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The Seven Churches Of Asia

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1. EPHEBUS.

Coastal

For: Works. Patience. Abhor evil. Try teachers. Hast not fainted.

Against: Hast left thy first love. Hast left thy first works.

Warning: Remember first love, repent, do first works.

Reward: if obey: Eat of the tree of life.

NOW: In deserted ruins. Turkey. DEAD.

2. SMYRNA.

Coastal
40 miles north of Ephesus

For: Works. Tribulation. Poverty. Suffer more. Imprison. Persecution.

Against: NONE

Warning: Be faithful even to the death.

Reward: Give thee a crown of life. Not hurt of second death.

NOW: City living in 1889. Professed Christians. 70,000

3. PERGAMOS.

Coastal
60 mi. N.E. of Smyrna.

For: Works. Holds fast to Christ's name. Not denied the faith. Antipas slain.

Against: Tolerate teachers of doctrine of Balaam: meat, fornication.

Tolerate teachers of Nicolaiten s immoral doctrine.

Warning: Repent, or I'll fight you with sword of my mouth.

Reward: Give hidden manna. Give white stone: innocent.

NOW: City living in 1889. 3,000 Christians.

4. THYATIRA.

Interior
50 mi. S.E. of Pergamos.

For: Works. Love. Service. Faith. Patience. Last works more than 1st.

Against: Permit Jezebel to seduce members by false doctrine: meat offered to idols. commit fornication. Results of cheap peering.

Warning: Hold fast till I come.

Reward: Will give you power over the nations.

NOW: Living. 13,000 citizens. 3,000 professed Chr.

5. SARDIS.

Interior
40 mi. S.E. of Thyatira

For: Works. Few names there who are not defiled.

Against: Have a name, but are dead. Works not perfect before God.

Warning: Be watchful. Repent. Hold fast.

Reward: Clothed in white raiment. Not blot name out of book of life. Confess you before Father & Angels.

NOW: Deserted today? DEAD.

6. PHILADELPHIA.

Interior
45 mi. E of SE from Sardis

For: Works. Holding fast Christ's name. Not denied the faith.

Against: NONE

Warning: Hold fast, that no man take thy crown.

Reward: Keep thee from hour of temptation. Make you a pillar in temple of God. Write upon him the name of God.

NOW: 18,000 citizens. 3,000 Christians.

7. LAODICEA.

Interior
48 mi. S.E. of Philadelphia

For: Works. Lukewarm.

Against: Brag of exalted condition, while are wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked.

Warning: Buy gold of Christ and white raiment, anoint eyesalve.

Reward: I will let him sit with Me at my Father's throne.

NOW: 3 dead. 4 living: DEAD.

Church told to:

1. Remember first love.
2. Do first works.
3. Be faithful even unto death.
4. Repent and get rid of false teachers.
5. Be watchful. Hold fast.
6. Let no man take thy crown.

Rewards Offered:

1. Eat of the tree of life.
2. Give thee a crown of life.
3. Save you from eternal death.
4. Give hidden manna.
5. Give a white stone.
6. Give you power over nations.
7. Clothe you in white raiment - righteousness.
8. Keep name in book of life.
9. Confess you before His Father.
10. Keep thee from hour of temptation.
11. Make you a pillar in the temple.
12. Write upon you the name of God.
13. I will let you sit with me at my father's throne.