**Church History Outline 52: The Global Church**

I. While Europe and North America grew more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the 20th century, Christianity grew \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Asia, Africa, and Latin America; this growth shows no signs of stopping.

A. Christianity has been especially successful in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. The Chinese church is growing enormously in spite of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ opposition.

a. Most of this growth is in underground \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

b. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Chinese Christians can be severe, but is relatively mild in some regions.

2. In India, the church is growing in spite of sometimes violent opposition from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. South Korea may soon become the first large Asian country with a Christian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

B. Latin America.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ churches, in particular, have been hugely successful in Latin America.

2. Pentecostalism is the most rapidly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ branch of Christianity today in Latin America and throughout the world.

C. Africa is especially noted for its \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ denominations with few or no ties to Christian movements in Europe and North America.

1. These churches often lean toward \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. They sometimes include elements of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ religions.

II. As European and American \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have spread Christianity around the world, and as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christians have assumed leadership after the departure of missionaries, several challenges have emerged.

A. How are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Christianity applied in non-Christian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

B. Should \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ culture be spread alongside Christianity?

C. How should Christians respond to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ governments and social systems?

D. Should Christians focus on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the needy?