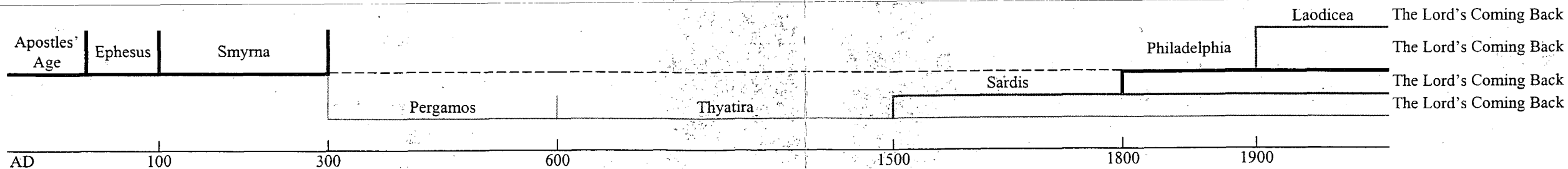


A SYSTEMATIC CHART OF CHURCH HISTORY



Church Name	Ephesus	Smyrna	Pergamos	Thyatira	Sardis	Philadelphia	Laodicea
Meaning	Admirable	Bitterness	Marriage, Union	Sacrifice of Perfume	The Remains	Brotherly Love	Customs of Laymen, Opinions of Common People
Characteristic	The Early Church	The Suffering Church	The Church in Union with the World	Roman Catholicism	The Protestant Church	The Brethren Movement	The Church of People's Opinion
Period	1st Century	2nd and 3rd Century	4th through 6th Century	7th Century Till the Lord's Return	16th Century Till the Lord's Return	19th Century Till the Lord's Return	20th Century Till the Lord's Return
The Lord's Commendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeds, hard work, perseverance • Did not tolerate wicked men • Tested those claiming to be apostles and found them false • Persevered and endured hardships for the Lord's name and did not grow weary • Hated the practices of the Nicolaitans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Afflicted and poor yet were rich • Knew the slander of those who said they were Jews and were not 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remained true to My name and did not renounce your faith in Me, even when Antipas was put to death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeds, love, faith, service, perseverance • Did more at present time than at first 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeds • Had a little strength • Kept My word • Did not deny My name • Kept My command to endure patiently 	
The Lord's Chastisement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left their first love 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lived where Satan had his throne • Had people who held to the teaching of Balaam • Ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality • Also had those who held to the teaching of the Nicolaitans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tolerated Jezebel, whose teaching misled people into sexual immorality and eating food sacrificed to idols 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reputation of being alive yet were dead • Deeds not complete in the sight of God 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neither cold nor hot • Said, "I am rich," but are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked

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Spiritual Leaders or Denominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ignatius 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polycarp (69–160 AD) • Irenaeus • Tertullian (160–220 AD) • Cyprian (200–258 AD) • Clement (150–215 AD) • Origen (185–254 AD) • Novatians • Montanism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Augustine (354–430 AD) • Donatism • Nestorius 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paulicians • Bogomils • Waldenses • John Wycliffe (1330–1384) • Francis of Assisi (1182–1226) • Thomas Aquinas (1227–1274) • John Huss (1370–1415) • Greek Orthodox Church established (1054) • Hussites (1370) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Luther, William Tyndale, Ulrich Zwingli, John Calvin, John Bunyan, George Fox, George Whitefield, John Wesley, William Carey, Nikolaus Von Zinzendorf • Anabaptists, Pietists, Mennonites, Puritans, Anglican, Quakers, Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Alliance, Methodist, Lutheran 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J.N. Darby • George Muller • Charles Finney • D.L. Moody • A.B. Simpson • Hudson Taylor • F.B. Meyer • 100 chiefs among the brethren 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Murray • Mrs. Jesse Penn-Lewis • Evan Roberts • T. Austin Sparks • A. W. Tozer • Watchman Nee
Heresy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gnosticism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marcionism • Manichaeism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arianism • Pelagianism • Sacerdotalism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Idol and object worship • Established many festivals • Papal system established 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jehovah's Witnesses • Mormonism • Christian Science • Seventh Day Adventists • New Age Movement • Modernism
Important Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 64 AD, Emperor Nero initiated the first great persecution; Paul and Peter martyred • 90–96 AD, Emperor Domitian initiates the second great persecution, John is exiled to the island of Patmos, Clement of Rome martyred 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 98–117 AD, Emperor Trajan initiates the third great persecution, Ignatius martyred • 161–180 AD, Marcus Aurelius initiates the fifth great persecution, Polycarp martyred • 303–311 AD, Emperor Diocletian initiates the tenth great and most severe persecution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 313 AD, Constantine believes in Jesus, church and state unified • 325 AD, Church Councils at Nicaea held the first meeting; and 680 AD, held sixth meeting to discuss the Person and work of Christ and the Deity and relationship of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit • 476 AD, Western Roman Empire abolished 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crusades (1095–1272), seven in all • Renaissance Movement • First English Bible made available (1382) • Eastern Roman Empire abolished (1453) • Printing press invented (1455) • 622 AD, Islamic religion established 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walsh Revival • Missions • Pentecostal Movement • Charismatic Movement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moravian brethren • Dublin and Plymouth Brethren Movement: Back to the Bible, Back to the Beginning, Back to the Body • Faith Mission 	