



### **REVELATION 1:9-11**

I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.



# 7 ERAS OF THE CHURCH

CHURCH	CHURCH HISTORY TYPIFIED	DATES
EPHESUS	THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH	A.D. 30-100
SMYRNA	THE CHURCH OF THE ROMAN PERSECUTION	A.D. 100 - 313
PERGAMUM	THE CHURCH OF THE AGE OF CONSTANTINE	A.D. 313-600
THYATIRA	THE CHURCH OF THE DARK AGES	A.D. 600-15179
SARDIS	THE CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION	A.D. 1517-1648
PHILADELPHIA	THE CHURCH OF THE MISSIONARY MOVEMENT	A.D. 1648-1900
LAODICEA	THE CHURCH OF THE APOSTASY	A.D. 1900-NOW

## **REVELATION 2:8-10**

To the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of him who is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again. I know your afflictions and your poverty – yet you are rich! I know the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.

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Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life.

### **REVELATION 2:18-19**

To the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like a blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze. I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first. Nevertheless, I have this against you:...

## **REVELATION 3:14-17, 19-20**

To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm – neither hot nor cold – I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

You say, "I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing." But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked... Those whom I love, I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him and he with me...

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