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Finding Yourself in John's Revelation

Sardis: Quit Playing Church

Revelation 3:1-6

I. The Sobering Reality (2-4).

Many churches are comprised of a remarkably varied membership.

- 1. Converted but Carnal (2)
- 2. Counterfeit (3)
- 3. Converted and Committed (4)
- II. The Stern Rebuke (3:1).

A church that fails to consistently address the issue of "authentic membership" will ultimately become a "dead" church.

- 1. The Subject of this rebuke (1).
- 2. The Source of this rebuke (1).
- 3. The Severity of this rebuke (1).
- III. The Savior's Response (3:2-5).

Christ has a clear word for each person in the church.

- 1. To the Converted but Carnal (2).
- 2. To the Counterfeit (3).
- 3. To the Converted and Committed (4-5).
- IV. The Serious Consideration (6).

The Lord's closing challenge brings two questions to the forefront:

- 1. Do I care?
- 2. Am I confident?