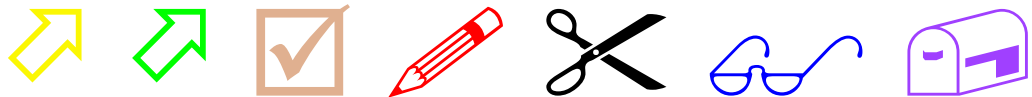


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Victory Theology from B.C. 4004 to A.D. 2002f

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- 2) **JEHOVAH ELOHIM** the Triune God, 6th day, *anno Mundi*
- 3) **ADAM**, the first man (4004 B.C.)
- 4) **EVE**, the first woman (4000+ B.C.)
- 5) **ABEL**, the first martyr (4000- B.C.)
- 6) **ENOCH**, the man who walked with God (4380+ B.C.)
- 7) **LAMECH**, the confident father of Noah (3245+ B.C.)
- 8) **NOAH**, the Preacher of righteousness (2745+ B.C.)
- 9) **SHEM**, the faithful Ancestor of Jesus (2740+ B.C.)
- 10) **JAPHETH**, the Father of the Western Nations (2740+ B.C.)
- 11) **JOB**, the greatest man in the ancient East (+/- 2200f B.C.)
- 12) **MELCHIZEDEK**, the [Prophet-]Priest-King of the Most-High God (+/- 2000 B.C.)
- 13) **ABRAHAM**, the Father of all believers (+/- 2000 B.C.)
- 14) **ISAAC**, the Child of the Promise (+/- 1930 B.C.)
- 15) **JACOB**, the Prince of God (+/- 1880 B.C.)
- 16) **JOSEPH**, the Viceroy of Egypt (+/- 1420 B.C.)
- 17) **MOSES**, the Friend of God (+/- 1420 B.C.)
- 18) **JOSHUA**, the Conqueror of Canaan (+/- 1400 B.C.)
- 19) **DEBORAH**, the Judge and Prophetess (+/- 1300 B.C.)
- 20) **SAMSON**, the Hero of Zorah (+/- 1130 B.C.)
- 21) **SAMUEL**, the greatest Judge (+/- 1120 B.C.)
- 22) **DAVID**, the King of Israel (+/- 1000 B.C.)
- 23) **SOLOMON**, the wisest of men (+/- 970 B.C.)
- 24) **JOEL**, the Prophet of Pentecost (+/- 800 B.C.)
- 25) **AMOS**, the Herdsman of Tekoa (+/- 780 B.C.)
- 26) **HOSEA**, the Prophet of God's undying love (+/- 760 B.C.)
- 27) **ISAIAH**, the Prince of Prophets (+/- 740 B.C.)
- 28) **MICAH**, the Morasthite Prophet of Judah (+/- 720 B.C.)
- 29) **ZEPHANIAH**, the Predictor of the Christianization of Africa (+/- 640 B.C.)
- 30) **HABAKKUK**, the Prophet of revival (+/- 630 B.C.)
- 31) **JEREMIAH**, the Prophet of Anathoth (+/- 620 B.C.)
- 32) **OBADIAH**, the Prophet against Edom (+/- 600 B.C.)
- 33) **EZEKIEL**, the Captive at the Chebar (+/- 590 B.C.)
- 34) **DANIEL**, the Chief Governor of Babylon (+/- 550 B.C.)

- 35) **HAGGAI**, the Prophet of the rebuilt temple (+/- 520 B.C.).
- 36) **ZECHARIAH**, the Son of the Prophet Iddo (+/- 510 B.C.)
- 37) **EZRA BEN SERAIAH**, the Scribe (458f B.C.)
- 38) **NEHEMIAH**, Governor of Jerusalem (444f B.C.)
- 39) **MALACHI**, the last Old Testament Prophet (+/- 420 B.C.)
- 40) **FIRST BARUCH**, the oldest extant apocryphal writing (+/- 220f B.C.)
- 41) **ECCLESIASTICUS**, or the Wisdom of Jesus Sirach (+/- 190 B.C.)
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- 67) **IGNATIUS**, Palestinian Church Overseer of Antioch (A.D. 107)
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- 72) **JUSTIN MARTYR**, Samaritan Christian Apologist of Palestine (A.D. 150)
- 73) **TATIAN**, Assyrian Christian of Nisibitis (A.D. 165)
- 74) **THEOPHILUS**, Syrian Overseer of Antioch (A.D. 170)
- 75) **ATHENAGORAS**, Greek Christian Philosopher of Athens (A.D. 183)
- 76) **IRENAEUS**, Celtic Overseer of Lyons in France (A.D. 185)
- 77) **CLEMENT**, Christian Theology Professor of Alexandria in Egypt (A.D. 190)
- 78) **CAIUS**, Anti-chilastic Italian Presbyter of Rome (A.D. 210)
- 79) **TERTULLIAN**, African Church Overseer of Carthage (A.D. 210)
- 80) **HIPPOLYTUS**, Martyred Church Overseer near Rome (A.D. 220)
- 81) **ORIGEN**, Egyptian Christian Professor of Alexandria (A.D. 230)
- 82) **CYPRIAN**, African Church Overseer of Carthage (A.D. 250)
- 83) **VICTORINUS**, Austrian Church Overseer of Pettay (A.D. 300)

- 84) **LACTANTIUS**, Christian Apologist from North Africa (A.D. 310)
- 85) **EUSEBIUS**, author of the oldest extant Christian Church History (A.D. 325)
- 86) **APOSTOLIC CONSTITUTIONS**, famous document of the early Church (A.D. 330f)
- 87) **ATHANASIUS**, Egyptian Church's Chief Overseer in Alexandria (A.D. 340)
- 88) **EPHRAIM**, the Syrian Commentator of Edessa (A.D. 360)
- 89) **BASIL THE GREAT**, Cappadocian Church overseers of Caesarea (A.D. 365)
- 90) **HILARY**, Celtic Church Overseer of Potiers in France (A.D. 370)
- 91) **CYRIL**, Palestinian Church Overseer of Jerusalem (A.D. 375)
- 92) **GREGORY OF NYSSA**, Church Overseer of Cappadocia (A.D. 380)
- 93) **TICHONIUS**, North African Donatist Christian (A.D. 380)
- 94) **GREGORY NAZIANZEN**, Church Overseer of Sasima (A.D. 385)
- 95) **AMBROSE**, Italian Church Overseer of Milan (A.D. 390)
- 96) **CHRYSOSTOM**, Syrian Christian Patriarch of Constantinople (A.D. 400)
- 97) **SULPICIUS SEVERUS**, Church Historian from Aquitania in France (A.D. 410)
- 98) **JEROME**, Palestinian Christian Professor of Bethlehem (A.D. 415)
- 99) **AUGUSTINE**, African Church Overseer of Hippo-Regius (A.D. 420)
- 100) **SOCRATES SCHOLASTICUS**, Greek Church Historian of Constantinople (A.D. 425)
- 101) **VINCENT**, French Presbyter of Lerinum (A.D. 435)
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- 113) **BRUNO**, Italian Bishop of Segni (A.D. 1090)
- 114) **GERARD OF YORK**, English Archbishop of York (A.D. 1100)
- 115) **THE WALDENSIANS**, Proto-Reformers of the Church in Europe (A.D. 1120f)
- 116) **RICHARD**, Scottish Abbot of St. Victor (A.D. 1140)
- 117) **ANSELM**, Archbishop of Canterbury (A.D. 1150)
- 118) **JOACHIM**, Italian Abbot of Fiore or Flora or Floris (A.D. 1190)
- 119) **EBERHARD**, Archbishop of Salzburg (A.D. 1240)
- 120) **ROBERT GREATHEAD**, English Bishop of Lincoln (A.D. 1250)
- 121) **ALBERT THE GREAT**, Universal Doctor and Professor at Cologne (A.D. 1250)
- 122) **THOMAS AQUINAS**, Angelic Doctor and Professor from Naples (A.D. 1270)
- 123) **ROGER BACON**, English Physician of Oxford (A.D. 1272)
- 124) **PIERRE D'OLIVI**, French Leader of the "Spirituals" (A.D. 1290)
- 125) **UBERTINO**, Italian Lecturer of Casale in Tuscany (A.D. 1330)
- 126) **JOHN WYCLIFFE**, English Pre-Reformer and Professor at Oxford (A.D. 1380)
- 127) **MATTHIAS OF JANOW**, Bohemian Canon of Prague (A.D. 1385)
- 128) **WALTER BRUTE**, British Lollard Leader in Wales (A.D. 1390)
- 129) **JOHN PURVEY**, Wycliffite Leader at Lutterworth (A.D. 1390f)
- 130) **JAN HUSS**, Bohemian Pre-Reformer and Professor in Prague (A.D. 1412f)
- 131) **NICHOLAS DE CUSA**, German Archdeacon of Liege (A.D. 1450)
- 132) **GIROLAMO SAVANAROLA**, Italian Professor of Florence (A.D. 1490)

- 133) **CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS**, Italian Explorer of the Americas (A.D. 1500)
- 134) **MARTIN LUTHER**, German Father of the Protestant Reformation (A.D. 1525)
- 135) **ULRICH ZWINGLI**, Pioneer Swiss Reformer (A.D. 1530)
- 136) **THEODORE BIBLIANDER**, Zwingli's Swiss Successor in Zurich (A.D. 1535)
- 137) **JOHN CALVIN**, French Restorer of Biblical Presbyterianism (A.D. 1536)
- 138) **JOHN KNOX**, Calvin's Pupil and Pioneer Scottish Presbyterian Reformer (A.D. 1558)
- 139) **PETER MARTYR VERMIGLI**, Italian Protestant Professor at Strassburg (A.D. 1559)
- 140) **GENEVA BIBLE** of Knox and Whittingham, brother-in-law of Mrs. Calvin (A.D. 1560)
- 141) **HEIDELBERG CATECHISM**, German Reformed Churches' Standard (A.D. 1562)
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- 144) **SECOND HELVETIC CONFESSIO**N, Swiss Reformed Church Standard (A.D. 1566)
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- 147) **JOHN CRAIG**, *Second Scots Confession of Faith* (A.D. 1580)
- 148) **RICHARD HAKLUYT**, Welsh Advocate of colonizing North America (A.D. 1584)
- 149) **JOHN FOXE**, English Prebendary of Salisbury Cathedral (A.D. 1587)
- 150) **JAMES THE SIXTH**, King of Scotland (A.D. 1588f)
- 151) **JOHANNES PISCATOR**, German Theological Professor at Herborn (A.D. 1590)
- 152) **FRANCIS JUNIUS**, French Theology Professor at Leyden University (A.D. 1599)
- 153) **JAMES THE FIRST**, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland (A.D. 1606)
- 154) **THOMAS BRIGHTMAN**, Puritan Rector of Hawnes in Bedfordshire (A.D. 1609)
- 155) **THE EPISTLE DEDICATORY** to the Authorized King James Bible (A.D. 1611)
- 156) **JAMES USSHER**, Archbishop of Armagh and Carlisle (A.D. 1615f)
- 157) **SYNOD OF DORDT**, first international Reformed General Assembly (A.D. 1618f)
- 158) **MAYFLOWER COMPACT**, mutual Covenant of first American Pilgrims (A.D. 1620)
- 159) **CONSTITUTION ESTABLISHING VIRGINIAN GOVERNMENT** (A.D. 1621)
- 160) **JOHN DONNE**, Anglican Dean of St. Paul's to the Virginia Company (A.D. 1622)
- 161) **JOHANN HEINRICH ALSTED**, German Professor in Transsylvania (A.D. 1627)
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- 165) **JOHN BARLOW**, English Minister in Devon (A.D. 1632)
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- 171) **JOHN COTTON**, Minister and Patriarch of New England (A.D. 1642)
- 172) **NEW ENGLAND CONFEDERATION**, first American Interstate Confederation (1643)
- 173) **JOSEPH MEDE**, English Professor of Theology at Cambridge (A.D. 1643)
- 174) **WILLIAM TWISSE**, Moderator of the Westminster General Assembly (A.D. 1643)
- 175) **WILLIAM GURNALL**, English Minister of Lavenham (A.D. 1644)
- 176) **JOHN MILTON**, greatest Christian poet of all England (A.D. 1644)
- 177) **JOHN BAILLEE**, Professor of Divinity in Glasgow and Westminster Divine (A.D. 1644)
- 178) **THOMAS GOODWIN**, President of Oxford's Magdala College (A.D. 1644)
- 179) **PETER BULKELEY**, American Minister of New Hampshire (A.D. 1646)

- 180) **ROGER WILLIAMS**, first American Baptist (A.D. 1647)
- 181) **WESTMINSTER CONFESSION**, Chief Standard of British Calvinists (A.D. 1647)
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- 185) **WILLIAM STRONG**, British Puritan Theologian (A.D. 1648)
- 186) **THOMAS SHEPARD**, American Missionary to the Massachusetts Indians (A.D. 1648)
- 187) **EDWARD WINSLOW**, American Pilgrim Leader (A.D. 1649)
- 188) **JANSZEN & PROOT**, Remonstrance for the Colonizing of South Africa (A.D. 1650)
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- 191) **HENRY WHITFIELD**, American Preacher and Missionary (A.D. 1652)
- 192) **JOHAN VAN RIEBEECK**, first Governor of the Cape in South Africa (A.D. 1652)
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- 194) **RICHARD MATHER**, Preacher and Husband of John Cotton's Widow (A.D. 1653)
- 195) **DAVID DICKSON**, Scottish Theology Professor at Glasgow (A.D. 1654)
- 196) **JOHANNES HOORNBECK**, Dutch Theology Professor at Utrecht (A.D. 1655)
- 197) **EDWARD REYNOLDS**, American Preach and Missionary (A.D. 1655)
- 198) **STEPHEN CHARNOCK**, English Theologian and Proctor at Oxford (A.D. 1655)
- 199) **THOMAS MANTON**, *Westminster Standards'* Chaplain to Cromwell (A.D. 1657)
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- 207) **HENRY MORE**, English Prebendary of Gloucester Cathedral (A.D. 1665)
- 208) **JOHN BROWN**, Presbyterian Minister at Wamphrey in Scotland (A.D. 1666)
- 209) **ANDREAS ESSENIUS**, Dutch Professor at Utrecht (A.D. 1667)
- 210) **PHILIPP JAKOB SPENER**, German Founder of Lutheran Pietism (A.D. 1670)
- 211) **JOHN BUNYAN**, Puritan Author of the famous book *Pilgrim's Progress* (A.D. 1660)
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- 219) **WALTER SMITH**, Scottish Minister and Martyr (A.D. 1681)
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- 222) **JACOBUS KOELMAN**, Dutch Embassy Minister in Denmark (A.D. 1689)
- 223) **RICHARD BAXTER**, "the chief of English Protestant Schoolmen" (A.D. 1691)
- 224) **CAMPEGIUS VITRINGA**, Dutch Professor at Franeker (A.D. 1695)
- 225) **PHILIP HENRY**, Welsh Minister in Flintshire (A.D. 1696)
- 226) **NICHOLAS NOYES**, American Minister at Salem Massachusetts (A.D. 1698)
- 227) **COTTON MATHER**, American Minister in Boston (A.D. 1703)

- 228) **WILLEM Á BRAKEL**, Dutch Reformed Theologian of Rotterdam (A.D. 1705)
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- 230) **GEORGE STANHOPE**, English Dean of Canterbury (A.D. 1714)
- 231) **GEORGE ASH**, British Bishop of Glogher (A.D. 1715)
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- 233) **ISAAC WATTS**, London Successor to John Owen (A.D. 1719)
- 234) **EDWARD CHANDLER**, British Preacher, Evangelist, and Missiologist (1719)
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- 236) **“NEW LONDON” ADAMS**, American Revivalist of Connecticut (A.D. 1721)
- 237) **SOLOMON STODDARD**, American Preacher and Edwards’s Grandfather (A.D. 1722)
- 238) **ROBERT FLEMING SR.**, British Missionary and Theologian (A.D. 1726)
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- 240) **SAMUEL SEWELL**, Colonial North American Preacher (A.D. 1727)
- 241) **SAMUEL COLEMAN**, English Puritan Preacher (A.D. 1728)
- 242) **ROBERT MILLAR**, Scottish Puritan and Missiologist (A.D. 1731)
- 243) **RICHARD SMALLBROOK**, Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry (A.D. 1733)
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- 277) **JOHN MORISON**, Christian Hymnwriter (A.D. 1781)
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- 285) **WILLIAM CAREY**, Pioneer English Missionary to India (A.D. 1790)
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INTRODUCTION TO ADVANCE!

In this Introduction to our book sub-titled *The History of Victory Theology from B.C. 4004 to A.D. 2002f*, we shall distinguish five headings. 1st, The Bible on the promised advance of Christianity throughout the entire Earth; 2nd, The Early Church knew how to gain victory in and over the World; 3rd, The Patristic and Protestant Church knew how to gain victory on and over the Earth; 4th, The Westminster Standards on Christianity's promised earthly advance; and 5th, The Conclusion of Christianity's advance throughout all lands in the future.

The Bible on the promised advance of Christianity throughout the entire Earth

From all eternity past, the Three Persons of the Triune God covenantally resolved first to create and then later to save the human race which would image Them. Acts. 15:13-18; John 17:5-24; Isaiah 45:12-18; John 3:16; First Timothy 2:6; Second Peter 3:9; Revelation 15:4.

Even in Old Testament times, God had already promised that the (New Testament) Church would, after the first advent of the Messiah -- gradually expand. The Gentiles would get converted. Then -- after centuries of Roman-Romish resistance, the preached and practised Gospel would finally conquer all nations everywhere. See: Genesis 12:2f ; 17:1-16; 22:17f ; 26:4f ; 49:8f ; Numbers 24:17f ; Psalm 22:25-31; 72:5-19; 110:1-3; Isaiah 2:1-4,17-20, 11:1-14; 60:2-22; 61:1-11; 62:2-7; 66:22f ; Daniel 2:31-45; 7:13-27; 12:1-13; Micah 4:1-13; 5:2-17; Malachi 1:11-14; *etc.*

In Gospel times, God now re-inforced those expectations with fresh New Testament promises for His beloved Church. See: Matthew 6:10; 12:46-47; 17:20-21; Luke 24:45-49; Acts 1:5-8; 2:16-21,30-35; 13:46-47; 28:23-28; Romans 11:12-15,25-32; First Corinthians 15:24-28; Revelation 3:9-10; 5:7-13; 7:9f ; 15:4; 21:24-26; *etc.*

In 66 A.D., just before and especially right after the Christian exodus from the doomed “Egypt” of Jerusalem when it became surrounded by Roman armies (Matthew 24:15-28 *cf.* Revelation 11:1-8*f*), the Christians no doubt took fresh courage from Bible passages like those listed immediately above. They also took fresh courage from passages in the Book of Revelation designed to fortify them against the onslaughts which, from those Neronian times onward (A.D. 64*f*), had just started to be launched against Christians by the Romans themselves.

Those onslaughts would increase -- throughout the ten Pagan Roman persecutions of Christianity, during the period A.D. 64 to 312. Yet they would finally result in the increasing triumph of Christianity quite throughout the Roman Empire -- in Constantinian and Post-Constantinian times. Revelation 2:25-28; 3:7-12; 6:2-17; 11:3-15; 12:4-11; 17:8-14; 18:10-24; 19:11-21; 20:1-4; 21:24-26; *etc.*

Through divine disclosure, the Early Church was also enabled to foreknow that -- after Constantinian and Early Post-Constantinian times -- a great (papal) apostasy from Christianity would follow. God had revealed this not only to the Old Testament Church, but especially also to the Apostolic Church. For the antichristian ‘man of sin’ alias the false prophet-priest-king would later arise even on the throne of the nominally-christianized Roman Empire (both Western and Eastern) itself -- to test and to toughen true Christians, and to teach them patience. See: Daniel 2:33-45; 7:20-25; 8:23-25; 12:6-11; Second Thessalonians 2:2-9*f*; Revelation 13:1-16; 14:9-12; 16:10-13*f*; 17:1-7; 18:2-4,21*f*.

Yet the Early Church was also enabled to foreknow that ultimately even that Antichrist would be destroyed -- precisely by the courageous and sustained preaching and the living out of the powerful Gospel. Indeed, it was further shown that all lands would ultimately get converted to Christ -- as a result. Daniel 7:25-27; 12:12-13; Second Thessalonians 2:8 to 3:1*f*; Revelation 13:16; 14:6-8,12-13; 15:2-4;17:14*f*; 18:10-24; 19:11-21; 20:1-4; 21:24-26.

The Early Church knew how to gain victory in and over the World

Now the New Testament Christians also foreknew that their way to ultimate victory -- over: (first), the Judaists; (second), the Pagan Romans; and (third), the Papal and Islamic Antichrist(s) -- was by and through their own obedience to God and His Ten Commandments. For God had told them: “Honour your father and mother, which is the first Commandment with promise -- so that it may be well with you, and so that you may live long on the Earth!” Ephesians 6:3.

Those Early Christians knew they should optimistically heed God’s Law -- also when then were still politically powerless, and later too even when ecclesiastically ignored. *Cf.* Matthew 5:5-21; 19:16-21; 22:17-21; Romans 13:1-10; First Corinthians 9:19-22; Galatians 5:16-25; Ephesians 4:24-32; 6:1-4; Colossians 3:1-14; Second John 7-11; Third John 9-11; *etc.* They knew that the Holy Spirit in them was greater than the unholy spirit in the World. First John 4:1-4 & 5:4*f*. Indeed, they also knew that the sustained and powerful preaching and practice of the Spirit-filled Word of God -- would finally demolish all of the antichrists. Second Thessalonians 2:8 to 3:1*f* and First John chapters two through four.

Even when still without any political representation in the Roman Empire, the Early Christians nevertheless constantly prayed even for the Imperial Government -- and sought to

encourage even the latter to live by the Decalogue. Romans 13:1-9; First Timothy 2:1-2; Titus 3:1-2; First Peter 2:13-17.

Too, the Early Church knew that ultimately the Roman State -- and thereafter every other State in every country on Earth -- would one day capitulate to the Church's proclamation of the Law of God and the Gospel of Christ. The Early Church also knew that -- in time -- Decalogue-obeying Christian States would one day arise, increasingly to replace all pagan governments.

The Early Christians also knew that even after a future apostasy within the Church herself -- and also after the unmasking of the ecclesiastical antichrist -- that the latter too would finally be overcome. That victory would be effected by triumphant Gospel-proclaiming Christians, living in the power of the indwelling Spirit of Christ, and in obedience to the Holy Law of God.

Indeed, the Early Christians further knew that, after the collapse of the various little antichrists -- and even of the later great Antichrist which would for a time rule even in the Church of God -- all nations and all States would one day bow the knee to King Jesus and adopt His Holy Law. For thus the nations would learn -- and shall yet learn -- to live in blessed international harmony with one another. Psalms 2:1-9; 22:26-32; 67:1-7; 72:1-19; 110:1-3; Isaiah 2 & 11 & 65 & 66; Daniel 7:25-27 and First Corinthians 15:24-28.

“And I saw...those who had gotten the victory over the beast.” They sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: “Great and marvellous are Your works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Your ways, You King of nations! Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your Name? For You only are holy.... All nations shall come and worship before You!” Revelation 15:4.

Yes, all nations shall yet be brought into fellowship with and into membership of the Christian Church -- alias the City of God. Indeed, “the City has no need of the sun. For the glory of God enlightens it, and the Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved, shall walk in the light.... And the kings of the Earth bring their glory and honour into it.... And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.” Revelation 21:23-26.

The Patristic and Protestant Church knew how to gain victory among all Nations

We would again refer to the Christian-liturgical use of the Ten Commandments for all people, and for all human institutions -- including that of political government. Thus: Jesus; James; Peter; Paul; and John. Thus too: the *Didaché*; the *Epistle of Barnabas*; Clement of Rome; Ignatius; Pliny; the *Letter to Diognetus*; the *Shepherd of Hermas*; Polycarp; Justin Martyr; Theophilus; Athenagoras; Irenaeus; Clement of Alexandria; Tertullian; Hippolytus; Origen; Cyprian; Eusebius; Cyril; the *Apostolic Constitutions*; and so on.

This would continue thereafter even for a further few centuries. Thus, see: the three Cappadocians; Hilary; Jerome; Chrysostom; Augustine; Vincent; Leo; and Gregory the Great -- until the manifestation of the Ecclesiastical Antichrist alias the Romish Papacy after A.D. 600 and the Islamic Antichrist alias Muhammad's Islam from practically the same time onward.

Thereafter -- in spite of thinkers like Isidore, Bede, Anselm, Joachim, Wycliffe and others -- Christianity's optimistic eschatological expectations would slow down. However, at the Protestant Reformation, they would again revive. See Calvin, Zwingli, Bucer, Bullinger, Beza, Peter Martyr, Knox, the *Geneva Bible*, Junius, the *Dordt Dutch Bible*, Witsius, and Brakel *etc.*

Since then, despite all temporary setbacks, the Church's consciousness of those promises has been expanding right down to the present. This occurs under the powerful preaching of God's Word, like the repeated blows of a hammer progressively driving nails into planks. Ecclesiastes 12:10-11 & Jeremiah 23:29. Future history will culminate in its conclusion.

The Westminster Standards on Christianity's promised earthly advance

We ourselves would insist that the 1645*f* *Westminster Standards* purport to give -- and indeed succeed in giving -- an accurate summary only of the above-mentioned Biblical teaching of the Israelitic and Apostolic Scriptures as understood by the Early Patristic Church. Consequently, we claim that the teachings also of the *Westminster Confession* were and are the teachings of Ancient Israel and her successor the Early Church.

Declares that *Confession*: "It is lawful for Christians to accept and execute the office of a magistrate, when called thereunto.... They ought especially to maintain piety, justice and peace, according to the wholesome laws of each commonwealth.... For that end, they may lawfully, now under the New Testament, wage war upon just and necessary occasions....

"It is the duty of people to pray for magistrates (First Timothy 2:1-2), to honour their persons (First Peter 2:17), to pay them tribute and other dues (Romans 13:6-7), and to be subject to their authority for conscience sake (Romans. 13:5 & Titus 3:1).... Much less hath the pope any power or jurisdiction over them in their dominion, or over any of their people; and least of all to deprive them of their dominion or lives, if he shall judge them to be hereticks or upon any other pretence whatsoever (Second Thessalonians 2:4 & Revelation 13:15-17)."

The *Confession* later goes on: "The purest churches under Heaven are subject to mixture and error, and some have so degenerated as to become no churches of Christ but synagogues of Satan. Revelation [2:9*f* & 3:9*f* *cf.*] 18:2 and Romans 11:18-22. Nevertheless, there shall always be a Church on Earth, to worship God according to His will. Matthew 16:18; Psalm 72:17 & 102:28; Matthew 28:19-20. There is no other Head of the Church but the Lord Jesus Christ. Colossians 1:18 & Ephesians 1:22. Nor can the pope of Rome in any sense be head thereof, but is that antichrist -- that man of sin and son of perdition that exalteth himself in the Church against Christ and all that is called God. Matthew 23:8-10; Second Thessalonians 2:3-9; Revelation 13:6."

No wonder, then, that the 1645 *Westminster Directory for the Publick Worship of God* urges every Minister before delivering his sermon to stir up the Members of the Church! For he is to get them "to pray for the **propagation of the Gospel** and Kingdom of Christ **to all nations**; for the **conversion of the Jews**, the **fullness of the Gentiles**, the **fall of Antichrist**, and the hastening of the second coming of our Lord; for **the deliverance of the distressed**

churches abroad from the **tyranny** of the **antichristian** faction and from the cruel oppressions and blasphemies of the Turk [alias **Islam**]; for the **blessing** of God upon the **Reformed Churches**...and for our **plantations** in the remote parts of the World.”

Likewise, public prayer is to be made also “for the **universities** and all **schools** and **religious seminaries**...that they may **flourish** more and **more** in **learning** and **piety**”; and “that God would **pour out a blessing** upon the **Ministry of the Word**” and “**upon the civil government**.” This is to be done “with **confidence** of His mercy...and the acceptance of our persons through the merits and mediation of our High Priest **the Lord Jesus**.”

To that, the *Westminster Larger Catechism* adds the following even happier note, in its exposition of the *Lord’s Prayer*. For Christ would have His disciples pray it every day.

“In the second petition, which is ‘Thy Kingdom come!’” -- explains the *Larger Catechism* -- “we pray: that the kingdom of sin and Satan may be **destroyed** (Psalm 68:1, 68:18 & Revelation 12:10-11); the Gospel propagated **throughout** the World (Second Thessalonians 3:1); **the Jews called** (Romans 10:1); **the fullness of the Gentiles brought in** (John 17:9,20 & Romans 11:25-26 & Psalm 67); **the Church purged from corruption** (Malachi 1:11 & Zephaniah 3:9); [and] countenanced **and maintained by the civil magistrate** (First Timothy 2:1-2).” Matthew 6:10, *cf.* Revelation 15:4.

It then concludes its explanation of this model prayer for Christians. At practically the very end even of the *Larger Catechism* itself, it explains: “In the sixth petition -- which is...‘Deliver us from evil!’ -- we pray that **God would so overrule the World** and all in it...and restrain Satan...that our sanctification and salvation may be perfected [and] **Satan trodden under our feet** (Romans 16:20 & Zechariah 3:2 & Luke 22:31-32)...for ever!” See Matthew 6:13.

The Conclusion of Christianity’s advance throughout all lands in the future

See, for a much fuller statement of all the above, especially my comprehensive work *Onward, Christian Soldiers!* That is summarized in my booklet *Will Christ or Satan Win This World?* This purely-rhetorical question, is there and then answered in its sub-title: *On the Increasing Christianization of the Great Straight Planet Earth.*

For Jehovah is the Judge of all the Earth. Genesis 18:25 & Psalm 94:2. He is a righteous judge. Psalm 7:11*f.* Indeed, Jeremiah (11:20) exclaims: “O Lord of hosts Who judges righteously, Who tries the reins and the heart -- let me see Your vengeance on them [the wicked]! For to You I have disclosed my cause.”

The fact is that not Satan but **God** rules even the very ends of the Earth. First Samuel 2:10 *cf.* Revelation 20:7*f.* He judges with righteousness. Psalms 11:7 & 35:24 & 99:4; Isaiah 11:4; Jeremiah 9:24. **Christ** is the Judge of the Earth. John 5:27; Romans 14:10; Second Corinthians 5:10. See too: Second Timothy 4:1; First Peter 1:17; Revelation 20:13. Very important too is the concept that this ‘judgment’ is **already** underway -- throughout our Christian centuries, and even during our own earthly lifetimes. John 3:18 & Romans 1:24.

For God has thus far shaken up His World in judgment after judgment, down throughout history. All is tending toward that future time when Christ shall be all things in

all people on Earth.

In this book, though by no means exhaustive, we simply quote some views about this -- from all eternity past in respect of God's creation of Adam around B.C. 4004 B.C., until the time of this writing in A.D. 2002*f*. Throughout, nearly all emphases are exclusively our own.

All things ultimately work together to **expand** Christ's Kingdom. Even all human actions ultimately predict, and indeed require, also a Final Judgment -- and the subsequent emergence of a New Earth on which righteousness shall dwell forever. As Christians, in all we do, it is our privilege confidently to work and to **ADVANCE** toward the same. May we then indeed do so!

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