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Historical Background Of Smyrna

Located on the eastern coast of the Aegean Sea, about 40 miles north of Ephesus.

It was known as the most beautiful city in all of Asia Minor.

It was home to a multitude of temples dedicated to various gods, goddesses, caesars, & famous citizens.

It was a hotspot for academia, science, & medicine.

Although a very old city, Smyrna continues to exist today under the Turkish name of Izmir, and Bible-professing Christians still make it home.

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Jesus's Message To Smyrna

Jesus begins by establishing Himself as both divine and authoritative.

He then acknowledges His awareness of the afflictions & poverty they are enduring.

Fake Jews are identified as those who are responsible for the troubles they were facing.

Jesus warns of impending sufferings.

He closes this message by giving the ultimate encouragement of eternal life to those who are faithful and persevere.

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