

STUDY NOTES FROM KAREN HOERDEL'S "REVELATION" TEACHING SERIES

Revelation Smyrna: The Suffering Church Study Notes Chapter 2:8-11

Hebrews 11:24-27, 32-40
Historical Period - 170 A.D. - 312 A.D.
First 3 centuries - from Nero to Constantine

Smyrna was called "the lovely, the crown of Ionia - the ornament of Asia"
Smyrna - root meaning is "bitterness"
"myrrh" - ointment associated with death
Jesus: Gold (deity); Frankincense (priesthood); myrrh (death and suffering)

No condemnation; only commendation

v. 8 - Jesus as Resurrection; Alive forevermore
v. 9 - II Corinthians 6: 4-10 - Poor but rich
Synagogue of Satan = a sect professing Judaism but serving satan
v. 10 - The devil is the culprit
10 days is literal and symbolic
Be faithful = developing faith through trials
Crowns of:
Glorify - I Peter 5:4; Proverbs 4:9; 16:31; Isaiah 62:3
Righteousness - II Timothy 4:8
Life - James 1:12; Revelation 2:10 - for martyrs
Incorruptible - I Corinthians 9:25
Soul Winners - I Thessalonians 2:19
v. 11 - Second Death = Lake of Fire for wicked
Revelation 20:6, 11-15
Revelation 21:8