

**What is this
a picture of?**



**Why do you
gather there?**



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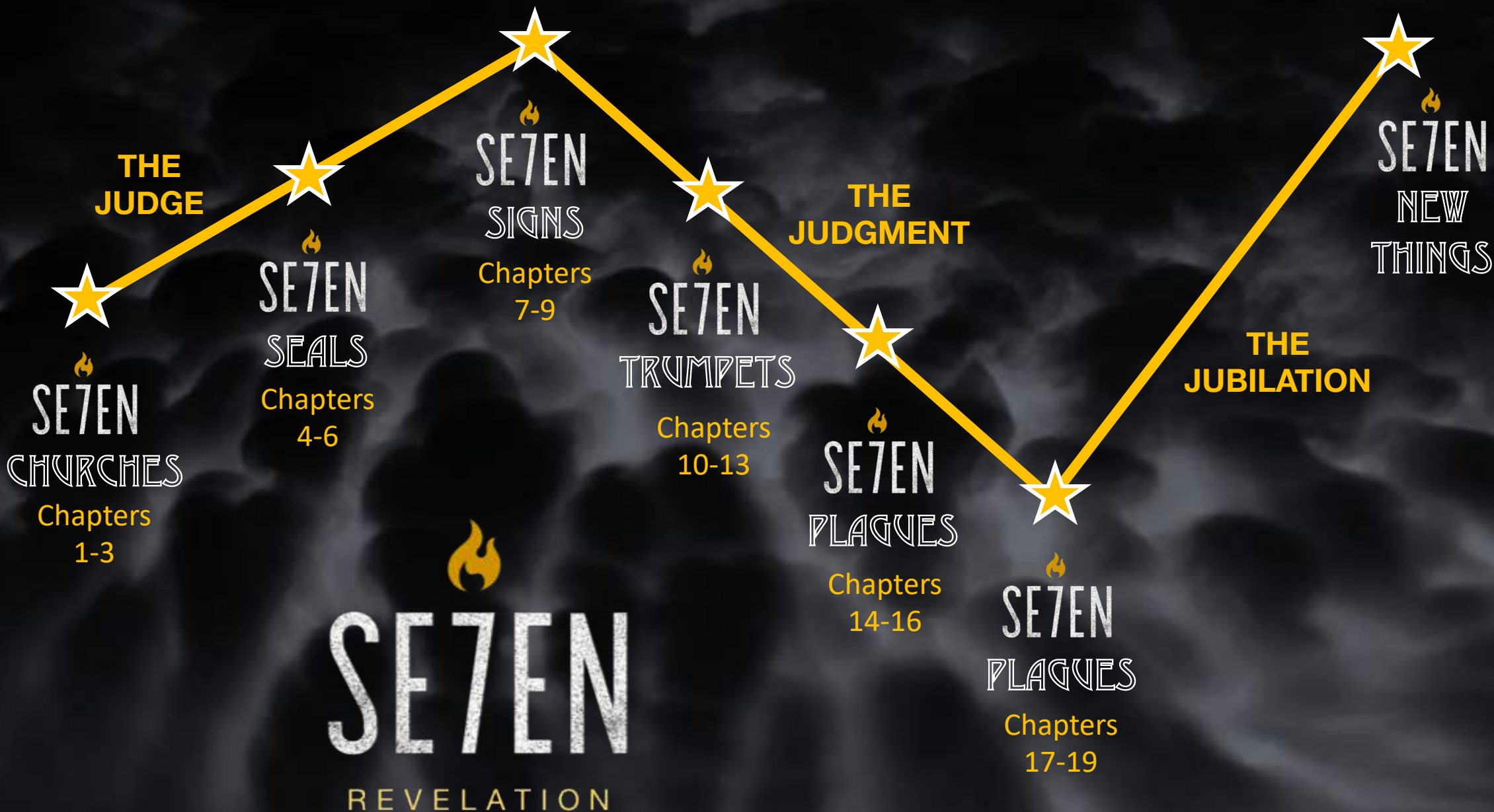
Part of the Body
Uniquely Gifted
Called to One Another
Held Accountable
Commanded to Gather





SEVEN

REVELATION





SEVEN CHURCHES

Part 1

modern day
TURKEY

- **Historical Letters**
- **Praise for 6 of 7**
- **Rebuke for 5 of 7**
- **Incentive for 7 of 7**



- 1. Greeting**
- 2. Jesus**
- 3. Praise**
- 4. Rebuke**
- 5. Warning**
- 6. Incentive**
- 7. Promise**





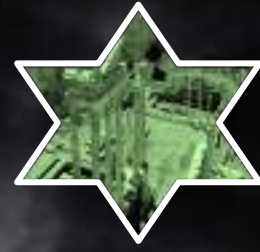
EPHESUS

CHURCH



SMYRNA

CHURCH



PERGAMUM

CHURCH



THYATIRA

CHURCH



SARDIS

CHURCH



PHILADELPHIA

CHURCH



LAODICEA

CHURCH



To the angel of the church in **EPHESUS** write:



TITLE

**The words of Him
who holds the seven stars
in his right hand, who walks among the
seven golden lampstands.**



PRAISE

I know your works,
your toil and your patient endurance, and how
you cannot bear with those who are evil, but
have tested those who call themselves apostles
and are not, and found them to be false.



PRAISE

I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary.



REBUKE

**But I have this against you,
that you have **abandoned the love**
you had at first.**



WARNING

Remember therefore
from where you have fallen;
repent, and do the works you did at first.



INCENTIVE

**If not, I will come to you and
remove your lampstand
from its place, unless you repent.
Yet this you have: you hate the works of
the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.**



PROMISE

He who has an ear, let him hear

what the Spirit says to the churches.

**To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of
the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.**



TREE OF LIFE

IF WE ONLY KNEW


SE7EN
REVELATION



LOVELESS in EPHESUS

Remember

Repent

Repeat

1. **GREETING** Church in Ephesus
2. **TITLE** One Who Holds the Seven Stars
3. **PRAISE** Tireless Discernment
4. **REBUKE** Abandonment of Love
5. **CHALLENGE** Remember, Repent, Repeat
6. **WARNING** Removal of Lampstand
7. **INCENTIVE** Eat of the Tree of Life!

LOVELESS CHURCH

**What if Jesus wrote
our church a letter?**

EPHESUS

“You abandoned your first love.”



KNOWN FOR LOVE

REMEMEMBER...

REPENT...


REPEAT...





RE:NEW CHURCH


MERCHANDISE


modern day
TURKEY

 Pergamos


 Smyrna

 Ephesus

 Thyatira

 Sardis

 Philadelphia

 Laodicea


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To the angel of the church in **SMYRNA** write:



TITLE

**The words of the first and the last,
who died and came to life.**



PRAISE

I know your tribulation and your poverty
(but you are rich) and the slander of those
who say that they are Jews and are not,
but are a synagogue of Satan.



NO REBUKE

Do not fear
what you are about to suffer.



WARNING

Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, **that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation.**



SOLUTION

**Be faithful unto death,
and I will give you the crown of life.**



PROMISE

**He who has an ear, let him hear what the
Spirit says to the churches.**

**The one who conquers
will not be hurt by the second death.**

ABUNDANT LIFE

IF WE ONLY KNEW


SE7EN
REVELATION



SUFFERING in SMYRNA

HE KNOWS
HE SEES
HE REWARDS

1. **GREETING** Church in Smyrna
2. **TITLE** One who Died & Rose Again
3. **PRAISE** Suffering Well
4. **REBUKE** None
5. **CHALLENGE** Remain Faithful
6. **WARNING** The Devil is Coming
7. **INCENTIVE** Crown of Life!

SUFFERING CHURCH

**What if Jesus wrote
our church a letter?**

SMRYNA

“Be faithful, even unto death”



STAY FAITHFUL

HE SEES...


HE KNOWS...


HE REWARDS...





RE:FUGE CHURCH


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To the angel of the church in

PERGAMUM

write:



TITLE

The words of Him
who has the sharp two-edged sword.
I know where you dwell,
where Satan's throne is.



PRAISE

**Yet you hold fast my name,
And you did not deny my faith
even in the days of Antipas my faithful
witness, who was killed among you,
where Satan dwells.**



REBUKE

**But I have a few things against you:
you have some there who
hold the teaching of Balaam,**



REBUKE

Who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, so that they might eat food sacrificed to idols and practice sexual immorality.



REBUKE

**So also you have some who hold
the teaching of the Nicolaitans.**

Therefore, repent.



INCENTIVE

**If not, I will come to you soon and
war against them with the sword of my mouth.
He who has an ear, let him hear what the
Spirit says to the churches.**



PROMISE

To the one who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a **new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it.**



NEW NAME

IF WE ONLY KNEW



WORLDLY in PERGAMUM

Be Courageous
Be Repentant
Be Different

1. **GREETING** Church in Pergamum
2. **TITLE** Sharp Two-Edged Sword
3. **PRAISE** Dwell in Difficulty & Tragedy
4. **REBUKE** False Teaching & Fornication
5. **CHALLENGE** Repent!
6. **WARNING** I'll wage war with my mouth
7. **INCENTIVE** Your New Name!

The image shows the exterior of a large, modern church building. The building has a white, corrugated metal upper section and a lower section with large glass windows and brick pillars. The words "WORLDLY CHURCH" are written in large, bold, black letters on the white upper section. In the foreground, there is a paved parking lot and some landscaping with green bushes and trees. The sky is blue with a few white clouds.

WORLDLY CHURCH

**What if Jesus wrote
our church a letter?**

PERGAMUM

“You are tolerating sin.”



BE DIFFERENT

Be Courageous... Be Repentant... Be Different...



RE:ENFORCE CHURCH



EPHESUS

**LOVELESS
CHURCH**



SMYRNA

**SUFFERING
CHURCH**



PERGAMUM

**WORLDLY
CHURCH**

**He who has an ear, let him hear what
the Spirit says to the churches.**

He who has an ear, let him hear what
the Spirit says to the churches.

EPHESUS HEART

Remember | Repent | Repeat

He who has an ear, let him hear what
the Spirit says to the churches.

SMYRNA STRUGGLE

Remain Faithful | God Sees This



He who has an ear, let him hear what
the Spirit says to the churches.

PERGAMUM PROBLEM

Be Courageous / Be Repentant / Be Different



EPHESUS

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CHURCH**



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