MESSAGES FROM THE

REVELATION 1-3

King of Kings
PERGAMUM

“The Lax Church”

Revelation 2:12-17
HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

1. Located about 75 miles north of Ephesus and 45 miles north of Smyrna. Was the provincial capital of the area prior to Ephesus becoming the capital.

2. Was called the “Cathedral City” and “City of Temples” because of the many pagan temples in the city. On a hill above the city stood a large throne-like altar & temple to the false god Zeus.

3. Had an extensive library with about 200,000 volumes.

4. Was the first place parchment was used for writing.
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a. Remained true to Christ’s Name
b. Didn’t renounce their faith in Christ
LESSON: In the face of external threats, we need to stand strong in our faith in Christ.
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4. COMMANDS/CORRECTIONS (16)
   a. Command: “Repent”
   b. Consequence for failure: 
      …Christ will deal strongly with them
LESSON: We must never compromise on the clear truths of Scripture.
5. COMMITMENTS (17)
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   a. Will receive Hidden Manna
   b. Will receive a White Stone
   c. Will receive a New Name
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