

In these last days God is shaking His Church — not so that we crumble, but so that we fall before Him, humble ourselves, and allow Him to do whatever He wishes in our lives.

Key Texts: Various scriptures listed below.

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Introduction. (0:00-3:15) Apply Psalm 139:23-24 to your present walk with God and to the state of the church where you live? How do believers in distant lands inform your evaluation?

Nine Measures of the State of the Church

Compare the Western Church to the Indian Church. Where do you stand on each continuum?

1. (3:15-8:45) **Price.** **Cheap**_____ **Costly**
Read John 15:18-21. Jesus is a comforter, but following Him is not always comfortable.
2. (8:45-12:10) **God.** **Then**_____ **Now**
Read Malachi 3:6 and Hebrews 13:8. Is Almighty God still doing God things in our day?
3. (12:10-15:55) **Salvation.** **Many Paths**_____ **One Way**
Read John 14:6 and Acts 4:12, 18-20. Is Jesus Christ merely an idea or is He real?
4. (15:55-19:20) **God's Word.** **On the shelf**_____ **In the heart**
Read Psalm 119:11. How useful is a tool while it's in the tool box? Where is it most useful?
5. (19:20-21:50) **Essential Truths.** **Clueless**_____ **Committed**
Read Hebrews 4:12, 1 Timothy 6:19-21, and 2 Timothy 1:13-15. Cling to God and His truths.
6. (21:50-25:55) **Mindset.** **Flesh**_____ **Holy Spirit**
Read Romans 8:5-8. Walk, live, listen, obey, keep on being filled, and act by the Spirit.
7. (25:55-29:35) **Worship.** **Entertain me**_____ **Praise Him**
Do you take part in feuding about worship formats and musical styles?
According to Psalm 8:1-2, what actual battle should be occurring during worship?
8. (29:35-33:35) **Obedience.** **Whatever**_____ **Whatever He asks**
Is obedience optional? See Ephesians 2:8-10, Galatians 5:19-26, and 1 Corinthians 13:1-3.
9. (33:35-37:30) **Testimony.** **Don't intrude**_____ **Always prepared**
Read 1 Peter 3:15 for balance between not obnoxious but forthright, not snooty but humble.

Conclusion. (37:30-46:12) Prayer through the nine points. What is God calling you to change?