

Smyrna

Overcome Your Fear and Remain Faithful!

THE IMAGE OF JESUS

“The words of the first and the last, who died and came to life”

- How does this describe the nature of Jesus?
- What other Scripture backs this up?

THE CITY OF SMYRNA

- Describe some important historical aspects of Smyrna.
- What law created the threat of death for Christians?

WHAT JESUS SEES

- Smyrna is under tribulation (persecution). What is the state of Christian persecution in today’s world?
- If the Christians in Smyrna are in abject poverty, how can Jesus call them rich?
- Why are so many persecuted Christian churches spiritually rich?
- The Christians were slandered. What does slander mean?
- Do we still have “synagogues of Satan” in our midst? How so?
- Pol____, a student of the Apostle _____, was martyred under persecution.
- Why should we not fear suffering?
- How are we to understand that the “the devil is about to throw some of you into prison”?

THE PROMISE

- How do we receive His promise?
- What does crown of life mean? How does that tie into both the city of Smyrna and to Jesus?
- What does Second death mean?

