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OF REVELATION*



Lost Love

Revelation 2:1-7

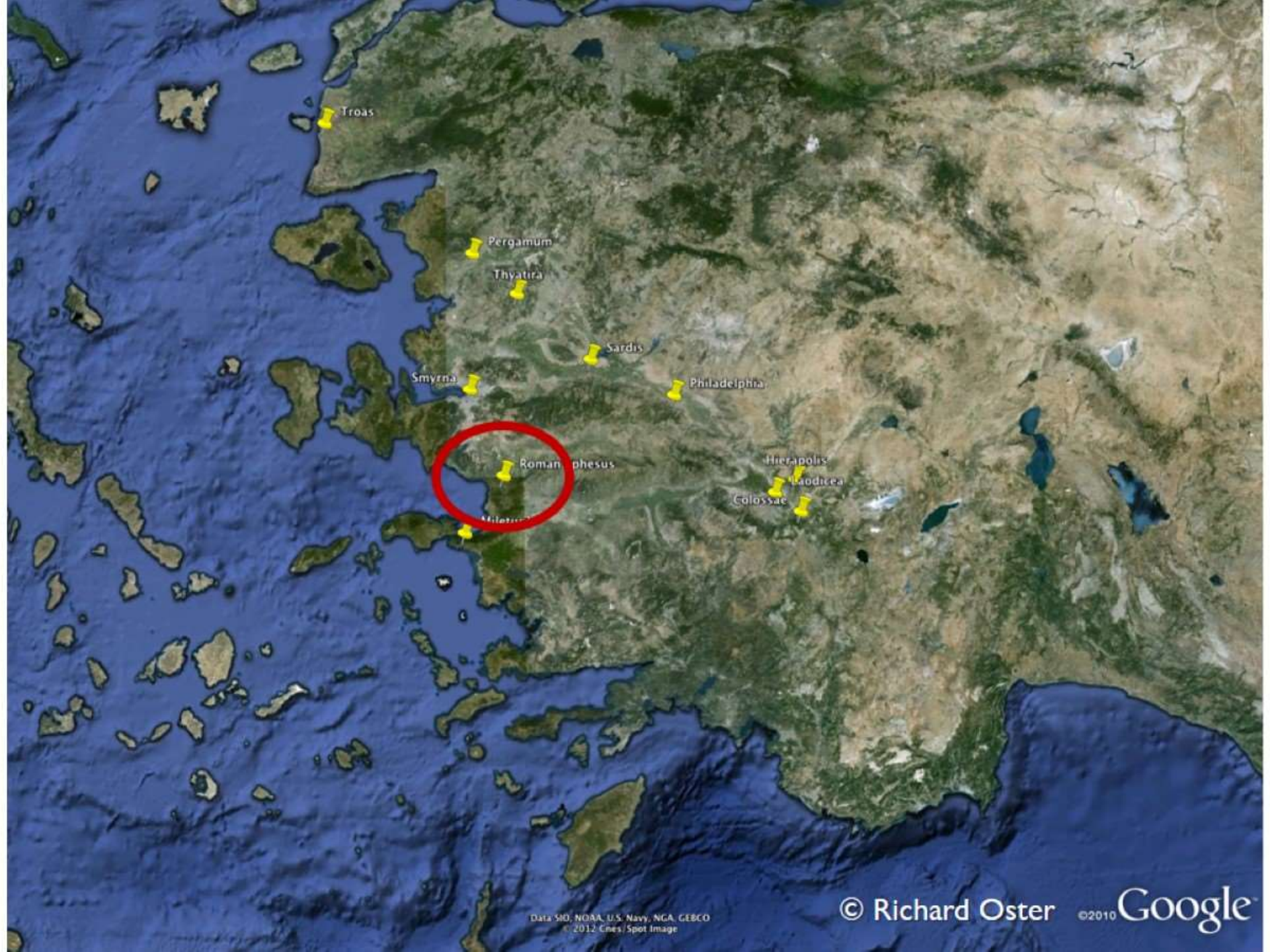
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Seven Congregations
IN A ROMAN CRUCIBLE

A COMMENTARY ON REVELATION 1-3



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Revelation 2:1 “To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: The One who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks among the seven golden lampstands, says this: **2** ‘I know your deeds and your toil and perseverance, and that you cannot tolerate evil men, and you put to the test those who



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call themselves apostles, and they are not, and you found them to be false; **3** and you have perseverance and have endured for My name's sake, and have not grown weary. **4** But I have this against you, that you have left your first love. **5** Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds



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you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent. **6** Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. **7** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.



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WHEN THE PREACHER

IS "DRY AS DUST"







“Queen of the East”



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**They lost their
first love.**



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**They needed to
remember and
restore.**



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**What happens
when we “lose
our love?”**



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