

# ECCLESIOLOGY and



# ESCHATOLOGY



**One of the most  
IMPORTANT  
courses you  
will take!!!!!!**



**Millennium**

**Church**

**MESSIAH**

**Kingdom**

**Israel**

**Exodus & Conq.**

**ABRAHAM**

**SCATTERING**

**FLOOD**

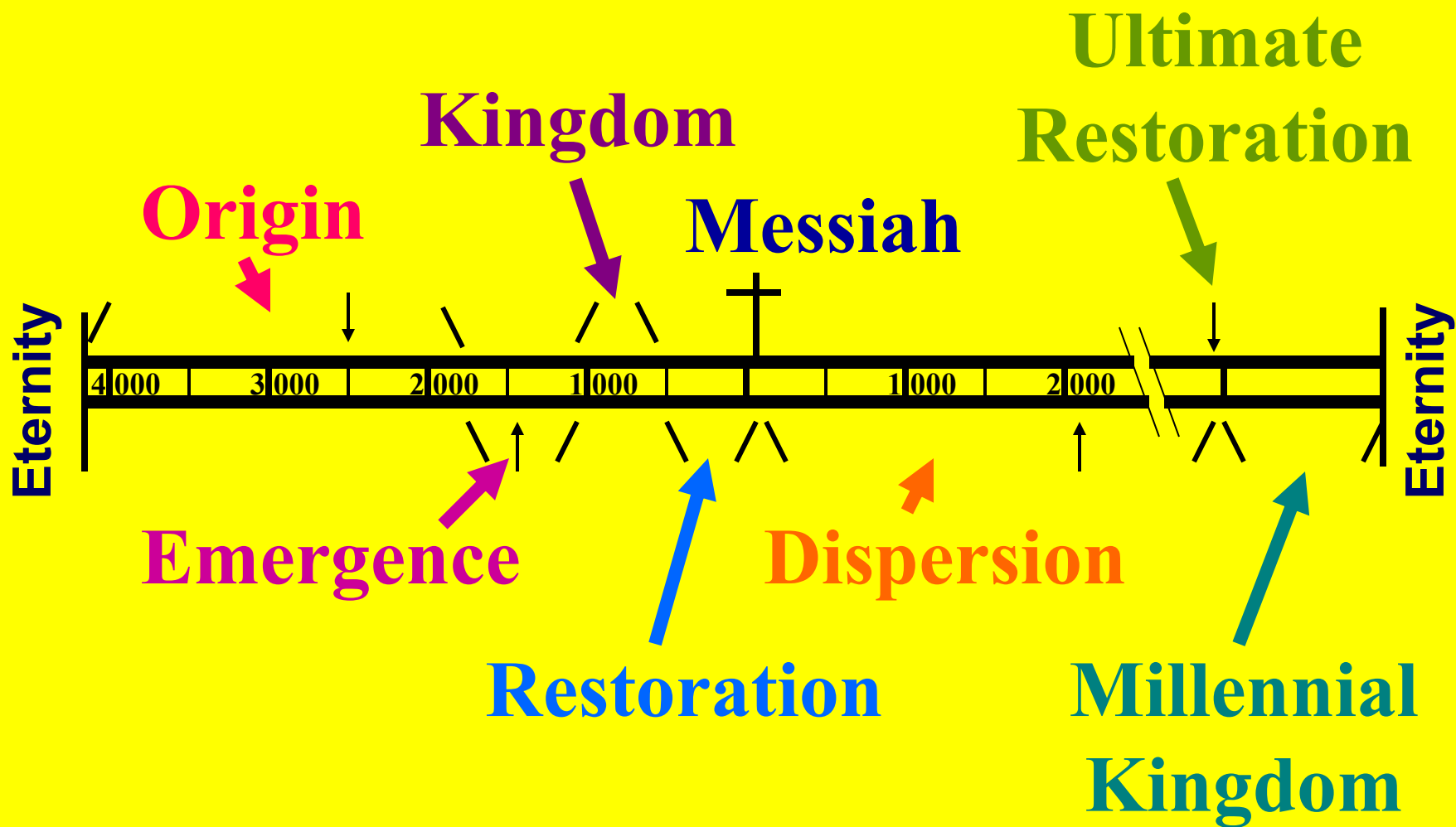
**FALL**

**CREATION**

**WORLD**

**HISTORY**

# HISTORY OF ISRAEL



# ECCLESIOLOGY

**N.D. in  
Paris**



**Byzantine Basilica B  
at Philippi**



**Wells in G.B.**



# ECCLESIOLOGY

## I. Introduction

### A. Issues



**1Pet 2:9 But you are a chosen race,  
a royal priesthood, a holy nation,  
a people for God's own possession,  
so that you may proclaim the  
excellencies of Him who has called  
you out of darkness into His  
marvelous light;**

# **ISSUES**

- ✓ **When did church begin?**
- ✓ **Is there an OT church?**
- ✓ **Does church replace Israel?**
- ✓ **What is the nature of the church?**
- ✓ **Difference of universal & local church?**
- ✓ **Relationship of church to kingdom?**
- ✓ **Biblical form of church government?**
- ✓ **What is the nature of the kingdom?**
- ✓ **What is NT pattern on leadership?**

# MISCONCEPTIONS

- Israel
- Kingdom
- Building
- Organization



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# **IMPORTANCE**

- 1. God has a big plan**
- 2. Present dispensation - Eph 3:9f**

**Eph 3:9-11** and to make plain to everyone the **administration** of this **mystery**, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. His intent was that **now**, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the **rulers** and **authorities** in the **heavenly realms**, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# IMPORTANCE

1. God has a big plan
2. Present dispensation - Eph 3:9f
3. God has purchased it - Act 20:28
4. Paul's greatest sin - 1Cor 15:9
5. Christ loves it - Eph 5:25, 29
6. Work completed - Eph 5:27

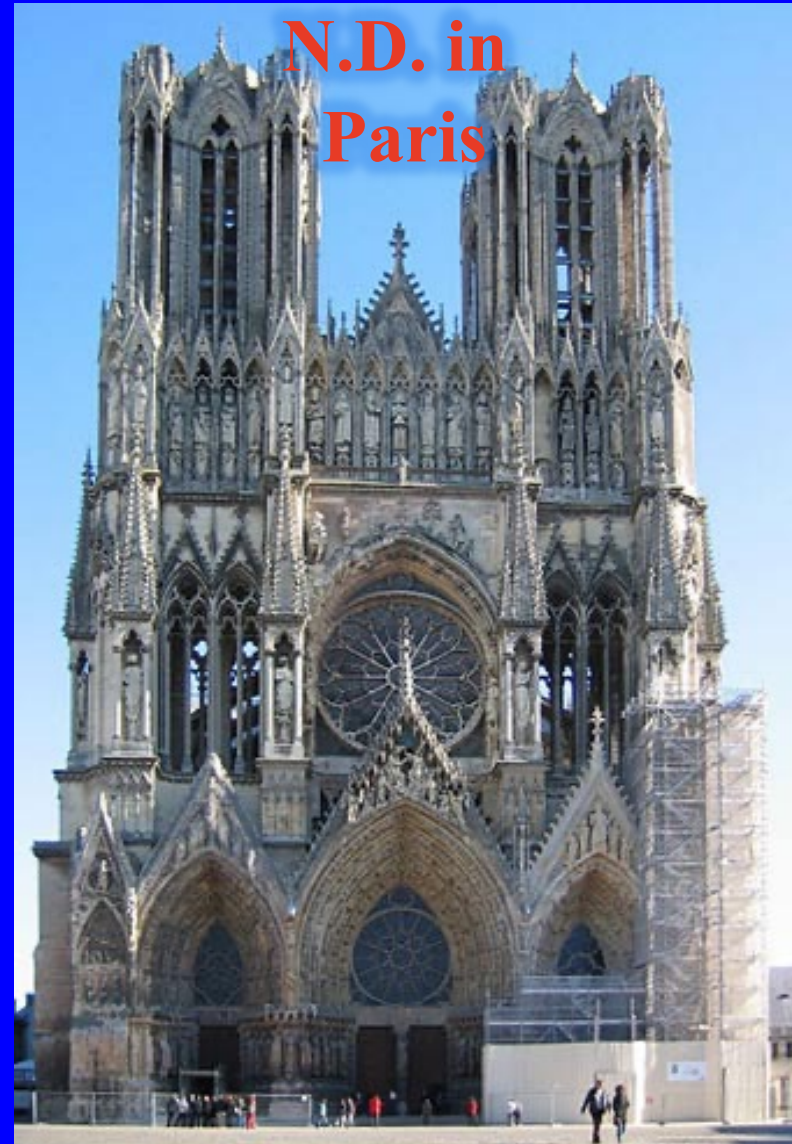
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# **NT LIST**

- Mt 16:18 - future church?**  
**what did disciples understand?**
- 18:17 (2x) - before founding?**
- Act 5:11 - general**
- 7:38 - congregation in wilderness**
- 8:1, 3, 11:22 - in Jerusalem**
- 9:31 - thru out Judea, Galilee & Samaria**
- 11:26, 13:1, 14:27, 15:3 - at Antioch**
- 12:1, 5, 15:41 - general**
- 15:4, 22 - in Jerusalem**

# CHURCH (ἐκκλησία)

1. Church in general, broadly
2. In specific locations, cities, regions
3. Congregation in Wilderness



# NT LIST

- Act 15:41, 16:5 - churches plural**  
**18:22 - at Caesarea**  
**19:32, 39, 41 - mob, assembly, legal assembly**  
**20:17 - at Ephesus**  
**20:28 - in general**  
**Rom 16:1 - at Cenchrea**  
**16:5, 1Cor 16:19 - house church**  
**...**  
**Eph 1:22, 3:9-11 - His body, Jew/Gentile**  
**...**

# **LXX** (קְהָל), 123x

- 1. Israelites before nation - Gen 49:6,  
Ex 12:6, Num 14:5, Lev 4:13**
- 2. Israelites as nation - 1Ch 13:2, 4,  
1Kg 8:22, 55, 65, 12:3**
- 3. Future of Israel - Ezek 38:15**
- 4. Assembly of any kind - unbelievers,  
armies, women (Jer 44:15)**

# CHURCH (ἐκκλησία)

1. Assembly of people - non-theol.
2. Universal church - in general
3. Local churches - cities, regions
4. OT assembly - Israelites



# MEANING

A vibrant outdoor campus plaza with people walking, greenery, and modern architecture under a clear blue sky. The scene is bright and sunny, with a mix of paved walkways, grass, and trees. In the background, there are modern buildings and a clear blue sky. The overall atmosphere is one of a well-maintained and active campus environment.

- Usage - range of meaning
- Context - determines meaning
- Etymology - limitations
- Synonyms - useful

# ETYMOLOGY

ἐκκλησία - ἐκ + καλέω

to call out from?

does usage support?

# **LEXICON**

- 1. *assembly*, as a regularly summoned political body**
- 2. *assemblage, gathering, meeting* gener.**
- 3. the *congregation* of the Israelites, esp. when gathered for religious purposes**
- 4.**

# LEXICON

4. of the Christian *church* or *congregation*
  - a. *A church meeting*
  - b. *the church or congregation* as the totality of Christians living in one place
  - c. of house-churches
  - d. the church universal, to which all believers belong
  - e. The local as well as universal church

# USAGE

## ἐκκλησία

1. Common - assembly  
Act 19:23-29, 32, 34-41

# 1 of 7 Wonders of World

Act 19:23-28

Temple of  
Artemis ruins



**127 column,**

**60' high, 6' diam.**





**Ephesian Artemis**  
**AD 1st c**





**Act 19:29, 32**

**Ephesus**

# Theater with Appian Way & Harbor



**Act 19:34-41**

**Temple of  
Artemis ruins**



# USAGE

## ἐκκλησία

1. **Common - assembly**  
**Act 19:23-29, 32, 34-41**
2. **Israel - assembly**  
**Act 7:38, Heb 2:12 (quote)**
3. **Theological - church,**  
**assembly of believers**

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# **DESCRIPTION**

- 1. Universal - Mt 16:18,  
Eph 1:22-23**
- 2. Regional**

# REGIONAL

1. **Judea, Galilee & Samaria -**  
**Act 9:31, Gal 1:22**
2. **Galatia -** **Act 14:23**
3. **Syria & Cilicia -** **Act 15:41**
4. **Asia -** **1Cor 16:19**
5. **Macedonia -** **2Cor 8:1**
6. **Rome -** **Rom 16:5**

# **DESCRIPTION**

- 1. Universal - Mt 16:18,  
Eph 1:22-23**
- 2. Regional**
- 3. Local**

# LOCAL CHURCHES

1. Corinth - 1Cor 1:2
2. Ephesus - Act 20:17
3. Thessalonica - 1Th 1:1
4. Antioch - Act 11:26
5. Caesarea - Act 18:22
6. Cenchrea - Rom 16:1
7. 7 churches of Rev

# **UNIVERSAL CHURCH**

**Spiritual entity with Christ  
as head composed of all true  
believers**

**All locations, all time since  
founding, until rapture, invisible  
church, spiritual body of Christ,  
some in heaven**

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