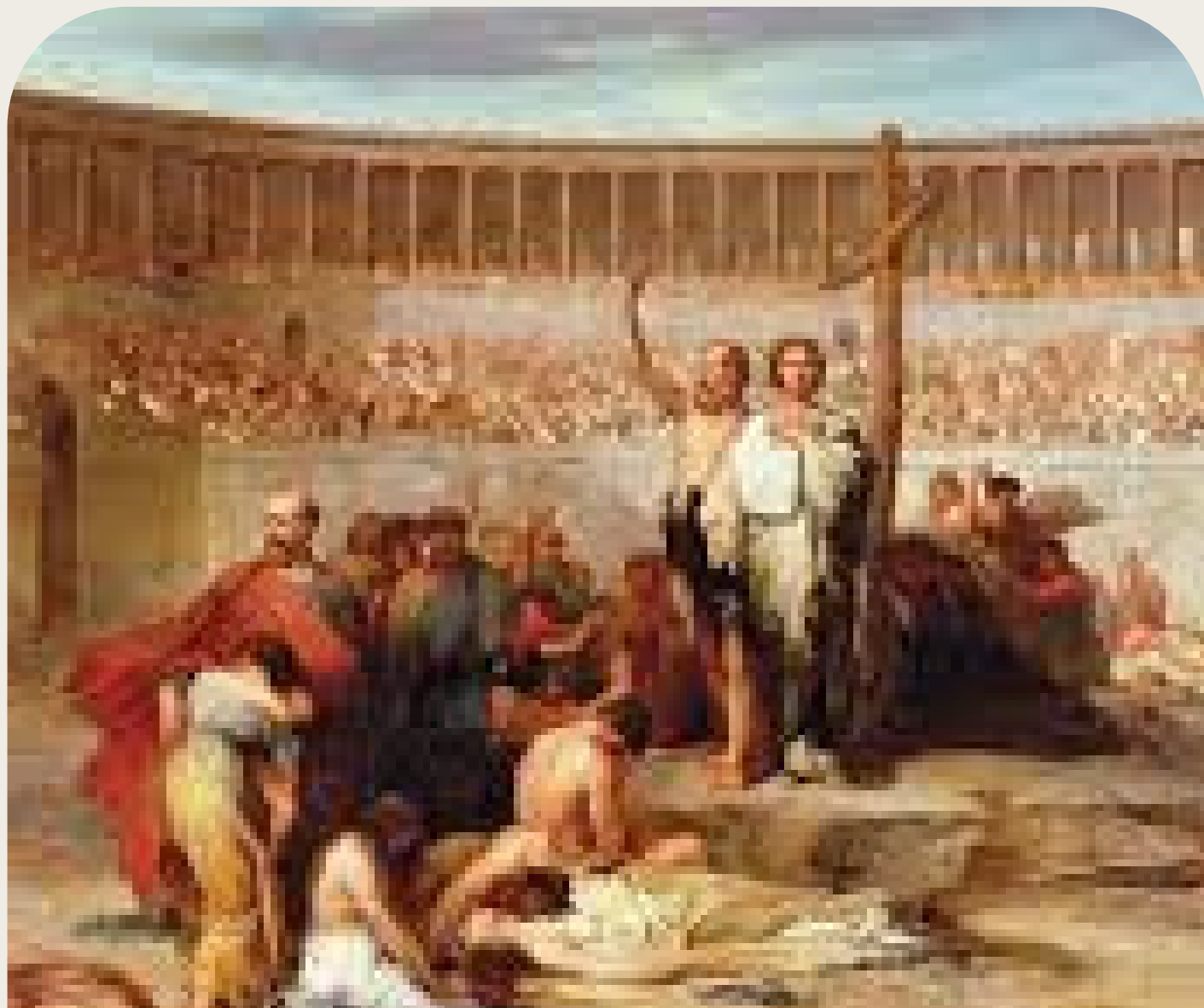


# Enduring Tribulation *and* Persecution

by. Michael Ray Garvin

# Early Christians Persecuted



*Put in jail or killed.*

In the early church, many Christians were persecuted and were thrown in the coliseum for their faith. The Roman emperors saw the Christians as committing treason because their allegiance was to Jesus Christ and not towards the emperor or their pagan gods.

**Bible Verse**



**Matthew**  
**10:23**

**23 When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.**

---

Escape



Hide

16 then those in Judea must flee to the **mountains**;  
**Matthew 24:16**

Jesus commands His disciples that when they are persecuted (hunted and chased) in one town they are to escape and flee to another.

Many early christians went and **hid in the caves** or **built underground cities** to hide from soldiers or their persecutors. They had churches and homes for many people underground.

# Underground Cities



# Underground Cities



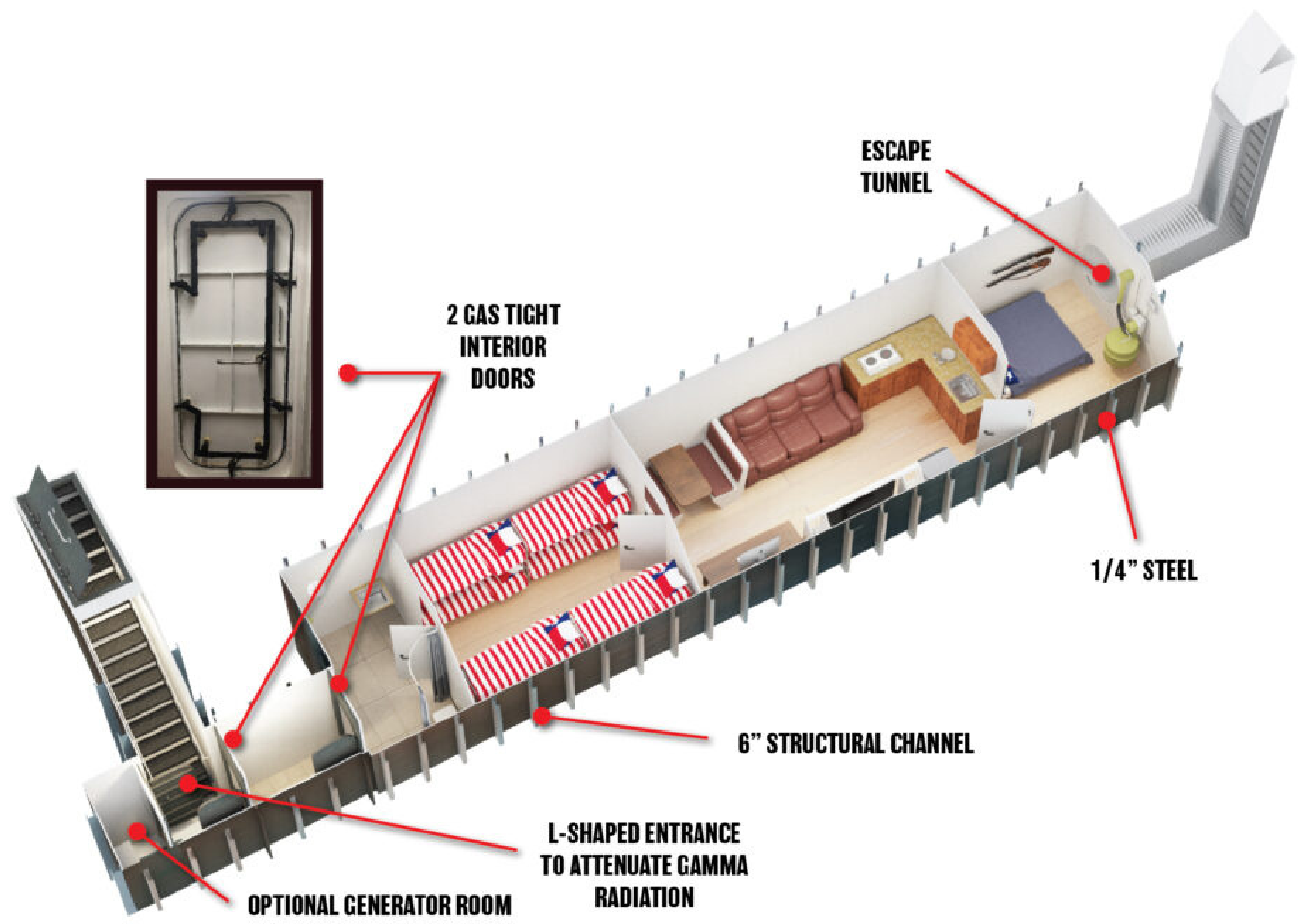
# Underground Cities





Christians should consider buying an underground bunker instead of a house to prepare for tough times ahead.





**ESCAPE TUNNEL**

**2 GAS TIGHT INTERIOR DOORS**

**1/4" STEEL**

**6" STRUCTURAL CHANNEL**

**L-SHAPED ENTRANCE TO ATTENUATE GAMMA RADIATION**

**OPTIONAL GENERATOR ROOM**



36 Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place and to stand before the Son of Man.” Luke 21:36

