

The Church of Ephesus era, 33-100 A.D. The word Ephesus means “*to relax from effort,*” which matches Jesus admonishment to them, to return to the first works of faith and love, with zeal and fervor.

The Church of Smyrna era, the Persecuted Church, 100-313 A.D. The name Smyrna comes from the word “*myrrh,*” a preservative in burial. It’s a symbol of death. They endured eight persecution periods by Roman Emperors, the worst by Diocletian who sought to root out Christianity from the very face of the earth, from 303-313 A.D. (10 prophetic years)

The Church of Pergamos era, 313-538 A.D. The name Pergamos in Greek means, “*married to the tower.*” Satan couldn’t destroy Jesus’ church through persecution, so he changed his strategy to destroy it from within. When the Roman Empire fell, Satan empowered the Catholic Church, which is *Mystery Babylon*, the religion of Sun and Satan worship.

The era of the Church of Thyatira, 538-1514 A.D. Thyatira means “*ruled by a woman,*” which is the perfect name because this era was ruled by the Roman Catholic Church, who is the Great Harlot of Revelation, the Whore of Babylon.

The Dark Ages were a time when the Papal Church sought to eliminate the Word of God and Christ's Church, and as this happened, the world became a very dark place where evil prevailed.

Several people groups (the Waldenses, Albigenses, Vaudois) boldly proclaimed Jesus gospel, declared that the pope was Antichrist, that his government was tyrannical, and his doctrines the doctrines of devils.

The Little Book of Revelation 10 represents the *Word of God* which Jesus church used as a measuring rule, to know who is the true church, and to identify the false church, which is the Roman Catholic Church. First came the Tyndale Bible which was printed in English in 1525. Then the Geneva Bible in 1560. Then the King James Bible in 1611.

The Two Witnesses of Revelation 11 are not two literal people who come back and are killed. Rather they symbolically represent the witness of the *Word of God* and *Christ’s Church*, who testify about Christ and against the Papal Church.

During the Thyatira church era, the Roman Catholic Church had so relentlessly burned the Word of God, and killed Christians, that in 1514, at the Fifth Lateran Council, they declared that Christ’s Church was dead.

Exactly 3.5 years later (3.5 prophetic years), Martin Luther posted his ‘95 Theses’ on the Wittenberg Church door, which ignited the Protestant Reformation. Christ's Church was alive again and this put great fear in the Papal Church.

The church eras of Thyatira and Sardis are the *two lamp stands* which preached the pure Gospel of Christ and stood as a witness against the Antichrist Papal Church during their 1,260 years of reign from 538-1798 A.D.

The Church of Sardis era, 1514 – 1798 A.D. The meaning of the word “Sardis” is the ‘*escaping one,*’ or those who ‘*come out,*’ and millions of people came out of the Papal Church to be saved by the pure Gospel of Jesus.

From 50-100 Million Christians have perished from the Papal Church persecutions. The Catholic Church continued to persecute Christians, but more importantly, they implemented a new strategy of destroying Christianity by infiltrating it.

In 1798 Napoleon’s army captured the Pope, ending the Papal reign, causing the *deadly head wound* of the beast of Rev.

The Church of Philadelphia era, 1798 – 1900 A.D. Their *brotherly love* shined bright in the world. This was the rise of the evangelical church in North America and the British Isles, a large number of souls were won to Christ.

The Church of Laodicea era, 1900 A.D. – present Laodicea means “*power of the laity.*” Mussolini restored the Roman Catholic Church in 1929, *healing the deadly head wound*. The Jesuits have infiltrated seminaries to deceive Pastors. They have created many deceptions about end times prophecy. We are wretched, miserable, naked, poor and blind.