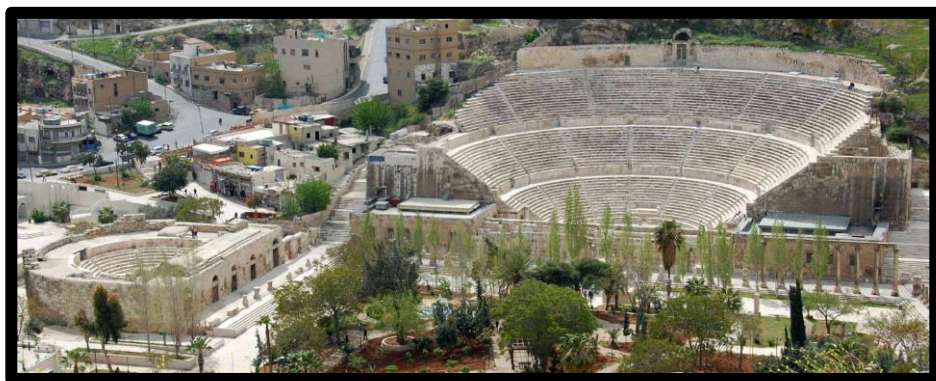


Philadelphia of Asia Minor. A city of the Roman province of Asia, situated on the Cogamus River, a southeastern tributary of the Hermus River. The Cogamus River valley was rich in agriculture, but subject to severe earthquakes, one of which destroyed the city in 17 AD. To encourage rebuilding of the city, the emperor Tiberius suspended the city's payment of tribute for five years, an act which was later honored by the city's adoption of the imperial name *Neocaesarea*.



The Roman Forum of Philadelphia, as seen from atop the Citadel of Amman. A large theater dominates the site, with a collonaded street in front. To the left of the theater is the Odeon, a smaller theater used for musical performances.

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church
Sunday, January 8, 2023

Sermon Outline

The Lord Commends And Rebukes Trouble In Seven Of His Selected Churches!" Pt. 6

- Revelation 3:7-13 -

(The Lord Commends Philadelphia)

- I. THE LORD ADDRESSES THE CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA, v-7
 - A. To the Leader Of The Church, v-7a
 - B. He Identifies Himself as God, v-7b;
Holy and True, Cf. Rev. 4:8; Jn. 14:6
 - C. He Has The Sovereign Authority To The Kingdom As Messiah, v-7c; Cf. 2 Sam. 7:16
 - D. He Tells Them He Has The Absolute Authority Over The Entrance To The Kingdom, v-7d
 - E. He Tells Them That He Knows Their Deeds, v-8a
--Acceptable to God, Eph. 2:10
 - F. He Calls Their Attention To The Fact That He Has Set Before Them An Open Door, v-8b
 - G. He Explains To Them Why He Did This, v-8c
 1. Even Though They Were A Small Church
 - a. They kept His Word and
 - b. They had not denied His Name
 - H. He Promises To Make The Synagogue Of Satan Who Claim To Be True Jews But Who Are Lying, Bow Before Them And Know That He Loved Them, v-9; Cf. Rom. 2:28, 29