

About Us

In brief, Endurance Ministries (EM) is devoted to the Lord of glory, Jesus Christ, His great commissions and commands to go with Good News and to love God with our whole heart, soul and mind, not neglecting the loving of our fellow mankind through obedience to the Word of God (I John 5:1-5). In this broad ministry goal, education (concerning some specific contemporary matters) is emphasized. Use the following colored sections to gain a better understanding as to the particulars of this Bible-founded ministry.

The descriptions that follow further state our service intentions. If you have questions after looking over the material below, please email us at email@therapturegathering.org.

A simple goal statement as to what we're seeking to accomplish ...

The Bible predicts major deceptions prior to the return of Jesus Christ. *Endurance Ministries is devoted to further educating its participants in the end-time Truths God has graciously revealed to us. He has clearly articulated some very specific themes that will be prevalent before His Son's return to the earth. You've most likely heard the phrase, "repetition for the sake of emphasis." Well, God repeats certain themes in His Word time and time again. There is a reason for this – consequences related to these themes are often of eternal significance. Because God cares for us, He desires us to discern the great duplicity unfolding in these days of the end.* This ministry develops these clearly defined concerns through appeal to God's revealed Word. **"What does God say** about these things?" is the foremost question at hand. These end-time Bible passages are just that – prophetic in nature and which speak to future things. "So why worry about the future when we have enough trouble today?" some ask. Good question!

Recent history and contemporary indicators clearly point to the unfolding of these themes before our very eyes, TODAY! Just so you don't miss it, here it is in yet another form: Events are happening today that fulfill these very predictions, especially the deceptions highlighted in Bible prophecy. *In addition to heralding the major passages that speak to what God says about the days before His Son's return to the earth, EM is devoted to the message: "These very end-time events are occurring TODAY. They are no*

longer future but are actually happening right now!” **We are not seeking to be sensationalistic in this, simply realistic.** There are many evidences – undisputed ones – which speak to this very reality. End Min opens this “black box” in a day when many Bible predictions are being fulfilled. We ask: Why is it that we are so slow in discerning our day? Oh, that’s right, isn’t that how deception, in part, works? Those caught in the lie do not even realize their state. This ministry goes from education about the clear warnings in Scripture (about end-time issues) to the citing of many current-day events that fulfill these very predictions. In other words, that which the Bible talks about concerning the days before the return of Jesus Christ is beginning to unfold TODAY. This is most clear! Are we discerning these things? This educational ministry accomplishes this goal through e-letters, web sites, presentations, etc.

As a result of the current cultural affairs, we have urgent needs. One of many is to expose these deceptions and movements that are rampant in society today. These societal lies are a problem. Our EM services offer the ministry of education concerning the exposing of this problem. *Endurance Ministries is devoted to education about these urgent matters. We go from proclaiming what the Word of God clearly says concerning the days just prior to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ to giving evidence of present-day events and activities that are actually fulfilling these very biblical prophecies. We do this (education) through frequent emails, 10 web sites & “Enduring Matters!” “Truth Matters!” and “Current Matters!” presentations – from seminars to classes, from sermons to conference sessions. Given the educational emphasis of this service commitment, other ministry expressions (like providing food during the upcoming global food shortages) are outside the scope of this ministry, though we strongly encourage God’s People to provide these more practical expressions of help in their own personal ministry efforts.*

Another way to communicate the above is through the quoting of our purpose and objective statements.

An official purpose statement from our constitution ...

“The purpose of Endurance Ministries is to glorify God through the promotion of biblical Truths which will be especially vital in the days prior to the Second Advent of the Lord Jesus Christ.” This is our purpose statement. Our objectives are equally clear. “Given Endurance Ministries’ purpose, the primary ministry objectives are

educational in nature: Evangelistic unto Christ Jesus; Edifying unto Christ-likeness; & Equipping unto the work of the ministries of Evangelism and Edification.”

A quote from Article 12 of our Bylaws concerning biblical themes ...

The final paragraph of Article Three of our constitution of Endurance Ministries, Inc. is a good introduction to the quoting of the final Bylaws article which clearly articulates the end-time themes emphasized in the Word of God, the Bible. “In obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ, His people are to discern the times prior to His Second Advent to the earth and thus be ready for His glorious return. It is commitment to his readiness which brings/ highlights Endurance Ministries’ distinctive. Although a Bible chronology of end-time events is offered, this ministry emphasizes current cultural trends which are addressed in the Word as important end-time themes have eternal significance. A list of these consequential concerns is included in Article Twelve of our constitution document. Because of these God-given mandates, EM takes seriously the tasks of Evangelism and Discipleship.” The following is a partial quote of Article Twelve:

“Truth matters, especially given the consequence which comes as a result of acting upon belief. But just how does one go about forming belief, including general worldview and specific perspective on particular topics? One must have an epistemological foundation upon which to stand. Christians have as their foundation, the Word of God. This essential allows for the living out of God’s worldview. Within its pages, it warns of deceptions, deceptions lying not in the distant future but that are present today. Through the Word of God, the discerning of worldly culture, in which lies these deceptions, is extended. One of the lists of end-time character qualities includes hatred of God and His People. As the cultural deceptions are exposed (we are to forewarn others of the looming evils which bear great consequence), the Word of God teaches that great persecution will come to those who, as a result of genuine loving care for those around them, expose the deceptions. God’s Word does not stop here.

Other related concerns are emphasized. God’s People are to patiently endure under these circumstances. They are to remain faithful to sound doctrine in the midst of a world that has rejected Truth for myth. As the world mandates a global culture, syncre-

tistic demands will be made. God's People are told to respond, not in agreement, but in rejection – we are to separate from the worldly system. As a result, a further wave of persecution will occur. This takes place under the leadership of one who the Bible calls “anti-christ.” As one in absolute opposition to Jesus Christ, even claiming to be Christ (“anti” communicates two ideas: *against* and *instead of*), Christians will have no part with this figure but will remain faithful to the True Messiah, Jesus Christ. Given all these are revealed in Scripture, Endurance Ministries seeks to provide help and encouragement in response.” (Article Twelve)

This hopefully gives you a clear picture concerning what we're all about. God's prophetic Truths are once again manifesting themselves before our very eyes. Jesus Christ's initial appearing is near. May God bless & keep you in these exciting days of great Kingdom opportunity, as difficult as they might be. God is faithful. “And do this, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation *is* nearer than when we *first* believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfill its* lusts.” Romans 13:11-14 (NKJV)

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