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***“Expect great things from God!  
Attempt great things for God!”***

## 10. WORLD HISTORY

\* Essential textbooks

+ Highly recommended supplementary textbooks

### Textbooks:

\* *Victorious Christians Who Changed the World* by Peter Hammond (2011) CLB

\* *Sketches from South African History* by Peter Hammond (2016) CLB (also in Afrikaans)

\* *A Christian History of Africa* by Peter Hammond (2018) CLB

+ *How Christianity Changed the World* by Alvin Schmidt (2001) Zondervan

+ *The Great Christian Revolution – How Christianity Transformed the World* by Otto Scott (1994) Uncommon Books

+ *The Book That Made Your World – How the Bible Created the Soul of Western Civilization* by Vishal Mangalwadi

+ *The Black Book of Communism* by Editor Stephane Courtois (1999) Harvard University Press

+ *The Great Betrayal* by Ian Douglas Smith (1997) Blake Publishing

+ *Churchill, Hitler and the Unnecessary War – How Britain Lost the Empire and the West Lost the World* by Patrick Buchanan (2008) Crown Publishing

+ *Freedom Betrayed: Herbert Hoover’s Secret History of the Second World War and its Aftermath* by George H. Nash (2012) Hoover Institution Press

### DVDs & Video links on Vimeo Gallery:

Early Church History Overview

The Early Middle Ages – History Overview

Winning the Vikings – History Overview

The Crusades vs. Jihad – History Overview

The Inquisition – History Overview

Magna Carta and the Fight for Freedom Today

15<sup>th</sup> Century – History Overview

A Geostrategic Overview of the Greatest Century of Reformation

Celebrating the Christian Heritage of the Huguenots

Ulrich Zwingli and the Reformation in Switzerland

John Calvin and the Huguenots

The Greatest Century of Missions

The Most Important Books Ever Published

Recommended History Films

William Wilberforce and the War Against Slavery

The French Revolution

The Battle of Waterloo

The Day of the Covenant and the Battle of Blood River

Andrew Murray and the 1860 Revival in South Africa

Henry Morton Stanley - The Greatest Journalist of All Time – Part 1

Henry Morton Stanley – Through the Dark Continent – Part 2

Paul Kruger – Voortrekker, Commando, Conservationist

President Martinus Steyn of the Orange Free State

Danie Theron - Founder of the Transvaal Reconnaissance Commando

General Christiaan De Wet



General de La Rey - the Lion of the Western Transvaal  
Emily Hobhouse and the Concentration Camps of the Anglo Boer War  
Judge Barry Hertzog – South Africa's Most Popular Prime Minister  
The Causes, Consequences and Catastrophe of the First World War  
Versailles 100 Years Ago  
The Turkish Genocide of Armenian, Assyrian and Greek Christians  
Lies We Must Refuse to Believe  
The Failure of Atheism in the Soviet Union  
The Forces Behind Terrorism and How it Can Be Defeated  
A Secret History of Terrorism and How it Can Be Defeated  
Terrorism in Great Britain and How it Can Be Defeated  
Dunkirk – Separating Truth from Fiction  
Pearl Harbour – The Untold Story  
Was Winston Churchill Really the Greatest Briton of All Time?  
Katyn – Unravelling One of the Many Secrets of the Second World War  
Was Pearl Harbour an Unprecedented Surprise Attack?  
False Flags, Active Measures, Disinformation and Subversion Campaigns  
The Battle for South Africa  
Rediscovering our Christian Roots  
The St. James Massacre – 25 Years Ago  
Kofi Anan, the UN, the Rwandan Holocaust and Oil for Food Scandal  
Who Won the War and Who Initiated the Peace in South Africa?  
The Triumph of Faith in Russia  
False Guilt vs. True Repentance

#### **Audio MP3s:**

*A Christian Survey of World History* (12 disc Boxset) by R. J. Rushdoony

#### **Recommended Films:**

***Ben Hur*** - 1960, starring Charlton Heston. One of the greatest films ever. Powerful depiction of the clash of the humanist state with the Christian Faith in the 1<sup>st</sup> century AD.

***The Fall of the Roman Empire*** - 1964, starring Stephen Boyd, Alec Guinness, James Mason and Christopher Plummer on the disastrous events which led to the collapse of Rome.

***Becket*** - 1964, starring Richard Burton and Peter O'Toole on the clash between church and state in the 12<sup>th</sup> century.

***The Agony and the Ecstasy*** - 1965, starring Charlton Heston and Rex Harrison on Michelangelo's conflict with pope Julius II over the painting of the Sistine Chapel in the early 16<sup>th</sup> Century.

***Joan of Arc*** - 1948, starring Ingrid Bergman, as the inspiring French heroine who changed history, by inspiring her people to resist foreign occupation (Early 15<sup>th</sup> century).

***Martin Luther*** - 1953, starring Niall MacGinnis. An excellent 1950's Black and White award winning film which has Theological depth and historic accuracy (16<sup>th</sup> century).

***Luther*** - 2003, starring Joseph Fiennes. A fast moving big budget (US\$100 million) epic on the Great Reformer. An inspiring introduction to the Reformer but shallow and filled with anachronism and takes a lot of liberties with the facts of history.

***God's Outlaw - The Story of William Tyndale*** - 1986, starring Roger Rees. A drama on the English Bible Translator, Reformer and Martyr who gave his life that we could have the Bible in English (16<sup>th</sup> century). (93 min).

***Cromwell*** - 1970, starring Richard Harris and Alec Guinness, a tremendous epic on the English Civil War and Puritan general Oliver Cromwell, Lord Protector of England. Invaluable insights to 17<sup>th</sup> century England.

***A Tale of Two Cities*** - 1935, starring Ronald Colman and Donald Woods. Based on Charles Dickens' 1859 classic historic novel. A powerful contrast between English Christianity and French Revolution Humanism.

***Amazing Grace*** - 2006, starring Ioan Gruffudd. A big budget epic on William Wilberforce's parliamentary battles to end the slave trade (End of the 18<sup>th</sup> century).

**War and Peace** – 1956, Leo Tolstoy’s literary masterpiece faithfully brought to the big screen depicting Russia during the Napoleonic Wars and the invasion by Napoleon in 1812. Starring Audrey Hepburn, Henry Fonda and Mel Ferrer.

**Waterloo** - 1970, starring Rod Steiger and Christopher Plummer. One of the greatest war films ever made of one of the most important battles ever fought (1815).

**Amistad** - 1997, starring Anthony Hopkins and Morgan Freeman on the 19<sup>th</sup> century slave trade.

**Florence Nightingale** – 1985, starring Claire Bloom and Timothy Dalton. Inspiring introduction to the Lady with the Lamp who launched modern nursing during the Crimean War (1854 - 1856).

**God and Generals** - 2003, starring Jeff Daniels and Robert Duvall on the American War between the States (1861 - 1863). Honest and historically accurate.

**Zulu Dawn** - 1978, starring Peter O’Toole and Burt Lancaster provides invaluable insights to the Anglo Zulu War of 1879 and the battle of Isandlwana.

**Khartoum** – 1966 Film , starring Charlton Heston as British General Charles Gordon and Laurence Olivier as the Makdi during the siege of Khatoum, capital of Sudan 1883-1885.

**Nicholas and Alexandra** - 1971, starring Michael Jayston and Janet Suzman on the Bolshevik Revolution and the last Czar of Russia (1904 - 1918).. Mostly true to history. Some disturbing scenes. Parental guidance advised.

**Joyeux Noel** - 2005 war drama depicts the Christmas Truce of 1914 during the First World War.

**Bitter Harvest** - 2017, starring Max Irons in a romantic action drama highlighting the Holodomor famine that killed millions of Ukrainians under Stalin’s communist land reform Dekulakisation campaign in the 1930s. Essential viewing to understand communism. Parental Guidance advised.

**A Bridge Too Far** – 1977, epic war film on Operation Market Garden – the largest airborne operation in history. 35,000 Allied airborne troops parachuted into the Netherlands led to some of the most fierce battles of the Western Front in 1944. Starring Anthony Hopkins, Sean Connery, Gene Hackman, Hardy Kruger, Maximillian Schell and Laurence Olivier. One of the most authentic war films ever produced.

**The Great Raid** – 2005 war drama about the military raid in 1945 by US Rangers to free Prisoners of War in the Philippines. One of the very few war films which depicts the reality of what both prisoners and soldiers actually faced in that conflict. Starring Joseph Fiennes and James Franco.

**Africa Addio** – 1966, an unflinching book at the savage lawlessness that accompanied decolonisation in Africa, including the Mau Mau of Kenya and the Simbas in the Congo. Not for the sensitive viewer, this film documents the massacres and brutality of revolutionaries in Africa.

**“How Should We Then Live?”** – 1977, by Francis Schaeffer, monumentally important Worldview overview from the time of the Romans through to our present time.

### **Assignments:**

1. Provide three 1,000 word book reports on three of the textbooks. Book reports should clearly state where you agree, or disagree, with the author and briefly explain how the content can be applied to your understanding of how we got to our situation today.
2. Select five key incidents in history and state what you learned from the lecture presentations on these events.
3. Write a 1,000 word essay on Deception in the Entertainment Industry and News Media to Distort History.
4. Write a 1,000 word essay exposing unreliable sources of history and questions we can ask to arrive at the truth of what actually happened.
5. Choose five of the recommended films and write five 300 word essays on what you learned from these films. Also state where you have found inaccuracies in the screen depictions.
6. Organise a history society or club, where you can watch various films or documentaries and discuss the events with others interested in real History. Report back on your experiences and what you learned through this exercise (1-2 pages).
7. Identify five of the most inspiring personalities that played a vital role in world history and explain why you chose them (1000 words).
8. Evaluate world history in the light of Deuteronomy 28 (700 words).

