# ESCHATOLOGY

# THE STUDY OF LAST THINGS

LESSON 2

#### SIGNS OF THE LAST DAYS IN THE CHURCH

- I. THE AGE OF THE GENTILES:
  - A. ROMANS 11:11-25
- II. THE APOSTASY IN THE CHURCH
  - A. 1 TIMOTHY 4:1-2
  - B. 2 TIMOTHY 3:1-9
- III. THE HINDRANCE TO THE REVEALING OF THE MAN OF SIN
  - A. 2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-10
  - B. MATTHEW 16:18, 19; JUDE 21-23
- IV. THE RETURN OF THE LORD
  - A. 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

## THE TIMING OF THE CHURCH DEPARTURE

- I. PRE–TRIBULATION
- II. MID-TRIBULATION
- III. POST-TRIBULATION

### THE RETURN OF THE LORD

- I. TO RECEIVE THE CHURCH
  - A. 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-17
- II. TO ADMINISTER JUDGMENT ON THE NATIONS
  - A. REVELATION 19:11-15

	CHURCH	DATE (APPROX.)	MEANING OF NAME	COMPLAINT	COMPLIMENT	PROMISED REWARD
1	EPHESUS Rev 2:1-7	A.D. 31–100	Desirable, Lovely	Lost first love	Hate deeds of Nicolaitans	Tree of Life
2	SMYRNA Rev 2:8-11	A.D. 100–313	Sweet fragrance, Myrrh	None	Rich in good works	Crown of Life, Escape second death
3	PERGAMOS Rev 2:12-17	A.D. 313–538	Height, Elevation, "By marriage"	Tolerance of Baalism, idolatry, and immorality	Not denied Christ's name or faith	Hidden manna, White stone, New name
4	THYATIRA Rev 2:18-29	A.D. 538–1500s	Perfume of labor, Sweet savor of sacrifice	Tolerance of "Jezebel," idolatry, and immorality	Good works, love faith, and patience	Power over the nations
5	SARDIS Rev 3:1-6	A.D. 1500s—1790s	Those escaping or remaining	Dead works	A few are not defiled	White raiment, Book of Life
6	PHILADELPHIA Rev 3:7-13	A.D. 1790s—1840s	Brotherly love	Little strength	Kept Christ's Word; Not denied Him	Kept from the hour of trial, Pillar in temple, Name of God
7	LAODICEA Rev 3:14-22	A.D. 1840s— Second Coming	Judging of the people or a just people	Lukewarm experience, Spiritually poor, blind, and naked	None	Sit with Christ on His throne, Sup with Christ



