

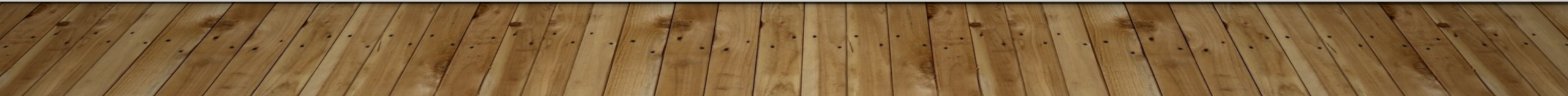


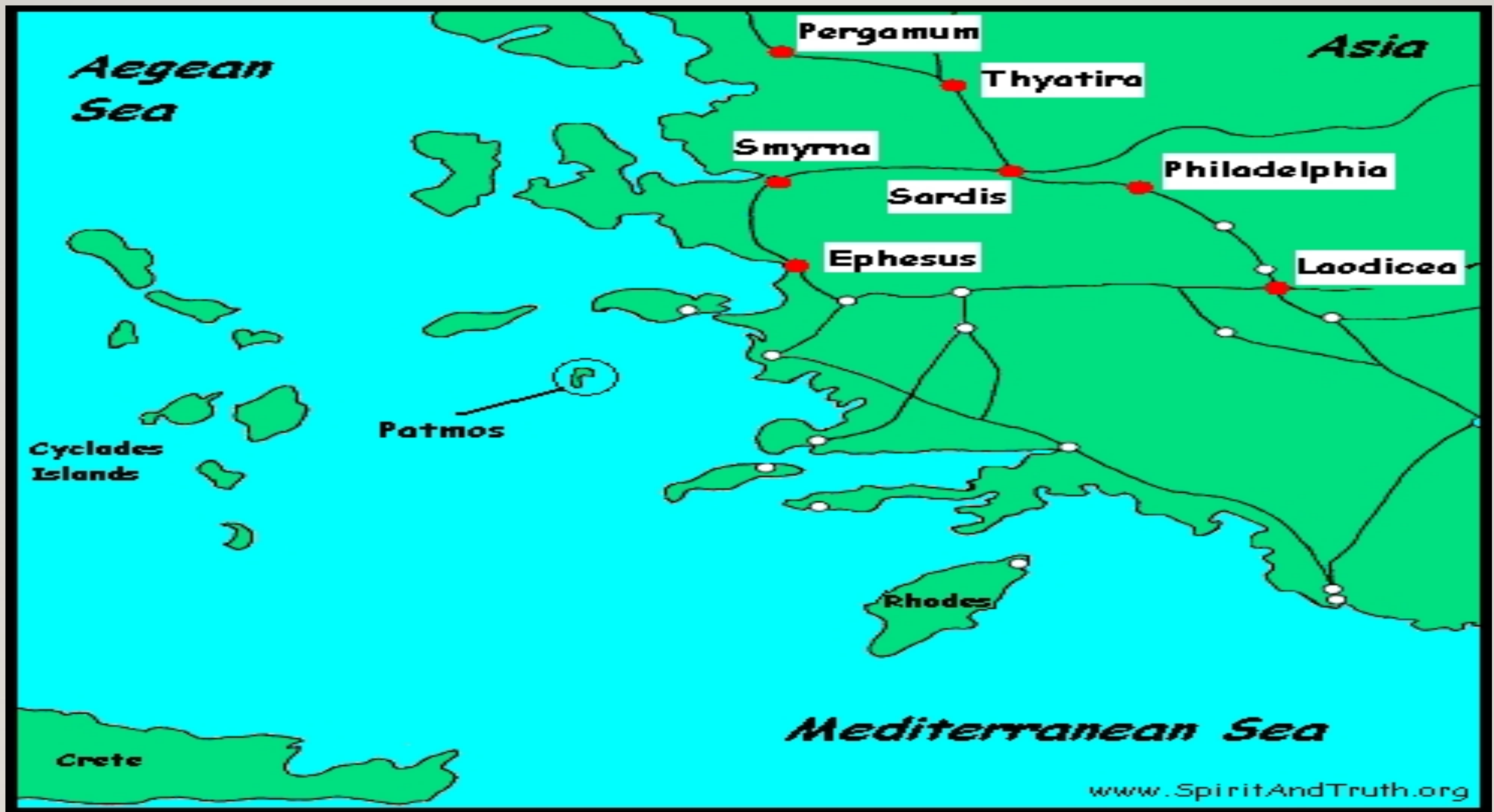
THE BOOK OF
REVELATION

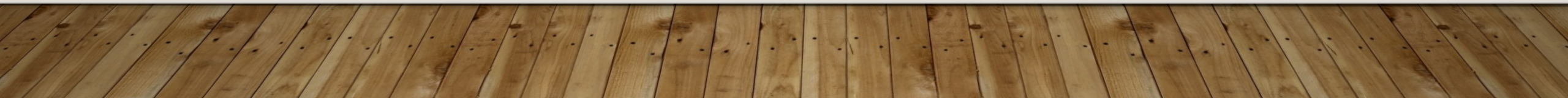
THE TRIUMPH OF GOD
AND GOD'S PEOPLE

TO THE CHURCH AT LAODICEA

REVELATION 3:14 – 22







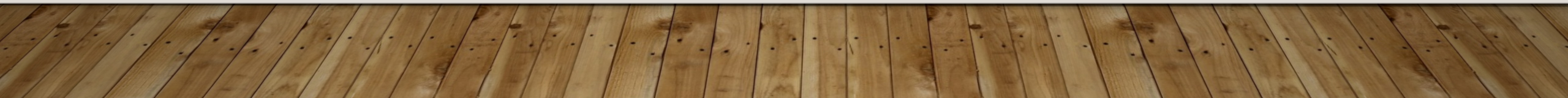
BACKGROUND OF THE CITY OF LAODICEA:

- 40 miles SE of Philadelphia.
- Fertile valley at junction of several important trade routes.



REVELATION 3:14 – 22

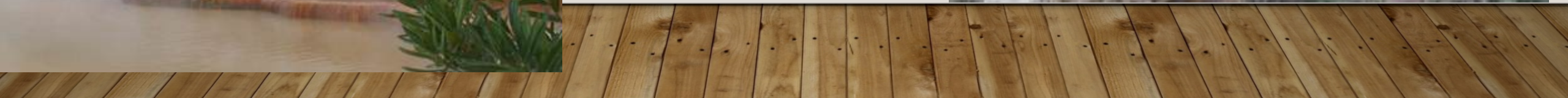
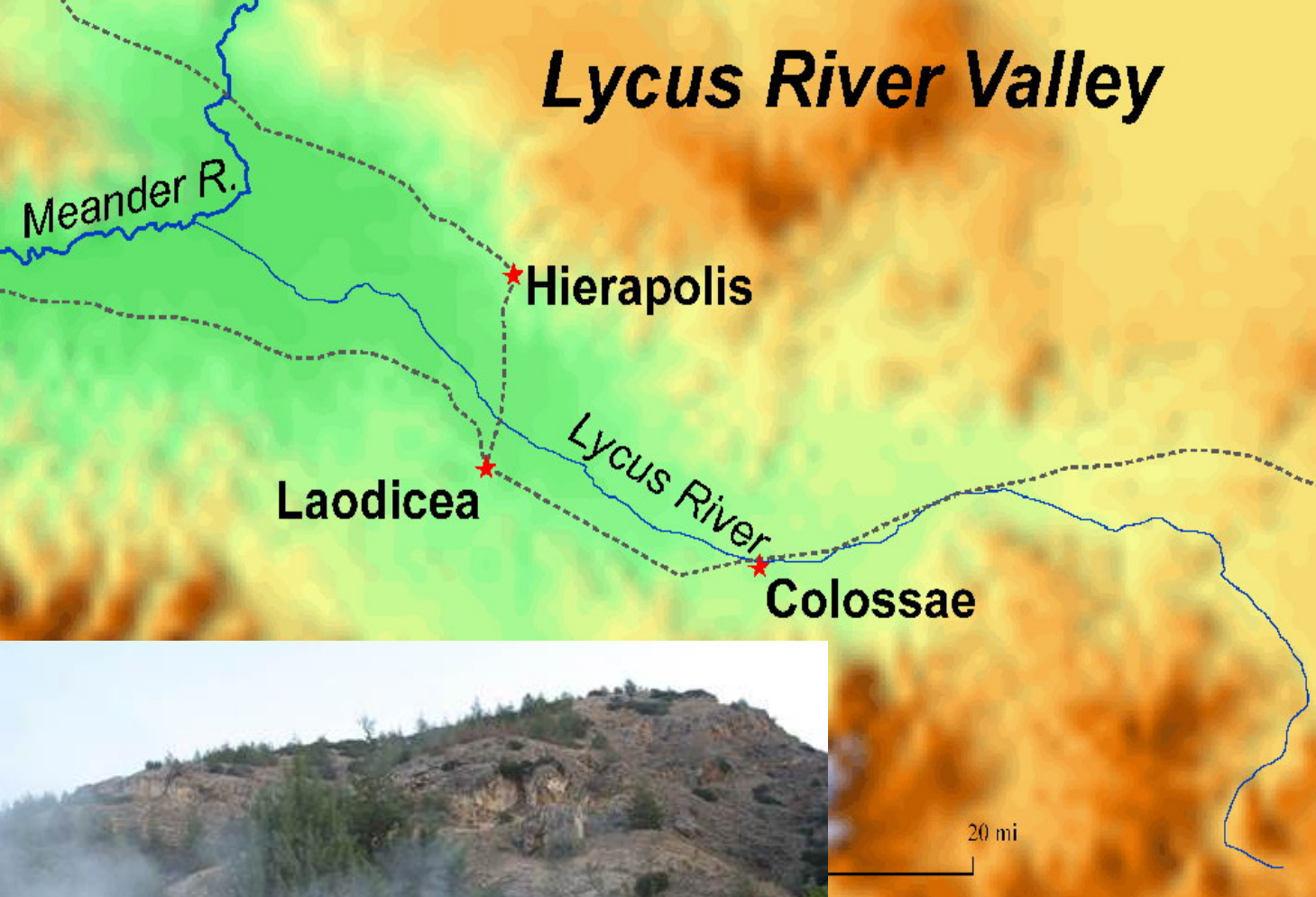
14 “And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, ‘These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God: 15 “I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. 16 So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth. 17 Because you say, “I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing’—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked— 18 I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. 21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. 22 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”



CHRIST'S MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN LAODICEA:

- Lukewarm
 - Revelation 3:14 – 16

Lycus River Valley



CHRIST'S MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN LAODICEA:

- Lukewarm
- Spiritually destitute
 - Revelation 3:17 – 19
 - Prosperous banking center
 - Revelation 3:17 (rich--poor church)
 - Revelation 3:18 The Lord counsels them like a friend to buy:
 - Gold
 - Colossians 2:1 – 3
 - White raiment
 - Eye salve
 - James 1:25
 - 2 Corinthians 4:18
 - Despite problems, the Lord only corrects in love. (Revelation 3:19)

CHRIST'S MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN LAODICEA:

- Lukewarm
- Spiritually destitute
- Needing to open to the Lord
 - Revelation 3:20 – 22
 - The Lord wants to be in the church (vs. 20)!
 - Let the Lord in to overcome (Rev. 3:21).
 - Hebrews 1:3
 - Acts 2:32 – 36

WHAT TEMPERATURE ARE YOU?

