

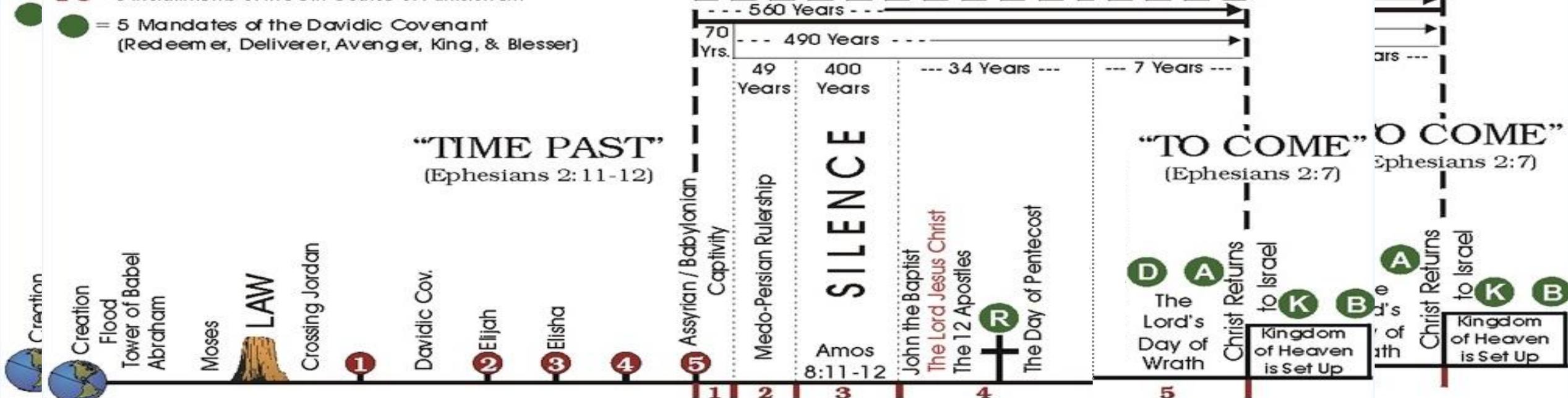
GOOD MORNING!

Matthew 10

**The Seven Churches in
Revelation**

- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES



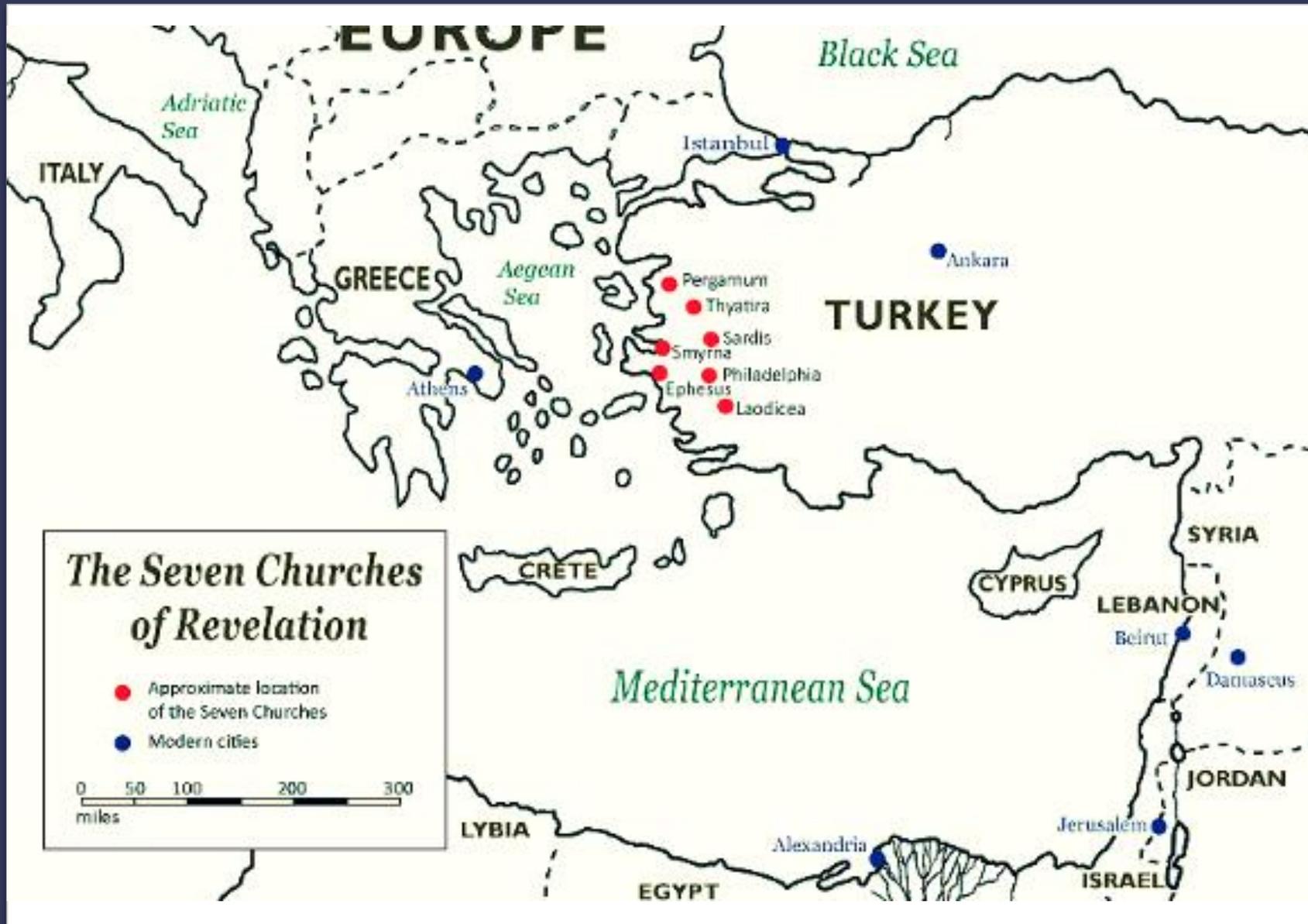
ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"
 THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 22	2 Kgs 10:32 to 10:31	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles				Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.					

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7 Churches of Revelation

- Believing faithful element.
- Believing unfaithful element.
- Unbelieving element.

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Ephesus: Rev. 2:1-7

Commendation: They were vigilant against false prophets and teachers (Mat. 7:15; 10:16), enduring persecution for His Name's sake. (Mat. 10:22).

Accusation: They were not fully displaying the fruits of repentance—support and care for fellow believers (Lk. 3:7-14) and loving others more than Christ, who should be their chief or best love (Mat. 10:37).

--giving to fellow believers is giving to Christ, their first love (Mat. 10:40-42).

Chastisement: Removal of candlestick, the source of light in that area (Mat. 5:14-16).

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Smyrna: Rev. 2:8-11

Commendation: They displayed the fruit of repentance even in the midst of severe persecution and poverty, while under attack from Satan's policy of evil against them even unto death, remembering that they are rich in God's things (Mat. 6:19-34; 10:39)

Accusation: None

Reward: Remain faithful unto death and they will receive the Crown of Life—resurrection into the Kingdom, esp. the New Jerusalem.

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Pergamos: Rev. 2:12-17

Commendation: Even though they are in a seat of Satan, they have held fast to His Name and not denied Him (Mat. 10:22, 32-33).

Accusation: Some were compromising with Satan's policy of evil represented in Balak and Balaam, who when he couldn't get God to curse Israel to keep her out of the land, corrupted her from the inside with fornication and idolatry.

Chastisement: Repent or receive chastisement from the Lord.

Reward: All believers (those who overcome--1 Jn. 5:4-5) will receive from Christ (the true manna) the daily sustenance and a new name (Mal. 3:17).

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Thyatira: Rev. 2:18-29

Commendation: He knows their works, love, service, faith and works—they were increasing not diminishing.

Accusation: They were not responding strongly enough against a an unrepentant false prophetess who would end up leading them astray and into idolatry.

Chastisement: God will cast her and look into the hearts of others who follow her, casting them out into the extremity of the Tribulation without protection.

Reward: Believers (those who overcome--1 Jn. 5:4-5) and who keep His works faithfully unto the end (Mat. 10:22) will be made rulers of the nations in the Kingdom.

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Sardis: Rev. 3:1-6

Commendation: None

Accusation: Rather operating for Christ's Name, they are operating to promote their own name. They were forgetting, not holding fast the Gospel of the Kingdom.

Chastisement: Repent or Christ will dispense rapid judgment.

- Reward:**
- a. Those unfaithful believers (those who overcome— 1 Jn. 5:4-5) who repent will be clothed in white and will not be put to death during the Tribulation and will be confessed before the Father (Mat. 10:32; Lk. 12:8-9).**
 - b. Those faithful believers who never defiled their garments in the first place shall walk with Christ in white. They are worthy (Mat. 10:37).**

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Philadelphia: Rev. 3:7-13

Commendation: They have kept His Word and not denied His Name.

Accusation: None

Chastisement: None

Reward: As a faithful element of the believing remnant, they will be given a door of deliverance from the most intense part of the Tribulation Period, perhaps removing them from earth before that (Rev. 7:14?). Their enemies will be made their footstools. They will be made pillars in the Temple of God where they will permanently reside in the City of God, the New Jerusalem.

7 Churches of Revelation and Matthew 10

Laodicea: Rev. 3:14-22

Commendation: None.

Accusation: They were lukewarm, not committed to Christ and the Gospel of the Kingdom, wavering between the Lord and Baal, compromising with the pleasures of the world. (1 Kgs. 18:21)

Chastisement: They will be cast away, handing them over to the world that will go through that Great Tribulation.

Reward: For those who returned to the Lord after being tried through the fire of these trials, valuing His things as their true riches (Mat. 6:19-34), they will be rich, clothed in white, have their shame removed, and their blindness removed.