

# The Church Age

## Jesus the Christ Head of the Church

High Priest of the Priesthood of all Church Age Believers

(Melchisedecan Priesthood "in Christ" Replaces the Levitical Priesthood )

2nd Phase of the  
First Resurrection  
of the "dead in Christ"  
and the Rapture  
of Living Believers  
(Church Age Believers)

**THE COMFORTER  
COMES**

The Baptism with the  
Holy Spirit and the  
Indwelling of the Holy  
Spirit Begins

**Pentecost  
ONE DAY**

Acts 2:1-4  
33 A.D.

**Faithful Remnant of Bible Believers & "doers of the Word . . . overcome" throughout**

Jesus dies, is buried,  
is resurrected, and  
ascends to the Father  
emptying Abraham's

<b>Ephesus</b> Apostolic Church Rev. 2:1-7 33-100 A.D.	<b>Smyrna</b> Persecuted Church Rev. 2:8-11 100-312 A.D.	<b>Pergamos</b> Pampered Church Rev. 2:12-17 312-590 A.D.	<b>Thyatira</b> Paganized Church Rev. 2:18-29 500-1500 A.D.	<b>Sardis</b> Protesting Church Rev. 3:1-6 1500-1750 A.D.	<b>Philadelphia</b> Producing Church Rev. 3:7-13 1750 A.D. to the Rapture	<b>Laodicea</b> Pretending Church Rev. 3:14-22 1900 A.D. through Trib	<b>SEVEN YEAR TRIBULATION</b> The Seventieth Week Of Daniel Rev. 4:1-19:11 Beginning at the Rapture
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Jesus  
is the  
1st Phase  
of the First  
Resurrection

**Each of the SEVEN HISTORICAL PERIODS is a PROGRESSION toward APOSTASY.** In each succeeding period the abandonment or loss of certain truths is carried into the next historical period. Throughout this progression God will maintain a remnant of faithful believers. Within the context of each epistle to each historical church period, God speaks to both the faithful remnant and the unfaithful majority. Therefore, at the end the progression all the forms of apostasy will exist together including the development of a mixture of various philosophies forming new variations.

(Churches are Autonomous Local Churches Throughout the Church Age)

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**Seven Historic Periods within the Church Age Represented by Seven Literal Local Churches**  
(The Prophecy of the Church's Failure in the Great Commission and the Journey to Apostasy)