

EYE WITNESSES OF THE END TIMES—10a

“Jesus as LEADER in the midst of the churches”

Revelation 2:2-3:22

Introduction. _____

II. SECONDLY, NOTICE HOW THE LEADER LOOKS AT SMYRNA, THE _____ CHURCH (Revelation 2:8-11).

A. First, notice the _____ of the church.

B. Secondly, note the _____ of the church (2:9-10a).

1. First, they were attacked _____ (2:9a)
“I know thy works and tribulation . . .”

2. Secondly, they were attacked _____ (2:9b) *“I know thy . . . poverty.”*

3. Thirdly, they were attacked _____ (2:9c) *“I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.”*

4. Fourthly, they were attacked _____ (2:10) *“Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold the devil will cast some of you into prison, that ye be tried: and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”*

a. First, the church is to be _____ (2:10d)
“ . . . that ye be tried . . .”

b. Secondly, there is to be a divine _____ or restriction (2:10e) *“ . . . and ye shall have tribulation ten days . . .”*

C. Thirdly, consider the _____ of the church (2:10-11). *“Fear not of those things which thou shall suffer . . .”*

1. First, because of the blessing in sharing in Christ’s _____ (2:10c) *“ . . . be thou faithful unto death . . .”*

2. Secondly because of the blessing of sharing in Christ’s _____ (2:10f-11) *“ . . . and I will give thee a crown of life. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.”*

Notice the two promises that Jesus gives to this church:

a. First, there is the promise of _____ supremacy (2:10f) *“Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”*

b. Secondly, there is the promise of _____ security (2:11b) *“He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.”*