



7 CHURCHES

REVELATION 1-3



SARDIS

REVELATION 3:1-6



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¹“To the angel of the church in Sardis write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars. I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead. ² Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have found your deeds unfinished in the sight of my God. ³ Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

⁴ Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. ⁵ The one who is victorious will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out the name of that person from the book of life, but will acknowledge that name before my Father and his angels. ⁶ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.



“The safest road to Hell is the gradual one—the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts.”

C.S. LEWIS, *THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS*



REVELATION 3:1b

I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.



REVELATION 3:2b

I have found your deeds unfinished in the sight of my God.



MATTHEW 15:8-9

- 8 “These people honor me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.
- 9 They worship me in vain;
their teachings are merely human rules.”



REVELATION 3:3b

But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.



REVELATION 3:1a

These are the words of him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.



REVELATION 3:2a

Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die...



REVELATION 3:3a

Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent.



REVELATION 3:4-5

⁴ Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. ⁵ The one who is victorious will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out the name of that person from the book of life, but will acknowledge that name before my Father and his angels.



EZEKIEL 3:20

Again, when a righteous person turns from their righteousness and does evil, and I put a stumbling block before them, they will die. Since you did not warn them, they will die for their sin. The righteous things that person did will not be remembered, and I will hold you accountable for their blood.



EZEKIEL 33:13a

If I tell a righteous person that they will surely live, but then they trust in their righteousness and do evil, none of the righteous things that person has done will be remembered...

