

The 7 Churches of Asia

Introduction

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Lessons for Churches Then and Now



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1st Century Christians: Rome is doomed to destruction, the Kingdom would triumph in the end, and Christ will reign Supreme. Therefore, maintain loyalty to the Faith at all costs, even to the face of death.

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Present Day Christians: Choose the eternal rather than the temporal; resist temptation; refuse to compromise with false doctrine; remain confident in the ultimate victory for God's people.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF JOHN:

1. Write things in a book
2. Write what he saw
3. Send it to the 7 churches of Asia

BLESSED IS HE WHO:

1. Reads
2. Hears
3. Keeps

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Issues Facing the Churches

1. Social Disgrace
2. Financial and Material Loss
3. Loss of Life

Question: ~~Was Being a Christian Worth It ???~~

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"He who has an ear let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.."

- Jesus knows our collective state (church).
- Jesus knows our individual state (works).
- Jesus:
 - Eyes of flaming fire: Penetrating/Omniscient (1.14; 2.18; 19.12)
 - ~~Feet like brass, refined in fire: strength/justice/power/authority (1.15; 2.18)~~
 - Voice of many waters: majesty/authority/attention (1.15; 14.2; 19.6)
 - Head/Hair white as wool/snow: Glory/Majesty/Purity (1.14)

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SYMBOLS: Numbers, Colors, Spheres

1. **Numbers:** 1,2,3,4,6,7,10,1,000, 3 1/2, 42 months, etc.
2. **Colors:** White, Black, Red, Pale, Purple, Emerald, etc.
3. ~~Spheres:~~ Air, Earth, Sea, Heaven, Stars, etc.