

**THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION, Chapters 2 & 3**

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| <b><i>Ephesus</i></b><br><b>(2:1-7)</b>       | The One who holds the seven stars in His right hand and walks in the midst of the seven candlesticks | Reputation for works, labor, and endurance; intolerant of evil; tested false teachers; hated the practices of the Nicolaitans | Abandoned their first love  | Remember, repent, and do the works done at first   | Given the right to eat from the tree of life   |
| <b><i>Smyrna</i></b><br><b>(2:8-11)</b>       | The First and the Last; was dead and is now alive  | Enduring tribulation, poverty, slander, and imprisonment  | —   | Do not fear persecution, being faithful unto death   | Given the crown of life; will not be harmed by the second death.   |
| <b><i>Pergamum</i></b><br><b>(2:12-17)</b>    | The One who has the sharp, double-edged sword  | Holding onto Jesus' name; not denying the faith in face of persecution  | Tolerating the teachings of Balaam and of the Nicolaitans.                    | Repent   | Given the hidden manna and a white stone with a new name inscribed on it   |
| <b><i>Thyatira</i></b><br><b>(2:18-29)</b>    | Son of God, the One whose eyes are like a fiery flame and feet are like fine bronze                  | Love, faithfulness, service, and endurance; current works are greater than the first  | Tolerating teachings of Jezebel, leading to sexual immorality and idolatry    | Repent; hold on to what you already have until I come  | Given authority over the nations and the morning star  |
| <b><i>Sardis</i></b><br><b>(3:1-6)</b>        | One who has seven spirits of God and the seven stars   | —   | Are dead; works are incomplete  | Remember what you received, keep it, and repent; be alert                                      | Dressed in white clothes; name secured in book of life; acknowledged before the Father.                                      |
| <b><i>Philadelphia</i></b><br><b>(3:7-13)</b> | The Holy One, the True One, the One who has the key of David, who opens and no one closes            | Keeping Jesus' word and not denying His name despite limited strength   | —   | Keep on enduring; hold on to what you have   | Kept from the hour of testing; made a pillar in the sanctuary of My God; inscribed with the name of My God and new Jerusalem |
| <b><i>Laodicea</i></b><br><b>(3:14-22)</b>    | The Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Originator of God's creation                            | —   | Neither cold nor hot, but lukewarm; wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked | Buy from Jesus refined gold, white clothes, and ointment for the eyes; be committed and repent | Fellowship with Him; right to sit with Jesus on His throne   |

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