# THE BOOK OF REVELATION

THE TRIUMPH OF GOD AND GOD'S PEOPLE

## TO THE CHURCH AT SMYRNA

REVELATION 2:8 – II











#### THE CITY OF SMYRNA

- 40 miles N. of Ephesus.
- Alexander the Great founded.
- Olympic games and large public library there.



8 "AND TO THE ANGEL OF THE CHURCH IN SMYRNA WRITE, 'THESE THINGS SAYS THE FIRST AND THE LAST, WHO WAS DEAD, AND CAME TO LIFE: 9 "I KNOW YOUR WORKS, TRIBULATION, AND POVERTY (BUT YOU ARE RICH); AND I KNOW THE BLASPHEMY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE JEWS AND ARE NOT, BUT ARE A SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN. 10 DO NOT FEAR ANY OF THOSE THINGS WHICH YOU ARE ABOUT TO SUFFER. INDEED, THE DEVIL IS ABOUT TO THROW SOME OF YOU INTO PRISON, THAT YOU MAY BE TESTED, AND YOU WILL HAVE TRIBULATION TEN DAYS. BE FAITHFUL UNTIL DEATH, AND I WILL GIVE YOU THE CROWN OF LIFE. I I "HE WHO HAS AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAYS TO THE CHURCHES. HE WHO OVERCOMES SHALL NOT BE HURT BY THE SECOND DEATH.""

Revelation 2:8 – 11

#### CHRIST'S MESSAGE TO THE SMYRNA CONGREGATION

- The Lord knew their past and present suffering.
  - Revelation 1:9
  - Matthew 6:19 21
  - 2 Corinthians 8:1 2
  - 2 Timothy 3:12
  - Philippians 1:27 30
  - Luke 12:4 7

#### CHRIST'S MESSAGE TO THE SMYRNA CONGREGATION

- The Lord knew their past and present suffering.
- The Lord encouraged them to endure.
  - Revelation 2:10b
  - James 1:12
  - 2 Timothy 4:8
  - I Peter 5:1 4
  - I Corinthians 9:24 27
  - Revelation 2:11
  - Romans 6:22 23

### HAVE YOU OVERCOME THE SIN IN YOUR LIFE THROUGH OF JESUS CHRIST?