

## Revelation #9

### Rev. 2:8-11

Location and Distinction (modern Izmir)

Imperative demanded of Ephesus?

Is the imperative demanded of Smyrna?

Where else does it occur?

Where else does it not occur?

?Pattern:

Inclusio

Reciprocal

Antithesis

Frame

Interface with Christ in his history/story

Life

Death

Poverty

Riches

Tribulation

Blasphemy

First

Last

Interface with Smyrna's history/story

Death → Life

Faithful

Crown

Who is the true "Israel of God"? (cf. Gal 6:16)

Martyrdom of Polycarp (ca. 155 A.D.)