

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

VICTORY IN BAD TIMES

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PUBLIC CHURCHES ARE COMING TO AN END

When the time of the Antichrist begins, it will become unlawful to be a professing Christian, church buildings will be closed; pastors and church leaders who insist of preaching the true Gospel will be arrested, sent to labor camps or executed. This is the life of Christians in China today.

Christians will no longer have access to the Internet, which will be purged of all websites that include Christian content or opposes the new world government. Christians who have smart phones will find themselves cut off from service.

There will be no more stores that sell Bibles and you won't be able to find them for sale except on the black market.

HOW DID THE EARLY CHURCH SURVIVE?

The early church survived because of the following factors:

1. There was no central leadership for the first 200 years.
2. There were no church buildings; instead, Christians met in small home groups and were lead by an elder. Every city or a rural province would have a bishop, who instructed the elders from the Bible. **1 Timothy 3:1-7**
3. To be accepted into a home group, an individual had to repent of his sins, receive Christ as Lord and Savior and submit to water baptism through immersion. Once he had proved himself to be a disciple, he was accepted into the fellowship. **Acts 9:26-27**
4. Jesus had set up the different offices in the church. **Ephesians 4:11-16**
5. In order to gain access to a local fellowship, a letter of recommendation was required. **Acts 15:22-27**
6. The written word of God was used by the Holy Spirit to keep the churches spiritually healthy. **2 Peter 1:13-21**

PREPARE FOR PERSECUTION

It is possible to prepare for a natural disaster such as an hurricane, tornado or earthquake but it takes careful planning. In much the same way, Christians need to take stock and get ready as we see the end times approaching.

- A. Prepare yourself mentally to trust in God alone, not in men or the government. **Matthew 6:24-34**
- B. Be ready to live and die for your faith. **2 Timothy 4:6-8**
- C. What do you have to offer God? You can't offer God your possessions because He created everything on earth; they are not yours to give. You



cannot offer your physical body because God created it and He will take it back at death. You cannot offer God your intelligence, knowledge, or skills because He put all these things into you. The only thing that you own is your free will; God desires your obedience. **Deuteronomy 28:1-2; 1 Samuel 15:22-23; John 14:15**

- D. Maintain a close fellowship with Jesus or you will not be able to hold up during the pressure that is coming. **John 15: 1-8**
- E. Find Christians in your community who you can trust and start building a local Christian fellowship where you meet for worship, prayer and Bible studies.
- F. Buy some extra Bibles and build up a stockpile for future believers in Christ.
- G. Find a good source of Christian material that will teach you church and secular history, doctrine and customs from ancient Israel. Begin by ordering the book Christian Dynamics Course I and the Kabbalah booklets from us.
- H. Study to prepare yourself to pray for the sick, to cast out demons and to be used by God to work miracles. Prepare yourself to live in the supernatural, not in the flesh. **2 Timothy 2:15**
- I. Affiliate yourselves with other like minded groups in other areas and be ready to aid people in need.

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?