

7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION

Let's look at the seven churches of Revelation, considering the following which was spoken to John: "What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches" (Revelation 1:11).

Seven Churches List:

1. Ephesus
2. Smyrna
3. Pergamos
4. Thyatira
5. Sardis
6. Philadelphia
7. Laodicea

Revelation Chapter 2:1-7 : The church in Ephesus is praised for doctrinal purity and endurance, but it is rebuked for its loss. Ephesus was a port city on the west coast of Asia. The city's landmark was the temple of Artemis.

Revelation Chapter 2:8-11: The church in Smyrna is encouraged to remain faithful as they endure persecution. Roman Smyrna (modern Izmir) was a harbor city.

Revelation 2:12-17: believers at Pergamum remain faithful during persecution,

but they allow false teachings. Pergamum was a important center for pagan and imperial religion.

I wanted to share this note as it's very encouraging that I found:

Revelation 2:17: as GOD fed Israel in the wilderness YAHUSHUA supplies hidden manna to the one who conquers. A white stone was given too winners of athletic content to gain entrance to banquets. White stones were also used by jurors to vote for acquittal. The manna and the white stone suggest different kinds of eternal blessings and rewards.

Revelation 2:18-29- Thyatira is praised for its growing love but is criticized for its lack of discernment and for allowing false teaching. The city was a commercial center. It's main industries were metals and fabric. (acts 16:14)

Revelation 2:19-20- Thyatira's strengths and weaknesses are the opposite of those at Ephesus. This church is strong in love, evidenced in works, but it lacks discernment and tolerates false teachings. The self-proclaimed prophetess who encourages idolatry and immorality resembles jezebel of Thyatira . Jezebel married Israel's king Ahab and imposed Baal worship in the kingdom. (1 kings16:30-33,19:1-2.)

Revelation 3:1-6: the church is Sardis has a few who remain faithful, but their faith does not result in good works. Most of the impressive Roman era remains

now visible at Sardis were constructed by the empire Tiberia after the tragic earthquake of 17 a.d. the empire Tiberia helped sponsor reconstruction efforts earning greater local renown for himself. In johns' day the structure included a theater a stadium a central marble road and many temples.

Revelation 3: 2-3: The church in Sardis is near death, but not beyond YAHUSHUAS ability to wake them up. Twice in its history Sardis had been Conquered when its watchmen failed to see the enemy climbing its cliffs and walls, so the people knew the importance of alertness like a thief.

Revelation 3:7-13: Philadelphia is praised for enduring faith. In recognition for the aide after the earthquake in 17 A.D>, the city was briefly renamed Neocaesarpa. Which means, Ceasor's new city. YAHUSHUA promises a suffering church infantilely greater name, "The city of my GOD" , the New Jerusalem ". Philadelphia lies near a Fertal valley known for growing wine grapes.

Revelation 3:14-22: Laodicea is criticized for its spiritual maturity. The city was a commercial center, it had thriving medical and textile Industry. It was so wealthy that it declined imperial disaster relief after, the earthquake in 60 a.d. The city did not see itself as, poor, blind, and naked". But YAHUSHUA does not find anything in its church to praise. Laodicia was famous for its worship for
Zes.

Revelation 3:15-16: The church's lukewarm indifference was disgusting to YAHUSHUA. Cold and hot water, both represent something positive, for cold water refreshes in the heat and hot water gives warmth in the cold.

All seven churches were in the region of Asia Minor. In what modern-day country is this region?

Iraq

Syria

Turkey

Egypt

Paul wrote one of his New Testament letters to one of the churches mentioned in these chapters. Which one?

Ephesus

Philadelphia

Sardis

Pergamum

To whom is each letter addressed?

the congregation of the church

the pastor of the church

the angel of the church

the elders of the church

At the end of each letter, a promise is made to the one who does what?

obeys		God's		word
trusts	God	to	the	end
overcomes				

'He who has an ____, let him ____ what the Spirit says to the churches'. Write the two words that complete this New International Version quotation, in order and with a space between them.

Only two of the seven churches receive praise without any criticism. Which two are they?

Pergamum	and	Philadelphia
Ephesus	and	Smyrna
Smyrna	and	Sardis
Philadelphia and Smyrna		

In which church are those who overcome promised 'a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it'?

Philadelphia
Pergamum
Thyatira
Laodicea

The Christians of which church are praised because they have kept God's word and not denied his name, although they have little strength?

Sardis
Ephesus
Smyrna
Philadelphia

Perhaps the best known verse in these two chapters is Revelation 3:20, which reads,

'Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.'

To which of the seven churches is this written?

Ephesus
Laodicea
Sardis
Pergamum

How many of the seven cities mentioned in Revelation 2-3 still have a significant Christian population today?

7
2
4
none

Answer

Key:

1.Turkey
2.Ephesus
3.the
4.overcomes

angel

of

the

church

5.ears
6.Philadelphia
7.Pergamum
8.Philadelphia
9.Laodicea
10.none

and

hear
Smyrna

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