Churches of Revelation Overview

Ephesus 2:1

A separated church without love 2:2,4

Christ- in control of and among the churches

Smyrna 2:8

Persecuted church 2:9-11

Christ-the resurrected one who brings hope and life

Pergamos 2:12

Allowed and participated in paganism

NOTE: Hidden manna- spiritual nutrition

white stone- stone of acquittal, declaration of innocence

new name- Christ is the source of our innocence

Christ- 2:12 the Word that is sharp and cutting (Heb. 4:12)

Thyatira 2:18

The tolerant and liberal church

2:25-29 power to overcome from Christ

Christ- 2:18 fire/brass points to the righteous judge

Sardis 3:1

Names not blotted from book of life. This was a register of living citizens; their names were only removed at death. The point? This will never happen to believers.

Christ- 3:1 Jesus has all wisdom, full spiritual wisdom.

Philadelphia 3:7

No condemnation is given to this church, it is protected and empowered to serve by Christ, 3:8-10.

Pillars see 7:15, 11:19 these will be in God's presence eternally

Christ- the one who empowers and provides areas of service.

Laodicea 3:14

Lukewarm, not what God expected, they were spiritually indifferent, 3>17, Christ was on the outside. Rev. 3:20 is not a gospel verse.

Christ- The faithful, all powerful, unchanging witness.