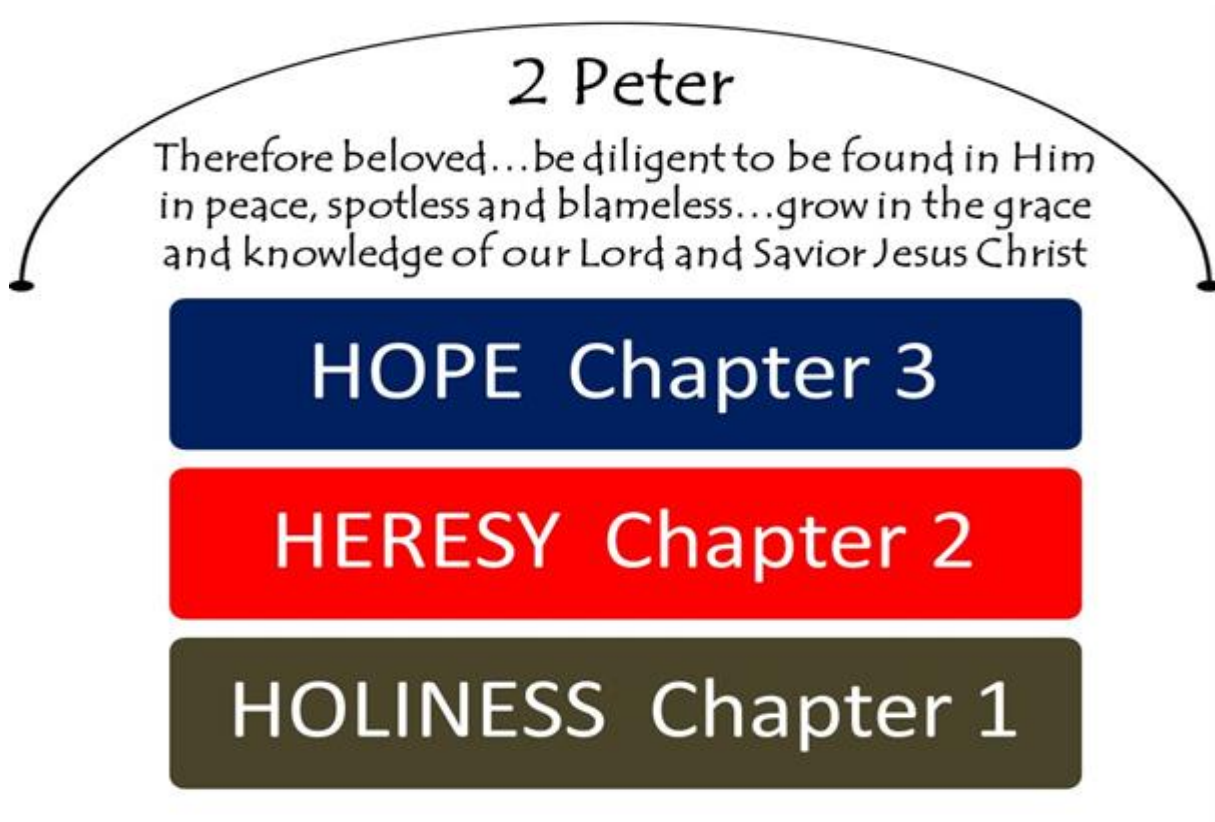


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HOPE (3:14-16)

Therefore, beloved since you look for these things (3:11), be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless and regard the patience of the Lord (3:9) as (an opportunity to live/share the Gospel of) salvation; just as also our beloved brother, Paul according to the wisdom given to him, wrote to you, as also in all his letters speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand (complex yet critical), which the untaught and unstable distort as they do also the rest of the Scriptures (Peter puts the letters of Paul on the same level as the 24/39 Books of the Old Testament!?!) to their own destruction.

24/39 Books of the OT? 1: The Hebrew Bible/Tanakh has 24 Books but the Christian OT has 39 Books!?! 2: NOT a problem: it is the same content organized in two different ways. EX: the 12 Books called "The Minor Prophets" in the Christian OT (Hosea-Malachi) are 1 Book called "The Prophets" with 12 subheadings in the Hebrew Bible/Tanakh.

HOPE = the believer's out of this world motivation to live for our Lord Jesus now as we anticipate His ultimate victory which will bring in a new universe-the New Heaven/New Earth (3:13....Revelation 21-22) the best of all possible worlds.

HERESY (3:17)

You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand (Chapter 2), be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness (by watering down the core truths of the faith),

HERESY: in the face of loud and angry disbelief, believers are to stand firm (2:2) in holding to their convictions in the core essential doctrinal/moral content of Christianity despite the fact that we will be maligned as ignorant, backward/repressive.

HOLINESS (3:18)

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen

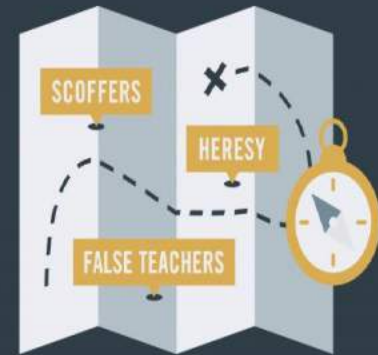
HOLINESS: believers living consistent +R lives centered on our Lord Jesus thus revealing (instead of concealing) who we really are with an emphasis (1: 5-7) on moral excellence, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness and agape love.

Take This To Heart: 2 Peter begins and ends with holiness, while warning us of the rise of doctrinal/moral heresies and motivates us with the great news that Jesus will "trump" the present world order and bring in the best of possible worlds.



— GIVING ALL DILIGENCE —

3:14-18



2 PETER

Holiness, Heresy and Hope

W A R N I N G







July 17, 2016

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**Matthew
Gerald,
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**Brad
Garafola,
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LEE
MYERS

ADAM
TIGELMAN

PHILIP
JOSEPH

FRANK A.
PEROCCHI

JOHN
HAYES

CARL

Spiritual Freedom in God's Grace Is Rooted in the Gospel of Christ

Christ Died (SAS) for Our Sins

according to the Scriptures
and He (His dead body) was buried

He Was Raised (LBSR) from the Dead

according to the Scriptures
and He appeared (in His body transformed)



**The Risen Christ:
THE Issue and
THE Issuer of Eternal Life**

What do you call a guy named Lee, whom no one talks to?

Lonely!

What did one wall say to the other wall?

I'll meet you at the corner!

What do 21st century turtles use to talk to one another?

Shell Phones!

What do you call an alligator in a vest?

An Investigator!

Why are Teddy Bears never hungry?

Because they are always stuffed!

2 Peter

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HOPE Chapter 3

HERESY Chapter 2

HOLINESS Chapter 1

The Message of 2 Peter

A Christ-Centered **HOPE** Should Motivate
Believers Now to Embrace a Lifestyle of True
HOLINESS and to Avoid the **HERESIES**
(Morally/Doctrinally) of False Teachers.

Holding a Positive and

Optimistic

Perspective Now Based on an Eager

Expectation of Our F-Future w/Jesus

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The Book of 1 Peter

2:11-12
Purpose Statement

Faith Under Fire 101

Faith and Works

1:1-2:10

Faith Under Fire 102

Submission/Suffering

2:13-5:14

1 Peter 2:11-12

As spiritual aliens/short-timers on Earth,
Christians should not be controlled by our
emotions/feelings but **we should consistently**
live our faith centered on our Lord Jesus
Christ so that unbelievers who slander us
because we are believers will see the reality of
Christ in our lives and ultimately glorify God
by coming to Him in faith

Comm 1113 Principles of Communication

8:00-9:15 am

T/R Dr. Brad McCoy 1/9/18

Quiz Today at 9:10am



**"Fear of public speaking is quite common.
If dressing up as Speaker Man makes you
feel more confident, then so be it."**

McCoy's 3 Keys To EPS

Content

what you say-specific/credible information

Clarity

how you say (organize/structure) what you say

Connection

how you relate what you say/how you say it to your specific
audience = 24 classmates and 1 teacher

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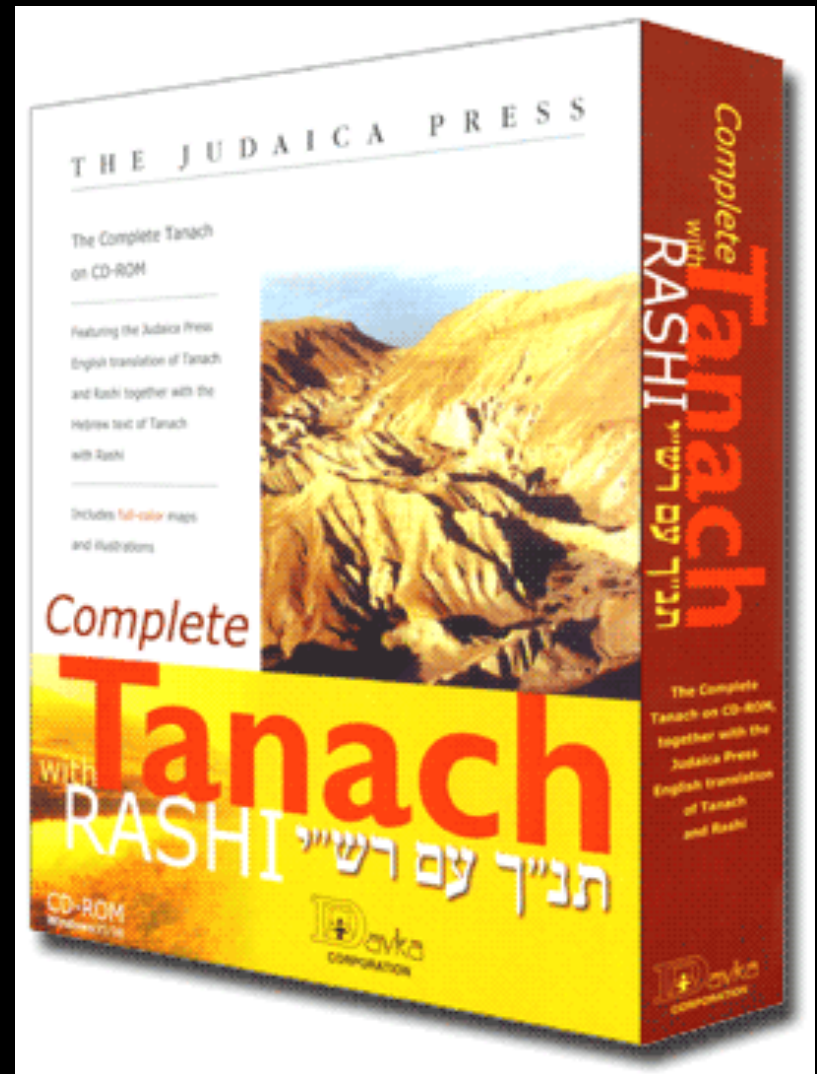
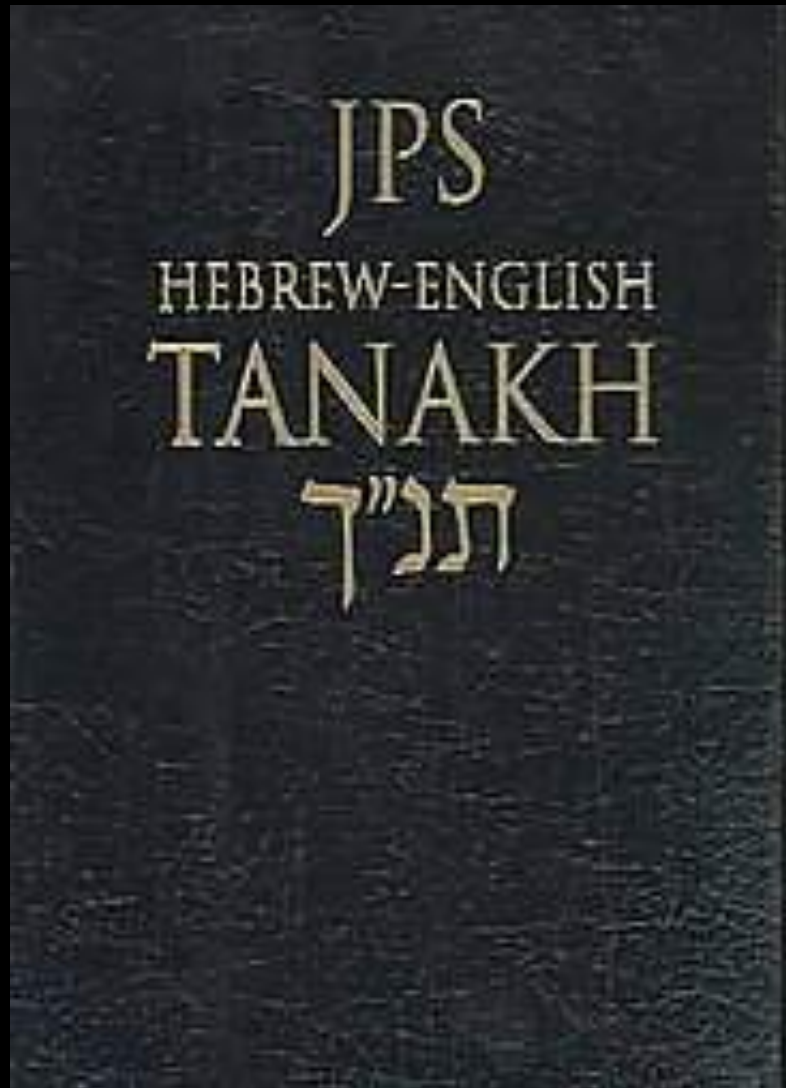
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What's This?



The Tanach/Tanakh

What Christians call the Old Testament
Jews call the Hebrew Bible or the Tanakh

*Tanakh [תנ"ך] is an acronym for the Hebrew Bible
based on the 1st letters of its three parts*

1: **Torah** [תורה] meaning: "The Law/Teaching"

2: **Nev'im** [נביאים] meaning: "The Prophets"

3: **Ketuvim** [כתובים] meaning "The Writings"

The Law (The Torah)

The Five Books of Moses

The Prophets (The Nevim)

Former Prophets: Joshua, Judges, Samuel, Kings

Latter Prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, The Twelve

The Writings (The Ketuvim)

Psalms, Proverbs, Job, Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations

Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra-Nehemiah, Chronicles

How Can 24 = 39?

The 24 books of the Jewish Hebrew Bible are exactly equivalent to the 39 books of the Christian Old Testament

In the Septuagint and the English OT
The 1 Book “The Twelve” = 12 Separate Books
And “Samuel,” “Kings,” “Chronicles,” and
“Ezra-Nehemiah” are counted as 2 books each

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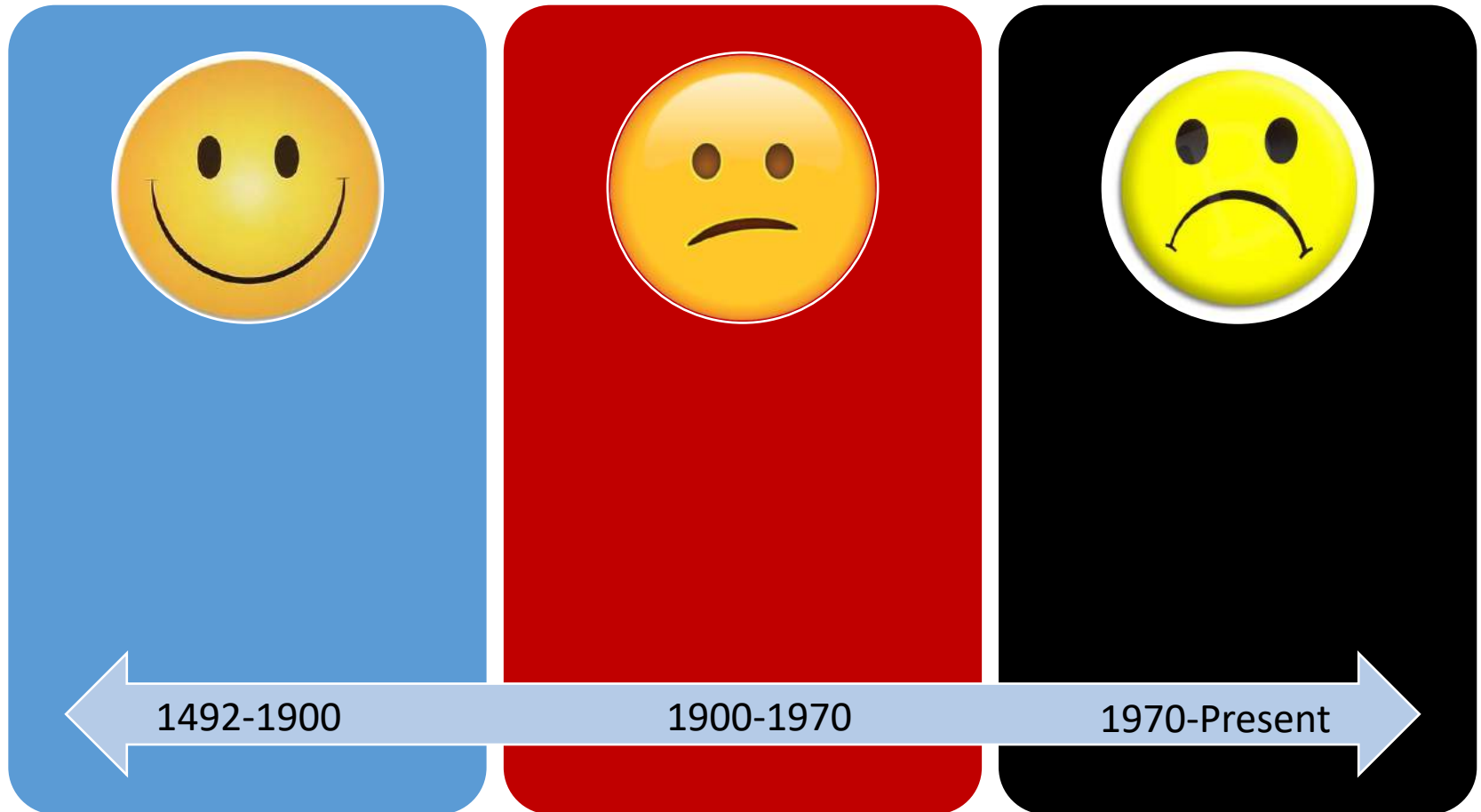
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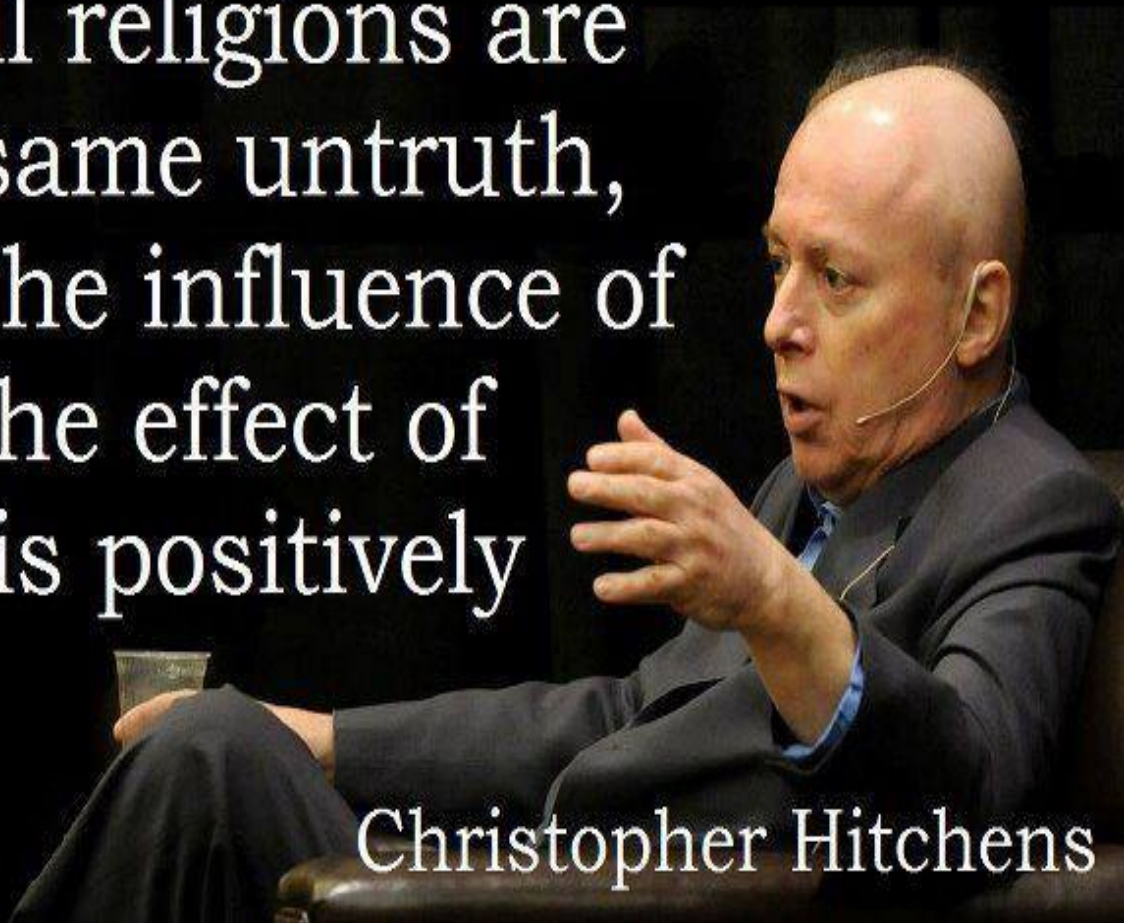
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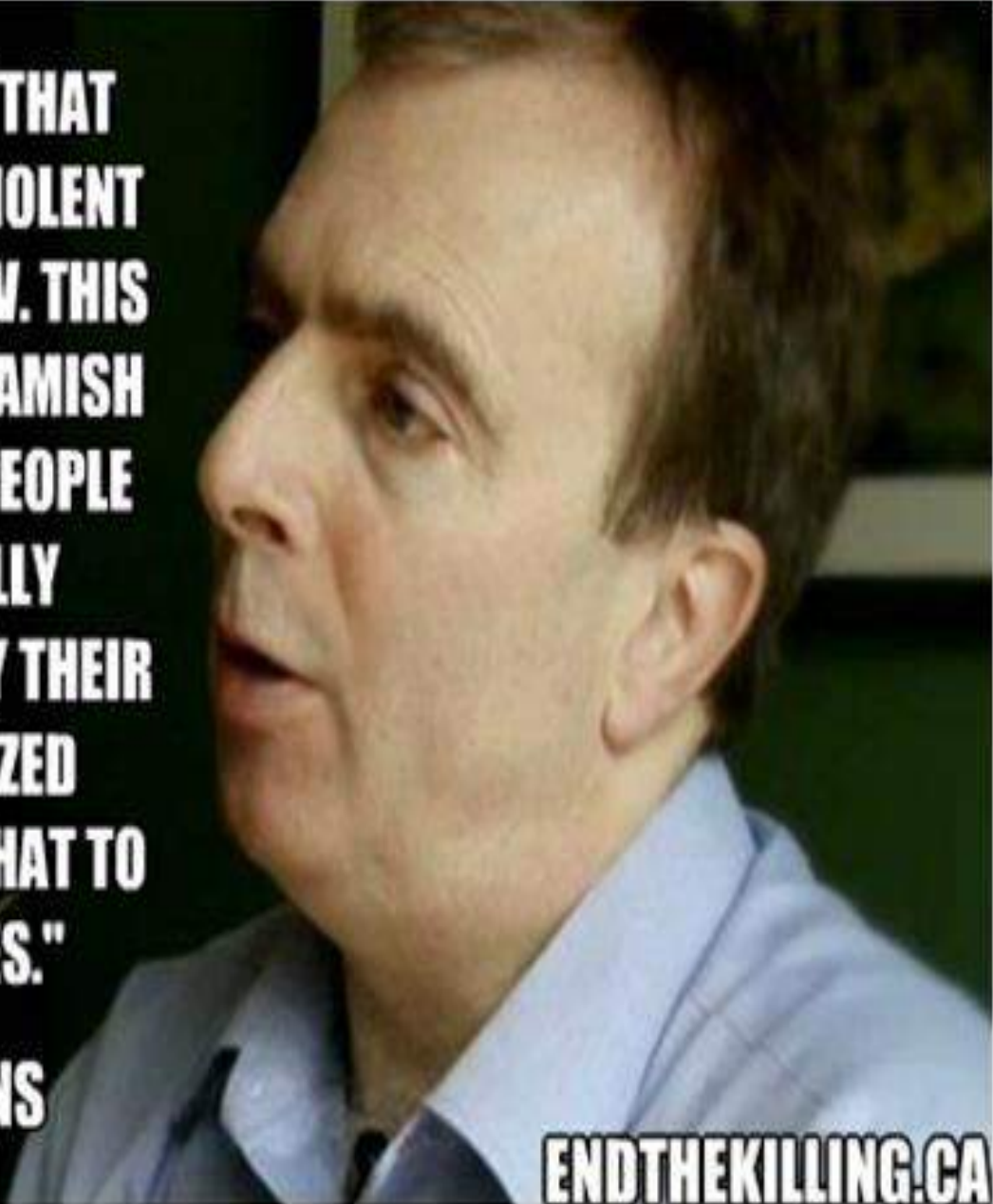
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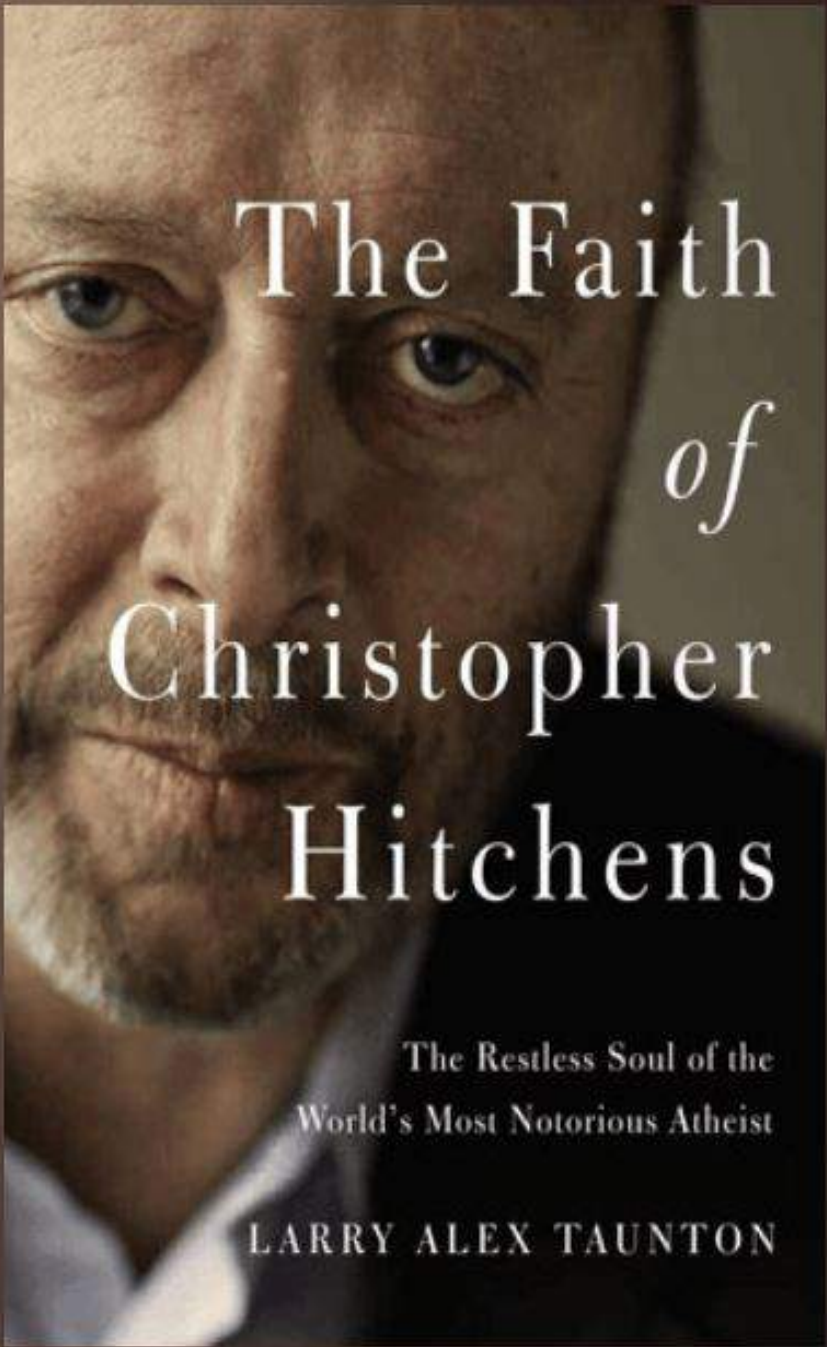
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AND OBSCENE TO PORTRAY ON TV. THIS
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LOOKED LIKE, IT WOULD DESTROY THEIR
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Prologue 1:1-11

Epilogue 22:6-21

Control Room
Ch 4-5

2nd Advent
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Church Age
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7 Year Trib
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Rapture of the Church

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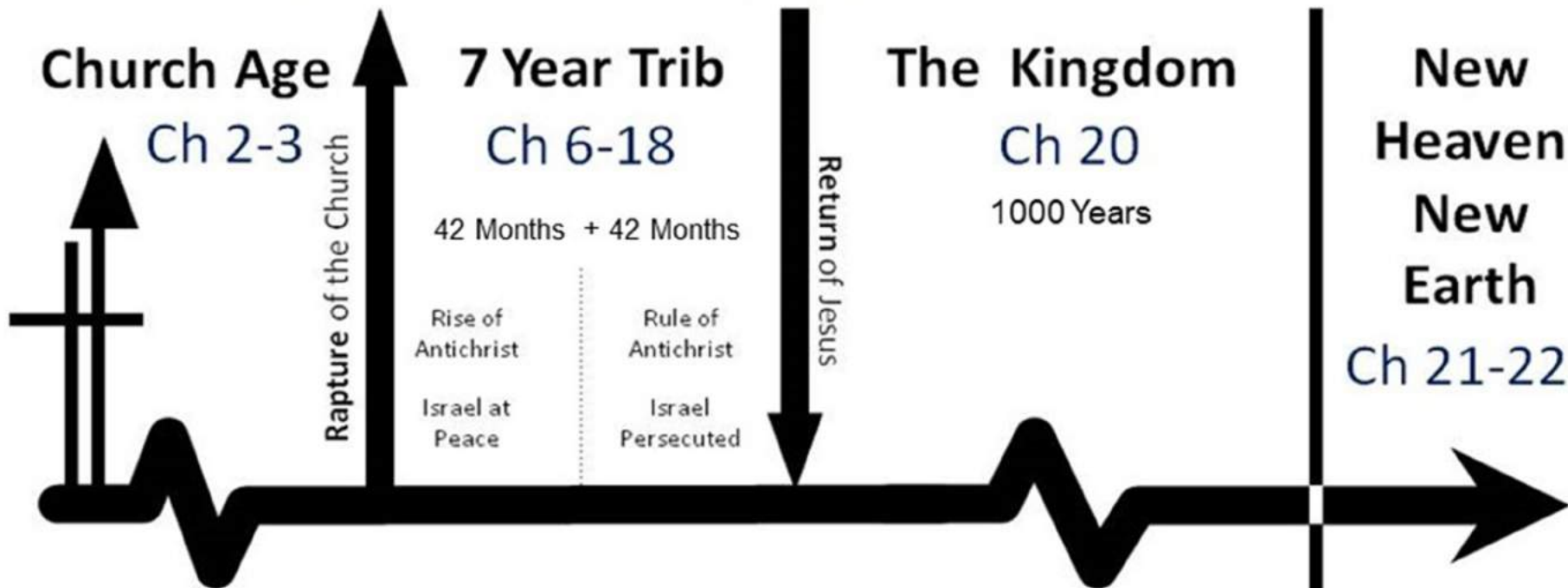
Israel at Peace

Israel Persecuted

John on Patmos
Ch 1



The infinity symbol represents the concept of infinity



Gnosis

Awareness of Information

“Knowing” about Flying
From Books/Plane Rides

Biblical Consciousness

Involves the Head

1 Corinthians 8:1

Epignosis

Info Embraced as Truth

“Knowing” about Flying
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Romans 3:20; 10:2