



### The Candlestick and Seven Churches Addressed in Revelation

- Sometime following the martyrdom of the Apostle Paul, in approximately 66/67 AD, the Apostle John pastored the **Church at Ephesus** before his exile to the Isle of Patmos.
- From there John received and penned the Book of Revelation, in the timeframe of 95/96 AD, and sent it to the Seven Churches represented on the above candlestick.
- However, John clearly states that he was caught up in “spirit” (his spirit through the Holy Spirit) to the Day of the Lord.
- This agrees with the origin of the “Seven Churches of Asia,” according to Acts 19, 20 and 28. The order of Ephesus being addressed first was confirmed by the Lord Himself in Revelations 1, 2 and 3 and was continued through the Church Age, and on the Lord’s Day, as stated in Rev 1:10.
- This confirms that Ephesus constituted the “middle shaft,” or “in the midst,” of the Churches in the Book of Revelation.
- Review Special Study Chart [“Turning with the Apostle John.”](#)