

BEWARE THE LAMB



THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST 7 Churches Summary

7 Churches Chart

Letter	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Name	EPHESUS	SMYRNA	PERGAMOS	THYATIRA	SARDIS	PHILADELPHIA	LAODICEA
Theme	Maiden of Choice; Darling	Might, Suffering-Death	Mixed / Improper Marriage	Unrepentant Continual Sacrifice	Flamant, First Ones	Love of / for the Brethren	Rule of the People
To	Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write.	And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write.	And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write.	And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write.	And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write.	And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write.	And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write.
I AM	These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks.	These things saith the first and the last, who is dead, and is alive.	These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with his right edge.	These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet like a fine brass.	These things saith he that hath the seven spirits of God, and the seven stars.	These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth, and shutteth, and no man openeth.	These things saith the Amen, the first and the last, who is the beginning of the creation of God.
I know	I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil; and thou hast tried them which I know they are apostates, and are not, and hast found them liars: And hast borne, and hast patience, and thou hast loved my name, and hast not laboured, and hast not hated.	I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art not rich), and know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.	I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my name, even in those days when Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.	I know thy works, and thy charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last is better than the first.	I know thy works, and thou hast a name that thou lovest, and art dead.	I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot, I would thou wert cold or hot.	I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot, I would thou wert cold or hot.
Blat	Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.	Remember therefore how thou hast received, and how thou hast kept, and how thou hast observed the commandments which I have given thee, that thou hast hated the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.	But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.	Nevertheless I have a few things against thee, because thou sellest thine own soul to receive a wage, and thou hast not hated the counsel of the woman Jezebel, which teacheth and seduceth my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I will give her space to repent of her fornication, and she repented not.	I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou lovest, and art dead.	I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot, I would thou wert cold or hot.	I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot, I would thou wert cold or hot.
Will	Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent. But this thou hast, that thou hast the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.	Fear none of those things which shall come upon thee: the devil shall not overcome thee, neither shall he have tribulation nor death, and I will give thee a crown of life.	Repent, or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.	Repent, or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.	Remember therefore how thou hast received, and how thou hast kept, and how thou hast observed the commandments which I have given thee, that thou hast hated the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.	Remember therefore how thou hast received, and how thou hast kept, and how thou hast observed the commandments which I have given thee, that thou hast hated the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.	Remember therefore how thou hast received, and how thou hast kept, and how thou hast observed the commandments which I have given thee, that thou hast hated the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.
Close	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.	He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.
Overcometh	To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.	He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.	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 name written, which no man knoweth, saving he that receiveth it.	And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, he shall have power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of a potter; and they shall be broken to shivers: even as they speak I will put upon him the name of my Father: And he will give him the morning star.	He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.	He that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out, and 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 will write upon him my new name.	To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I have overcome, and sit with my Father in his throne.
Close							

Letters to the 7 churches: “TO”

	TO	GK	Name Meaning	Theme
Rev 2:1	Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write;	--	Maiden of Choice; Darling	Doctrine exalted over Relationship; Kingdom work to the exclusion of the King
Rev 2:8	And unto the angel of the church X Smyrna write;	--	Myrrh; Suffering-Death	Suffering
Rev 2:12	And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write;	en	Mixed / Improper Marriage	False doctrine; Departure from the Word of God
Rev 2:18	And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write;	en	Daughter; Continual Sacrifice	Compromise with the World (Paganism); Seeking after Power and Earthly Treasure
Rev 3:1	And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write;	en	Remnant; Red Ones	Not being watchful; Depending on a false Security
Rev 3:7	And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write;	en	Love of / for the Brethren	Steadfastness; Faithful; Separation
Rev 3:14	And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write;	--	Rule of the People	Deceived; Confidence in Self and Temporal Comforts

Acts 17:11 1 Thes 5:21

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Letters to the 7 churches: “I AM”

	Written to	I AM	Ref
Rev 2:1a	EPHESUS	he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand,	Rev 1:16, 20
Rev 2:1b	EPHESUS	he who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;	Rev 1:12, 20
Rev 2:8a	SMYRNA	the first and the last	Rev 1:8, 11, 17
Rev 2:8b	SMYRNA	he which was dead, and is alive;	Rev 1:5, 18
Rev 2:12	PERGAMOS	he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;	Rev 1:16
Rev 2:18a	THYATIRA	the Son of God,	Rev 1:6
Rev 2:18b	THYATIRA	he who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire	Rev 1:14
Rev 2:18c	THYATIRA	he whose feet are like fine brass;	Rev 1:15
Rev 3:1a	SARDIS	he that hath the seven Spirits of God	Rev 1:4
Rev 3:1b	SARDIS	he that hath the seven stars;	Rev 1:16, 20
Rev 3:7a	PHILADELPHIA	he that is holy,	
Rev 3:7b	PHILADELPHIA	he that is true,	
Rev 3:7c	PHILADELPHIA	he that hath the key of David,	Rev 1:18
Rev 3:7d	PHILADELPHIA	he that openeth, and no man shutteth	Rev 1:18
Rev 3:7e	PHILADELPHIA	he that shutteth, and no man openeth;	Rev 1:18
Rev 3:14a	LAODICEA	the Amen,	
Rev 3:14b	LAODICEA	the faithful and true witness,	Rev 1:5
Rev 3:14c	LAODICEA	the beginning of the creation of God;	Rev 1:8, 11, 17

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Letters to the 7 churches: "I Know"

++ I Know ++	EPHESUS Rev 2:2-3, 5b	SMYRNA Rev 2:9	PERGAMOS Rev 2:13	THYATIRA Rev 2:19	PHILADELPHIA Rev 3:8
thy works thy charity thy labour thy service thy faith thy patience thy tribulation	thy works thy labour thy patience	thy works thy tribulation	thy works	thy works thy charity thy service thy faith thy patience	thy works
where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is:			where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is:		
thy poverty, (but thou art rich)		thy poverty, (but thou art rich)			
how thou canst not bear them which are evil	how thou canst not bear them which are evil				
thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.	thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars	the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.			
thou hast borne thou hast patience how for my name's sake hast laboured	thou hast borne thou hast patience how for my name's sake hast laboured				
thy works; and the last to be more than the first.				thy works; and the last to be more than the first.	
have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it:					I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it:
thou hast a little strength, thou hast kept my word, thou holdest fast my name, thou hast not denied my name.			thou holdest fast my name,		thou hast a little strength, thou hast kept my word, thou hast not denied my name.
thou hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.			thou hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.		
thou hast not fainted, but this thou hast, thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.	thou hast not fainted, but this thou hast, thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.				
		<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> See the Lord's criticism of the church of Pergamos Deeds become Doctrine </div>			
SMYRNA and PHILADELPHIA had nothing negative said of them. SARDIS and LAODICEA had nothing good said of them.					

Letters to the 7 churches: "Nevertheless"

-- Nevertheless, I have a few things against thee - I know --	EPHESUS Rev 2:4	PERGAMOS Rev 2:14	THYATIRA Rev 2:20	SARDIS Rev 3:1	LAODICEA Rev 3:16
<i>I know:</i>	Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee because	But I have a few things against thee, because	Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because		
thy works that thou hast a name that thou livest thou art dead.				thy works that thou hast a name that thou livest thou art dead.	thy works
that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.					that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.
<i>Because:</i>					
thou hast left thy first love thou hast them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to teach and to seduce my servants to eat things sacrificed unto idols to commit fornication. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication, and she repented not.	thou hast left thy first love	thou hast them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols to commit fornication.	thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to eat things sacrificed unto idols to commit fornication.		
thou also hast them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.		thou also hast them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.			
		<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Compare to the Lord's commendation of the church of Ephesus </div>			
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Ep. Then Watch, Behold	EPHESUS Rev 2:5	SMYRNA Rev 2:10	PERGAMOS Rev 2:16	THYATIRA Rev 2:32	SARDIS Rev 3:3	PHILADELPHIA Rev 3:9	LAODICEA Rev 3:16
Because				Behold,	Be watchful,	Behold,	So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor
I am going to				I will cast her into a bed, and then that commit adultery with her into great tribulation,		I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do so; Behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have	I will spue thee out of my mouth
You do this					strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die;		
Because					for I have not found thy works perfect before God.		Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing, and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked,
You do this	Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen,	Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer:			Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hast fast		I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire,
Because		Behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried,					that thou mayest be rich,
You do this							and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed,
Because							and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear, and shalt thine eyes with eyesalve,
You do this						Because thou hast kept the word of my patience,	that thou mayest see.
I will						I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth	As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten;
You do this	Repent		Repent	except they repent of their	Repent.		be zealous therefore, and repent.
You do this if you don't	do the first works, except thou repent.						
Then I will	I will come unto thee quickly I will remove thy candlestick out of his place		I will come unto thee quickly I will fight against them with the sword of my mouth,	And I will kill her children with death, All the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: I will give unto every one of you according to your works: but unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden,	I will come on thee as a thief, Thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.	Behold I come quickly:	Behold, I stand at the door, and knock
But if you							If any man hear my voice, and open the door,
Then							
Hold on		ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death,		But that which ye have already hold fast, till I come.			hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.
Promise		I will give thee a crown of life,			Thou shalt not wear these things: they shall walk with me in white: for they are		I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
Footnote	But this thou hast, that thou hated the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate						

Letters to the 7 churches: "To HIM / HE that overcomes"

	EPHESUS Rev 2:7	SMYRNA Rev 2:11	PERGAMOS Rev 2:17	THYATIRA Rev 2:26-29	SARDIS Rev 3:5-6	PHILADELPHIA Rev 3:12-13	LAODICEA Rev 3:21-22
Close		He that heareth an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;					
Overcomer's Promise	To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.	He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.	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.	And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, 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. And I will give him the morning star.	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.	Him that overcometh, 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.	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.
Close					He that heareth an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;		

Note: Promises are to individuals;
Uses 'personal pronouns' – He / Him;
Not to churches or groups: You / They / Them

The final 4 churches.

THE CURRENT FALSE CHURCH – Heresy and compromise in the church

- **Thyatira** who is warned that unless they repent they **will be** cast “into great tribulation”.

THE CURRENT DEAD RELIGIOUS CHURCH – Rapture surprises them

- **Sardis** who is then warned to hold fast and repent or “I will come on thee as a thief; and **thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.**
(SURPRISE !!! It was really true all along... Cf: 10 virgins in Matthew 25 ???)

THE CURRENT PATIENT, FAITHFUL CHURCH – No wrath, No time of temptation

- **Philadelphia** is promised to be **kept “from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon the whole world, to try them that dwell upon the earth”**
(cf: 1 Thes 5 - Children of the day; not night)

THE JUDGED APOSTATE CHURCH – Organized church during the tribulation ???

- **Laodicea** is told it will be spewed out of the Lord’s mouth. The Lord’s **appeal changes from an appeal to the church to an appeal to ‘any man’ who hears His voice and opens the door.**... Matthew 10:32 / Luke 12:8

Check out Matthew 13 and be prepared for some surprises.

Seven Churches

To Churches - Signed			
	Individuals		
	Titus		
	Philemon		
	Timothy (1/2)		
	Hebrews (unsigned)		
	Jesus	Paul	?? Theme ??
	Ephesus	Ephesus	Doctrine over Love
	Smyrna	Philippians	Joy Throughout Suffering
	Pergamos	Corinthians (1/2)	Mixed Marriage with the world
	Thyatira	Galatians	Abandoned truth
	Sardis	Romans	Form without substance
	Philadelphia	Thessalonians (1/2)	Looking for Jesus return
	Laodicea	Colossians	Apostasy; Broken relationship

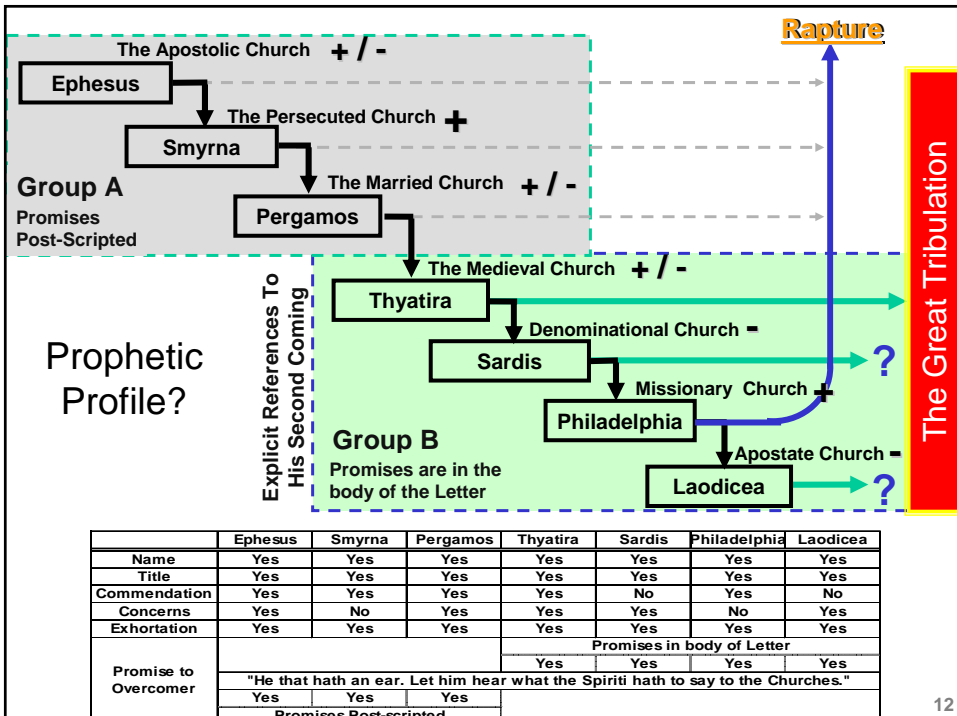
7 Letters- 7 Kingdom Parables

The 7 Church Letters

<u>PAUL</u>	<u>JESUS</u>	<u>The 7 Kingdom Parables</u>
Ephesus	Rev. 2 & 3	Matthew 13
Philippians	Ephesus	The Sower and 4 Soils
Corinthians	Smyrna	The Tares and the Wheat
Galatians	Pergamos	The Mustard Seed
Romans	Thyatira	The Woman & the Leaven
Thessalonians	Sardis	The Treasure in the Field
Colossians	Philadelphia	The Pearl of Great Price
	Laodicea	The Dragnet

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Letters to Seven Churches

PAUL

Ephesus
Philippians
Corinthians
Galatians
Romans
Thessalonians
Colossians

JESUS

Rev. 2 & 3

Ephesus
Smyrna
Pergamos
Thyatira
Sardis
Philadelphia
Laodicea

The Seven Kingdom Parables

Matthew 13

The Sower and 4 Soils
The Tares and the Wheat
The Mustard Seed
The Woman & the Leaven
The Treasure in the Field
The Pearl of Great Price
The Dragnet

Paul's letters to Individuals

Titus
Philemon
Timothy (1st / 2nd)
Hebrews (Unsigned)

Written by others

James
Jude
1 / 2 Peter
Matthew
Mark
Luke - Acts
John - 1/2/3 John - Revelation