| A Summary of The Letters to the Seven Churches J. D. West | EPHESUS | SMYRNA | PERGAMUM | THYATIRA | SARDIS | PHILADELPHIA | LAODICEA |
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| Description of Jesus who brings the message | Holds the seven stars & walks amongst the seven lampstands | Alpha & Omega. First & Last who died and came to life again. | Has the sharp double edged sword. | Eyes are like blazing fire. Feet like burnished bronze. | Holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars. | Him who is holy and true. Holds the key of David. | The Amen. The faithful and true witness. Ruler of God's creation. |
| Praise | Perseverance. Test imposters. Endured hardship. Not grown weary. Hate Nicolaitans. | They are materially poor but spiritually rich. | Remain true to Jesus' Name. Did not renounce their faith. | For their love, faith, service, perseverance. Doing more than they did at first. | | They have kept Jesus' word and not denied his Name. Endured patiently. | |
| Problems | Forsaken their first love. | | Some hold the teachings of Baalam and the Nicolaitans. | They tolerate 'Jezebel' - sexual immorality - food offered to idols | They are dead and asleep. Their deeds are incomplete. | | Neither cold nor hot. Wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, naked. |
| Threat | Removal of their lampstand. | | Jesus will fight against them with the sword of his mouth. | A bed of suffering for her and those who follow her. Her children to be struck dead. Repaid as to deeds. | Jesus will come like a thief. | | Will spit them out. |
| Description of Eternal Life for those who hold to the Faith | Right to eat the tree of life in the paradise of God | Crown of life. Not hurt by the second death. | Hidden manna. A white stone with a new name written on it. | Given authority over the nations. The morning star. | Walk with Jesus dressed in white. Name not erased from the Book of Life. Will be acknowleged before God | Kept from the hour of trial. Be made a pillar in the Temple of God. Have the name of God/Jerusalem, & Jesus' new name. | |