

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH IN 2026

A Call to Apostolic Authenticity in a Post-Christian Age

"Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

Ephesians 5:16 (KJV)

THE SPIRITUAL LANDSCAPE

Understanding the Challenges of the Present Hour

DEFINING THE 2026 CLIMATE



DIGITAL NOISE

Believers are bombarded by more secular content in an hour than Scripture in a month.



IDENTITY CRISIS

The world wants the Church to fit in, forcing believers to hide the Truth just to be accepted.



GREAT HUNGER

Despite the darkness, there is an unprecedented thirst for Truth.

TALKING POINTS

- *The church is no longer just competing with other religions, but with algorithmic distraction.*
- *Statistics show that personal prayer lives are being replaced by "scrolling" in 2026.*
- *How do we maintain a "Peculiar" identity when the world demands conformity?*

THE DANGER OF CONFORMITY

ROMANS 12:2 (KJV)

"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."

TALKING POINTS

- *"Conformed" in Greek means to be poured into a mold. 2026 has a very specific mold.*
- *The "Renewing of the Mind" requires a consistent immersion in the KJV Word.*
- *Transformed living is the only way to "prove" God's will to a skeptical generation.*



THE HARVEST MANDATE

GLOBAL SOULS IN 2026

The population has grown, and with it, the depth of spiritual darkness. The harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few.

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THE CHURCH'S URGENCY

- *We cannot be the world if we want to save the world.*
- *Luke 10:2 reminds us that our primary work in 2026 is intercession for workers.*
- *Reaching 8.2 billion people requires a Church that is empowered by the Holy Ghost.*

THE CONTRAST: CHURCH VS. WORLD

Attribute	The Church (KJV Standard)	The World (2026 Norm)
Foundation	The Word of God (Unchanging)	Relative Truth (Fluid)
Direction	Holiness & Separation	Inclusivity & Conformity
Motive	The Glory of Christ	Self-Actualization
End Goal	Eternal Life / New Jerusalem	Temporal Utopia / Self-Destruction

TALKING POINTS

- *The table shows a fundamental incompatibility between these two systems.*
- *Why do we try to blend when God has called us to be a "Peculiar People"?*
- *Compromise in 2026 doesn't bring the world in; it takes the power of God out.*



A PECULIAR PEOPLE

Embracing the Holiness of our

Calling

THE IDENTITY OF THE REMNANT

1 PETER 2:9 (KJV)



A Chosen Generation: Hand-picked.

A Royal Priesthood: Mediating between God and a dying world.



An Holy Nation: Governed by laws not of this earth.

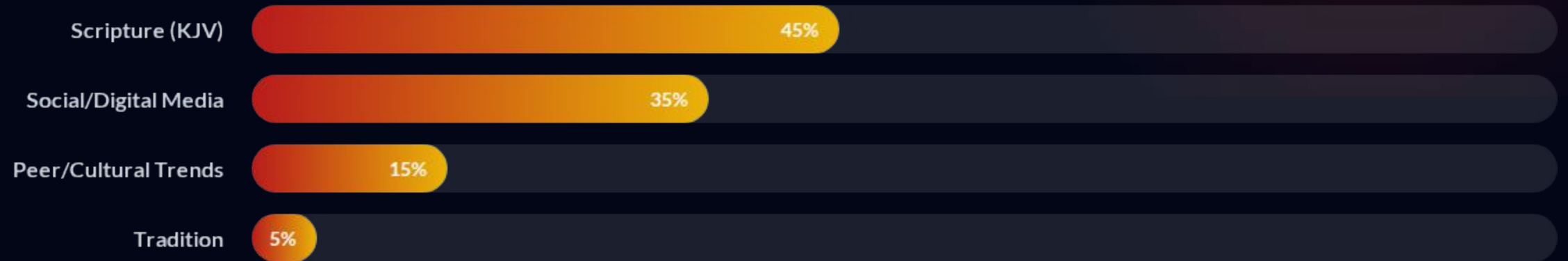


A Peculiar People: God's own special possession.

TALKING POINTS

- *"Peculiar" doesn't mean "weird"; it means "purchased as a unique treasure."*
- *Our value in 2026 is directly proportional to our difference from the world.*
- *A salt that has lost its savour (Matthew 5:13) is trodden under foot.*

INFLUENCES ON THE BELIEVER (2026)



TALKING POINTS

- *Is the Word truly the "Final Authority" if social media occupies 35% of our worldview?*
- *The state of the Church depends on moving that top bar to 100%.*
- *Psalm 1:1 warns us against standing in the way of sinners or sitting in the seat of the scornful (the "feed").*



"Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

Revelation 3:11 (KJV)

TALKING POINTS

- *The message to the Philadelphian church is the message for 2026.*
- *We are called to "Hold Fast"—a term of military endurance.*

THE VICTORIOUS CHURCH

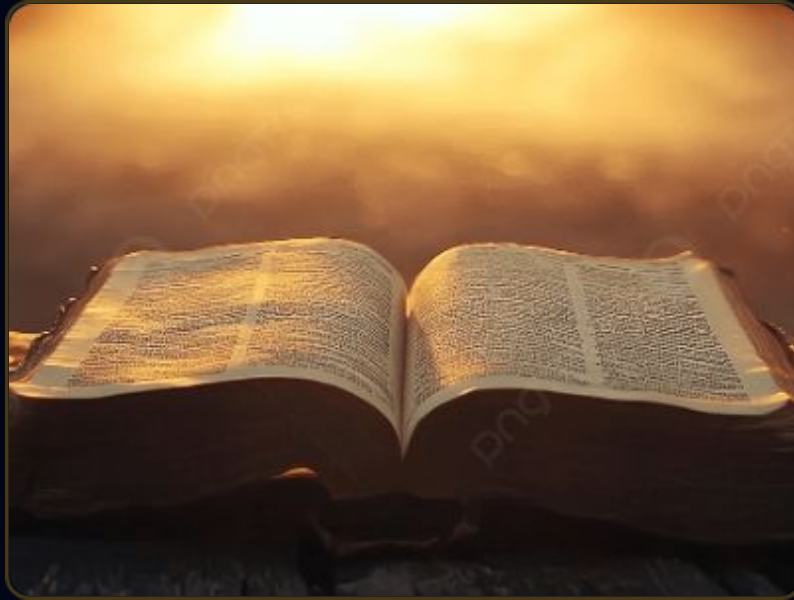
Matthew 16:18 (KJV): "...upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

TALKING POINTS

- *The Church in 2026 is not a victim; it is a victor.*
- *"Gates" are defensive structures. The Church is on the offensive, storming the strongholds of darkness.*
- *If we are not "prevailing," we must ask if we are actually "The Church" or just a religious social club.*



QUESTIONS?



"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith." (2 Cor 13:5)

THE REDEEMED LIFE WITH PASTOR JERMAINE HAWKINS

BIBLE STUDY: THE 2026 MANDATE

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SOURCES

1. The Seven Churches of Asia (Revelation 3)

- *Source:* The apocalyptic visions of John the Apostle.
- *Application:* Used as a typological mirror for the year 2026, specifically focusing on the spiritual decline (Sardis), the faithful remnant (Philadelphia), and the lukewarm materialism (Laodicea) of the modern era.

2. Demographic & Global Data (Slide 5)

- *Metric:* Global Population of 8.2 Billion.
- *Context:* Based on UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) projections for the year 2026. This data was used to emphasize the scale of the "Harvest Mandate."

3. Greek Lexical Studies (Slide 4 & 8)

- **Conformed (*suschematizo*):** Cited in talking points as "to be poured into a mold." Derived from *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*.
- **Peculiar (*peripoiesis*):** Cited as "purchased as a unique treasure" or "possession." Derived from *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*.