

Revelation 2:1-7



'THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH OF THE EPHESUS PERIOD' pt. 1

I. The COMMISSION

Note 1: The Ephesus Church Period: Approx: _____ A.D. - _____ A.D.

Note 2: From a doctrinal standpoint, the meaning of the name of each of the seven churches is actually God's _____ of what was taking place in that period of history from His _____.

Note 3: The name Ephesus means: _____.

Note 4: God's eternal purpose is for His creation to bear His _____ and bring Him _____.

WHY THE CHURCH OF EPHESUS WAS FULLY PURPOSED

- They had directly and indirectly been influenced by the _____ of the Apostles.
- They had been directly and indirectly influenced by the _____ of the Apostles.

THE APOSTLE'S EXAMPLE

- An example of _____.
- An example of _____ and _____.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE APOSTLES

In 44 A.D. _____ was killed with the SWORD.

In 52 A.D. _____ was CRUCIFIED.

In 60 A.D. _____ was killed with the SWORD.

In 60 A.D. _____ was CRUCIFIED on a "X" shaped CROSS

In 63 A.D. _____ (the Less) was beaten to death.

In 69 A.D. _____ was sentenced to be CRUCIFIED upside down.

In 69 A.D. _____ was beheaded.

In 70 A.D. _____ was severely TORTURED and beheaded with an axe.

In 70 A.D. _____ was thrown into an OVEN and ran through with spears.

In 74 A.D., _____ (the Canaanite) was CRUCIFIED.

In 74 A.D., _____ was BEATEN to death with STICKS by pagan priests.

In 95 A.D. _____ was exiled to die alone on the Isle of Patmos.

II. The CHARACTER

III. The COMMENDATION

THE COMMENDATION OF THE CHURCH IN THE EPHESUS CHURCH PERIOD

A. They were a _____ - _____ church.

THE WORK OF THE EPHESUS CHURCH PERIOD

- The spread of the _____.
- The establishing of _____.
- The spread of the _____.

B. They were a _____ church.

THE PERSECUTION OF THE CHURCH IN THE EPHESUS CHURCH PERIOD

1. The martyrdom of _____ Acts 7
2. The beginning of the _____ - _____ persecution. Acts 9:1
3. The persecution under _____ Acts 12:1-2
4. The persecution under _____.
5. The persecution under _____.
6. The severe persecution of Believers around _____ A.D.

C. They were an _____ church.

WHAT THE CHURCH IN THE EPHESUS PERIOD DID NOT TOLERATE

- They were intolerant of _____.
- They were intolerant of _____.
- They were intolerant of _____.

IV. The CONDEMNATION

V. The CORRECTION

VI. The CALL

VII. The CHALLENGE