

The Seven Church Ages

Age	Church in Revelation	Church Age Name	Period A.D.	Historical Information	Spiritual Condition
1	Ephesus	Apostolic	33-100	This was the period that the apostles were alive, beginning with the Day of Pentecost and ending with the death of the apostle John near the end of the first century.	The cooling off of the churches' passion which once had the fire and flame of the love for Jesus.
2	Smyrna	Caesars	100-312	Persecution in the Colosseum occurred after A.D. 82, and the Diaspora from Rome began in A.D. 135 and continued till the Empire split into West and East around 300.	The church of Martyrdom - Terrible suffering at the hands of the Roman Emperors because the Christians would not worship or bow down to Caesar.
3	Pergamum	Constantine	312-590	Around A.D. 400 the Western Roman Empire began to decline. Byzantine period arose.	The church is married to the world. Constantine performed the ceremony. Decimated by the doctrine of Balaam and the exaltation of clergy.
4	Thyatira	Middle (Dark) Ages	590-1517	The old Roman Empire collapsed around A.D. 476. The Dark Ages loomed A.D. 476-1453. The Roman Catholic Empire and the Eastern Orthodox (Ottoman) Empire progressed in the Crusades of A.D. 1096-1291. Gothic styles prevailed. The Plague of the Black Death occurred.	When Jezebel ruled the church. The church became a harlot, a scarlet woman. Fifty million Christians killed during the Dark Ages.
5	Sardis	Reformation	1517-1750	A European Renaissance (rebirth or revival) ensued from A.D. 1300-1750. Protestantism began in 1500.	The Church of the Reformation - Great men stood and preached the gospel of Jesus and sought to return the Word of God to the people. Paid the ultimate price.
6	Philadelphia	Missionary	1750-1925	Industrial Revolution, Spiritualism, World War I. Communism began in Russia.	The Church of the Open Door - The great missionary era of spreading the gospel around the world. (William Carey, Adoniram Judson, Luther Rice)
7	Laodicea	Apostate	1925 to the Tribulation and Apostate World	Apostate Church Age as the Restoration Movement, Ecumenical Council, Federal Council of Churches, World Council of Churches developed. World War II began. Diaspora ended in 1948.	The lukewarm church that believes they are rich and have need of nothing, but who really are miserable, poor, blind and naked. To be at ease in Zion, loving the world more than God.