messengers, seven Spirits; not altogether meaning that God's in seven Spirits, but seven manifestations of the same Holy Spirit.

Where's the Holy Spirit? Here at the throne, shining out in each church age. This church age is reflecting back this a-way the voices of God, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever.

See, seven. . . There was voices and seven lamps on fire, seven Spirits--which are the seven Spirits of God."

REVELATION. CHAPTER. FOUR. 3\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 645-716 SUNDAY 61-0108

151 Thrones, lightnings. . . What? Seven lamps, or lamps, or seven stars, called seven Spirits, meaning the mani--seven manifestations of the Holy Spirit of the seven church ages,

as the seven seats of mercy for the people. Here they are, seven seats of mercy, seven seats, seven churches, seven stars, seven manifestations, seven Spirits, seven lamps. Oh, my, how God is so perfect......

REVELATION. CHAPTER. FIVE. 2\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 747-793 SUNDAY\_ 61-0618

204......"seven" is "perfection"; "five" is "grace," God's grace to His Seven Church Ages, His seven messenger men--men,

His seven Spirits of God, the seven planned seals of redemption (we're in right now), the seven horns means seven ages. 'Cause a horn means "a kingdom." You remember the crown that come upon the beast, horn, in Daniel and so forth?

See, it means a kingdom or seven ages. And remember, Jesus said, "Some fell asleep in the first watch, one age; another one in the next watch, the next age; next; and the next; plumb on to the seventh watch.

And in the seventh watch the Bridegroom come, then all of them awakened." Remember that? So its seven ages was the seven horns. And seven churches, or the seven dispensations of the body of believers. . .

THE. RAPTURE\_ YUMA. AZ V-5 N-14 SATURDAY\_ 65-1204 105 Now we find here that Enoch was the seventh from Noah, which was a type of the church ages. Now, all of the rest of the six men, before him, died, but Enoch was translated.

Enoch was raptured, the seventh, showing that it's the seventh church age that takes the Rapture. Now, there's no doubt, we're in the seventh church age. We all know it.

106 Now, it's the seventh church age that takes the Rapture. All of the other six died. But Enoch was translated, because, "He was not found. God took him." But Enoch, raptured, was a type of all of the rest of them dying.

But the--the end-time Bride will be called out of the. . . The rapturing, without death, will be called out of the seventh church age, which we are now bearing record of that age. Oh, my! Let's dig in now, real deep. See?

### GENESIS 2:1

1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

# GENESIS 2:2

2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

## **GENESIS 2:3**

3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

#### GENESIS 7:1

1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

### GENESIS 7:2

2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female.

### GENESIS 7:3

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

### GENESIS 7:4

4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

# **EXODUS 12:15**

15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

GOD'S. ONLY. PROVIDED. PLACE. OF. WORSHIP\_ SHP. LA V-7 N-4 SUNDAY\_ 65-1128M

124...... seven days shall thou eat unleavened bread therein,.

"Seven days," what does that typify? The complete Seven Church Ages, seven days. Why'd they have to eat it seven days? Before what? Before going out.

And the whole church age, from the beginning to the end, has to live only on the Word of God of that age......

## **EXODUS 13:6**

6 Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to the LORD.

## **EXODUS 13:7**

7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.

## **EXODUS 21:1**

1 Now these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

## **EXODUS 21:2**

2 If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

## **EXODUS 23:10**

10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

### **EXODUS 23:11**

11 But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

## **EXODUS 23:12**

12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

# **EXODUS 24:16**

16 And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

## **EXODUS 25:37**

37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against it.

### LEVITICUS 4:5

5 And the priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the tabernacle of the congregation:

# LEVITICUS 4:6

6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary.

# CHRIST\_ PHOENIX. AZ MONDAY\_ 55-0221

E-40...... Then inside, coming through the sprinkled blood at the door. Remember, it was seven stripes. The seven stripes spoke of the seven ages, seven church ages, that also. . . Seven is God's perfect number.

No other way of redemption only through the Blood through the seven years, six thousand years even to the Millennium. Nothing but the Blood will be recognized any time. A public testimony to the Blood comes Life......

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E-27...... They took the blood of the heifer and caught it in a charger, went to the doors of the Tabernacle, and there they smeared seven stripes across the door.

Then when this worshipper, or sprinkled one, separated one from the things of the world is coming now, must, as he enters into the door to look at the blood, not to a creed, not to a denomination, but to the blood of a dead sacrifice.

You must remember, and seven times this was sprinkled. Which means all seven thousand years that human beings will exist upon the earth, because the blood has been, and will be the only grounds of fellowship that God will ever meet man on, the fellowship of the blood.

## LEVITICUS 23:15

And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:

#### LEVITICUS 23:16

16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.

# LEVITICUS 23:17

17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baken with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

### LEVITICUS 23:18

18 And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams:

they shall be for a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto the LORD.

## LEVITICUS 23:24

24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.

## LEVITICUS 23:34

34 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the LORD.

## JOSHUA 6:4

4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

# JUDE 1:14

14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

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## **REVELATION 1:12**

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;

## **REVELATION 1:13**

13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

## **REVELATION 1:16**

16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

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