Character	Personality, etc.	Conflict	Resolution	City
Ursula	Archaeology professor Univ. of Michigan, old roommate of Katharine, single, never married beautiful, funny, charismatic	Depression, lack of enthusiasm, career stalled tired of archaeology, skeptic/saracastic	Finds love with old flame who comes to translate scrolls, begins to believe in archaeology again – value of past informing present; big hit for her career	Ephesus – lost first love, regains it
Katharine	Religion professor, Mainline College, married, reserved, extremely intelligent, but very quiet, tall, plain	Frustration with simplistic faith, fear about Moses Sun, has become somewhat cynical about religion, stuck in her position teaching, menopausal depression	Has a religious experience encountering the vibrant faith explained in the scrolls; and also a transcendental experience on Patmos which redefines her orientation	Pergamum – Healing, worship, white stone renewed faith
Sallie	Retired kindergarten teacher, short, chubby, very social, good at making people laugh, pacifist but not overly concerned about politics never married	Infinitely curious, but tired, lost original commitment to pacifism and service, just wants to rest and enjoy life, but lacks direction and purpose	Inspired by early Christians, realizes the importance of her Brethern roots and recommits to service and peace work	Laodicea luke warm, revitalized
Molly	African American government worker writer, an organizer, progressive, practical, deep person, married with empty nest	Upset about son in military; believes MLK dream of nonviolence, feels black church betrayed Jesus in supporting her son going to war, fear for son, confusion about the future, deep dis-ease with direction of USA	Inspires her to begin to write, death of her son in Iraq fuels the fire within, our of her grief she writes a powerful best seller out of the experience	Smyrna. True to God. Don't fight or support war. Preference for the poor.
Jane	Millionaire, Republican, stock market enthusiast, divorced, bi-sexual with female lover, tall, thin, likes to drink, well-liked	Begins with very wealthy mindset, protective of the American order/military build up and corporate support, cynical about religion, long ago lost faith, along for the fun of it	Becomes close to private investigator tailing Moses Sun. Begins to question things as she sees what he's doing. Finds love, begins to question the American empire at all costs,	Thyratira. Business woman conversion like Lydia; realizes corruption of money/greed
Emily	Young college graduate, planning to go on to graduate school in religion, small, bright, cheerful, seeking, Mennonite background progressive democrat	Searching, confused about relationship with Josh who is a political conservative; in love, upset trying to figure out her future,	Transformation comes when she is shot at during press conference and goes to Patmos, begins to realize faith transcends politics. Josh comes to her and they decide to go into voluntary service together	
Priscilla	Conservative – part of Right wing Christian movement, friendly, devout, divorced grandmother	Simple faith, trying to hold on in the midst of changing times. Finds the views of others challenging her own. Terrified to learn the truth about Moses Sun, who meets with her covertly during the cruise.	Begins to question rigid right wing interpretation. Finds Christian community with those who believe differently. Cooperates to expose Sun to authorities. Sun converts Priscilla is with him	Philadelphia