

## Historical Trends – Jesus Christ and History

- I. History is a record of man's thoughts motives, decisions and actions. Yet Jesus Christ still controls history. ([Rev. 1:15](#))
- II. All believers are weak, therefore must choose a power greater than self. There are only two choices:
  - 1) Power system of Satan
  - 2) Power system of God (DD)
- III. Individual decisions made by believers determine Historical trends in any given generation.
- IV. When a maximum number of believers perpetuate spiritual momentum of the point of reaching spiritual maturity, then there can be historical prosperity.
- V. When a maximum number of believers live in Satan's power system, then the client nation malfunctions and historical disaster occurs.
- VI. Historical blessing is the result of advancing believers in a given geographical area. This is the invisible factor of history rather than the visible factor of human leadership.
- VII. History is often the story of how the weak control the strong. Weak, insecure, irresponsible, arrogant people often control policies, procedures and people in the following areas:
  - In social life
  - In professional life
  - In culture
  - In government
  - In churches
- VIII. Human history is the narrative of man's weaknesses not strengths. Most who have or who have had these virtues have been generally blotted out of historical records or have been ignored, ridiculed or presented in a distorted manner.
- IX. With the fall of Adam I, history became a matter of human self-determination, volition to exercise soul options.
- X. Before the fall, there were 3 categories of trees in the garden:
  - 1) Trees that were a blessing to the soul/perfect happiness.
  - 2) Trees good for food which was a blessing to the body.
  - 3) The tree of life which means immortality with perfect happiness.
- XI. Negative folk – present the down trends of history and perceptive folk – present the up trends of history.