

7 Letters to the 7 Churches

<u>Church</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Aprox Time</u>	<u>Era</u>	<u>Name Meaning</u>	<u>Lesson</u>
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Ephesus= the Apostolic Church, 70-82ad, era of transition, "Darling", Lesson = devotion more than doctrine

Rev 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Smyrna = Persecuted Church, 82-442ad, era of persecution, "Embalming Spice", Lesson = endure persecution

Rev 2:11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

Pergamum=Married Church, 442-802ad, era of accommodation, "Mixed Marriage", Lesson = stand fast against the world

Rev 2:17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

Thyatira= Medevil Church, 802-1162ad, era of compromise, "Babylon Mysteries", Lesson= abhor pagan practices

Rev 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

Rev 2:27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

Rev 2:28 And I will give him the morning star.

Rev 2:29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Sardis= Denominational Church (late reformation), 1162-1522ad, era of corruption, "In Name Only",
Lesson = watchfulness and diligence

Rev 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Rev 3:6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Philadelphia= Missionary Church,1522-1822ad, era of Revival, "Brotherly Love", Lesson = outreach

Rev 3:8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. [**Rev 4:1**]

Rev 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation (Rapture) which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

Rev 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Rev 3:13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Laodicea = The Apostate Church, 1882ad>, era of complacency, "People Rule", Lesson = repent, turn back to God

Rev 3:15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

Rev 3:16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. [**Mat 7:21>:23**]

Rev 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Rev 3:22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

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