

# Reasons To Study Church History

- Helps Us Learn From The Mistakes Of The Past And Avoid Them
- To Build Upon Their Successes, So We Can Grow From Them
- Helps Us Appreciate The Lord's Church

# Overview Of Course

Before We Study The Restoration Movement, We Should Study:

- The Church/Kingdom In Prophecy
- The Church/Kingdom Established
- The Church/Kingdom Apostate
- The Church/Kingdom Restored

# The Church/Kingdom In Prophecy

Daniel 2:32-35

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#	Gentile Kingdom	Image Symbol	Reign over Israel
1	Babylon (a)	Head of GOLD	625 B.C. TO 539 B.C.
2	Medo-Persia (b)	Chest and Arms of SILVER	539 B.C. TO 331 B.C.
3	Greece	Waist and Thighs of BRONZE	331 B.C. TO 164 B.C. (c)
4	Rome	Legs of IRON	164 B.C. - 70 A.D.

**Daniel 2:44 - "In The Days Of These Kings...."**

44<sup>th</sup> And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.

45<sup>th</sup> Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure.” - Daniel 2:44,45 NKJV



“<sup>2</sup>Now it shall come to pass in the latter days *That* the mountain of the Lord’s house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it. <sup>3</sup> Many people shall come and say, “Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.” -Isaiah 2:2,3



Jesus Taught:

Mark 9:1 – Some  
Standing Here Will  
Not Taste Death  
Before The Kingdom  
Comes

Matthew 16:13-19 –  
“Upon This Rock I  
Will Build My Church  
. . . And I Will Give  
Unto You The Keys  
Of The Kingdom Of  
Heaven”

# Luke

23:50-53



“<sup>50</sup>Now behold, *there was* a man named Joseph, a council member, a good and just man. <sup>51</sup>He had not consented to their decision and deed. *He was* from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who himself was also waiting for the kingdom of God. <sup>52</sup>This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>53</sup>Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a tomb *that was* hewn out of the rock, where no one had ever lain before.”



# Luke

## 24:46-48



<sup>46</sup>Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>And you are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

## Acts 1:6-9:

“<sup>6</sup>Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, “Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”<sup>7</sup>And He said



to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.”<sup>8</sup>“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

<sup>9</sup>Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.”

## Acts 2:1-4ff:



<sup>1</sup>When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and *one* sat upon each of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

# On That Day Of Pentecost

- Prophecy Fulfilled
  - vv.16-21 – Joel 2 – God's Great And Notable Day
  - vv. 25-28 – Psalm 16:8-11 – David's Prophecy
- Church Starts – v.38-40
- Kingdom Rule Begins Thru Apostles' Binding Authority, cf. v.42-47 with Matthew 16:18,19

# The Kingdom/Church Under Operation In The 1<sup>st</sup> Century

Colossians 1:12 – “<sup>13</sup>He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed *us* into the **kingdom** of the Son of His love, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption through His blood.”

2 Thessalonians 1:5 – “<sup>5</sup>*which is* manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the **kingdom** of God, for which you also suffer;”

Revelation 1:9 – “<sup>9</sup>I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and **kingdom** and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.”

# Next Lesson

- What Happened To The Church Once It Was Established?
- The End Of The First Century
- Events In The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Centuries
- 4<sup>th</sup> –11<sup>th</sup> Centuries
- 1000A.D. – 1500 A.D.
- Reformation
- Restoration Movement