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CHURCHES OF REVELATION



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CHURCHES OF THE REVELATION

- City
- ⦿ Cities of the Seven Churches
- Major road



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Revelation 3

7 “Write to the angel of the church in Philadelphia: Thus says the Holy One, the true one, the one who has the key of David, who opens and no one will close, and who closes and no one opens: ⁸ I know your works. Look, I have placed before you an open door that no one can close because you have but little power;

Revelation 3

yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. 9 Note this: I will make those from the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews and are not, but are lying — I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and they will know that I have loved you.

Revelation 3

¹⁰ Because you have kept my command to endure, I will also keep you from the hour of testing that is going to come on the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

¹¹ I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one takes your crown.

Revelation 3

¹² “The one who conquers I will make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he will never go out again. I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God — the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from my God — and my new name.

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¹³ “Let anyone who has ears to hear listen to what the Spirit says to the churches.





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The Cabot Times

- The youngest of the seven cities founded in 189 BC
- Name derived from Attalus II the “brother lover”

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- Founded primarily as a missionary outpost for Greek culture and life (19AD the Lydian language was gone)
- Located at the junction of many major trade routes on the Imperial Post Road

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- Located next to the “Burnt Land” - Volcanic soil
- Decimated by earthquake in 17 AD w/ people living outside of the city

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- Name was changed to “Neoceasarea” and “Flavia”
- Mentioned only here in the NT
- Probably founded during Paul’s extended ministry in Ephesus

Isaiah 22

¹⁴ The Lord of Armies has directly revealed to me: “This iniquity will not be wiped out for you people as long as you live.”, The Lord God of Armies has spoken.

Isaiah 22

¹⁵ The Lord God of Armies said, “Go to Shebna, that steward who is in charge of the palace, and say to him: ¹⁶ What are you doing here? Who authorized you to carve out a tomb for yourself here, carving your tomb on the height and cutting a resting place for yourself out of rock?”

Isaiah 22

¹⁷ Look, you strong man! The Lord is about to shake you violently. He will take hold of you, ¹⁸ wind you up into a ball, and sling you into a wide land. There you will die, and there your glorious chariots will be — a disgrace to the house of your lord. ¹⁹ I will remove you from your office; you will be ousted from your position.

Isaiah 22

²⁰ “On that day I will call for my servant, Eliakim son of Hilkiah. ²¹ I will clothe him with your robe and tie your sash around him. I will hand your authority over to him, and he will be like a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.

Isaiah 22

22 I will place the key of the house of David on his shoulder; what he opens, no one can close; what he closes, no one can open.

23 I will drive him, like a peg, into a firm place. He will be a throne of honor for his father's family.

Isaiah 22

²⁴ They will hang on him all the glory of his father's family: the descendants and the offshoots — all the small vessels, from bowls to every kind of jar. ²⁵ On that day" — the declaration of the Lord of Armies — "the peg that was driven into a firm place will give way, be cut off, and fall, and the load on it will be destroyed." Indeed, the Lord has spoken.

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PHILADELPHIA - THE PORTRAYAL OF JESUS

HOLY

TRUE

HOLDER OF THE KEYS OF DAVID

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PHILADELPHIA – PRAISE FOR THE CHURCH

KEPT MY WORD
ENDURED PATIENTLY

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PHILADELPHIA – PRAISE FOR THE CHURCH

KEPT MY WORD
ENDURED PATIENTLY
SPECIAL PROMISE

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PHILADELPHIA – PRAISE FOR THE CHURCH

KEPT MY WORD
ENDURED PERSECUTION
HONORED BEFORE
THEIR ENEMY!

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PHILADELPHIA – CRITICISM OF THE CHURCH

LITTLE STRENGTH (?)

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PHILADELPHIA – CORRECTION/ADMONITION

HOLD ON!

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**HOLD ON!
DO NOT LOSE YOUR CROWN!**

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PHILADELPHIA – PENALTY/REWARD

NONE!

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PHILADELPHIA – PROMISE TO THE OVERCOMER

REMAIN IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

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**REMAIN IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD
CITIZEN OF HEAVEN
BELONG TO JESUS**

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DO WE HAVE AN EAR?

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