

Ephesus	From L 289 M, 460 K	fertile;crossroads on trade route, excellent climate, elaborate harbor, great position for commerce, intersection of 2 roads, 224,000, Mouth of Cayster River	Grand marble City, Great Temple of Artemis/Diana one of 7 wonders of the ancient world. Visible from harbor. Big festival in May around temple with games and worship. Many made pilgrimage here. Magical Arts, Poets, philosophers, gowned	Later, the highway of martyrs – all came through Ephesus on way to Rome, Paul stayed here several years. Timothy1:3, bishop. Aquilla, Priscilla and Apollos Acts 18-19-20. Paul to Ephesus. John and Mary?	Lukewarm; I will spit you out. Behold I stand at the door and knock. You say I am rich; I say you are poor. Buy gold refined by fire, white clothes to wear to cover your shameful nakedness; salve on your eyes to see.	The prophecy; the stars; setting	Ursula – reconnects with wonder, love, excitement of archaeology, Joe, love
Smyrna	From E 50 M, 80 K	Three tiered City by the sea. Harbor, plains, foot hills, high hills. Crown with high buildings and temples. West wind,	Planned City. Games in stadium, music, odeum, theater, big library, large Jewish population, Elite chose Jewish women.	Very poor church. Big gap between rich and poor. Had nothing. Havenots. Bishop praised by John. 2	You are poor, yet you are rich. You will suffer persecution, but I will give you a crown. Be faithful. Don't fear the	The Triumphant Lamb: Hope	Priscilla – Realizes that truth in Christianity; not about the powerful, but
Pergamum	From Sm 69 M, 112 K	Spacious valley, 16 miles from the sea, huge aqueduct system, gold mine	Center of medicine, healing tunnel, Temples, Library, medical facility, capital of independent kingdom, origin of parchment – skins of calf. Steep theater with temple Altar	Antipas, early martyr	You remain loyal, even when persecuted> You hold to teachings of Balaam, eating food sacrificed to idols, sex, immorality, false teaching.	A call to worship	Katharine
Thyratira	From Pe 47 M, 76 K	Fertile valley; earthquake rebuildt before AD14 On great Easter Road	Fort/ Economic center. Large Jewish population; bankers; Temple to Apollos. Trade Center. Lydia and textiles. Thrinnaeus	Unopposed compromise with sin. Many Jews became Christians. Not persecuted, got along with the guilds		Resist Empire: Be a faithful witness	Jane
Sardis	From T 38 M, 63 K	Royal road, connecting Sardis with cities to East. Steep hill, hard to access . Earthquake in AD17	Upper city and lower city. Romans helped rebuild. Bath and gym Large, influential Jewish community. Goddess Artemeis	Reputation good, well established and ok with Jewish community later really grew and flourished	Your reputation is that your alive, but you are dead. Wake up! Strengthen, obey, repent. A few okay, but others	The Beast vs. the Lamb	Mollie
Philadelphia	From Sa 29 M 45 K	Plateau by Cogamus River. Fertile ground. In valley of mountainous plaeau. On travel route to pergamum and Laodicea. 17 ad	Brotherly love; Neocasesar (who helped rebuild after earthquake). Wine production, wool, textiles and leather, good relations with	Not much influence, but remained loyal	You have little strength, yet you have kept theWord and not denied Jesus. I will make you a pillar in the temple of	The Plagues	Emily
Laodicea	From Ph 56 M, 90 K		Warm water; like warm. 10 m from Coossae 9cold water) 6 m from Hierapolis (hot springs. Earthquake 60 AD	Crossroads Ephesus/Euphrates. Banking center, much gold, textile industry. Medical school New stadium		The City of God	Sallie