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Preface

These lessons have been inspired by prayer and fasting along with the leading of my Pastor's ministry (Bro S.D. Schwing). He has been preaching to our flock on many of the thoughts that I am bringing to these lessons. My burden is to lift up our assembly through these lessons, to encourage the body of Christ throughout the world in our time, and to share the wonderful nuggets of the simplicity of the Gospel, the strength in the Holy Ghost, the joy of walking in holiness, and the deliverance of the word of our testimony in the midst of perilous times we currently find ourselves.

Lesson 1 The Apostolic Church

The term, the Church, has many flavors of definition throughout the AD history of the world. Because of the American revolution and bravery of the early colonial settlers seeking for deliverance from the political government over their religious beliefs, a country was founded. The United States is a unique opportunity of freedom of the individual, provided both the opportunity for great evangelical movements, which have throughout the founding and prosperity of a free market, afforded the greatest base for Christian missionaries and education that the world has ever seen.

The Gospel will be published (preached to all nations)

Mark 13:10 And the gospel must first be published among all nations. Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come

We could examine the mainstream movements of the American institutions and though there is much to be noted of the general great strides that have been given to teach and assist the entire world of education, nourishment of the body, and contribution of the needs of those who are without. We are not going to deny or diminish these tremendous acts that have made a difference in many lives. We will acknowledge the details of the original Apostolic message and point out that teaching the Apostle's Doctrine from the instruction of the Historical Grammatical method of the Scriptures along with the illumination of the Spirit as the only valid message for the Salvation of the human soul. The Apostles Doctrine consists of what the text of the New Testament describes from the record of the first century believers (Acts 2:38) which is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance, Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ, and receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as the account of the scripture describes (speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance) (Acts 2:4, 10:44-48, 19:1-6) and as the Apostle Peter describes in his testimony of the household of Cornelius (gentile believers):

Apostolic pattern to the gentiles

Acts 11:13 And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter; Acts 11:14 Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.

Acts 11:15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.

What does Peter's response in Acts 11 tell us?

- 1) The message of Acts 10:44-48 is not an additional experience to salvation, it is THE message of salvation. The house shall be SAVED by the words shared by Peter.
- 2) Peter preached Acts 2:38 to the household of Cornelius. Whatever is the time span between Acts 2 and Acts 10, this shows us clearly the Apostolic message was the same from the Jewish believers and to the Jewish believers.

Acts 11:16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.

3) Peter's message in both Acts 2 and Acts 10 are exactly what Jesus taught them to preach. Notice that this is the testimony of Peter and he is explaining WHY he baptized gentiles. The reason is because he saw them receive the same Holy Ghost that they received on the day of Pentecost. Because of this, he (just as any Apostolic Preacher would feel) commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ in obedience to John 3:5 (it is clear that is what Peter is recalling in Acts 11:16)

Jesus taught the Apostles what to preach

John 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of **water** and *of* the **Spirit**, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

While we have plenty of resources on the details of the Apostle's Doctrine <u>http://doctrine.praxeas.com</u> this study will focus more on the mission of the Apostolic Church and discuss current events in the view of Bible Prophecy. Please see our studies for more information on the Apostles' Doctrine. What we are desiring is to understand the times of which we live, and also declare what the mission of the Church continues to be until the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. We will give timelines of prophecies of both OT and NT prophets, and draw solid principles of the times in which we live.

Those that have understanding of the times know what Israel ought to do

1 Chronicles 12:32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

Those that understand among the people shall be strong and instruct many

Daniel 11:33 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many* days.

We do not desire to profit off an endtime understanding and come from the perspective that our definition of these events is the only correct viewpoint. Notice that though those who understand still suffered the same persecution as others. Understanding DOES NOT exclude us from the tribulation. It can be noticed that the endtime prophetic teachings of scripture are very broad and there are instances of the Scriptural text that can be understood to have fulfillments in both historical and futuristic occurrences. Those who seek to profit by declaring to have the absolute inerrant view of their conclusions are unwise and many have fallen to the view being disproven as time continues. While we will present some opinion on the meaning of the prophetic text, we do not intend to do so in our own authority. We will be straightforward that we may assume certain understandings we communicate can be up to debate and because we don't know until the time of the end, we do not intend to teach these understandings as the only acceptable method.

The words are close up and sealed till the time of the end.

Daniel 12:9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

God has sealed certain portions of prophetic content

Revelation 10:4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, **Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not**.

What we do intend to teach, is doctrinal timelines concerning the Church, the believer, the coming of the Lord, and the practical mission of what we should be doing in midst of the unfolding of the events describe in the prophetic texts no matter what degree our generation experiences the timeline as described by the Holy Ghost.

No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation

2 Peter 1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Prophecy came on in old time by the will of man

2 Peter 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

We feel that it is a fine line on presenting Truth and prophetic understanding. The Holy Ghost moved on these prophets, and they wrote the text. The text has portions that are sealed by God Himself and some of details won't be understood until the time is right. The proper attitude of a believer should teach in a way described by Apostle Paul, speaking the Truth in love. We should examine our motives and realize that if we have been moved on by the Holy Ghost that moved on our forefathers, we should be grateful to God for the grace and mercy to have the spiritual awareness and state of repentance to acknowledge the Truth. We must acknowledge that the source of this foundation is the Holy Ghost and the written inspired Word to the Apostles and not credit our own talents or education.

Mission of the Apostolic Church continues during perilous times

We must resists the urge to be self-sufficient or feel above others in our walk with God

Luke 18:10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.

11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: <u>for every one that</u> <u>exalteth himself shall be abased</u>; and <u>he that humbleth himself shall be exalted</u>.

The motivation for our lifestyle of holiness should be unselfish in feeling a responsibility to our fellow man, coupled with a fear of God and a love for our Savior Jesus Christ. Holiness is <u>response to Salvation</u>, not the struggle to secure it (not a works-based Salvation as we are often accused of). The Holy Ghost does a work in the human soul, mind, and heart and this work purifies us and cleanses us to be a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Be transformed so we can PROVE (put on display the effects of the Spirit on a human life) **Romans 12:2** And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

It is important to walk in the Holy Ghost, so that we do not fulfill the lust of the flesh. Doing so robs us of our testimony (Samson haircut as an example). The word "prove" in Romans 12:2 means:

dokimazō (Thayer Dictionary)

to test, examine, prove, scrutinise (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals
 to recognise as genuine after examination, to approve, deem worthy

Why does so many people in our time have a bad taste in their mouth toward Evangelism? We won't make excuse for those who want to justify their lifestyle and simply aren't hungry to hear the Word of God. We can however point out that there has been a lot of bad examples in our world of those who call themselves Christians (televangelist) and they use the word "Pentecostal", "Full-Gospel" and "Spirit-filled" in reference to their ministries. There has been a lot of deceivers that prey on gullible souls and have wrecked people's lives with their deceit. However, let us assure the reader with the example of the Jewish nation in the Old Testament. We can also see that many times, the people of God were not good examples of what God expected of them to be. We should use this as a stepping-stone and not a stumbling block, realizing that what has always been right is the Spirit of God and the Word of God. That which has been in error is the human nature of these people. This is why it is so critical for us to study

to shew ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly diving the Word of Truth. (2 Tim 2:15). The motivation is for us to save ourselves from this untoward generation, studying the scriptures to find out if things are as we are told. Awaken from spiritual slumber and dig into the Word of God to make our paths straight. This is for our own souls Salvation and to love our neighbor as ourselves! We can prove to others through our walk with God, through the transformation of our mind what is the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God. The world can see a genuine conversion through our lifestyle and consecration of prayer, fasting, and studying the Scriptures daily!

The Bereans were more noble than the Thessalonians, they searched the scriptures DAILY! **Acts 17:11** These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and <u>searched the scriptures daily</u>, <u>whether those things were so</u>.

In conclusion for the first lesson, what we are desiring is to define timelines for solid doctrinal prophetic text concerning the Church and those things that have been discussed by the Apostles. We want to discuss solid fundamentals for the Apostolic Church as we see the unfolding of God's Will in our lifetime. While we have been careful to describe that we are writing this in a spirit of servant hood and for helping our fellow brethren living in the same time, we will not be timid concerning fundamental truth. We believe that though we speak the truth in love, the Holy Ghost speaks in boldness. This means that there are portions of Scripture that are solid and have the mouth of two or three witnesses. We do not apologize for offending denominal doctrines and discounting the teaching of traditional sources no matter what their source (or size).

Boldness of Peter and John

Act 4:13 Now when they saw the <u>boldness</u> of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, <u>that they had</u> <u>been with Jesus</u>.

What is popular is not always true, and what is true is not always popular. If it is true, it is not new, and if it is new it is not true.

Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

Lesson 2 Continue in the things that thou hast been taught

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

The devil is patient and will seduce humanity. We are not told in the garden how long he seduced Eve, but he was working on her. This gives us the background of how sin entered into the human race. It was through a lie!

Our minds can be corrupted FROM the simplicity that is in Christ

2_Corinthians **11:3** But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

Satan uses false Christ's and prophets with signs and wonders to seduce humanity **Mark 13:22** For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if *it were* possible, even the elect.

We must stay teachable as a child and let the holy Scriptures continue to teach us **2 Timothy 3:15** And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

What is the lie of the Satan in the garden that beguiled Eve and caused her to deceive her husband Adam? It is the lie that God does not give authority and work through flawed humanity. On the contrary, God's plan indeed was to give authority through humanity in the realm of our world. Adam was given dominion over every living thing that moves upon the earth, and this is the perfect will of God.

Genesis 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and <u>over every living thing that moveth upon the earth</u>.

Adam was created as an eternal soul with no death before sin entered the human race **Romans 5:12** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

The lie of Satan was that God did not give Adam authority, and through this lie Eve disobeyed the commandment of the Word of God and ate of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Satan told Eve that they would not surely die. This goes along with the original lie, and if you consider those that refuse to obey the Scriptures often use the reasoning that man wrote the Scriptures. This is the same lie Eve was deceived by. Then reasoning usually continues, that sin is not causing them any grief and that they are living a great life without

consequence even if that means disobeying the commandments of God. They don't need to listen to a man because man is flawed. Nothing is new from the beginning of time in this reasoning, so we have the same battle of the mind and heart today that is attempting to seduce those who submit to the Holy Ghost and to a man of God.

1Corinthians 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

15 But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

Now we have taught a foundation so far, and now we plan on building the mission of the Church of the endtime using these teachings as our base. We are not a political movement aligning with conservatives or liberals. We should not be comparing ourselves against ourselves or competing with another local assembly. We should be careful on judging the God called ministry from operating through the moving of the Holy Ghost. The fact is we have enough of a battle before us staying in the right place so that we can allow the Holy Ghost to use us, rather than trying to be the all-seeing judge of the sovereign flocks that God setup to be the manner of which the kingdom of God is built. We should be looking to be superstar to our local assembly, serving our ministry and our fellow saints instead of trying to be noticed in a movement. When we say a battle, this is a battle that is fought daily in prayer and fasting and studying the Word of God in our own personal devotion to our God. If we are to overcome Satan and the seducing spirits we just discussed, the Scriptures gives us the answer:

The Blood of the Lamb and the Word of their testimony

Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

The truth is that the Church is not on the same wavelength as this world is. Think of a radio and how it works, you have to adjust the FM or AM waves to be able to tune in to the proper channel. So it is with the spiritual realm, man does not naturally understand or comprehend the things of the Spirit of God, they are foolishness to him.

Cast not your pearls before swine

Matthew 7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

We are in this world but not of this world. So our battle is not to gain political influence (Judas fell into this trap) or make alliance with worldly powers to advance God's Kingdom. This is not the battlefield of the Kingdom of God.

John 18:36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Jesus refused to participate with the High Priest or with Pontius Pilate, He would not fight with them in the natural realm. He even rebuked Peter for drawing the sword and cutting the High Priest's ear off.

Put up thy sword, Peter

John 18:10 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

The army of the kingdom of God was not armed with a sword (Think of Gideon's army in Judges) nor were fighting against flesh and blood. But certainly, the army of God is Mighty!

Our weapons are NOT carnal, but MIGHTY through God!

2Corinthians 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, **but mighty through God** to the pulling down of strong holds;)

5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

Spiritual Warfare a lost art?

Think of the typical denominal Church service, do we actually hear anything preached about repentance any longer? Do we hear about casting down our imaginations, and bringing every thought to the obedience of Christ? Instead it is trendy to bring the worldly thoughts into the sermons, aligning with celebrities and sports figures. We are even seeing those still aspiring to their Hollywood careers starting mega Churches these days. There is no teaching of casting down imaginations, no speaking of the spiritual warfare that we should be battling, instead they are jumping their people straight into the deception of Satan and raising up a deceived generation that does not know the difference between the profane and the holy (even in the Apostolic ranks).

Our responsibility is to teach between the holy and profane so the people of God can discern

Ezekiel 44:23 And they shall teach my people *the difference* between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

God's judgment will cause controversy, but we must stand in His judgment

24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; *and* they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall hallow my sabbaths.

As we can see, it is clear we have plenty to work on dealing with staying in the Spirit, keeping ourselves unspotted from the world. We have plenty to keep us busy if we will be aware of lost souls around us everywhere. The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few! We have plenty to stay busy with, working out our own Salvation with fear and trembling. We have plenty to stay busy with, staying connected to our local assembly, and helping our Pastor in working the harvest of God. We have plenty to keep us busy if we will continue in prayer and fasting, studying the word of God Daily to stay keen to the times in which we live in. We have plenty to stay busy with in keeping our lives under the blood of the Lamb, and project the word of our testimony to hungry souls. We have plenty to stay busy with in not building bigger barns, realizing that we cannot love our lives even unto death, being prepared to move with the camp of the people of God, keeping the tabernacle as the central focus of our homes. With all of this to work with, we don't have time to be looking around at the world or trying to figure out what political view we should support, leave those battles to the world to fight. Our warfare is not in this realm. We would say and would think anyone who is in this war would agree, if we truly walk in the Holy Ghost and have prayer life like we should and are feeling the burden for lost souls, how do we have time for anything else, and we should all know for sure that this is certainly a lifelong struggle to continue in.

Lesson 3 The timeline of the "Last Days"

Joel 2:28 And it shall come to pass afterward, *that* I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

32 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

Pentecost = 50 days after Passover

The harvest, the feast of first fruits the celebration of the time that the seed that was planted is now being enjoyed. Joel is a message of rejoicing – the answer for the years of backsliding from God – the restoration of the years that the locust destroyed our crops!

Principles of Acts 2 – Joel 2

- 1) Peter specifically called the outpouring of the Holy Ghost = "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel"
- 2) The Last Days or the dispensation of the Holy Ghost starts from the day of Pentecost until the great and terrible day of the LORD come (Second coming of Jesus Christ)
- 3) The great and terrible day of the LORD is identified when the sun shall turn to darkness, the moon into blood.

We should take note of the Sun, Moon, and Stars in the Scriptures

The fourth day of Creation

Genesis 1:14 And God said, Let there be <u>lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day</u> from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for <u>lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth</u>: and it was so.

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that *it was* good.

19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

Notice the importance that the Sun, Moon, and Stars play in the earth and in all human life. Not only does God create them for the lights of day and night, but also all time keeping, and seasons are determined by these.

The Constellations in Scripture

Food for thought: The Scriptures acknowledge the constellations (Job 9:9, Job 38:31, Amos 5:8). The Jews have had movements (Kabbalistic astrology as an example) who were persuaded of horoscope significance. While the more conservative Jews site the Levitical forbiddance of such practice, there are scholars of even the Orthodox Jewish culture that have written that the twelve major constellations are in fact God's declaration of the twelve tribes. This actually may have merit, since God as Creator may have given us a signature in the heavens that the twelve tribes of Israel are in fact His people (and then on to the twelve Apostles in the New Testament). The world has wrongly taken them to use to describe the twelve months and calls them birthstones and uses these stones from scripture (which no doubt represents each of the tribes Exodus 28:17-21) for horoscope purposes as well. Instead, the food for thought is the thought of God putting the twelve tribe in the stars is certainly interesting and exciting!

Jacob, Rachel, and the Tribes of Israel

Genesis 37:9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, <u>the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made</u> <u>obeisance to me</u>.

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? <u>Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren</u> <u>indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth</u>?

Jacob = Sun, Rachel = Moon, Sons of Israel = Stars? Very interesting indeed!

All things continue as they were from the beginning of creation

2 Peter 3:4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, <u>all</u> things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.

So, discussing the Sun, Moon, and Stars let us consider that until the end, things will continue as they were from the beginning of the creation, UNTIL the sign Jesus told us to look for that would be the point of no return, the point that things would no longer be going on as we they were, the day of the LORD (coming of Jesus Christ as described by Jesus Christ)

Mat 24:29 <u>Immediately after the tribulation</u> of those days shall the <u>sun be darkened</u>, and the <u>moon shall not give her light</u>, and <u>the stars shall fall from heaven</u>, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

30 <u>And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven</u>: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

So in this the Last Days timeline, from Joel 2:28, also repeated by the Apostle Peter in Acts 2:20 **Acts 2:19** And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:

20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:

21 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 2:20 the timeline of Joel 2

We see this timeline, which is so critical for us to understand that the last days began on the day of Pentecost, and the Holy Ghost was poured out. Acts 2:38 was preached, which v39 tells us that "as many as the Lord our God shall call." This is so important because it is the basis for the Church to understand our mission is to preach water and Spirit, Baptism in Jesus Name, and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost until the Day of the Lord. There is no other valid message for the world, no other will of God, no other plan that God gives to man than through Jesus Christ, the blood, the water, and the Spirit. (1 John 5:8).

The False teaching of the 70AD Tribulation

There are those who teach that the events of Matthew 24:29-31 are in the past. This is a damnable heresy, and disturbs the teaching of Joel, Matthew 24, and Acts 2. We have absolute proof that the events of Matthew 24:29-31 were NOT fulfilled in the destruction of the temple in 70 A.D. (whereas there may be some prophecies that indeed did point to that event). First, simply we still have the Sun, Moon, and Stars. The seasons are still going on as they were, the days are still going by, and we still have time moving as it always has. Scripturally we can absolutely prove this was not fulfilled in 70 A.D.:

Rev 6:12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and <u>the sun became black as sackcloth of hair</u>, and the <u>moon became as blood</u>;
13 And the <u>stars of heaven fell unto the earth</u>, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

Revelation written in 96 A.D.

This is the same event of Joel, the same event of Acts 2, the same event Jesus taught us in Matthew 24:29-31, is now being taught as a FUTURE event in the book of Revelation. When was Revelation written? 96 A.D. is the answer to this and most scholars and the evidence of history tells us this is the proper time that it was written.

https://www.christiancourier.com/articles/1552-when-was-the-book-of-revelation-written

That being stated, if we did believe that the events of this were fulfilled in 70 A.D. then we would have to also believe that the seals of Revelation have already been opened. Then we

affect the mission of the Church and question if the Holy Ghost is still being poured out in our time.

There are those who overthrow the faith of some, teaching the resurrection is past already

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

16 But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;

18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the <u>resurrection is past already</u>; and <u>overthrow the faith of some</u>.

Jeremiah 31:35 Psalm 74:16 Psalm 104:19 Psalm 136:7-9

Conclusion of the Last Days Timeline

- 1) Begins on the Day of Pentecost
- 2) Peter states "This is that" spoken by the prophet Joel
- 3) The Baptism of the Holy Ghost is poured out during this timeline
- 4) The end of the timeline is the day of the Lord
- 5) The day of the Lord occurs when the Sun, Moon, and Stars event occurs
- 6) At the end of this timeline, the Earth as we know it will not go on as it has from the Creation.

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Lesson 4 The Timeline of the Seventy Weeks (Daniel 9)

Lesson 5 Timeline of World Kingdoms (Daniel 2, 7 and Revelation 13)

Lesson 6 Timeline of the Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls